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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Byron Shire Council is developing a new Community Strategic Plan (CSP) to guide long term future planning to meet the needs and aspirations of the community. Council's existing CSP is due for a major review, having been first endorsed in 2012 and undergoing a minor review in 2016/17. This is an opportunity for a fresh approach to long term strategic planning, driven by community input, and as such a comprehensive engagement program entitled *Our Byron Our Future* has been designed and is currently being implemented.

This Engagement Outcomes Report details community feedback in phase one of the engagement program, from November to mid-December 2017. The Report illustrates key themes, issues and priorities of the community, as gathered during the initial phase of community engagement. This feedback will be used to create a draft CSP, and also serves as a mechanism for reporting back to the community about what has been said so far. The report details the various types of activities undertaken and participation numbers across the engagement activities.

ENGAGEMENT OBJECTIVES

The overall phase one engagement objectives were to:

- Inform the community and stakeholders about the development of a new CSP
- Provide an opportunity from the outset for the community and stakeholders to be involved in the development of the new CSP
- Seek input on a long-term vision for Byron Shire
- Gain a better understanding of local community issues and priorities
- Hear from as many people across the Shire as possible
- Hear from a diverse range of individuals and groups
- Provide opportunities for both face to face and online engagement

ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES AND PARTICIPATION

The first phase of engagement commenced in early November 2017 and concluded on 19 December 2017. The total number of people who actively participated in the engagement process was 2,769 people – 265 people attended a workshop, 883 people engaged online and using social media, 420 people attended an interactive pop up activity and 3 people provided a written submission.

In conjunction with the *Our Byron Our Future* engagement, activities targeting local businesses and 'hard to reach' people were carried out. These activities comprised of a business survey which had 895 participants and a Harwood community engagement approach run by the Mullumbimby and District Neighbourhood Centre which directly engaged 303 people living in the post code 2483.

In addition to those who actively participated, there was also a high level of awareness of the *Our Byron Our Future* engagement program achieved through advertising, publicity and online activity. This included two videos posted on Facebook which received over 8,500 combined views.



Figure 1 - Our Byron Our Future branding

Table 1

Engagement type	Number of participants
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Staff engagement survey	14
Business survey	895
Harwood community engagement approach	303
Written submissions	3
Total	2,769

The *Our Byron Our Future* engagement program has included the following activities to date:

- Community, stakeholder, Progress Association, Masterplan and Village Guidance Group, and
- Community Roundtable workshops
- Interactive pop-up activities
- Councillor workshops and briefings
- Aboriginal Services Coalition meeting
- Staff workshop, survey and forum
- Online survey
- Online ‘Big ideas for Byron Shire’ activity
- Online ‘Stories of Byron Shire’ activity
- Social media posts, videos and discussion
- Survey for local businesses
- Mullumbimby and District Neighbourhood Centre - Harwood community engagement approach

KEY THEMES

The key themes which have emerged from the community, and which will be used to inform the Draft CSP, include:

- Desire for improvements to infrastructure, with an emphasis on fixing local roads

Managing growth and change while protecting the lifestyle which makes living in Byron Shire unique

- Providing strategies to ensure living in Byron Shire is affordable for locals and future generations, and to ensure young people don’t have to move from the area due to lack of employment or housing options
- Balancing the benefits and impacts of tourism in a sustainable manner which provides maximum value for the local community
- Providing opportunities and support for greater levels of community lead involvement and empowerment in local decision making
- A lack of trust in Council decision making, and a feeling that past feedback has been ignored or not acted upon by elected Councillors and staff
- A feeling of inequitable resource allocation across the Shire, with a feeling that the Byron Bay town centre receives more resourcing and service than other parts of the Shire
- Ensuring the natural environment is protected and that Council supports the community to develop climate friendly initiatives
- Investigating opportunities and strategies to improve transport across the Shire
- Greater support and promotion of arts and cultural programs across the Shire



The key themes were common across all types of engagement, whether it be face-to-face, online engagement or engagement with local businesses. The local community are very passionate about maintaining the culture and lifestyle which makes Byron Shire unique, and feel strongly about the themes and issues listed above and their potential to impact this culture and lifestyle.

Across the engagement activities a lack of trust with Council and its staff did emerge, with the key reason for this being lack of response and action during previous engagement activities. There was also a perception or feeling that resources were not fairly distributed across the Shire, with a sense that the Byron Bay town centre received a greater, unproportionable share of services and infrastructure than other parts of the Shire.

The community is also passionate about being involved in the decision-making process, and there were many instances where a community lead approach to achieving long term aspirations was put forward, including through resident associations, community groups, mentoring programs, resourcesharing initiatives, among other suggestions. While the community did articulate several issues which they feel need addressing, there was also a strong desire to provide solutions to these issues through innovation, partnerships between community and Council and through lateral thinking.

NEXT STEPS

This report will be made available to the community for comment, and all participants and the wider community are invited to provide input on the outcomes presented. The report can be read in conjunction with the Strategic Issues Paper. A draft CSP is currently being prepared by Council and will go on exhibition as part of phase two of the engagement process.

The second phase of engagement will also feature a deliberative democracy engagement process run by newDemocracy Foundation, along with engagement on a well-being indicators framework. Council is in the process of developing a community wellbeing indicators framework.

The community will be asked to provide feedback on elements of this framework, with a view to developing a baseline of community wellbeing for future use as part of an independent process. This survey will take place in the second phase of engagement, and feedback received will be used to inform the final CSP.

There will be opportunities for the community to provide input towards the draft CSP, and this feedback will be used to prepare the final CSP, which must be adopted by Council by 30 June 2018, along with an updated four-year Delivery Program and one-year Operational Plan.

Council is committed to engaging with the community throughout the whole process of developing the new CSP and will continue to provide opportunities for the community to have input until its adoption in 2018.

2.1. ENGAGEMENT PURPOSE

Council is developing a new Community Strategic Plan (CSP) which will guide how Council works towards meeting the needs and aspirations of its community now and in the future. It is essential that this plan is based on community involvement and feedback, and a comprehensive engagement program has been developed and is being implemented with the purpose of making sure this happens.

A CSP is required under the state government's Integrated Planning and Reporting (IP&R) Framework. Council's existing CSP is due for a major review, having been first endorsed in 2012 and undergoing a minor review in 2016/17. This is an opportunity for a fresh approach to long term strategic planning, driven by community engagement. This program of engagement has been branded Our Byron Our Future.

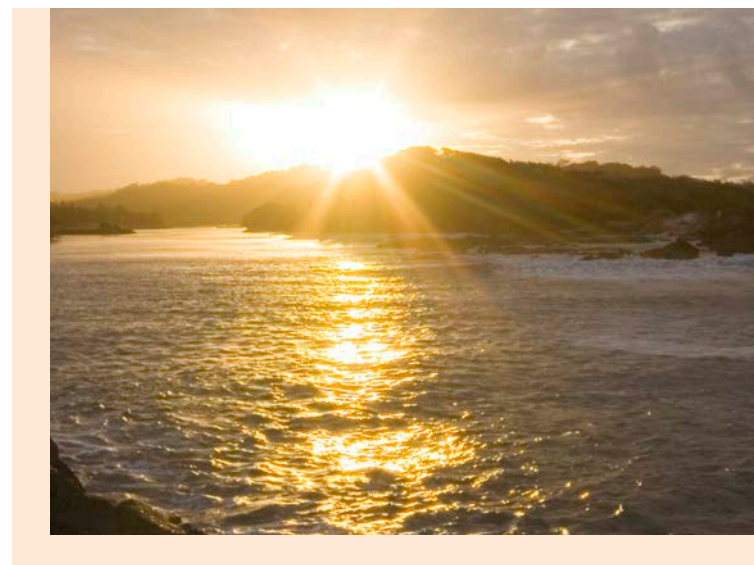
As the CSP applies to all people across the local government area, it has been important to identify all stakeholders and how best to reach them. An engagement program was developed to do this, as well as to highlight possible risks and how to mitigate them, and to define key messaging to create consistency in communications. In addition, a detailed communications plan was prepared to identify mediums and channels to raise awareness of the engagement activities and encourage as much participation as possible from the community.

The engagement program outlined a variety of activities designed to encourage input and participation from a wide range of community members and stakeholders using a variety of engagement methods. This Outcomes Report provides details of those methods and the feedback received through the process to date.

This feedback will be used to develop a draft CSP which will be made available to the community for further input and refinement. This comprehensive, well-resourced and wide-reaching approach to community engagement for Byron Shire's new CSP indicates a high level of commitment from Council to listen to its community and ensure community needs and aspirations are met well into the future.

In summary, the purpose of engaging the community to develop a new CSP is to:

- Provide a program of engagement which will encourage a high level of participation from the Byron Shire community and stakeholders
- Ensure there is a high level of awareness by the community about the CSP review process and the opportunities available to provide feedback
- Provide engagement activities which assist to identify the community's long-term vision for Byron Shire
- Collect a breadth and depth of feedback which will inform the development of the CSP
- Gather feedback and community input which will assist to develop a CSP which clearly articulates the community's vision and long term strategic priorities for Byron Shire
- Seek feedback from multiple stakeholder groups which represent the varying perspectives across the Shire
- Provide opportunities for people who may not ordinarily participate in this type of engagement process to give feedback
- Inform the community of existing Council plans and strategies and clarify if these are congruent with the community's vision for the region



2.2. STRATEGIC CONTEXT

Byron Shire Council is located on the far north coast of New South Wales and has a geographical area of 567 square kilometres. With a 2016 population of approximately 32,800 people and roughly 5,600 dwellings, Council is responsible for delivering a wide range of infrastructure and services across the Shire (*data from Byron Shire .id community profile*).

Byron Shire has a large visitor economy, with approximately 2.1 million visitors annually enjoying the pristine environment, the unique culture and experiencing the feeling of the alternative lifestyle and consciousness shared across the Shire. The visitor and tourist population contribute to the local economy, however this relationship is a complex one, as high visitor numbers do not necessarily translate into revenue which can be spent on maintaining local infrastructure and preserving the elements which make Byron Shire such an attractive place to visit.

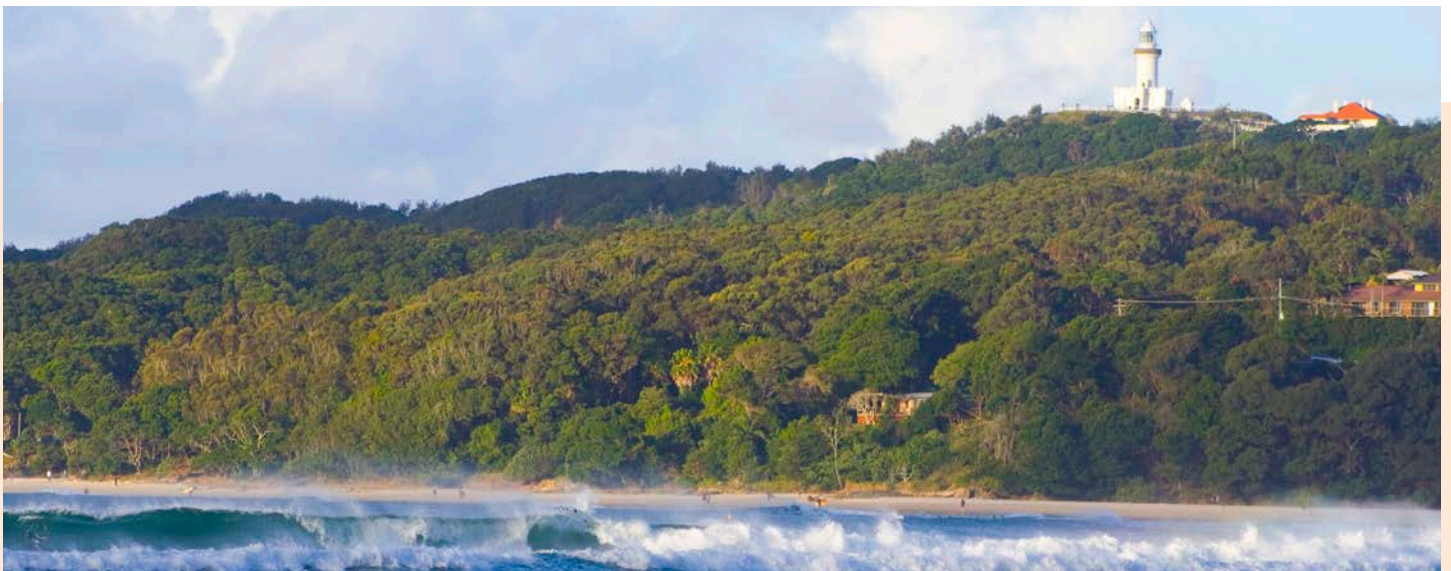
There are approximately 4,000 local businesses and 14,092 local jobs in Byron Shire, though there is an unemployment rate of 8.5% which is slightly higher than the state and national average. There is a rising cost of living across the Shire, and housing affordability and providing suitable and plentiful employment opportunities, particularly for young people, is a challenge.

Generally, the Byron Shire community is an engaged one, with high participation levels in local events, activities and initiatives. A 2016 community satisfaction

survey, supported by recent engagement feedback received by Council, indicates that local people feel strongly about the natural environment, the unique lifestyle of Byron Shire and the inherent sense of community associated with this atmosphere. So far, this feedback has been strongly re-iterated through the CSP engagement process.

Council's most recent End of Term Report (2016), highlights the progress Council has made towards achieving the objectives in its previous CSP. Notable accomplishments include: Council being declared Fit for the Future to stand alone as a financially sustainable Council through adoption of the Council Improvement Program and careful financial management; a major reduction in infrastructure backlog; increased funding and expenditure on major infrastructure, including roads and sports fields; and the adoption of new strategic planning documents to guide the way Council services the community. While achievements have been made in these areas, there appears to be a feeling among the community that improvements and new approaches can be investigated, especially in the areas of roads, sports fields and planning and development.

With this strategic context in mind, an engagement program has been developed to ensure the community is provided opportunities to be actively involved as Council prepares the next iteration of the CSP. This report provides results of the feedback received during engagement activities so far, and also provides an analysis of feedback which will be used to develop long term strategies for future planning.



3. ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES AND PARTICIPATION

3.1. COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

A Communications Plan was developed to maximise community awareness about the engagement program. Council promoted the engagement activities using the following mediums:

- Advertisement in local newspapers
- Notices on Council website
- e-Newsletters to Council database
- Extensive social media posts including paid advertisements featuring images, video and event links
- Your Say Byron Shire website
- Posters and flyers placed in prominent positions across the Shire

- Direct emails to key resident, community and stakeholder groups
- Direct contact with local schools
- Information on local community radio
- Information on digital display screens and kiosks
- Information in Council publications and email signatures
- Media releases
- Mayor blogs
- Letters to stakeholders

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WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF BYRON SHIRE

As Council plans for the next 10 years, we are seeking feedback to help us develop our new Community Strategic Plan. There will be many opportunities in the coming months to have your say on our future.

You can be involved and share your thoughts through the following activities:

- Completing our quick survey
- Sharing your 'Big idea for Byron Shire'
- Entering the 'Stories of Byron Shire' competition
- Entering our photography competition - upload a photo or selfie of your favourite place in Byron Shire using #ourbyron on Instagram or Twitter

For full details of these activities please visit www.yoursaybyronshire.com.au/ourbyron or call Council on 6626 7000

WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU IN PERSON AT ONE OF OUR COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

**16 November 2017
Community Workshop 1**
The Cavanbah Centre
249 Ewingsdale Road, Ewingsdale
10:00am - 1:00pm

**16 November 2017
Community Workshop 2**
Council Chambers
70-90 Station Street, Mullumbimby
5:00pm-8:00pm

**17 November 2017
Community Workshop 3**
Ocean Shores Community Centre
55 Rajah Road, Ocean Shores
10:00am-1:00pm

To attend a workshop please RSVP to ourbyron@byron.nsw.gov.au by 10 November 2017.

We will be popping-up everywhere in the coming weeks – keep an eye out for us in Billinudgel, Ocean Shores, New Brighton, Brunswick Heads, Mullumbimby, Federal, Main Arm, Byron Bay, Bangalow and Suffolk Park. Make sure you come and say hello.

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3.2. ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

This section provides an outline of the activities which formed the first phase of the engagement program which took place during November and December 2017. An analysis and summary of outcomes and feedback generated during this engagement is provided in Section 4 of this report.

3.2.1. FACE TO FACE ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

STAFF WORKSHOP AND FORUM

Council staff participated in a workshop at the start of the engagement process designed to draw upon staff knowledge gained from working with the local community in the everyday course of their work. This workshop also served the purpose of providing engagement training to staff and discussing strategies to reach as many people in the community as possible as Council prepares the new CSP. Staff were also invited to share their vision and priorities for their local area. An all staff forum was also held in mid-November, designed to raise awareness of the CSP engagement process and to encourage staff to share details of the engagement program with the wider community. In most cases it is Council staff who will be delivering the objectives in the CSP, so it is highly important that staff experienced a high level of involvement in the engagement process.

PROGRESS ASSOCIATION AND MASTERPLAN GUIDANCE GROUP WORKSHOPS

There were two Progress Association workshops held, the first for 'northern' Progress Associations, and the second for the 'southern' Associations. These sessions drew upon the detailed knowledge of local issues held by the Progress Associations, and were an open forum for discussing relevant local issues and how they should shape future planning for the Shire. A workshop was also held for people who were involved in providing input as part of Masterplan and Village Guidance Groups for various localities across the Shire. Participants in this session had a good level of experience of engaging with Council on strategic issues, and it was in this context that they were asked to provide their vision and priorities for the Shire. Councillor workshop and briefings On 9 November members of Council's CSP team held a strategic planning session with Councillors. The session provided details on the engagement

program and gave a sense of community feedback received at that point in time. Councillors were asked what their vision and priorities were for the future, and this feedback will be reflected upon once all community feedback has been received and analysed. Councillors also participated in a workshop in early December with the project team, Straight Talk and newDemocracy Foundation, with the purpose of updating Councillors on engagement activities and results during the first phase of engagement, and seeking input and commitment to a deliberative process which will take place in early 2018.

COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

Community members were invited to attend one of three community workshops held during November 2017. The workshops were designed to inform participants of the process of developing a new CSP, and provide an opportunity for people to share their future vision for Byron Shire, and their individual priorities and issues. Each workshop included interactive activities in pairs and groups, and explored perceptions of existing services and asked what future services and infrastructure Council should focus on.



STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOPS

Two stakeholder workshops were held in November 2017, with invitations sent to key stakeholder groups as identified by Council. The workshops had representatives from a range of organisations and agencies, including community groups, sporting and recreation groups, local business representatives and various other local and regional organisations. The workshops followed a similar format to the community workshops, with a focus on identifying the long-term vision and priorities for the community, along with identifying issues specific to the stakeholder groups which may need to be addressed in the new CSP.

SECONDARY SCHOOL WORKSHOPS

High school students participated in three separate workshops across three locations in November and December, with the primary purpose to seek input from young people to guide the development of the new CSP. These sessions were interactive, and sought not just to find out what young people wanted life in the Shire to be like in the future, but also how young people would like to be engaged on issues which are important to them.

ABORIGINAL SERVICES COALITION MEETING

Members of Council's CSP project team attended the Aboriginal Services Coalition meeting and ran a session asking participants to provide feedback on their future vision and aspirations for Byron Shire. Participants were also asked about key issues and priorities for Aboriginal people and the Aboriginal community to be considered by Council as it develops the new CSP.

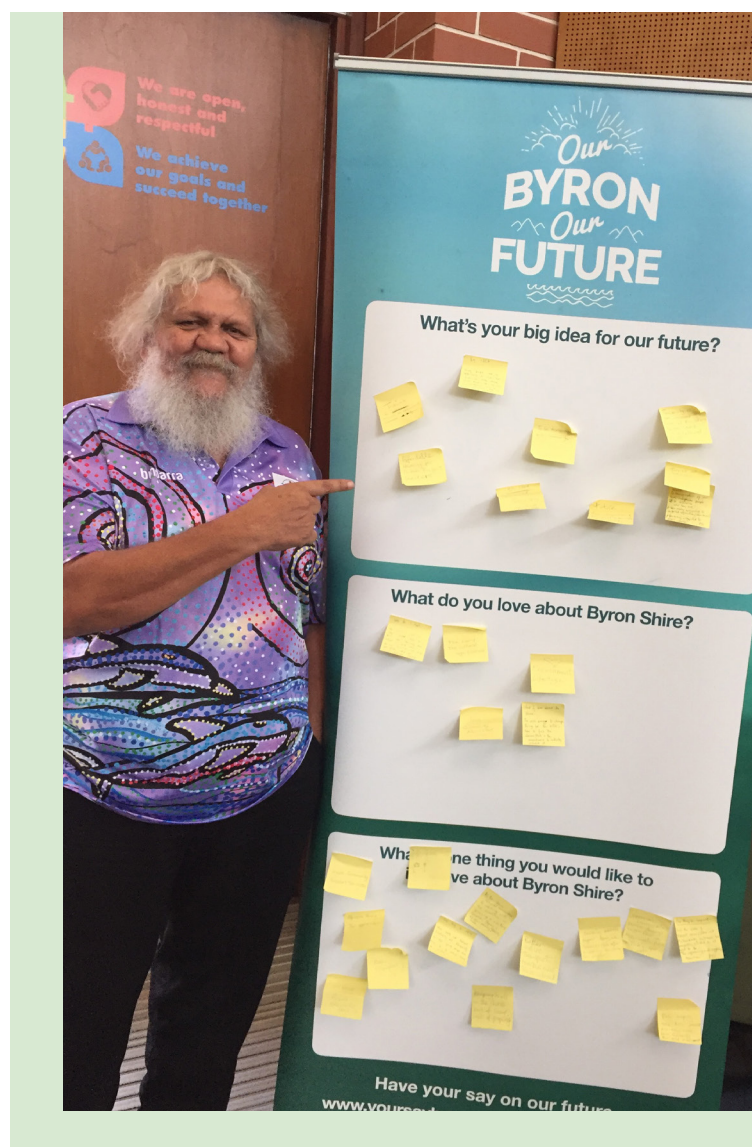
INTERACTIVE POP-UP ACTIVITIES

There were twelve interactive pop-up activities across the Shire during the engagement period. The pop-ups provided an opportunity for information sharing and gaining feedback from community members. The key benefit of the pop-ups was that they attracted a broad range of people as they went about their day to day activities, and as such achieved a wider range of opinions and feedback.

The pop-up activities were very visual in design to draw attention from passers-by, and provided a variety of ways for people to share their feedback, including

using an iPad, talking directly to Council staff, posing for photos and video and sharing big ideas on the Our Byron Our Future pull up banners. The pop-ups were held at the following locations:

- Brunswick Heads Community Market
- Byron Bay Community Market Bangalow Farmers Market Main Arm Store Federal Store Byron Farmers Market
- Mullumbimby Farmers Market
- New Brighton Farmers Market
- Mullumbimby main street
- Suffolk Park Shopping Centre.



PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENT ACTIVITY

Members of the CSP project team attended vacation care at Mullumbimby Public School and carried out activities designed for primary aged school children to see what they would like included in future planning. These activities were fun, hands-on and interactive, and encouraged the children to be creative with their ideas.

MULLUMBIMBY AND DISTRICT AND NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE - HARWOOD COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT APPROACH

The Mullumbimby and District Neighbourhood Centre Inc. (MDNC) partnered with Council to carry out targeted engagement of people in the post code of 2483. The purpose of this pilot was to hear from people who may

not usually engage with Council on a topic such as the CSP, and to take the engagement process out in to the community as opposed to in a Council meeting room.

This process has been designed as an ongoing conversation between MDNC, Council and the community, and has a number of objectives including building trust, maintaining an ongoing dialogue, truly listening and developing a deeper understanding of the community's needs and concerns. Intercepts were held at Mullum Music Festival, Brunswick Heads, Ocean Shores and Billinudgel

Figure 6 - Harwood community engagement approach



3.3. PARTICIPATION SUMMARY

The Our Byron Our Future engagement program included a variety of engagement mediums, such as workshops, interactive pop-up activities, online engagement, social media and written submissions.

There was a total of 2,753 participants across all engagement activities during phase one of the engagement program.

Table 2

Engagement type	Number of participants
Workshops	265
Interactive pop-up activities	420
Your Say Byron Shire	150
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Written submissions	3
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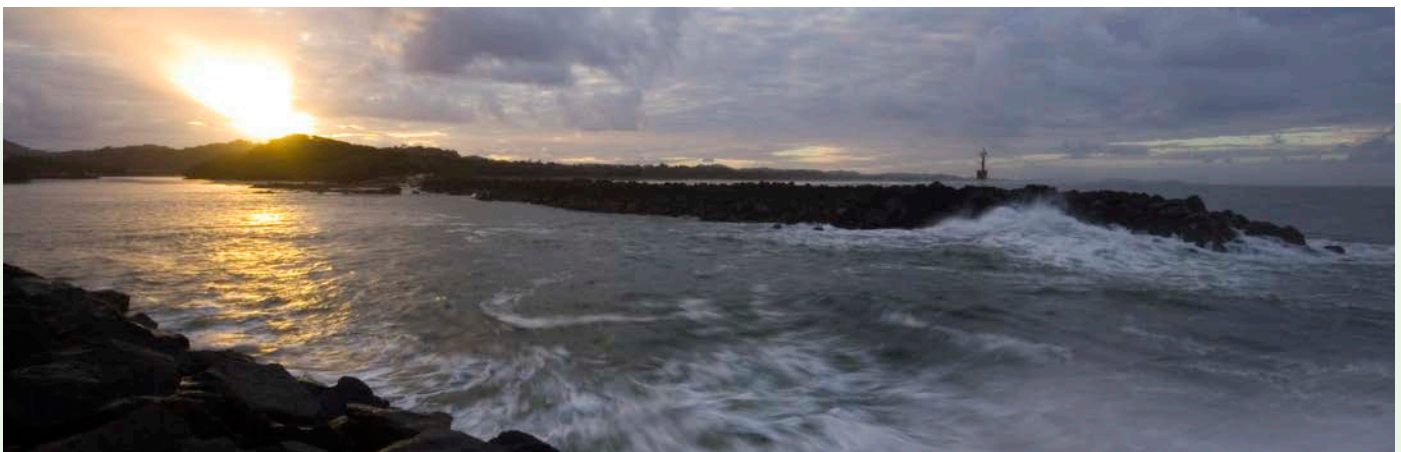


Table 3 provides further detail of the face to face engagement activities.

Table 3

Activity	Where	When	Attendees
Progress Association (Northern) Workshop	Ocean Shores Community Centre 55 Rajah Road, Ocean Shores	Friday 3 November 10:00am-1:00pm	7
Progress Association (Southern) Workshop	The Cavanbah Centre Multi Function Room 2 249 Ewingsdale Road, Ewingsdale	Wednesday 22 November 1:00pm-3:00pm	8
Community Workshop 1	The Cavanbah Centre Multi Function Room 2 249 Ewingsdale Road, Ewingsdale	Thursday 16 November 10:00am - 1:00pm	14
Community Workshop 2	Council Chambers Mullumbimby 70-90 Station Street, Mullumbimby	Thursday 16 November 5:00pm-8:00pm	7
Community Workshop 3	Ocean Shores Community Centre 55 Rajah Road, Ocean Shores	Friday 17 November 10:00am-1:00pm	7
Stakeholder Workshop 1	Council Chambers Mullumbimby 70-90 Station Street, Mullumbimby	Thursday 16 November 2:00pm-4:00pm	16
Stakeholder Workshop 2	The Cavanbah Centre Multi Function Room 1 249 Ewingsdale Road, Ewingsdale	Friday 17 November 2:00pm-4:00pm	13
Masterplan Guidance Group Workshop	Mullumbimby Civic Hall 55 Dalley Street Mullumbimby	Tuesday 21 November 4:00pm-6:00pm	11
Aboriginal Services Coalition Meeting	Council Offices 70-90 Station Street, Mullumbimby	Wednesday 22 November	40
Secondary School Workshop 1	The Room 2 Cavanbah Centre Multi Function 249 Ewingsdale Road, Ewingsdale	Wednesday 22 November 10:00am-12.30pm	5
Secondary School Workshop 2	Mullumbimby High School 9 Jubilee Avenue, Mullumbimby Monday 11 December	11:20am-1:00pm	32
Secondary School Workshop 3	Steiner School Shearwater, the Mullumbimby 349 Left Bank Road, Mullumbimby Creek	Wednesday 13 December 1:30pm-3:00pm	23
Primary School Activity	Morrison Avenue Mullumbimby Mullumbimby Public School, Monday 18 December	2:30pm-4:30pm	15
Councillor Strategic Planning Workshop	Council Chambers Mullumbimby 70-90 Station Street, Mullumbimby	Thursday 9 November 3:30pm-4:00pm	12
Councillor Strategic Planning Workshop	Council Chambers Mullumbimby 70-90 Station Street, Mullumbimby	Thursday 7 December 10:30am-12:30pm	10
Interactive Pop-up Activity 1	Brunswick Heads Community Market	Saturday 4 November	60
Interactive Pop-up Activity 2	Byron Bay Community Market	Sunday 5 November	20
Interactive Pop-up Activity 3	Mullumbimby Parklet	Wednesday 8 November	120
Interactive Pop-up Activity 4	Bangalow Farmers Market	Saturday 11 November	50

Table 3

Activity	Where	When	Attendees
Interactive Pop-up Activity 5	Main Arm Store Saturday	11 November	30
Interactive Pop-up Activity 6	Federal Store	Monday 13 November	43
Interactive Pop-up Activity 7	Byron Farmers Market	Thursday 16 November	35
Interactive Pop-up Activity 8	Mullumbimby Farmers Market	Friday 16 November	22
Interactive Pop-up Activity 9	New Brighton Farmers Market	Tuesday 21 November	20
Interactive Pop-up Activity 10	Suffolk Park Shopping Centre	Thursday 23 November	20
Council Staff Workshop	Council Offices 70-90 Station Street, Mullumbimby	Friday 3 November 10:00am - 12:30pm	15
Community Roundtable	Council Offices 70-90 Station Street, Mullumbimby	Wednesday 22 November 5.00pm - 7.00pm	15
Council Staff Forum Council Offices	70-90 Station Street, Mullumbimby	Tuesday 14 November 10:00am - 12:30pm	100
Harwood Community Engagement Approach	Various locations across the 2483 post code	November - December 2017	303
Total			1073

YOUR SAY BYRON SHIRE

Between 1 November and 12 December the Our Byron Our Future engagement site (<http://www.yoursaybyronshire.com.au/ourbyron>) had the following usage:

Table 4

Total project site visits	Engaged Visitors	Informed Visitors	Aware Visitors
1,100	150	396	833

Engaged visitors are people who contributed by completing a survey, adding or voting on a big idea or sharing a story. Informed visitors downloaded information, while aware participants visited the site but did not contribute or download information. Results of the Your Say Byron Shire engagement are detailed in the Outcomes section of this report, with detailed information included in Appendix C.

There were also 14 Council staff who completed the Council staff engagement survey.

SOCIAL MEDIA ENGAGEMENT - FACEBOOK INTERACTIONS

Table 5

Post Date	Content	Like or interaction	Shares	Comments
2 November	We would love to hear about your vision for the future of Byron Shire... Image	8	5	9
2 November	We would love to hear about your vision for the future of Byron Shire... Snap your favourite place in Bryon, tag #ourbyron and win some exciting prizes. Have your say http://bit.ly/OurByron Image	66	6	44
2 November	Lucy, Beth and Morris enjoying the beach at Brunswick Heads... Image	89	3	38
9 November	We would love to hear about your vision for the future of Byron Shire. Event post	5	-	4
9 November	Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far at our Pop Up Stalls around the Shire... Image	2	-	-
11 November	MEET John and Grant. They stopped by at Bangalow Farmers Markets to chat about their big ideas for the future of our Shire... Image	12	-	1
15 November	What do you value most about living in Byron Shire? TOMORROW our team will be in BYRON BAY, keen to talk to you about the priorities for our future here... Image	48	-	42
15 November	The people, the place and the culture. What do you love most about Byron Shire?... Image	105	16	35
17 November	Meet Jazz and Anais from Spaghetti Circus Inc. They both had heaps of ideas for us today at Mullum Farmers Markets... Image	7	-	-
17 November	What do you love about Byron Shire? Video - 7.6k views	53	2	44
23 November	Uncle Dave, one of many from the Aboriginal Services Coalition who took part in one of our #Ourfuture workshops yesterday. Image	17	-	1
Total		452	34	233
Total interactions				719

#OURBYRON

The #OurByron campaign, encouraging people to share their thoughts and photographs on social media, had a very limited response. There were less than 10 relevant posts using #OurByron from members of the community. While there was a large response from the community using Your Say Byron Shire and interacting with posts on Facebook, people seemed reluctant to go to the effort of posting on their own social media accounts using the promoted #OurByron. This is despite a high level of promotion of this activity, which indicates that for future engagement this medium should be reconsidered.

BUSINESS SURVEY

Council conducted a survey targeted at local businesses with the purpose of gathering feedback to assist economic development complete the Employment Land Use Strategy, Community Strategic Plan, Northern Rivers Economic Development Plan and to help Council and the Chambers of Commerce to develop strategies for the future business growth. Businesses were targeted using contact information from the Australian Business Register. The survey was sent to 2,419 active local businesses, with 895 businesses responding to the survey.



4. OUTCOMES

4.1. OVERALL ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES

KEY THEMES

The key themes which have emerged from the community, and which will be used to inform the Draft CSP, include:

- Desire for improvements to infrastructure, with an emphasis on fixing local roads
- Managing growth and change while protecting the lifestyle which makes living in Byron Shire unique
- Providing strategies to ensure living in Byron Shire is affordable for locals and future generations, and to ensure young people do not have to move from the area due to lack of employment or housing options
- Balancing the benefits and impacts of tourism in a sustainable manner which provides maximum value for the local community
- Providing opportunities and support for greater levels of community lead involvement and empowerment in local decision making
- A lack of trust in Council decision making, and a feeling that past feedback has been ignored or not acted upon by elected Councillors and staff
- A feeling of inequitable resource allocation across the Shire, with a feeling that the Byron Bay town centre receives more resourcing and service than other parts of the Shire
- Ensuring the natural environment is protected and that Council supports the community to develop climate friendly initiatives
- Investigating opportunities and strategies to improve transport across the Shire Greater support and promotion of arts and cultural programs across the Shire

4.2. FACE TO FACE ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES

Workshops

4.2.1. WHAT IS THE BEST THING ABOUT BYRON SHIRE?

Across the workshops, participants were asked to identify what they think is the best thing about where they live. The following key themes emerged from responses:

- **The natural environment;** including the climate, beaches and ocean, clean air, countryside, forests, natural vegetation, rivers and surfing paradise
- **Sense of community;** including friendly and inclusive, engaged, supportive, tight knit and smalltown feel
- **Lifestyle;** including arts and culture, brave and alternative, diversity of locals and visitors, relaxed atmosphere, healing place

These three themes were consistent across all of the community workshops, and when discussed participants felt they were a strong reflection of what is best about living in Byron Shire.

Other themes which emerged in response to this question included:

- Low-rise and low-density living
- Small townships and villages
- Festivals
- Agriculture
- Location in relation to transport and other cities.



4.2.2. IN 10 YEARS TIME, WHAT DOES A PERFECT BYRON SHIRE LOOK LIKE?

To assist in developing a community vision, participants were asked to visualise what a perfect Byron Shire looks like in 10 years time. The following key themes emerged from responses:

- **Keep it as it is;** There was a sentiment that participants did not want much to change, with a focus on protecting the natural environment and maintaining a small town, village feel.
- **Development and housing affordability;** Most responses which mentioned this theme were in favour of limits to residential development and restrictions on high-rise and high-density development, however some participants suggested they wanted to see more managed and strategic growth. Developing strategies to address affordable housing was a common theme.
- **Tourism;** In general, responses indicated that participants wanted to see reduced tourism (some respondents indicated they wanted no tourism) , and a greater focus on economic development which is not reliant on tourism. The main reasoning for this was the impact tourism is perceived to have on the lifestyle of locals and on local infrastructure such as roads and sewage.
- **Roads and infrastructure;** There was strong sentiment that participants want improved infrastructure, particularly roads.
- **Young people;** There was sentiment that people wanted to keep young people in the area by providing employment and housing opportunities
- **Transport;** Many participants indicated they supported sustainable transport options including cycleways, driverless cars and shared transport systems. Some participants indicated they were opposed to paid parking.
- **Communication and representation from Council;** There was a feeling that past engagement by Council has been disingenuous, with community feedback ignored or not acted on. Participants expressed a frustration towards Councillors and staff about past decisions and actions, and wanted future feedback to be listened to and actioned.

- **Maintain village atmosphere and identity;** People wished to maintain and protect the atmosphere and individual identities of each of the towns and villages across the Shire. Recognition of Aboriginal culture; Participants wanted Aboriginal culture to be recognised more fully and be made more of a priority by Council
- **Environmentally sustainable;** There was a strong sentiment that the community wished to be more eco-friendly, use less plastic, investigate sustainable transport options and other environmentally and climate friendly initiatives.

4.2.3. IF YOU COULD CHANGE ANYTHING IN BYRON SHIRE, WHAT WOULD IT BE?

Participants across the workshops were then asked if they could change or improve anything what would it be? Common and recurring responses included:

- Improved housing affordability
- Protect the natural environment
- Improved transport options including sustainable transport
- Improved infrastructure including roads, footpaths, sewage, open space and other assets
- More transparent decision making and opportunities for genuine community engagement
- Reduced tourism
- Better approach to development and strategic land use planning



Figure 8 - Masterplan Guidance Group workshop participants workshop participants

4.2.4. ISSUES AND CONCERNS

Participants at each workshop were asked to list their priorities, key issues and concerns that they would like Council to consider as it develops the CSP. A full, verbatim list of these responses can be found in Appendix B of this report.

INTERACTIVE POP-UP ACTIVITY OUTCOMES

As part of the Engagement Program, there were 12 interactive pop-up activities across the Shire which attracted over 400 people. People who attended the pop-up activities were given the opportunity to answer three questions or provide other feedback if they desired. A full list of verbatim responses received at the pop-up activities can be found in Appendix A.

4.2.5. WHAT'S YOUR BIG IDEA FOR OUR FUTURE?

There were over 200 ideas put forward by the community. The most common response was to provide more affordable housing. In addition to this, common themes included:

- Cycle paths
- Acknowledgement of Aboriginal people and culture
- Free parking
- Ideas for more employment and business growth
- Innovation hubs
- Environmental initiatives such as no plastic bags
- Park and ride program
- Being the artistic capital of Australia

4.2.6. WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT BYRON SHIRE?

This question received approximately 180 responses at the interactive pop-up activities, with common themes including;

- Alternative thinking and lifestyle
- Beaches
- Climate
- Community spirit and consciousness
- Historic towns
- Libraries
- Festivals
- National Parks
- Natural beauty of the environment
- No traffic lights
- The people
- Uniqueness of small villages
- Vibe4.2.6. What do you love about Byron Shire?



Figure 9 - Screenshot of community video posted on Council's Facebook page

4.2.7. WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO IMPROVE ABOUT BYRON SHIRE?

This question received the highest number of responses at the interactive pop-up activities, with over 240 improvements listed. Common suggestions for improvements included:

- Affordable housing
- Improved amenities
- Better roads and traffic control measures
- Improved infrastructure
- Improved services for homeless people
- Better communication between Council and the community
- More cycling infrastructure
- More support of smaller communities and towns
- No paid parking
- More transport options
- Improved waste collection and management services
- Greater control on development
- Manage tourism sustainably

HARWOOD COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT APPROACH OUTCOMES

This section of the report has been provided directly by The Mullumbimby and District Neighbourhood Centre Inc. (MDNC).



WHAT DID WE HEAR IN 2483? WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED SO FAR?

PEOPLE'S SHARED ASPIRATIONS

People want a safe and connected community that celebrates local history and diversity. Where there are public spaces with opportunities to gather, connect, have fun and develop a strong sense of belonging; where community communicates and works together. They also want a community where affordable housing, secure employment, and essential services are accessible.

MAIN CONCERNS

COMMUNITY CONNECTEDNESS

There is a sense that a lack of social cohesion and conflicting values are in the way of those aspirations. There are many, particularly the aging, that are isolated and suffering in silence. People feel isolated without public spaces (particularly in Ocean Shores) for community to gather, celebrate art, diversity, and build connection. People identified the importance to them of 'belonging' through community gatherings, choices and options.

HOUSING

They are concerned that while people agree that it is a beautiful place to live, it is a rapidly changing community and many cannot afford to stay and that this impacts on whole of community. The lack of affordable housing, transport, employment and increasing homelessness are contributing to peoples' stress and they feel that without change the fabric of the community will be lost as people are forced to move.

LACK OF SERVICES

Aged and vulnerable families in particular are frustrated with the lack of services and infrastructure. The lack of services for the whole community and in particular for families including health, parenting support, baby health, and youth. The lack of supports and activities for young people is having a negative impact in some places.



Figure 10 - Harwood community engagement activity

SAFETY

People are concerned for the people who are sleeping in their cars in the centre of Ocean Shores and feel that it is the only safe place for them. They are also concerned that it is unsafe to walk with a pram, or to cycle. There is a lack of safe connection between Ocean Shores, New Brighton, South Golden Beach and Billinudgel as the walk/cycle ways are largely without lighting.

PEOPLE LACK TRUST IN GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS

People felt strongly that not everyone's 'voices' are being heard – trust has been eroded over time or there has been no 'reason to trust'. While there were some organisations and groups that were identified as trusted by some participants there were no single trusted groups or organisation identified by every participant. Some people felt that if the MDNC, the Waterlily Park Group, primary schools (particularly Ocean Shores), and other trusted groups and community leaders played a part in those actions they would be more likely to trust the effort and step forward themselves.

PEOPLE WANT TO SEE SIGNS OF PROGRESS

People see opportunity for change and hope for the future but need a sign of progress. They believe we need to focus actions that bring people together; public spaces for BBQs, dances, community events and activities as well as focusing on services, groups and community members working together.

If what was shared in the conversations was reflected in the Byron Shire Community Strategic Plan, it would be in some way an ‘act of good faith’.

They also believe that a ‘central hub’ to share information and connect people will help to unite community, work towards building a ‘voice’ that

could contribute to ideas and solutions for community concerns such as affordable and underutilised housing options, youth issues, families, social isolation and foster opportunities for community participation. There is a desire to have more community conversations to give ‘voice’ and build solutions around ‘blue sky’ aspirations and what could be possible for the future.

WHERE TO NEXT?

This work is not static. The community conversations will continue throughout 2018. We continue to gather public knowledge, share what is learned with community and with key stakeholders working collaboratively toward change.



Figure 11 - Harwood community engagement activity

4.3. ONLINE ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES

4.3.1. YOUR SAY BYRON SHIRE

KEY THEMES

Between 1 November and 12 December, the Our Byron Our Future engagement site (<http://www.yoursaybyronshire.com.au/ourbyron>) had the following usage:

Table 6

Total project site visits	Engaged Visitors	Informed Visitors	Aware Visitors
1,100	150	396	833

There were 150 Engaged visitors who actively participated by completing a survey, sharing or voting for a big idea or contributing a story. There were 396 informed visitors who did not actively participate but downloaded a document or viewed an image and there were 833 people who visited the site but did not participate or download any additional information.

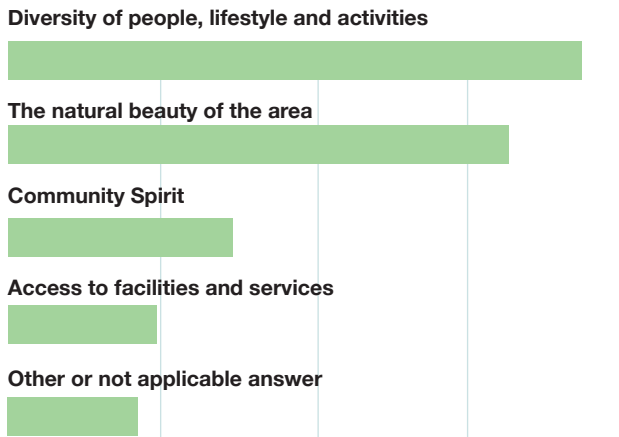
The online survey was the most popular form of participation, with 128 people completing the survey. There were four key questions, with the most common themes indicated in Figure 12. Respondents felt that the most important thing for Council to consider over the next ten years is managing sustainable development and the impacts of tourism, closely followed by providing opportunities for community involvement. The area where people would like to see an improvement was clearly in the area of roads, traffic and transport improvements, followed by opportunities for community involvement. When asked what people wanted the Shire to be like in 10 years time, the most popular response related to more eco-friendly transport options.

The community was also asked to provide their 'big ideas' for Byron Shire. There was a total of 22 big ideas shared, with 27 people participating in posting and voting for ideas. As seen in Figure 13 the most common theme in the 'Big Ideas' related to implementing non motorised trails for cyclists and pedestrians, followed closely by upgraded public places and facilities. Other ideas related to new events, improved communication and information sharing and economic development and support for businesses.

One person shared a story on the 'Stories of Byron Shire' tool. For detailed information and a full report of Your Say Byron Shire responses see Appendix C of this report.

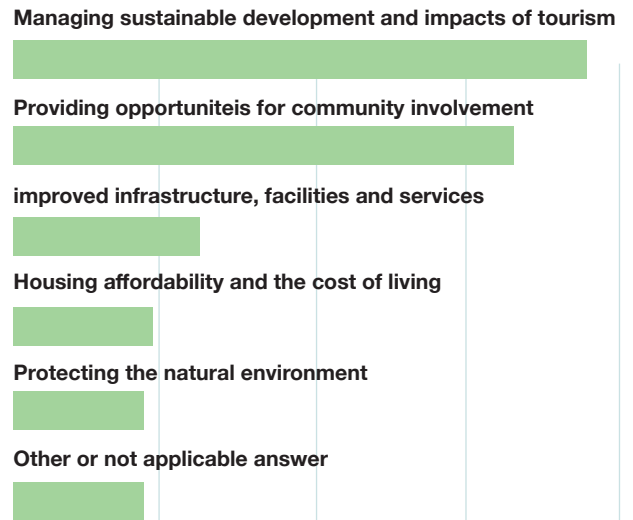
QUESTION 1:

What do you like most about Byron Shire?



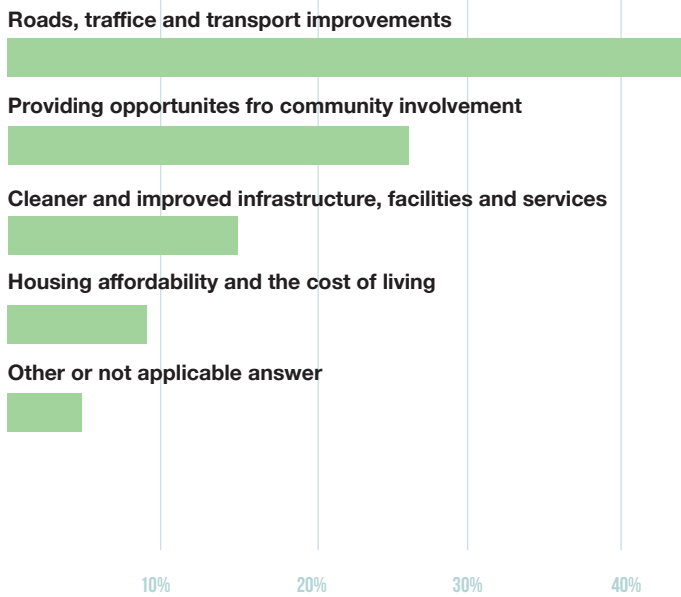
QUESTION 2:

What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?



QUESTION 3:

Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?



QUESTION 4:

What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

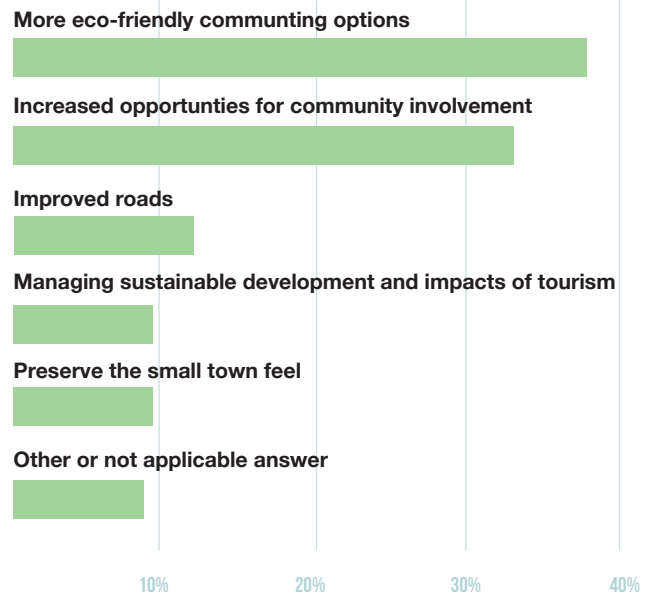


Figure 12 - Your Say Byron Shire summary of survey responses

4.3.2. SOCIAL MEDIA ENGAGEMENT - FACEBOOK INTERACTIONS

Council made 13 posts on its Facebook account promoting CSP engagement activities. There were a total of 719 interactions with these posts, including 233 comments.

Key themes relating to the CSP and future strategic planning included:

- Roads, traffic and transport improvements
- Homelessness
- Negative sentiment towards replacing the markets with a bus station
- Managing sustainable development and impacts of tourism
- Negative sentiment towards Council's management of development
- Concern with Councillors alignment with political parties
- Inequity of resource allocation for smaller towns and villages

People also stated they liked the following things about Byron Shire:

- Relaxed vibe
- Consciousness of the environment
- Beaches
- Natural beauty
- Sea turtles and other wildlife
- Pop-up engagement during the CSP process
- Council's position on the Adani mine project

In addition to these key themes, there was also conversation about the posts themselves, questions about the CSP engagement process and also comments and dialogue not related to the CSP or Council matters.

4.3.3. BUSINESS SURVEY OUTCOMES

Council undertook a survey for local businesses which attracted 895 responses. Two of the questions in the survey related to the development of the CSP. The question relating to the relationship between Council's strategic priorities and the success of business indicated that business owners wanted Council to have a focus on renewing and maintaining infrastructure. Businesses also ranked highly the need for future transport, facilities, water, sewage and land use planning, followed by providing services such as water, waste and recycling.

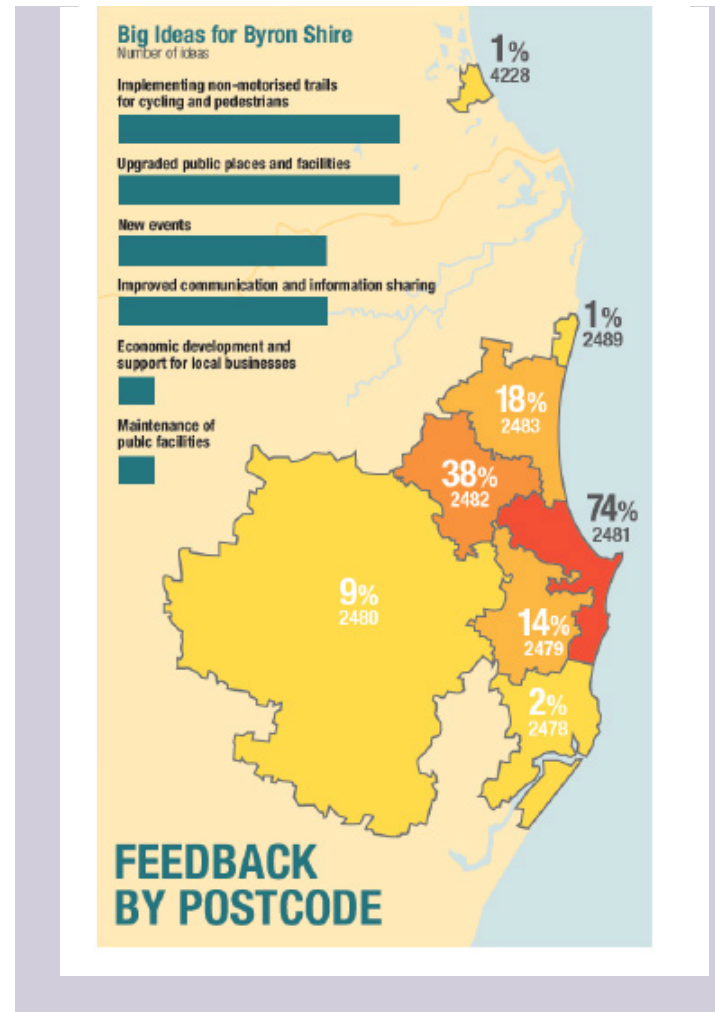


Figure 13 - Big idea infographic

There were 520 responses to the open-ended response, with the key themes mirroring those in the community survey:

- Roads, traffic and transport improvements
- Housing affordability and cost of living
- Managing sustainable development and the impacts of tourism
- Improved infrastructure, facilities and services
- Protecting the natural environment

The close alignment of responses from business owners and members of the community shows a strong indication that the key themes and issues which have emerged throughout the engagement process are for the most part shared by all people across the Shire. Initial analyses indicates that businesses also feel the impacts of over population, the strain on infrastructure caused in part by the visitor population and have a strong desire to conserve the natural environment, culture and lifestyle of Byron Shire.

BYRON SHIRE COUNCIL HAS A NUMBER OF STRATEGIC PRIORITIES, HOW IMPORTANT ARE THEY TO THE SUCCESS OF YOUR BUSINESS

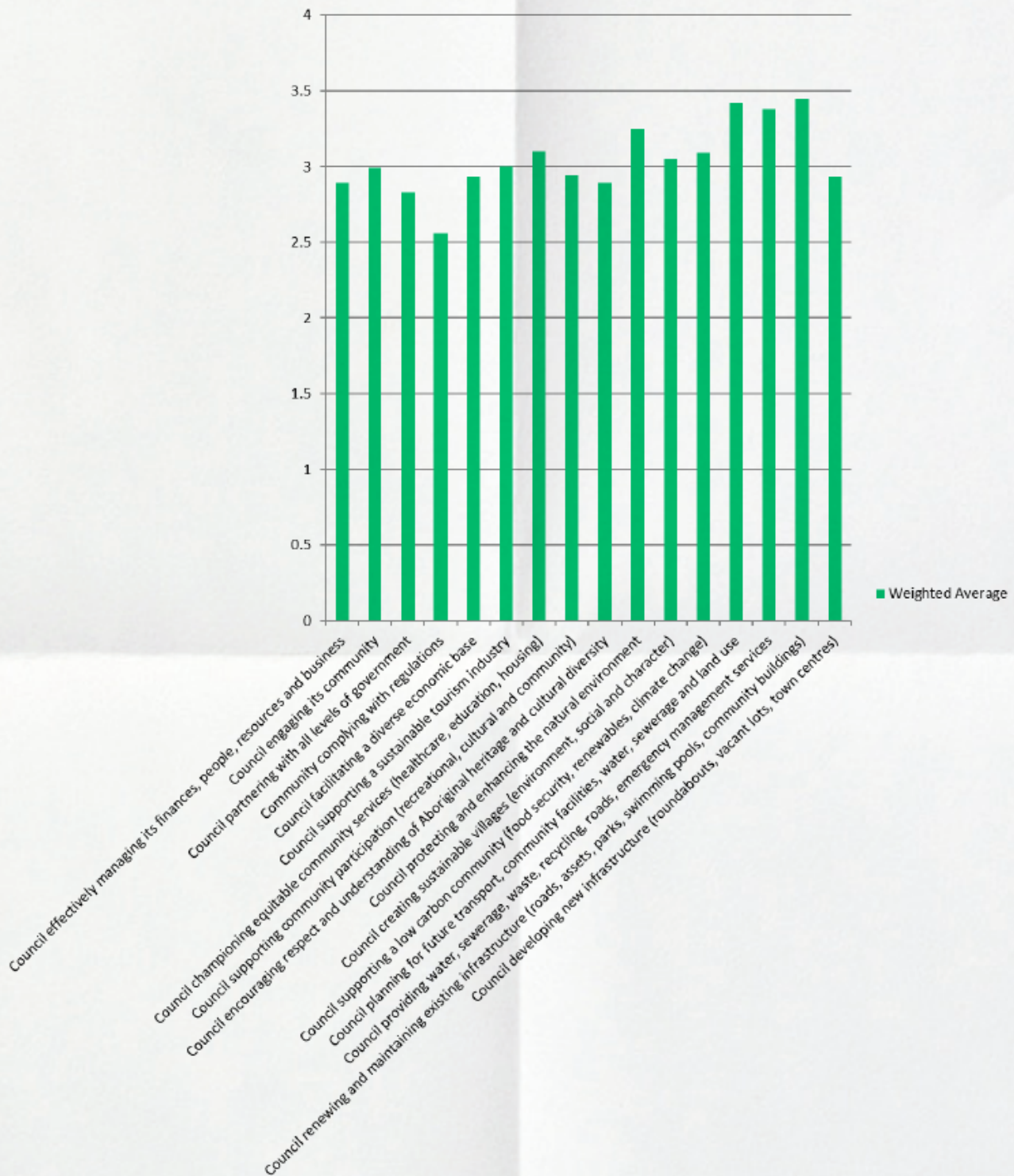


Figure 14 - Business Survey responses

5. NEXT STEPS

This report details the outcomes of the first phase of engagement which will be used by Council to prepare its draft CSP. This report will be made available to the community for comment and further input, and all participants and the wider community are invited to comment on the outcomes presented in this report and provide further feedback. Council has also prepared a Strategic Issues Paper which will be made available in conjunction with the Engagement Outcomes Report.

A draft CSP is currently being prepared by Council and will go on exhibition as part of phase two of the engagement process. There will be opportunities for the community to provide input towards the draft CSP, and this feedback will be used to prepare the final CSP, which must be adopted by Council by 30 June 2018, along with an updated four year Delivery Program and one-year Operational Plan.

The second phase of engagement will also feature a deliberative democracy engagement process run by newDemocracy Foundation, which will take the form of a randomly selected, representative panel, with the first meeting to take place in early 2018.

In addition to this, Council is in the process of developing a community wellbeing indicators framework. The community will be asked to provide feedback on elements of this framework, with a view to developing a baseline of community wellbeing for future use as part of an independent process. This survey will take place in the second phase of engagement, and feedback received will be used to inform the final CSP.

Council is committed to engaging with the community throughout the whole process of developing the new CSP and will continue to provide opportunities for the community to have input until its adoption in 2018.



Figure 15 - Interactive pop-up stall participant

APPENDIX A POP-UP FEEDBACK

The following are verbatim responses from the Pop-up engagement activities.

WHAT'S YOUR BIG IDEA FOR OUR FUTURE?

- A balance in weighting community feedback eg rural strategy, more weight should have been given to rural landholders
- A new road from Pacific Highway to West Byron
- A way of getting around without driving
- Affordable housing
- Affordable housing
- Affordable housing
- Affordable housing – leading the way
- Affordable housing - wicked problem
- Affordable housing
- Affordable housing!
- Affordable sustainable innovating housing
- Alternative spirit and community culture
- Amalgamation with Tweed Council
- As a pensioner who drives a car in someone else's name, I would like the parking rules to be more flexible so I can use the parking spots close to the shops for free. I have a mobility issue
- Assistance for homeless
- Automatic shop keepers
- Bait and tackle shop at Seven Mile (like Brunswick Heads used to be)
- Balance between tourists and locals
- Ban lids on coffee cups
- Better public transport between Lismore, Ocean Shores, Mullumbimby, Brunswick Heads. A service in the middle of the day! Also service to and from Byron in the middle of the day
- Better roads, public transport
- Bicycle paths between towns
- Big cycle networks in the whole Shire
- Bike paths - all towns connected - slow roads for cyclist
- Biodiversity protection and enhancement - be smart ie owls eat rats. More owls and habitat mean less rats
- Biofuel sugar cane train Murwillumbah Coolangatta Byron Casino Lismore
- Bring back the train - 2 carriage electric/solar Billinudgel to Bangalow
- Bring back the train and public transport
- Bring in bed tax
- Building housing for perpetuity
- Bundjalung language classes for everyone
- Burringbar St into plaza in front of shops
- Campsite on highway near banana man on Fowlers Lane
- Cars to run on hydro/alternatives to fuel
- Cater for First Peoples
- Collaborate cheaper affordable spaces for artists
- Collect food from restaurants/cafes to use for community
- Community gardens, sustainable food
- Community living to support our culture
- Compostable/biodegradable doggie bags at beach
- Council standing up for residents
- Council stick to your job - roads, water, sewer
- Councillors/staff that listen to its ratepayers. Auto response
- Crack down on Air Bnb
- Crack down on greedy developers
- Create caldera biosphere reserve
- Create free overnight parking spots
- Create more bush, create more habitat
- Cycle path along rail corridor from Lily Pily to Mullumbimby
- Dedicated bike tracks
- Development with balance, affordable housing, disability support
- Diverse and Inclusive

- Diversity
- Diversity economy/industries
- Do not compromise prime agricultural land at any price
- Don't change anything
- Earlier to later opening times in libraries
- Efficient use of community space ie rail corridor
- Emergency homeless campground
- Emissions neutral
- Employment for locals
- Encourage less reliance on council services and more on families and neighbours
- Encouragement for conscious enterprise (business)
- End pay parking for residents
- Enjoy what we've got
- Eradicate cars in town and village centres
- Farmers able to subdivide
- Fenced and shaded dog parks
- Fewer cars
- Find balance of accommodation for locals!!
- Flood gates for Mullumbimby please. Check out Holland!
- Free camp area
- Free parking
- Free scooter parking in non car spaces
- Freedom
- Freedom and self sustainability
- Funding and activities for real education for kids and teens
- Get rid of local government
- Go local
- Go to the high school
- Green bin composting to be sold to public like what Lismore does
- Have to leave because no affordable housing
- Help with homelessness
- Holiday rental if primary resident owners only
- Hover boards
- Innovation hubs
- Innovative sustainable communities
- Inspiring architecture
- Introduce a bed tax on tourists
- Jobs for young people working forests
- Keep a sustainable environment
- Keep it real
- Keep it simple
- Keep it small
- Keep landscape clean
- Keep the small town feel
- Keep values balanced
- Keeping Butler Street as a market site
- Leaders of community living, inspiring the world
- Leave the towns with their distinct characters
- Less rules, more for the kids, less taxes like paid parking!
- Limit and focus creek access at Brunswick Heads and harden it. Make compliance easy
- Live in harmony
- Local currency which supports more than traditional dol lars can
- Maintain Brunswick Heads (don't let it get like Byron Bay)
- Maintain the Shire
- Make it easier for a low income person to put a self-contained tiny house-on-a-trailer which has its own sealed composting toilet onboard, by not charging land owner or low income person fees to do so. Link up with a foundation/charitable organisation to facilitate "tiny house grants"
- Measured progress
- Men's mentoring facilitation for young boys
- Mindfulness in all schools
- More areas to walk dogs without fear of enforcement action
- More buskers, music, fun!!!
- More dog off leash areas (not fenced yard!)

- More enviro positive outcomes
- More jobs
- More money spent on unsealed roads - regular grading
- More opportunities to have a say (like the pop-up)
- More parking spots allocated for people with disabilities in paid parking areas
- More public transport
- More recycling, less waste
- More renewables. Sustainability
- More respect for environment
- More roadworks
- More support and programs for young people
- More trees, less houses
- Mullumbimby - Stop traffic pedestrianise Mullumbimby music/art
- Multiple occupancies
- No development in Mullumbimby
- No foreign investment meaning out of state - Own Byron live
- No greenfield development
- No more pay parking for locals
- No plastic bags
- No plastic bags
- No train. Bike track
- Nurture nature
- One permit per family for pay parking
- Opportunity for smaller lots
- Opportunity for smaller lots, help with affordable housing
- Outdoor venue for small scale events and could be used by buskers
- Park and ride by train from the former (Byron) hospital to the Cavanbah Centre
- Park and ride for Byron Bay. Railway line brought back in use
- Park and ride mini buses from Cavanbah Centre to keep cars out of (Byron) town
- Park spaces eg play equipment, more bike paths, road line marking
- Pedestrian malls, public transport, sustainable streets
- People control
- Pet friendly Byron
- Plastic free
- Plastic free
- Pop up shops for incubators
- Preserve nature spaces
- Prioritise natural environment and overdevelopment
- Promoted bird watching spots
- Provide more free parking
- Public transport
- Public transport (trains)
- Reactivate rail line to connect with Queensland rail system
- Recycling
- Recycling bins on every beach
- Reduce urban sprawl, community connections important
- Re-establish freedom, lifestyle, hippie culture that made the Shire Great in the first place
- Re-focus on unique culture - local music
- Refuge for women in domestic violence situations
- Regional representation gradually replacing state government
- Regulated housing development and crack [down] on greedy landlords who abuse the lack of housing to support their own workforce
- Retain independent businesses, keep it local!
- Retain sense of community
- Sense of community
- Shaded areas for kids
- Skate park
- Soccer field Suffolk Park
- Solar trains
- Sports club for Byron Bay Football Club

- Stop holiday letting of residential houses
- Stop the whooping cough epidemic! - vaccinations save lives!
- Super smooth roads
- Sustainable movement economy environment and living
- Swimming pool for Bangalow please
- Tax tourists not ratepayers
- The artistic creative capital of Australia
- This Shire should be leading the world in biodiversity protection, ideas, sustainability
- Total ban on shark nets off the coast of Australia. They do not work
- Tourist bed tax to subsidise affordable housing options
- Town water extension to Federal
- Trail (bike) along the river Mullumbimby to Brunswick Heads
- Train - light rail
- Train between Yelgun and Bangalow
- Trains in the region
- Turn old Byron Hospital into community/social housing
- Unity
- Value locals over tourists
- Walking tracks on railway tracks
- Waste reduction programs and 100% manage our own waste
- Water park
- We are the example of ecological sustainability, clean waterways, clean agriculture, invisible footprint
- We have it together, can we share with other communities
- Wear sunnies
- Wet weather play area for kids, it rains so much
- Women's centre for DV
- Women's resource centre - place to connect. With nappies, resources, workshops
- World leading sustainable architecture hemp crete

solar passive design

- Yallakool Reserve Walk shops to Devines L/O
- Yes to reverse parking on the beach!
- Zero waste economy and ban the bag

WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT BYRON SHIRE?

- What do you love about Byron Shire?
- Accessibility to best beaches in the world
- Alternative lifestyle / cosmo combination
- Alternative thinking
- Always a happy face
- Ambience
- Beach
- Beach environment
- Beach, landscape, beauty
- Beaches
- Beaches
- Beaches and friendly people
- Beaches are clean
- Beaches, fresh produce
- Beautification of garden beds in Byron
- Beautiful beaches
- Beautiful people
- Best part of the world
- Bohemian atmosphere
- Civilized
- Clean air
- Climate
- Climate, easy going
- Climate, markets, music/buskers
- Community
- Community spirit
- Community, consciousness
- Conscious community living
- Crazy people

- Creative and think outside the box, innovation
- Cultural diversity
- Culture
- Diversity in community
- Environment
- Environment
- Family
- Farmers market and rural atmosphere
- Federal - Village atmosphere
- Fence Brunswick River access (too much erosion)
- Forest, living simply but sophisticated
- Forests as healing places
- Free parking
- Free parking outside CBD of towns
- Freedom
- Friendly atmosphere
- Fruit and vegies
- Get inspiration from nature
- Good atmosphere
- Great area to live
- Great healthy people, friendly
- Happy friendly people
- Historic towns
- Historic towns
- I am so thankful for easy access to fresh organic food at New Brighton Market
- I love our free community
- Ideas about environment
- It's quiet
- It's beautiful!
- It's healthy
- It's paradise
- Its people and environment
- Just love Brunswick Heads
- Keep individual boutique shops, no big shopping centres
- Keep parking free
- Keep parking free!!
- Keep Torakina parkland
- Keeping it real and living with nature
- Laidback family and community
- Libraries are great - grow
- Lifestyle, beaches
- Living close to the beach
- Local arts and crafts
- Loose and interesting, lots of creativity
- Love a library!
- Love everything
- Love everything
- Low rise buildings
- Magnificent country
- Mullumbimby Music Festival
- Mullumbimby town, farmers market
- Mullumbimby with proper music venue (Northern in Mullumbimby)
- Mullumbimby's relaxed atmosphere
- Music and art
- Music, busking, more busking areas
- National Parks :)
- Natural beauty
- Natural beauty
- Natural beauty
- Nature - flora and fauna, live music
- Nature and locally made goods, quality food, community oriented, creative
- Nature and relaxed feel
- Nature, beaches, bush, animals
- Nature, food, community, climate, history
- Nature. Its green people
- Never a dull moment
- No high-rise
- No paid parking
- No traffic lights

- No traffic lights
- No traffic lights
- No traffic lights
- Nothing
- Our diversity
- Paid parking in Byron Bay
- Pay parking good for locals
- Peace and quiet in Federal, but changing now
- Peaceful and good vibes
- People
- People
- People and coffee both great
- People are relaxed
- People are welcoming
- People at Main Arm have heard the land (after bananas), wardens and stewards of the land
- People from 20 years ago
- People, community laidback
- People, community, ocean
- Please improve traffic safety and flow at corner of Dalley and Tincogan Streets (Mullumbimby)!! le Maybe needs a roundabout!!
- Rainbow region heritage!
- Relaxed atmosphere
- Relaxed pace
- Relaxing, enjoy the people, real people
- Roads improved
- Rural, green farms (need to keep)
- Sea/beaches
- Sense of community
- Sense of community
- Sense of community and sustainability movement
- Sense of community, diversity and acceptance
- Slower and great atmosphere
- Small towns
- Small towns
- So much better than city
- Social and environmental diversity
- Solar energy
- South Golden vibe, markets, rope swing, relaxed atmosphere, nice people
- Spread tourism around
- Street music
- Suffolk Park - only sense of community left
- Sun and sea
- Surfing at the Pass and the people
- Surfing, fishing, people
- The beaches and walks and all the different activities
- The beautiful beaches
- The beautiful beaches and spectacular hinterlands
- The community consultation
- The eclectic mash of people!
- The environment
- The farm "feel"
- The food
- The green
- The natural environment
- The natural world; the idealism environmentally
- The ocean
- The people
- The people
- The people
- The people
- The people
- The people and friendly community
- The people! And how we deviate from the norm
- The people, the country, the waves
- The people, the environment, the food, the energy
- The recreation grounds
- The spirit
- The weather
- Things grow easy - camphor could be used as biofuel
- Thinkers

- Transport options
- Unique environment and people (totally) - blessedly geographic
- Unique features: no high-rise, no malls, limited franchises
- Uniqueness of each village
- Variety in life styles and personal backgrounds
- Vibe
- Vibe
- Walking dog at the beach
- Waterfalls, creeks, rivers
- Way of life is unique; great people
- We embrace tourists
- We love the culture - alternative and holistic
- Weather
- Well thought out master plan for Byron Bay
- Whole package - environment - bush - people
- Wonderful spirit-filled churches. Justice-oriented support!
- Affordable housing, young families need a chance here; let's not turn into Noosa
- Affordable rent
- Airport shuttles
- Bed tax
- Better and bigger playground in New Brighton, and cleaner in New Brighton
- Better and more public toilets in Brunswick Heads
- Better care of waterways
- Better Optus
- Better roads
- Better roads, no paid parking! (in Mullumbimby and Brunswick Heads)
- Better traffic management
- Bicycles need to use bells, dangerous shared path
- Bike tracks
- Bus depot at Cavanbah Centre and shuttles
- Bus interchange at Cavanbah Centre
- Bypass for Byron
- Byron Bay is too commercial
- Byron Hospital roundabout terrible
- Byron is tacky and tired
- Byron recreation grounds - hands off
- Byron should be at forefront of environment progression
- Cheaper houses
- Clear stormwater drains
- Community consultation on important issues
- Consultation to Development
- Contributions by tourists for amenities
- Cost of living
- Council listening to the locals
- Cycle tracks
- Deal with the flying foxes
- Decreased development
- Disconnect between Council's operations and community. How do we overcome this?
- Discount of parking for neighbour Shires

WHAT IS ONE THING YOU WOULD LIKE TO IMPROVE ABOUT BYRON SHIRE

- A cap on rental and housing prices in this Shire give real estate agents no power to manipulate pricing
- A sense of community
- Aboriginal art gallery
- Accountability on spending taxes, transparency
- Aesthetics taken into account when discussing development
- Affordability
- Affordability and access and diverse employment opportunities
- Affordability of housing, less traffic
- Affordable and equitable housing options
- Affordable housing
- Affordable housing
- Affordable housing for families, not tourists

- Discount on parking
- Dogs and beaches increase at Brunswick Heads. Increase access share times
- Don't want to be a suburb
- Eliminating corruption
- Empower Councillors
- Environmental conservation
- Fix Grays Lane (Tyagarah)!
- Fix the potholes
- Fix the roads
- Fix the roads
- Fix the roads
- Fix the rural roads not just urban roads, roadside barriers Binna Burra
- Footpath gardens, free parking, music busking, rain water tanks, more toilets, showers (pay \$2 for hot water), more buses
- Footpaths
- Free camping
- Free parking
- Funding for land restoration
- Gardens in Mullumbimby were done up and then not watered so they all died
- General clean up; Suffolk Park sports fields
- Get rid of the Councillors
- Granny flats equals unplanned doubling of community, noise, lane traffic
- Grays Lane potholes
- Green the Mayor - at present he is camouflage
- Have a bypass
- Holiday lets
- Homeless shelters, respite home care for youth
- Homelessness
- Hope it doesn't look too different. Lots of regeneration
- Housing affordability
- If more development, consideration needs to be given to impact on towns ie parking, traffic, toilets etc
- Improve how we deal with the growing pressure on infrastructure
- Improve playgrounds
- Improve public toilets!!
- Improve the number of hoops to jump through for DAs
- Increase parking spaces in north of Shire ie Brunswick Heads, New Brighton
- Keep caravan parks low cost
- Keep markets in Butler Street
- Keep meeting with elders and honouring elders
- Keep the culture
- Kids want Mullumbimby to Steiner School bike path
- Lack of affordable housing now therefore more affordable housing
- Land should be protected for farming (don't lose rural land to housing)
- Lawyer being about law not money
- Legalise hemp
- Less hipster joints, I can cook eggs!
- Less road signs (stop dumbing down society)
- Less roadway, more walkway
- Like to improve the individual communication skills in Council to community individuals
- Limit development
- Limit negative impact of tourism and development
- Locals taking on state government
- Locals use main street, so no need for pay parking. Put in Deakin Street
- Look after our public toilets more
- Look after people in area
- Loved to death
- Macas at Federal
- Make it easier to access places without using cars!
- Manage pedestrians in Byron Bay
- Middle class shops and good again
- More affordable community spaces for creative arts and small business

- More and affordable and available rental
- More bike tracks
- More bike tracks and walk paths
- More camping/caravan space availability
- More community stalls
- More consideration for what development looks like
- More cyclist signage
- More dog walk beaches, more dog friendly towns
- More doing, not just planning
- More enforcement regarding illegal camping (water tower site Patterson Street, Byron Bay)
- More farmstays and camping on private properties like "Youcamp"
- More funding of bush regeneration
- More money for toilets and public facilities and cleanliness
- More money spent in hinterland
- More money to roads and potholes
- More pedestrian crossings
- More police presence to get rid of drugs on main street
- More public transport - more frequent - commuter trains with buffet car
- More ratepayer say
- More respect for locals who look after towns after the tourists trash it
- More road line marking
- More roundabouts on Shirley Street, trucks off Lismore Road!!
- More support for small communities connected to our big community
- Need a bed tax
- Need bypass, Suffolk Park to Industrial Estate
- Need pedestrian crossing across Tincogan Street near petrol station. Dangerous
- New approach to development - needs to be considered
- No franchises in Brunswick Heads
- No high-rises, keep buildings short
- No more developers moving in
- No more trees removed
- No paid parking for Brunswick Heads
- No paid parking for residents
- No paid parking in Bangalow
- No paid parking in Wilson Street, less paid parking, more hippies, less yuppies
- No parking annual fee for resident ratepayers
- No parking on laneways
- No pay parking
- No pay parking
- No pay parking
- No pay parking (\$4 too high)
- No pay parking for Bangalow
- No traffic lights
- Non-permitted tourist facilities in residential area
- North Byron Parklands should never have been improved
- Nothing, it's great
- Oceans not polluted
- Open showgrounds for camping
- Paid parking: free resident stickers for rate payers
- Parking fines drive out locals
- Parking meters stay in Byron! Not the Shire
- Paved streets
- Pedestrian overpasses in town
- Pedestrian precinct no cars
- People responsible for dog's behaviours
- People talking to each other
- Permit for employees in pay parking
- Planners need to live in Byron area
- Plant more trees in parks and streets
- Planting more trees and plants for the area
- Potholes
- Potholes - fix 'em
- Potholes, please fix 'em
- Profiteering at expense of local community

- Protect wildlife corridors, repair pot holes, even paint around
- Public toilet, pot holes on road, bed tax, a pier
- Public toilets - homeless amenities eg showers, power points
- Public toilets in Federal and Shire-wide
- Public transport
- Public transport
- Public transport and accessible transport networks
- Public transport, roads need fixing
- Reduce footprint of pay parking
- Reduce volume of traffic
- Re-establishment of nature - empty paddock revegetation
- Remove garbage from town
- Rent control and affordability for businesses and residents
- Road into Byron - 40 years later no change! Sort it out please
- Road maintenance (pot holes!)
- Road, better bush regeneration
- Roads
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- Roads
- Roads
- Roads and traffic
- Roads in hinterland
- Roads need fixing
- Roads
- Roads, Byron and Bangalow
- Roads, fix potholes in Hinterland
- Roads, more fact sheets, applications, simple
- Roads, no paid parking! Less councillors
- Roads, potholes
- Roundabout at Sunrise delay in construction
- Safety of railway crossing at Belongil
- Sewerage system and waterways
- Sign – “Be aware of wildlife, slow down 40km/h”
- Slow down development
- Some recreation grounds
- Stop chopping down trees, plant canopy trees
- Stop giving away s94 for granny flats
- Stop Police interfering/thumping kids during schoolies
- Suffolk Park community garden
- Sustainable community, tourism/agriculture
- Take away paid parking - stop
- Tallows - reopen to surfing
- The roads
- The traffic is too much
- Toilet block in the park at Federal to cater for all the visitors
- Toll bridge, \$2 a car. Cleaners for town
- Too bureaucratic
- Too many visitors at one time not good for locals
- Traffic
- Traffic in Byron needs fixing
- Traffic management
- Traffic study - roads to meet the volume
- Trains, public transport
- Trains/public transport flexible around Shire
- Transparent applications for development (eg easy to read)
- Try to work with community as a team
- Ungrid-lock, dual carriage, bypass for Byron Bay
- Value locals rather than tourists
- Waterway health
- We want a public performing arts high school in our region
- We will lose creatives because they can't afford to live here

- Why is the “Welcome to Country” sign in Railway Park in Byron fixed to the public toilet? Would the elders like it to be in a more appropriate place?... Discuss
- Youth music programs eg the old YAC program

RESPONSES TO 'MAP BASED' QUESTION

- Affordable housing
- Another entrance to Byron
- Another industrial estate
- Back to organic lifestyle
- Balance for locals and tourists
- Ban Airbnb, homelessness
- Bike path for Mullumbimby to Brunswick so don't have to drive kids
- Bike track Brunswick Heads to Mullumbimby
- Bikeways, not cars parked (Byron Bay)
- Binna Burra Road reconstruction
- Binna Burra Road reconstruction
- Bus interchange - is downtown Byron the best place. What about the Cav[anbah Centre] then train?
- Children's crossing Federal, bus zone markings 40 zone
- Create jobs, affordable housing not achievable
- Good bikeway from Cemetery Road to Green Garage (Byron Bay)
- Housing has to change NOW
- Keep heritage and village feel of Mullumbimby
- Keep it lively. Affordable housing
- Keep rugby at rec grounds
- Lift restrictions on building with recycled materials, biotecture
- Light rail for Byron to Blues Fest and Splendour . Subsidise residents
- Look after environment, grow more food
- More facilities for kids and sports parks in Suffolk Park
- More playgrounds, public transport

- Mullumbimby Heritage Park needs public toilets
- No more development please
- Pedestrian crossing for Federal village
- Preserving the natural environment
- Proper bus stop at Federal and pedestrian crossing
- Roads
- Support for low income, no highrises
- Toilet at Federal
- Toilets at Federal
- Turn it all into National Park

APPENDIX B WORKSHOP FEEDBACK

Key priorities and issues as provided by participants at workshops

Progress
Association
workshop
(Northern)
3/11/2017

ENVIRONMENT

- Council Activities have environmental impacts
- Council needs to have environmental accountability for its actions
- Issues with Brunswick river and tributaries
- Issues with dune care, sand and trees. There were 900 trees planted, these trees have been destroyed
- Flood management is a key issue
- Is Council closing the sewage plant at Ocean Shores?
- There is a massive sewage pipe to Ocean shores
- Generally concerned about the environment including rivers and beaches
- Parks are neglected

ENGAGEMENT WITH COUNCIL

- In the past feedback has been ignored, hasn't made a difference
- Get engaged on little things but not important things
- Want empowerment
- Why is Council using consultants? Can we use local consultants if required?
- Concerns with advice from staff
- Staff don't trust community
- Corporate memory has been lost
- History sits in community
- Good people in Council
- Stronger emphasis on engagement
- Resources should be allocated to community groups to undertake place making
- Re-establish local area management groups
- Staff unable to pull up history of topics and they should go to community to find out

DISPARITY IN RESOURCE ALLOCATION BETWEEN BYRON TOWN CENTRE AND REST OF BYRON SHIRE

- There appears to be a divide between North and South in resource allocation
- All resources are dedicated to tourists in Byron Town Centre
- What about amenity for locals?
- Areas outside of the Town Centre have been deprived of amenity for decades
- No funding for Ocean Shores Master Plan
- Inequity in Council spend across the Shire

TOURISM

- Air BnB is having a negative impact on local economy and stretching existing infrastructure
- So many festivals, including major festivals such as Falls Festival, Splendour, Bluesfest
- Festival goers rent all across the Shire, including Mullumbimby
- Visitors take away sense of community
- We are 'loved to death'
- Visitors have a high impact on local infrastructure and services
- Should introduce a bed tax
- Want S94 contributions for festivals, festival organisers don't pay anything towards the Shire
- Tourism operators have a lot of power and big clout
- Weddings also contribute to strain on local infrastructure

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

- Big issues with housing supply and affordability
- Design not to taste of some new developments, not fitting with local character
- Car parking not provided with new dwellings
- Want Council to take action on non-compliant dwellings
- There is an issue with Council compliance team not enforcing non-compliance
- A large amount of DA's go through in November and December which does not allow enough time for sufficient community feedback
- Compliance doesn't occur and not taken seriously
- There are unauthorised dwellings which can be death traps
- Culture in the Council planning department - trained to pass DAs with guidance of councillors, how do plastic fences get approved?
- DAs battle in land and environment court (comes across as rubber stamp)
- There is an influx of people moving to Byron Shire from major cities causing a strain on housing availability and affordability
- Downsizing of local and regional infrastructure, including reducing the amount of available hospital beds and facilities
- Should introduce a population cap
- Infrastructure being centralised but not meeting the needs of population
- Introduce tiered forward planning – environment on top, with infrastructure and transport underneath
- We are killing the golden goose
- Keep development below 2 storeys

Key priorities and issues as provided by participants at workshops

Progress Association workshop (Northern) 3/11/2017

- Processing times/performance indicators for DAs are a driver for development, not necessarily in best interests of community
- Brunswick under pressure - change in demographic from low to high
- There is a responsibility to preserve character of our towns

TRANSPORT

- Not enough public transport is leading to safety issues such as young people hitchhiking
- Traffic jams are increasing
- Need to introduce bike pathways
- Paid parking is an issue
- Get trains back on the tracks

OTHER

- Bellevue Drive Cycle Path – Meant to commence in October 2017 but Council staff have indicated this will occur next year
- Create an accessible and 'friendly city' for older people and disabled people
- How does the Community Strategic Plan link with masterplans?
- State of public toilets not acceptable

Community workshop 1 - Cavanbah Centre 16/11/2017

- Housing and public transport
- Look after people who need help
- More education beyond high school
- Sense of community retained
- Sense of community
- Small lot rural subdivision for agriculture
- More power to local government to raise levies and legislate for its local community
- Preserve the local environment
- Balanced tourism economy with sustainable community
- Community first, tourism is secondary
- Community transport network of mini buses as in Asia
- Local government decision on agricultural land i.e. size of lots for farming
- Support viable alternative business/economy other than tourism
- Bed tax to raise money, state government to allow
- No overdevelopment
- Respect by visitors towards town and inhabitant

Key priorities and issues as provided by participants at workshops

Community workshop 1 - Cavanbah Centre 16/11/2017

- Steer tourism towards sustainability/nature-based focus (education program, Arakwal)
- Models of sustainability need to be considered eg Switzerland
- Affordable housing on Crown Land (Govt built)
- Marketing to select tourism that is complimentary or no marketing (discover it yourself)
- More decision making power for local government as opposed to state directives

Stakeholder workshop 1 Council Chambers 16/11/17

Playing field in Mullumbimby

- Play grounds needed - good one
- Connections between villages and sporting facilities
- Better sport fields for youngsters
- Threat to sports facilities via commercial pressures
- All weather sport facility in northern Shire lacking
- Netball courts lost
- Let community organisations do their thing... support them

• Environment

• Marine life

• Council

• better transport and better roads

• Parking

• Retail spending

More affordable housing options

- (Bangalow Progress Association) Inappropriate development pressures
- Higher density - caravan park retirement/lifestyle villages
- Development approvals and planning controls
- Lower urban sprawl
- State government controlling population growth
- Protection of natural landscape, lock up natural landscapes that are valued, lock up prime arable land
- Better protection of beach habitat for migratory and nesting shorebirds
- Protection of the diverse habitats for birds
- Having impact on natural environment. Locking up open space
- No new greenfields urban development
- Retirement options integrated with community and environment
- Rural land being lost to residential zoning

- Agriculture v food hub. Save rural land for agriculture and allow product to be ??? - value adding
- (Bangalow Progress Association) Preservation of primary agricultural land
- Small scale lots - agriculture
- Remove wall entrance Marshalls Creek to Brunswick River at Ocean Shores
- Sort out with Crown Land issues
- Better use of Council owned land
- Ocean Shores National Park
- “Birds of Byron Shire” Bird trail, better recognition and support for this in promotional material
- Save our coastal koala populations
- Paid parking in Bangalow
- Restrict tourism development in Byron and rural areas
- Paid parking
- As a volunteer saving people at sea we need a place where we conduct our training and office for our volunteers
- Senior living affordable housing - Mullumbimby Hospital site?
- (Bangalow Progress Association) Tourist management, Parking AirBnB, Rail corridor pedestrian use
- Support for community organisations to meet their goals eg surf lifesaving with youth and all community engagement
- Supporting new social enterprises
- Greater support for volunteer organisation
- Understanding council decision making
- Facilitate the linking of community organisations to share and support each other for the community
- Transport, rebuild roads and footpaths not patch, light rail planning
- Dangerous roads for non-motorised transport, increased number of cars, trucks etc
- Infrastructure - sewage at BUSTP, OSSTP, Bangalow, WBSTP, including reuse of effluent
- Rail trail support or Byron Shires lack thereof
- Better financial management of Council’s assets
- Transparency and meaningful and inclusive consultation across all levels councillors/council staff/community (individuals, groups and business)
- No more delay on Balemo Drive walkway/cycleway
- Improved transport and roads
- Work with other regional councils in NSW or interstate
- Reduce political party influences in Council ie more direct representation of people

Community workshop 2
Council Chambers
16/11/17

- Public transport and bikepaths
- Transport
- Public transport
- Public transport half hourly, bike path between towns
- Infrastructure - transport, railway, bicycle, public toilets, access
- Tourism - accommodation, markets (commerce), festival
- Fibre to premises NBN (or other amazing solution)
- Environment, fix the waterway
- Walking trails
- Canoe landings (think in planning), footbridge across the river from the tavern at Ocean Shores, open up for walking and being able to go to the beach
- Playground (and tables and chairs) on the green along past the Ocean Shores Shopping Centre
- Homelessness
- Affordable housing
- Affordable housing in the style of micro-villages with mixed generations
- Affordable housing amongst development
- Development 'control'
- Heritage - museum, local history, arts
- Maintain community feedback
- Embrace and manage change
- Prioritise infrastructure spending

Community workshop 3
Ocean Shores
Community Centre
17/11/17

Very difficult to get change in this area eg public health networks, council etc

- Parking consultants: Rec Plan - community supported, but council took own agenda to commercialise sports grounds; council wants to move clubs like soccer under the new masterplan
- Why are 'regional centres', hospitals, arts and cultural centres on Ewingsdale Road
- Butler Street, Council wants to commercialise Butler Street, see Rec Grounds as a panacea; Council refuses to acknowledge rec grounds as a memorial
- Growth identified in regional plans, employment centres still rely on tourism
- Go back to wards
- Re-introduce precinct communities
- Signage - too many signs
- Alternative community has left

Key priorities and issues as provided by participants at workshops

Community workshop 2 Council Chambers 16/11/17

- Lose people from caravan parks
 - Issues with affordable housing
- Straight Talk Community engagement outcomes report 55
- Key priorities and issues as provided by participants at workshops
- Limited dog walking opportunities
 - Need to setup micro-villages where infrastructure exists, eco-tourism can subsidise this
 - Integrate, intergenerational living
 - Illegal dwellings coming into area, safety issue with fire, access, mobile reception
 - Used to be a retreat plan/coastal protection - overwritten by other interests
 - AirBnb market/affordable housing
 - Happy with Council electronic recycling bags

Stakeholder workshop 2 Cavanbah Centre 17/11/17

- Affordable housing for workers
- transport and traffic, roads, bikes and paths
 - Youth off the streets - support youth activity, after school sport support
 - Cultural precincts throughout the Shire
 - Gallery in Court House; move court house to Ewingsdale; Bus exchange to Cavanbah Centre
 - Federal and state funding!; icon; toll gates; bed tax
 - Villages with green belts in between
 - Ethical business rating
 - Keep what we have - pool, sports fields in town, markets in town
 - Limit AirBnB
 - Mullumbimby rail gateway; cultural centre
 - Island Quarry gateway cultural centre
 - More public transport
 - Cultural and historical centre
 - Affordable housing
 - Not much communication between business and Council
 - Connecting villages with transport and bike paths
 - Infrastructure
 - Traffic congestion
 - Leave pool complex in same place (Byron Bay)

Key priorities and issues as provided by participants at workshops

Stakeholder workshop 2 Cavanbah Centre 17/11/17

- Upgrade pool complex (Byron Bay)
- Upgrade beach front
- Liquor and hospitality Byron Bay Liquor Accord
- Require all housing developments to give 100 year leases to Council for 20% of homes to be rented as affordable housing
- Homeless shelter/supported accommodation
- Infrastructure
- Facilitate the linking of community organisations to share and support each other for the community
- Lobby state government to build additional social housing and transport
- Tourism; youth and adventure market

Masterplan Guidance Group Civic Hall 21/11/17

- Implementation of a Citizen Jury
- How to build/support an engaged community
- How to ensure the shire works - has effective services - public transport bike paths, active transport

Civic Hall 21/11/17

- What is unique to Byron how to build and retain it
- Climate Change
- Seek and respect community expertise historical knowledge
- Young people the next generations of custodians
- Clear messages and achieving good outcomes
- Communication with community
- Honesty Integrity transparency
- Honest consideration of community concerns; slow down and wait for us! our input is worthwhile
- Maintain the integrity of the area/community
- Rural welcome pack for new buyers from council
- Plan where land uses fit
- Holiday let control
- Basic council functions
- Nurture and reward and protect community - diversity - vitality - creativity
- Residential, industrial and commercial development driven by strategic planning not by developers
- 21st century approaches to sustainable small scale farming on our prime agricultural land

Key priorities and issues as provided by participants at workshops

Civic Hall 21/11/17

- Bring holiday lets back into housing stock
- Sustainable tourism
- Preservation of natural environment
- Live & work precincts; Co-operative food production
- Support Common land trusts
- Better strategic planning; transparent planning pathways
- Community Consultation groups in the area as community voice

Secondary school workshop 1 Cavanbah Centre 22/11/17

- Suggestions to engage young people (in the context of planning for an event)
- Online survey
- Talking to teachers/parents
- Facebook/social media
- Poster
- School assembly
- Radio
- Rap music/bass boosted
- Newspaper
- Chill zone
- Community newspaper
- TV advertisements
- PowerPoint presentation
- Instagram story
- Friday or Saturday evening
- Food stalls - \$1 donation
- Clip boards
- iPads

Secondary school workshop 1 Cavanbah Centre 22/11/17

- Infrastructure
- Aboriginal heritage, like in Ballina
 - Signs and posts promoting it
 - More stuff for youth
 - Parks
 - Youth facilities
 - Section 94 funds disparity
 - Council funds for greater area
 - Public meetings, where requests can be made

Secondary school workshop 1 Cavanbah Centre 22/11/17

- Currently 94 is under review
- Rather than broad areas, people want smaller areas (literal places, not ideas)
- Public spending should be public information
- Shire wide pool is awkward
- Delivery plan should lock this down
- That delivery plan is guided by this community strategic plan that this workshop is about
- Different locations want different things
- e.g. Bangalow values heritage more than others
- Masterplan shouldn't replace DCP
- Societies are developing their own master plan for interaction with Council.
- Bangalow wants the DCP to be finalised, but the masterplan got in the way.
- Heritage should be in the LEP. LEP should spell out things more strictly
- LEP isn't treated with respect currently
- Need to favour local people more
- Holiday letting must be addressed
- No urban sprawl. Build up residences but not outward
- Rate base is too small. Needs to draw more funds in
- Council stewardship is lacking. Should have return on investment for rate payers
- While respecting heritage, urban density in existing urban spaces is ok. Higher density can allow young people to live here
- Developments not in accordance with the LEP. Follow the LEP so that people who bought in based on it are respected

Aboriginal Services Coalition meeting Council offices 22/11/17

- Visible + inclusive ATSI Community
- More ATSI employees with BSC and an ATSI representative/liaison person in HR to support ATSI employees
- Need transport for medical/shopping/specialist appointments
- When an ATSI position with BSC is vacated it needs to be re-filled with an ATSI person
- BSC employ more ATSI workers plus more school traineeships, but stop other BSC workers campaign of whispered racism that still exists in Council today
- One thing to improve: Let the view of Mount Chincogan at Mullumbimby entrance be completely visible as it used to be - "the appearing and disappearing mountain". Trim the trees which block the view
- Cultural considerations should always be put first in any Council plans or D.A.s, not last!
- Council needs to support Aboriginal services (plus offer a Council building for services)

Key priorities and issues as provided by participants at workshops

Aboriginal
Services
Coalition
meeting
Council
offices
22/11/17

- Better public transport, more bus runs, train on track
- Keeping locals in the Shire, cost of living? Cost of property?
- Is the Shire Council committed to working with the [Aboriginal] Coalition in securing a working location (Byron and Mullumbimby) Safety hub?
- All human services for Byron?
- Public transport
- Improve roads, affordable housing
- Affordable housing, job opportunities
- More community support services

Secondary
school
workshop 2
Mullumbimby
High School
11/12/17

ISSUES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

- Unprotected sex/std's; drugs and alcohol; expensive housing; unwanted pregnancy
- Too many "fried" people; Bad education; too much meth; prices; no properties for parties; transport; food prices; tourists

OPPORTUNITIES OR SOLUTIONS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE UNDER 18

- Different foods - cultural and organic
- Cultures - different people; beach life; festivals
- Tourist friendly - new people; education - multiple schools; environment - scenery
- Spiritual clubs
- Jobs and growth for the new generations
- Mosaic art in the streets for troubled youngsters
- Ideas on how to engage with young people
- Social media apps eg "The Lismore App"; memes eg NSW Police Force Facebook
- Events eg camps like Ballina Shire Council; youth clubs eg Future Dreamers; movie nights; well known people
- Employment opportunities (weekend courses (barista etc)
- Cheap transport/rewards; discounts for locals and students; something we actually want
- Use lollies; social media; posters; Outreach program

ISSUES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

- Disrespect and undervalued opinions from some adults
- Pressure to break and also to live up to stereotypes
- Nothing for kids to do! (Everything is so far away eg all fun things in Brisbane)
- We can't have kids because they will be born into a bad world
- Drug and alcohol abuse (places for children to go and talk - safe space)
- Pressure from parents

The affect of social media on young people (disconnection)

- Housing prices are going up and up!!
- No available jobs
- The fear that the world is going to explode!!
- The pressure to save the world!!

OPPORTUNITIES OR SOLUTIONS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE UNDER 18

- More water stations
- No shark nets
- Wave pool
- Lights at Mullumbimby skate park and a pathway (mow the lawn, smooth it out)
- Life education classes
- Outdoor park/gym
- Quicker turnover times for Das and paperwork - too much red tape, more staff
- Paid parking
- A bowling alley
- Lights at the beachside so we can surf at night
- Place for hobbies - 'kids shed', youth groups or youth activity centre
- Keep easy access to the beach
- Exercise stations, kids activities
- More subdivision so my parents can give me part of it (affordable housing)
- Ideas on how to engage with young people
- Paper surveys - mailed?
- Public petitions and posters accessible
- More advertisements for events for local people/youth to have their say
- Facebook
- Not too interested in on-line surveys
- Meeting with school/class student representatives
- Meeting with school environmental group
- Out of school workshops (advertised in schools)
- Classroom workshops such as this workshop

APPENDIX C Your Say Byron Shire reports



Summary Report

01 November 2011 - 13 December 2017

Your Say Byron Shire

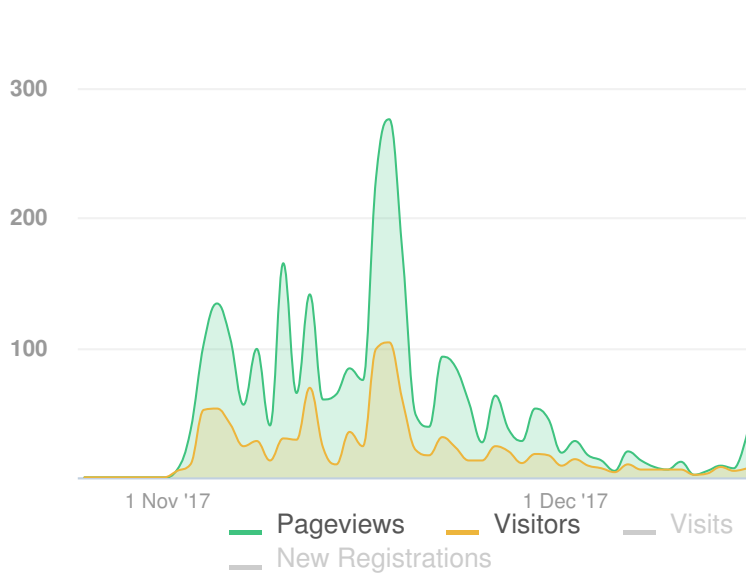
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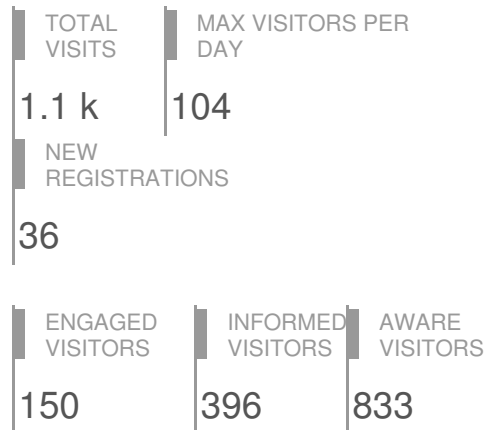
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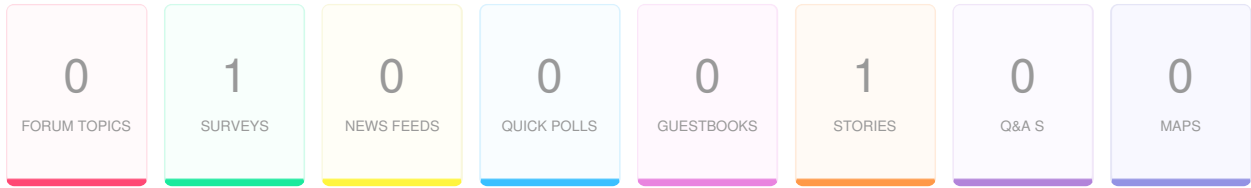
Highlights



PARTICIPANT SUMMARY

ENGAGED	150 ENGAGED PARTICIPANTS			TOP PROJECTS	
		Registered	Unverified	Anonymous	Participants (%)
INFORMED	Contributed on Forums	0	0	0	Our Byron Our Future - Com... 150 (18.0%)
	Participated in Surveys	13	0	115	
	Contributed to Newsfeeds	0	0	0	
	Participated in Quick Polls	0	0	0	
AWARE	Posted on Guestbooks	0	0	0	
	Contributed to Stories	1	0	0	
	Asked Questions	0	0	0	
	Placed Pins on Maps	0	0	0	
	Contributed to Ideas	27	0	0	
	<i>* A single engaged participant can perform multiple actions</i>				<i>* Calculated as a percentage of total visits to the Project</i>
ENGAGED	396 INFORMED PARTICIPANTS			TOP PROJECTS	
		Participants			Participants (%)
INFORMED	Viewed a video	0			Our Byron Our Future - Com... 396 (47.5%)
	Viewed a photo	4			
	Downloaded a document	0			
	Visited the Key Dates page	33			
AWARE	Visited an FAQ list Page	0			
	Visited Instagram Page	0			
	Visited Multiple Project Pages	271			
	Contributed to a tool (engaged)	150			
<i>* A single informed participant can perform multiple actions</i>				<i>* Calculated as a percentage of total visits to the Project</i>	
ENGAGED	833 AWARE PARTICIPANTS			TOP PROJECTS	
		Participants			Participants
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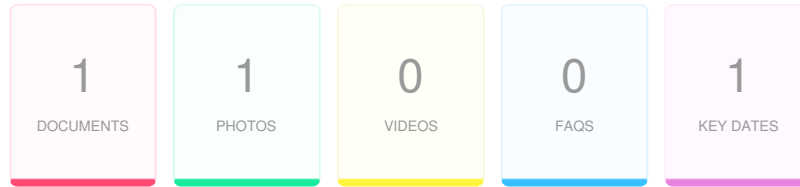
ENGAGEMENT TOOLS SUMMARY



SURVEYS SUMMARY	
1	Surveys
128	Contributors
161	Submissions

TOP 3 SURVEYS BASED ON CONTRIBUTORS
128 Contributors to Community Strategic Plan 2028

INFORMATION WIDGET SUMMARY



DOCUMENTS	
1	Documents
0	Visitors
0	Downloads

TOP 3 DOCUMENTS BASED ON DOWNLOADS
0 Downloads Byron Shire Council Strategic Issues Paper

PHOTOS	
1	Photos
4	Visitors
4	Views

TOP 3 PHOTOS BASED ON VIEWS
4 Views deleted_photo

KEY DATES	
1	Key Dates
33	Visitors
40	Views

TOP 3 KEY DATES BASED ON VIEWS
40 Views Our Byron Our Future - Community Strategic Plan 2028

TRAFFIC SOURCES OVERVIEW

REFERRER URL	Visits
m.facebook.com	133
www.byron.nsw.gov.au	54
www.facebook.com	43
www.google.com.au	26
android-app	19
outlook.live.com	19
l.facebook.com	13
www.bing.com	12
m.byron.nsw.gov.au	5
mailchi.mp	2
duckduckgo.com	2
www.google.co.uk	1
email.telstra.com	1
bit.ly	1
platform.engagementhq.com	1

SELECTED PROJECTS - FULL LIST

PROJECT TITLE	AWARE	INFORMED	ENGAGED
Our Byron Our Future - Community Strategic Plan 2028	832	395	149

Survey Responses

01 November 2011 - 13 December 2017

Community Strategic Plan 2028

Your Say Byron Shire

Project: Our Byron Our Future - Community Strategic Plan 2028



VISITORS

349

CONTRIBUTORS

128

RESPONSES

161

13

Registered

0

Unverified

115

Anonymous

13

Registered

0

Unverified

148

Anonymous



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Beaches, climate. People

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Making Byron a cycle and pedestrian friendly town. Remove cars from the CBD, provide adequate public transport

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Traffic Bike paths Remove cars from CBD Beautify the ugly parts of Byron

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

No cars Pedestrian friendly Cycle friendly Nice people More efficient council operations

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

See above

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor
Email

Q7. Please specify

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Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

not answered

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Country feel, rolling hills.... non suburbia... no housing estates that have all the same style houses

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Fix the shires roads, entire shire. Not just Byron Bay itself.... many many long long term locals drive on pothole ridden roads, and for way too long... over 25 years now....

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

better roads throughout the ENTIRE shire.... No potholes. Reduce alcohol establishments.....

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Not like the Gold Coast, Noosa, Paris Amsterdam , etc... leave it country feel...

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Councillors, the mayor. Do not listen to long term locals, they are all about tourism....shame

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Letter

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email not answered

Q10. Your post code 2479

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

country side and beaches

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

repair and fix Roads

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Roads, Roads , Roads

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

have better Roads

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

just fix all roads in Byron shire

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email not answered

Q10. Your post code 2480

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The beaches and the people

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Public consultation and to develop a plan that doesn't change the towns just for revenue gains

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

The roads and the maintaining of them

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

A place where the council is not there reason we want to leave the shire

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

I haven't seen it where is it

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor

Q7. Please specify

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Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

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Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The natural environment

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

The natural environment and the needs of those who are struggling to find work, housing and support to live in the Shire (i.e. Don't just let "the market" dictate who can live here)

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Roads!! Access to the beach for physically disabled Affordable housing

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Inclusive - for everyone Plastic free Protected - from overdevelopment, climate change and greed

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

This conversation needs to happen on the streets, in the schools, in libraries and other community facilities, with the homeless, in workplaces and club rooms - not just in cyberspace

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council In person at a workshop

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Diversity and natural beauty

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Roads water and sewer

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Roads - please. Extension of water and sewer networks to rural areas.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Good roads, less council spending on court cases and local road speed limits increased

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

No

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The beaches, the green hills, the art, allowing for a healthy lifestyle

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Despite tourism growing another industry - like young innovative startups - become the California of australia

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Sad topic - the roads and traffic - built an access to M1 at Bangalow / Suffolk To bypass traffic

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Creative young hub of people from all countries and backgrounds live here and work at innovative companies - people who make a lifestyle choice

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Create an app to collect ideas

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor
In person at a workshop
Social media

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Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The environment - from the beaches to the hills, we have a responsibility to look after one of the most special places in Australia, if not the world. Rare Earth. The people - it's rare for there to be such a diverse yet accepting range of humans in the one place.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

The impact of the growing population - both residents and visitors - to the Byron's environmental, social and economic realms.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Greater control on development, both urban and rural. Council must do something NOW about increases in traffic and visitor numbers. The whole of Byron Shire is being loved to death. How? Bed tax or the like. Better public transport options. Paid for by increased paid parking, a rate increase on businesses that cater to the tourists, (I am one of those businesses and happy to pay my share). Part of these funds can be used to help develop affordable housing.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Like it is now, however with improved engagement with the less well off, more encouragement to the Arts in general and a PLAN to cater and limit the amount of visitors to particular areas. Perhaps car free areas where residents are exempt.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

PLEASE act NOW. The current rate of growth is not sustainable. Byron town is now almost exclusively geared for visitors. This creates resentment, anxiety for those who cannot afford to live there anymore and a 'transit' mentality that doesn't even think of the residents.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor
In person at a workshop
Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2480

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The vibe

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

The impact of AirBnB on the local residents. Illegal use of our national parks and beaches.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

I wish the new shopping complex was not happening. It is not needed for our quiet town.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Quiet and safe.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

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Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The natural beauty and the climate

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Dealing with the huge challenges caused by Byron's popularity and regaining some sense of community and amenity for the permanent population.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

More transparency in Council's decisions and processes. Easier access to Council information. A greater respect for democratic principles from both councillors and staff. More opportunity for genuine community life in Byron Bay eg making venues reasonably available for groups to meet eg U3A. More regulation of holiday letting and other commercial activities in residential zones or anywhere else people think they can get away with it. Mor respect for local businesses attempting to do the right thing and contributing in many ways. A much greater sense of in Byron Bay.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

A pleasant place to move around in to access entertainment, shopping and to pursue other everyday needs. A greater diversity of entertainment, entertainment venues and activities catering for a wide variety of interests and demographics. The ability to travel in the shire without treacherous roads and traffic gridlock. Either the trains back OR if that's not feasible a rail trail. Less emphasis on greed and the fast buck and a greater sense of United purpose to contribute to the good of the community.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

The emphasis should be on what's holistically best for the permanent population not what will featherbed for a few influential individuals or make short-term gains for a cash-strapped Council

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council	Talk to Council staff In person at a workshop
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Q10. Your post code	2481
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Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?	Yes
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Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Access to the natural environment

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Preservation of the natural environment Environmental considerations when planning new residential development to ensure appropriate infrastructure is available before development - not as an after thought Maintenance of infrastructure including roads

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Meaningful community consultation Condition of roads surfaces and types of repair undertaken which have been cursory and short term in the past

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

No changes to the natural environment Better quality of road maintenance

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Email
Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

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Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. **What do you like most about Byron Shire?**

Landscape

Q2. **What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?**

Keep it clean and friendly and safe

Q3. **Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?**

Roads of course

Q4. **What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?**

Clean, friendly and safe

Q5. **Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?**

It's great for community to have a say as long as it is heard

Q6. **Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council** Email

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Q9. **Your email**

Q10. **Your post code** 2481

Q11. **Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?** Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Hinterland and Beaches. I think Council and it's workers do an amazing job with very limited resources. Council could do a better job of promoting all the good they do. This will help stop the residents focusing on the negative. Sometimes I think there are so many community groups who get consultation from council what needs to be recognised community groups don't represent everyone in the community. It's important that community consultation be advertised as such community not representatives of a community that are self serving.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Major upgrade of roads especially Ewingsdale Rd. Integrated cycle ways. I think Council and it's workers do an amazing job with very limited resources. Council could do a better job of promoting all the good they do. This will help stop the residents focusing on the negative. Sometimes I think there are so many community groups who get consultation from council what needs to be recognised community groups don't represent everyone in the community. It's important that community consultation be advertised as such community not representatives of a community that are self serving.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Town Centre is dirty and Railway Park isn't inviting or relaxing. The lack of toilet facilities and the cleanliness of the current ones are a disgrace.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

A vibrant hub for everyone. Currently the town is great for tourists this is at the loss of community identity. Markets should be removed from the butler st reserve to the beach front as the effect on residents in this area is a disgrace. Music, drums , lack of safe egress, residents having monthly sales from the footpath in front of their houses.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

We need some major action on assisting the homeless and disadvantaged. This can't just be a Health Service Job we need to promote ideas that focus on the entire community not just the business holders peroanaly i'm sick of the self serving business community. Also again Council needs to focus on getting out the positives they do as the message is not getting across. I understand about the good council and it's workers do if you leave promotion of the good just to the Coucilors it won't work and doesn't work as they have their own political agenda.

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**Q11. Would you like to be involved in future
engagement activities about the Community
Strategic Plan?**

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

It is green. It is not the Gold Coast. Our towns and villages are surrounded by rural land.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Hold on to our green and Green values. Don't be afraid to say No to development. Don't be afraid to be different.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

The traffic into Byron Bay

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Zero emissions. Ecotechnologies. Food security. Small scale farming. Green. Green. Green. Green. Different. Innovative.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

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Talk to a Councillor

Talk to Council staff

In person at a public meeting

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Q8. Your name

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Q10. Your post code

2479

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The beaches

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Infrastructure. More decent toilets, parks, fix the roads,

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Limit cars in the Byron township, more public transport.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

A town with great public transport, no potholes, decent public toilets.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

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Q10. Your post code 2479

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

We love the diversity of the shire. We live in a rural setting and this is very special, enjoy the sense of community and work in the community to support this. The beauty of the area, beaches, towns, the space. The values of a large part of the population

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Rural housing how much can we fit in without spoiling it?? creating community's not just rural ribbon development. Create villages not just housing. Federal is a good example how this could be done in other places like Eureka, Goonengerry, Coorabell, Higher density housing in rural areas, for single, small families and older population who don't want to live in the towns, but would like to stay in a rural village. Affordable housing, smaller houses Road maintenance especially with the increase of traffic on the roads. Traffic flow in Byron Bay Community spaces Parking in our towns and villages How do we manage the population growth Managing tourism to support the residents who live here How the shire can maintain a set of values that supports the whole community not just the individual.,

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Rural Roads Speed limits Traffic calming in our rural villages Parking in towns Better urban development - for affordable housing Insuring good public spaces like parks, playgrounds, sporting facilities

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

I would like to see a balance between development, community, residents and tourism. How do we maintain the special place of Byron shire with the population growth, so we don't spoil what we have here and keep the diversity which will decrease as the cost of housing and land increases. To manage how much development in the shire and with the growth in population how to support the increase in regard to - community facilities, roads, sewage, water, traffic, schools, childcare, etc

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

In person at a workshop
In person at an event
Telephone

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2480

**Q11. Would you like to be involved in future
engagement activities about the Community
Strategic Plan?**

Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

That locals stick up for what is right and try to protect the area from big development and blowins looking to make the big bucks. I like that there is an emphasis on sustainability however, being sustainable should not be a reward for development. Local businesses have been nurturing and caretaking the area for a long time. Byron wouldn't be where we are today if local people had not ensured this had happened and our businesses would not be thriving still if we had not have looked after our environment and area to ensure long term viability.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

No more development until our infrastructure and road problems have been fixed. Stop rate spike increases and look for other ways to ensure visitors to the area pay for the priviledge of using the area so that the locals don't have to keep footing the bill. Not all local businesses rely on tourism and the tourist dollar therefore it remains unfair to assume local businesses are happy to keep paying to support tourism and tourism infrastructure.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

More emphasis and respect being given to long term established businesses who have successfully long-term managed and cared for their natural resources in the area and continue to support their communities through charitable work and donations. Council need to stop trying to change the amenity of rural communities. Seriously consider the impacts of the developments they are passing especially in the rural protected zones and if Council do not have the required knowledge on agriculture, listen to the advice of industry bodies that do. I have no problem with small-scale development in the Shire, providing that development fits into the objectives of the zoning on which is is situated, is permitted in the zoning and is respectful of the zoning and respectful and responsive and engaging with local communities and neighbours. Byrons image with people in other Shires is waning. Too many time I have heard people from Lismore, Tweed and Byron Shire state that they avoid Byron like the plague because of traffic issues and parking, disrespect of people in the town centre, town looks old, dirty and unkept plus many more. Maybe it is time to work on Byron's image to entice back the neighbouring local people from other Shires who could become a constant income stream for local businesses instead of promoting Byron so much as a tourist destination. Historical or heritage areas need to be protected from the encroachment of development. Where is the history of Byron Bay? The older generation with knowledge of their local areas are slowly diminishing. Why not promote the indigenious heritage of the area as well as past heritage and industry in Byron . Yes the whaling, abattoirs etc are far removed from the Byron Bay of today however, it would be good for tourists to see how the area has been protected and restored to what it is today. Perhaps this knowledge will then help to preserve our area and visitors to respect it. Would it be possible to create a heritage museum with Government grants connected to the Byron Bay Historical Society online? The block of land next to the Hospital (Grizells old farm) has a house on it that is rotting away that is heritage protected. This would be the perfect area for a heritage museum/cafe as would the school house at the Ewingsdale grounds. Why hide Byron's past? Let's embrace it, make some money out of it and ensure that it is there for future generations. Restore the Bangalow Pool area. Not to be used as a swimming hole but as a clean and green area with clean and renovated public toilets. 15 years ago this was one of the main meeting places in Bangalow. Such a shame to see it run down.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

I would like to see an emphasis put back on community and establishing a community feel good approach again in Byron Bay. The feeling of unity and doing what is best for the community is slowly decreasing as tourism takes over. What can Council do to help return the community spirit and small town amenity of Byron and surrounding areas? I would like to see less emphasis on tourism and developers and more on the local people who support and nurture their communities and work hard to protect the local natural environment without any financial rewards. I would like to see infrastructure in place to support the number of visitors that come into the community and I would also like to see visitor education campaigns where the emphasis is on looking after our area whilst they are here. Too many times we see dumping of rubbish and disrespect of our area and illegal camping. A lot of tourists that visit have minimal money to spend as we are on the backpacking trail so it would be good to see Council work out some way that the visitors to the Shire can contribute to the infrastructure by an imposed legal levy. I would like to see more made of the indigenous heritage of the area and celebrating the importance of this area to the indigenous people.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

More emphasis should be put on heritage and historical areas in the Shire and development must be planned to ensure there is no impact on these buildings etc. Not enough is made of our historical areas and the knowledge that still exists with long time locals. Byron Bay is seen as the tourist party town for young people with much made of new developments and businesses. Perhaps we can start to promote some of the heritage features and historical background of the town and neighbouring towns to help to change this perception of our area. In my opinion the best time for our Shire was the era of hippies and ferals. Byron Bay during that time was active, community minded, cohesive and pristine. Let's aim to bring the Bay back to people, community and community values.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

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Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Naturals environment - ocean, hinterland

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Protect environment, beaches, coastline, wetlands, bush land,

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Disappointed about trees in railway park, generally pleased about council, despite the pressures trying to keep a cap on development

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Status quo, difficult to balance Byron very special because of its lower density and should be maintained, maintain balance
Look to revenue from tourism rather than residential development.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Safeguard the natural environment which is a real feature of our area

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to Council staff
In person at an event

Q7. Please specify

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Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2483

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

THE NATURAL BEAUTY SUPERB BEACHES LOW KEY VIBE LACK OF HIGH RISE AND HOTEL CHAINS LACK OF HIGH PROFILE "GLITZY" RETAIL [EG MAC DONALDS]

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

BETTER INFRASTRUCTURE AND ROADS WITHOUT LOSING THE UNIQUE ATMOSPHERE AND TURNING IT INTO ANY OTHER SEASIDE RESORT IN AUSTRALIA DISCOURAGE LARGE BUS LOADS OF TOURISTS AND DAYTRIPPERS

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

POTHOLED ROADS! [NOT CHARMING] CITY CENTRE STILL " LOW KEY CHIC" BUT NOT RUN DOWN AND GRUBBY LOOKING

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

STILL LAYED BACK AND TASTEFULLY DEVELOPED WELCOMING TO EUROPEAN BACKPACKERS AND SURFERS WHO GIVE A SPECIAL YOUNG POSITIVE VIBE TO OUR TOWN WHICH SHOULD NOT BE LOST NOT OVERDEVELOPED AND COMMERCIALISED

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

HAVE NOT SEEN IT YET. GOING TO CHECK RIGHT NOW!

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Email
Telephone
Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Hinterland beauty, diversity of cultures, artistic community, desire of locals to be part of a community.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Traffic: do we await gridlock before reducing or stopping the flow of traffic into Byron Bay? Park and ride (bus or dare I say train) into town. Enhance our laneways and reduce road width by removing parking and allowing building down the center of wide roads designed for bullock carts to give a more intimate human scale to our streets (see Tokyo's urban areas). Control holiday letting, Free parking for residents (no charge for parking permit).

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

See above

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Car-free town with affordable rents, strict control over tourist numbers and a return of the shire to its residents.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Email

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2483

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The natural environment, the locals, the community spirit, the sense of freedom, the eclectic nature of the place.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

The impacts of noise, it is well past time that the Council made The Rails put a wall (can be perspex) around the live music from this venue. Do you have any idea of how many locals leave Byron Bay because of the nightly noise from this and the night club venues? It literally travels all over the residential area. All cities with live music, like we have, also mitigate this for residents. This Council seems to have no idea that this is a big issue. This is a sad indictment of a Council that focuses so much on youth culture when it was the older people who gave this place it's vibe! Traffic congestion through residential streets - it's time for putting in some blisters and curves to slow down traffic , especially in the old part of town which has become a fast way to get to wherever. Bicycle paths - way past time for this and time to support the rail trail as a means for connecting the villages in the shire.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Heaps, see above, also support hosted holiday rental as this is a cottage industry and do not support absentee landlords renting out huge homes which should be available for permanent rentals. The impacts of noise, it is well past time that the Council made The Rails put a wall (can be perspex) around the live music from this venue. Do you have any idea of how many older locals leave Byron Bay because of the noise from this and the night club venues? This is a sad indictment of a Council that focuses so much on youth culture when it was the older people who gave this place it's vibe! Traffic congestion through residential streets - it's time for putting in some blisters and curves to slow down traffic , especially in the old part of town which has become a fast way to get to wherever. Bicycle paths - way past time for this and time to support the rail trail as a means for connecting the villages in the shire.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Quieter! Is that possible? Less congested, more of a mix of age groups and not so youth focussed. Still culturally vibrant. Retaining lots of natural areas in a natural way, not too much grooming by Council please!

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

NO

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Talk to a Councillor
Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

**Q11. Would you like to be involved in future
engagement activities about the Community
Strategic Plan?**

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Our beautiful natural environment in all its forms, the diversity of its people

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Balancing the needs of the community versus the massive influx of Visitors - how do we maintain our uniqueness and natural beauty and get the best out of the visitors who come here

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Public amenities - beautiful open spaces, great walking and cycling paths, an approach to affordable housing that reduces those living in sand dunes and camping out illegally around the shire making it feel unsafe

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

As it is now!!! Our community and spirit maintained, our natural assets maximised

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

In person at a workshop
Email
Social media

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2483

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Beaches

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Fix the roads and toilets

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

the roads and toilets

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Safe to drive in

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Focus on infrastructure - roads, bridges, culverts, toilets and parks! Emissions reduction for council is important but don't spend our rates on reducing community emissions!

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

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Q9. Your email

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Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The natural beauty/environment

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

No over-development. No high rise buildings. No Gold Coast-style development: ie don't turn the surf club into something profitable with alcohol and pokies a la Gold Coast surf clubs. Keep as much 'original' Byron as possible without turning it into Melbourne/Bondi. Endeavour to make it an affordable place to live.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

I feel like we're moving away from 'rustic' and heading towards 'glitzy'... so I would like attempts to be made to maintain anything iconically original... like the rotunda in railway park, the community centre facade, the surf club as it is now, the rails building, the town pool and wreck car park, and maintaining strict height limits. I'd also like to see it become a more affordable place to live, and support addressing holiday letting problems.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Maintained and valued natural environment, low-scale development, character that is unique and the polar opposite to cities or the Gold Coast. Values that prioritise our children and our elderly... at the moment it feels like a rich 30-year-old's place.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Please make efforts to maintain byron's heritage, we have already lost so much.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Email
Social media
Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

environmental concerns

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

improving roads for locals

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

roads and public areas - parks, verges

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

i don't care

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

too ambitious

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Email

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The natural features.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Minimising impact on natural features

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Accessibility for ratepayers. Eg priority to enjoy assets

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Self sufficient. Encouraging of innovation. Be a leader in low impact sustainable development.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Our vibrant community Our coastal beauty and hinterland qualities. The opportunity for thoughtful urbanism.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

1. The Byron bay Markets at its current location. 2. Car free town centre for all main streets in the shire. 3. Access for wheel chair and bicycles throughout the shire. 4. Train lines upgraded for local transportation 5. Secure Park land and Public Art locations.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

1. Public health. All town's are in desperate need of extra public toilets. 2. Bus shelters

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

I believe that if infrastructure is taken seriously for the next 10 years, Byron Shire will be able to cater for tourism and strive as a developing sustainable community.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

I feel somehow disappointed. I wasn't impressed with not having adequate Mullumbimby bicycle track as one of the priority concerns.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor
In person at a public meeting
In person at a workshop

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2483

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

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In person at a public meeting
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Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2483

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The river at Brunswick Heads. Main Beach and the green open space overlooking the ocean where people can gather. Seeing whales and dolphins. The beautiful hinterland and villages. Creative open hearted people with a strong sense of community.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

How to manage growth and keep developers from uglifying Byron and taking the money for themselves.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

We are going to need some thoughtful planning along Ewingsdale rd - EG Cavanbah Centre needs playground + trees/landscaping/regeneration - add bike tracks and walking trails - integrate it and connect it with the surrounds eg. industrial centre - get the developers to pay!!

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Increased public transport. Affordable housing. Same spirit of creativity and love of nature and community. Not too many mega mansions owned by people who live elsewhere. Well-designed buildings and community spaces that reflect our values.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor
Email
Social media

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

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Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2480

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

geography, broad mix of people

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

fairness

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

look past vested political interests

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

open minded

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

don't trust it - history of pseudo - open planning revealing what is necessary to achieve pre conceived outcomes

**Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide
feedback to Council** Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2483

**Q11. Would you like to be involved in future
engagement activities about the Community
Strategic Plan?** Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The various villages, each with its own community and identity. The natural environment- woodland, bush, beaches, farmland. The exclusion, so far, of BIG development and the exclusion of fast rubbish food franchises.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

The need to retain the very things that make life here so special. Better public transport, including re-instating the railway to connect our villages and facilitate movement around the Shire and further afield. Improve the disastrous roads ,drainage systems and public toilets.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Public transport is badly needed,especially for young people to enable them to move around the area for recreation and employment and if they could go by rail, it would solve a lot of other issues! As public funding doesn't look as if it will ever be available, attracting private enterprise to the region to extend the soon to be operational section between Sunrise and Byron township would be great.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Less is more! Make sure that it doesn't "grow" and that development continues to be constrained, protect the villages. What we have at present is wonderful, Brunswick Heads is a gem, Mullumbimby is a real town, Byron Bay is unspoilable despite recent growth , Bangalow is also amazing and we LOVE the whole Shire!

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Community input is desirable and we are good at it here but is it meaningful or merely an exercise in being seen to be doing?

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Amazing biodiversity, beautiful scenic protected areas, great cultural life.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Protecting the environment.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Educating and regulating tourists to value and safeguard byron shire and not trash their playground and its residents.
RESPECT.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Able to withstand unresonable state govt demands to accommodate growth at the expense of the environment.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Carfullu consider how tourists are considered.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The environment

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Controlling illegal holiday letting and roads

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Make sure that everyone follows the rules Especially the The LEP and DA rules

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

More of a community than just a tourist destination Provide for the community as well as tourists

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

That everyone has a say and that it is adhered too

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council In person at an event

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The road out

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Itself

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Town bypass 20 odd years of planning is long enough

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Better than what it is now

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

No

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Social media

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2480

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The life and happiness of our town. The environment, how easy it is to connect with Nature.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

The culture as richly artistic and a beacon of environmentalism.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Affordable housing.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Still an alternative place exuding love, life and happiness, and artistic and environmental integrity as a town.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Well done! :-)

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Social media

Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

diverse community, great people (overall) - beautiful nature (if we are not careful, about to be destroyed by developer greed)

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

do not allow building height changes, STOP West Byron, regulate holiday letting and stop illegal tourist accommodation in residential areas, it destroys our community and affordable housing

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Make council work WITH the community rather than AGAINST it all the time.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

The way it was 10 years ago :-)

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

do not allow building height changes, STOP West Byron, regulate holiday letting and stop illegal tourist accommodation in residential areas, it destroys our community and affordable housing

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Other

Q7. Please specify any of the above

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The natural environment and the people

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Protect the natural environment and encourage tourism, the arts and education that grows out of what is unique about the area and its people

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

More trees in town, NOT more roads, using the land close to the freeway to build car parks and tour bus terminals, with shuttles or light electric rail into town. Let's not build more roads thinking it will result in less traffic. Let's use world's best practice being rolled out around the world to lessen traffic, encourage walking, and reclaim roads from vehicles. This will result in a boom for tourism, local businesses and quality of life for locals.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

A green, clever and welcoming community that is admired around the world for adopting the most forward looking and progressive solutions to problem facing communities everywhere. In other words, let's not build more roads, and certainly not through a [f'ing] critical wetland

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

More trees, less roads, more public transport, less three storey developments

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The ocean around it

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Real estate management ; get rid of the word development

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

We need to find a way to be more friendly to the people who are here I.e. Free caravan parks, more free events

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Something that's very nature friendly something that keeps our children local and staying here - no rat race

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Get rid of the word development - use appropriate words

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Other

Q7. Please specify With a group of good and wise elders

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2480

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Natural beauty

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Sustainability balancing population growth with infrastructure

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Roads, traffic in byron

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

As beautiful as it is now

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Make it a sensible plan balancing development with the environment

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Easy and close access to beach and rainforest. Close driving to all amenities. No big shopping centres. Easy going and down to earth people.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Prevent Byron shire from becoming like other areas such as tweed heads. Minimise fast food chains and industrial style buildings.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Improve nightlife in towns outside Byron such as Mullumbimby so locals can go out on the weekend without going into Byron. Increase availability of affordable blocks of land to build on.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Increase amount of housing so lower income families can remain here and the area doesn't get overrun by people moving in from the city. Maintain vibrant music culture and make festivals more accessible to locals.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The people it's very communal alternative minded

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Preserved - not another Gold Coast - keep the flair here - limit tourism -

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Limit tourism - parking in Mullum - traffic - more parking areas in Mullum

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Alternative movement preserved - lower socioeconomic people pushed out - support low income or social disadvantaged

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

No rises - balance between tourism and locals

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

In person at a public meeting

In person at a workshop

Other

Q7. Please specify

In a hall

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Unsure



Q1. **What do you like most about Byron Shire?**

Environment, trees

Q2. **What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?**

Affordable housing so people can afford to live here, more renewables

Q3. **Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?**

Roads

Q4. **What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?**

What it was ten years ago. Quiet on the weekend, less boutiques, more practical shops

Q5. **Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?**

No developers in council

Q6. **Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council**

Talk to Council staff

In person at a public meeting

Q7. **Please specify**

not answered

Q8. **Your name**

Q9. **Your email**

Q10. **Your post code**

2482

Q11. **Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?**

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

People, environment, energy, the vibe

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Affordable housing

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Bike tracks, public transport, accessibility for people without cars, tiny houses, traffic

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Affordable, finding ways to generate revenue from tourists, economic and environmental sustainability, improved infrastructure

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

No

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

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Q8. Your name

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Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. **What do you like most about Byron Shire?**

The climate

Q2. **What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?**

Roads, rubbish and rates

Q3. **Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?**

Councillors

Q4. **What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?**

Pleasant and affordable place to live and easy access to neighbouring shires for employment and a place where people feel they can contribute rather than feeling excluded

Q5. **Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?**

More land availability and development . Also development that creates job opportunities. Improvements on water ways e.g walkways, picnic spots for families

Q6. **Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council**

Talk to Council staff

Q7. **Please specify**

not answered

Q8. **Your name**

Q9. **Your email**

Q10. **Your post code**

2482

Q11. **Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?**

Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Good climate, diverse community, plenty of local entertainment, good surf.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Try to manage Byron being "loved to Death" and over-promoted as a "brand" not a destination. Try to make it more low key. Control overdevelopment and any pressure to make Byron like Noosa or the Gold Coast which are overdeveloped and spoilt.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Local roads including streets in town eg. Ruskin St, southern end of Massinger St. Build the CBD bypass as soon as possible. Crack down harder on illegal campers and noisy/illegal Holiday lets and Air Band B's in residential areas. More controls on them and make them register, be inspected and pay commercial tax.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Still low key and not overdeveloped.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Mostly positive.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor
Email
Letter

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. **What do you like most about Byron Shire?**

Beautiful environment

Q2. **What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?**

Roads

Q3. **Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?**

Roads, finish things council starts such as the bypass, parking, Mullumbimby is good

Q4. **What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?**

Progressive development, parking, access to the beach improved between Brunswick heads and Byron bay, less drugs.
Another entrance to Byron bay from the north.

Q5. **Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?**

Think ahead about what we need

Q6. **Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council**

Talk to Council staff

Q7. **Please specify**

not answered

Q8. **Your name**

Q9. **Your email**

Q10. **Your post code**

2482

Q11. **Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?**

No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Natural beauty

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Affordable housing, biotecture, community gardens, sustainable business, creating jobs to protect natural environment.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Public transport, protecting national parks, encouraging people to live in harmony with natural environment.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Encouraging natural lifestyle, encourage organic farming eg incentives

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Biotecture,

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to Council staff

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

It gives me a sense of belonging to the community. The entertainment- have a life here that's not dominated by drugs - alternative lifestyle

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Caring for the environment- getting good staff at Council- enforcement seen as rednecks - go for easy tickets - don't infringe the locals or easy targets - more indigenous rangers

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Tourism push will destroy Byron Shire - developers are changing us - no Gold Coast

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Like it was 10 years ago - walk through with interest - now Byron has no soul - it's too regulated - Council should provide humpies with cooking facilities - could employ young people

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council In person at a workshop

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

not answered

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Cycle from Byron to bruns More playgrounds Public transport

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

We live next to lane way in Mullins - tarring lane ways for dust surpression

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Equilibrium between locals and tourists - locals shouldn't have to pay for infrastructure as much - should be developed to cope

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to Council staff
In person at a public meeting
In person at a workshop

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Like being here, community, creativity, innovation

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

What people really want, public transport options, cycle paths.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Roads,

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

A wonderful example to the world, generating economy that is to benefit of all, replace current neoliberal agenda with new agenda of how we relate to each other.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Easy to read, citizen-friendly, specific information

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to Council staff

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The ecology

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Minimize random restrictions- back to basics e.g roads and rubbish

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Infrastructure

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Prestine e.g environmental

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to Council staff

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

I used to love the hippies, the markets, the beaches. But now it seems these are all being taken over by the developers and hipster city slickers. Byron is getting ruined for all.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Environmental sustainability

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Roads - pot holes are disgraceful.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

I'd like Byron to go back to the Byron of old - laid back, hippies, organic produce, no bus station at the market. Keep it real.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Bring back the Byron of old!

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 3122 and 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

not answered

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Bike path from Mullum to Brunswick Heads Bike path from Mullum to Steiner

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

My Chingocan - make ridge area state park - open

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Keep Mullum a small village - keep heritage and rural feeling

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

No Gold Coast

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to Council staff
In person at a public meeting
In person at an event

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Clean air and water, culture , abundance of marine life, flora and fauna, talented people of the shire

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Affordable housing that is truly affordable, base cap on rental prices, air BnB issues, transport for children

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Community groups formed leading experts in the area to instruct Council. Harness the creativity and skills of residents.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Affordable, range of accessible food, clothing, housing for anyone not just rich people. Work for everyone. Future for children. Community groups that do stuff and have actionable outcomes, things get done.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to Council staff

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. **What do you like most about Byron Shire?**

Nice beaches

Q2. **What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?**

Not to over populate the small town. Congestion of traffic

Q3. **Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?**

Access to the town with less congestion

Q4. **What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?**

Small town with less tourists

Q5. **Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?**

No

Q6. **Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council** Social media

Q7. **Please specify** not answered

Q8. **Your name**

Q9. **Your email**

Q10. **Your post code** 2479

Q11. **Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?** No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

beaches

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

water for the shire

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

I would like families to be able to access and feel safe at all our beaches whites and kings beach . I would like more playgrounds for young children i would like the markets moved to an area further away from the town centre and some rain cover e.g. the cavanbah centre I would like it to be illegal to ride on the road when there is a bike track option I would like the area around the surf life saving club in brunswick to be regularly cleaned up as it is a dump site I would like visitors to stop winging about the roads and the potholes like they have to put up with it year round I would like more free water fountains around and that they be on a cleaning schedule especially at the sports grounds

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

I would like to be able to drive in to the town of byron bay to be attractive and welcoming and not a traffic jamb I would like it to be multigenerational and multi everything else

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Email

Telephone

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The natural beaches and relaxed dining and shopping

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Prices of rental housing and goods so that locals can still live here

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Cost of rental housing and also rentals for business. Many shops are struggling.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Much the same but even more caring and ahead of the pack with positive social agendas for teens, the elderly, all people coming together as well as a great environmental protection plan and respect for Aboriginal people.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Keep it real, safe for all, use beautiful imagery and colours to make our towns beautiful. Inspire community love and cohesion through positive projects.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Email
Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2480

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Community ammenity. Great people and access to locally produced food and products. All of the towns in Byron shire are great community centres with locals volunteering to contribute to the life of the town (sports clubs, community organisations, environmental groups). I love the network of people I meet here in the community - so rich, creative and vibrant, we can achieve anything from our corner of the world.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Really important to retain the ammenity for residents and not sacrifice that for tourists who are transient in our town. Yes business is important but not the be all and end all. Many residents choose to live in Byron and they deserve as much respect in planning as the tourist ammenity does - we do pay rates after all. We are what makes this town and community, don't sell the heart and soul of Byron out for the tourist dollar.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

roads naturally but also the alternative transport options. Share bikes might be a viable option? a light rail link between sunrise, town and suffolk would reduce a lot of traffic. Seriously put in some regulations about the short term letting market - it's killing our town with the number of vacant houses and lack of long term rentals available to families and people who work here.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

not just a place for tourists. At the moment the residential area closest to Byron (also in Suffolk) is dominated by vacant houses let for short term rentals. This is wasteful and needs to be regulated and is killing the community. Lots of families and individuals who contribute to our town can't get rentals due to this. There needs to be a balance, people don't just come for the beautiful beaches, they come for what the community provides but the short term letting issue is killing the town by taking away resident accommodation.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Retain the use of community facilities for residents - don't commercialise everything. Sports facilities, surf clubs, pools etc should be kept available for the residents who pay rates rather than look at with a commercial view.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Talk to a Councillor

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

**Q11. Would you like to be involved in future
engagement activities about the Community
Strategic Plan?**

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

That people here have the time & take the time, to be nice to each other

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Using the Mayor's column in the Byron News of November 9th as a reference point - it's all very well for the Mayor and others to want a future & jobs etc for our youth (and everyone else too), the #1 question is how? What concrete plans do Council have to actually achieve this wishlist?

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

For such an iconic Australian location, known across the world for its beauty and culture & also on the top of many 'bucket lists' - the roads in Byron Bay are a disgrace & the laughing stock of NSW.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

1. No homeless people living on our streets. This issue is giving visitors to Byron a negative view of the town 2. A federal government approved 100 x bed (Council operated) homeless shelter on the outskirts of town that provides a bed, daily shower, one decent meal and job training for each person who stays there. This solution to be funded by deduction of 50% of the person's welfare payment. This solution could house and rehabilitate many of these people. 3. Roads that are not only in great condition, they stay that way & don't become a network of potholes at the first drop of rain! 4. Council adopting a 'management by walking around' philosophy - in other words management of field employees by managers who check whether the job had been done fully and to the highest standard. Definitely not happening as I write this. 5.a University campus established in Byron possibly focused on Aquaculture, Agriculture, Hospitality and Food subjects

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Instead of just creating 'jobs', Council needs to manage those employees. A real frustration is seeing anywhere from 5-16 people on the payroll doing the job of one able bodied man. I.E. 15 x employees on the mobile, talking to each other, smoking etc while 1 guy actually works!

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor
Telephone
Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The beaches

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Bike friendly

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Bike path from Suffolk to Byron

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Friendly and liveable. Less cars

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The ethos. The perception that we are different from the rest of the country. The peoples belief that they have a moral obligation to challenge the unjust, the unfair and the social conditioned 'norms'.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Sustainable economic and infrastructural development.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Tourism and infrastructure management. Establish a level of development/growth to be permitted. Maintain the 'ethos' of the Byron Shire. A long term community consultation process. (LTCCP). Byron is on the edge of a precipice. We can go the way of the Gold Coast or we can choose to maintain and enhance our difference. However, in order to do this we need to make plans for the future. NOW. Not for 10 years into the future, (too short a time frame) but for 25 years. Byron is uniquely poised to capitalize on its small but credible, eco and environmental businesses. We already have the reputation and visitor numbers and should be supporting and encouraging these business and enterprises as our unique point of difference.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Better infrastructure. Council needs to receive income from the large number of tourists using the infrastructure and not just the rating base. I see this as one of the key issues in our region. We can not expect the low rate base to support our overwhelming tourist numbers.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

The Community Strategic Plan needs to be not only adopted but managed, activated and implemented by Council. After years in economic development in NZ I have seen too much of the strategic planning process take place at great cost, but rarely successfully implemented.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Email
Letter
Social media

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Freedom of lifestyle

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Design and construct alternate flow path for treated effluent being discharged into upper cumbebin wetlands

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Bicycle and walking trails linking byron and neighbourhoods Byron to Bangalow and Byron to Mullumbimby

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Commuting with electric bikes to reduce car traffic

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Don't allow proposed suburbanisation of Byron by not approving West Byron DA Only approve rural residential village plan

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Natural attractions.... bays, beaches, cape, rainforest

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Preserving the natural attractions and preventing over-population

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Greater respect for Arakwal custodians

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

More peaceful, where the natural attractions are the focus

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Take out high density housing initiatives and improve bike access.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Telephone

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The physical aspects. Beach and hinterland.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

The amenity of our local communities and villages. This Includes basic infrastructure such as roads, public toilets, picnic areas, outdoor gyms, beach access. Also includes liveability. For example impact of short term holiday letting, and availability of accommodation for residents.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Basic services. See issues above. Improve maintenance such as weed control, graffiti removal. Failure to do this results in the shire looking uncared for and consequently disrespected by locals and visitors.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Well maintained, vital, increased creative and affiliated industries.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2483

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

1. Natural features are beautiful and have been largely retained - it's not like the Gold Coast or Noosa. 2. No buildings over three storeys. 3. The laid-back feel, although I am increasingly concerned about the loss of 'community' in Byron Bay and Suffolk Park due to excessive holiday lets and expensive housing market.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

1. Anything and everything Council plans for the next 10, 20 or whatever years MUST be consistent with the Byron Masterplan as so much great work has gone into that process already. 2. Reduce car movements through Byron Bay. Ewingsdale Rd and Shirley Street are choked with cars coming into town. Walking thru the town centre can be dangerous - cars and bicycles everywhere - and it is unpleasant trying to run your daily errands. Finding a parking spot when you just want to do your food shopping, visit the bank and post office is difficult and is only going to get worse. 3. More paid parking. Now that residents are used to it, keep going. Great resource revenue. We need mechanisms to get \$\$ from visitors / tourists direct to Council (the 1.5 million tourists each year are literally loving the place to death) and paid parking is just that. Implement it in other popular tourist areas. 4. Keep lobbying state and federal govts for additional funding to repair our crumbling infrastructure. See above comment about being loved to death.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

1. Improved accessibility (for wheelchairs, etc) throughout townships. 2. Heat the outdoor pools at Mullum and Byron to extend the swimming season. 3. Better roads, public toilets (more needed throughout the shire), street furniture, etc. 4. Better public transport - more frequent bus services between the townships so people don't have to drive or hitch. I realise this is not within Council's control but you can lobby state govt. This will reduce number of cars on road plus improve people's lives in general.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

1. More affordable housing and strong community feeling for those of us who live here. So much is geared towards tourism and the hordes of tourists. 2. More jobs - that don't rely on tourism. Areas zoned for industrial are essential for this to work (eg Byron Arts and Industrial Centre) 3. Fewer cars and less traffic in the Byron town centre. 4. More (and safer) bike tracks for people to get to work, school, shops, etc. 5. I want to see the Byron Master Plan being implemented.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE ensure it follows on from the Byron Masterplan !!! Do not reinvent the wheel.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

**Q11. Would you like to be involved in future
engagement activities about the Community
Strategic Plan?**

No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Beautiful & unique natural environment, long colourful history, active & diverse community , a hub for creativity

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

how to manage & control - inevitable growth & development , - future proofed town centre re-design - increase in tourism numbers

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

public facilities in all areas- recreational & infrastructure, especially development of a cultural hub.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

a beacon for cultural & creative lifestyles encouraged by a progressive harmonious community with well maintained facilities & opportunities for innovative business, cultural & social development encouraging destination tourism based on these endeavors .

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

a new plan should include provision for a purpose built art gallery/ cultural hub/indigenous/historical/function multipurpose centre located near the library

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council In person at a workshop

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

1. Natural environment. 2. The freedom on expression of the locals and visitors in dress,music,arts,mixed cultures that are well tolerated. 3.The fact that the shire remains free from rampant development as is seen as an e.g. Gold Coast. 4. I like seeing different people from all over the world coming and going.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Council should not try to turn Byron Shire into another Gold Coast type area or try to develop any sort of theme park atmosphere using what has evolved here naturally ,Byron Shire is different from other shires with its broad diversity in freedom of expression,this should be allowed to grow not be controlled to its detriment.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Roads need a lot of attention.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Much the same as it is now.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Council must be sure that residents really do have input into it. I don't want to see community consultation being just another tick the box excersize.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

In person at an event
Email
Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

An interactive website would be good where ideas are put up then residents etc can freely coment on it.

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

2481
Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The vibrancy, the freedom, the beaches, the space, the hippies

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Affordable housing

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Affordable housing

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Cheaper living for residences

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Climate & people

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Fix the roads and police illegal campers, noisy & uncontrolled dogs, also people who ignore the noise laws.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Fix the bloody unsafe, unsafe, unsafe roads, especially in rural areas. Fix the blocked Wilson's Creek that causes tens of thousands of dollars damage every year!

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

With safe roads and compliant residents

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Waste of time as existing controls if enforced would be sufficient. Stop any further development to preserve the character that is unique.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Beaches, Ocean, environment, community, music

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

How to stop tourism destroying the place and to cap growth

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Clean up the Brunswick river so that you can swim in it at Mullumbimby Improve public transport - triple the number of bus services

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Like it is now, but no cars in the center of Byron

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

No

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor
Talk to Council staff
In person at a public meeting
In person at a workshop
In person at an event
Email
Telephone
Letter
Social media
Your Say Byron Shire website
Other

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The hidden spots and uncrowded beaches :) The rich community spirit, shopping at the markets vs the commercial stores
:) The Musical and Artistic Talent

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Affordable Living for All Access to Byron Roads the North of the Shire is Terrible

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Less tourist lettings and people being made homeless because of greed ROADS!

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Less commercial/More Laid Back :) Still embracing that beautiful community spirit.. And of course less homeless people

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Havent read it sorry

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Email
Social media
Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Natural atmosphere, no high-rises, lovely natural beaches, and beautiful hinterland

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Road Infrastructure, and traffic management

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Road Infrastructure, Traffic in town of Byron (proper bypass) needed, great useable cycleways linking major centres (rail trail would be a great thing)

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Retain its natural feel and beauty, and allow for sympathetic development including new housing. We will not survive financially without increasing the rateable base so we have to allow for new development but in an environmental way. The rail trail will allow for all sorts of new businesses servicing the eco tourists it will attract.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Allow for more cycleways and develop Byron as a an eco tourist mecca

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

In person at an event
Email
Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Natural environment - the verdant hills and the sweeping beaches

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

How people who aren't rich can live here

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Roads

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Like it was 10 years ago - eclectic; rich, poor, Country Party, Greens - no yuppies and very few wankers

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Rates should be charged on the market value of the property. We bought our house for a lot less than \$300,000 and the land is now worth \$400,000. If we were to sell tomorrow we would probably get \$1.25 to \$1.5 million. It's a beautiful Queenslander on 14 acres but how can our children afford to buy here?

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2480

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Byron Bay is Small enough to walk and pushbike around! Beautiful beach and hinterland. Music and creativity everywhere!
Please ensure you continue to support the above and maintain the community for the locals and not let tourist development override (or push out) the basic needs and access to facilities of a cohesive small community!

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

To remember, byron bay has a community of locals and that tourist facilities should not take precedence. Creating smaller smarter affordable housing for those who live here, or wish to stay longer term. I work with Kevin Doodney of The future housing task force. Don't forget that byron began its rise in popularity thru surfing, alternative living ideals and as a hub for creative expression. (by people who came and camped in their vans on the beach!!) I would love to see the old hospital turned into a welfare shelter for the homeless providing short term accom and welfare services to assist them. I would also like to see the shire maintain and grow/support its current very small villages, and their services. They are important as gathering places and maintaining small networks for support.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Stop the massive townhouse developments for tourists (encourage tourists to spread out and not overtake the central areas of town) Leave the pool where it is and make better use of the parkland between the surf club and Clarke's beach!! Create a 'free camp' area for low end tourists, providing only minimal basic services(like camping grounds used to be) or add coin operated hot showers for revenue. The van parks we have now are upmarket (and expensive) and providing and charging for services and facilities that many campers don't need!!

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Still a small alternate thinking, creative, laid back town and collection villages that backpackers feel at home in! Not a yuppies (top end tourist) paradise resembling a short version of the Gold Coast!!

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

How does this connect with the Masterplan that was developed?? I was involved in the community consultation workshops! I would love to see Simons vision for the rail corridor come to fruition, but not with massive development around it!! Would also love to see Byron shire be totally green energy asap!

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor
In person at an event
Email

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

**Q11. Would you like to be involved in future
engagement activities about the Community
Strategic Plan?**

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The range of people who live and visit here that creates an eclectic society.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Better town planning and building rules so that NEVER again is a development like the one opposite the Ocean Shores shopping centre allowed.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

The roads.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

An inclusive society that values its population and the environment.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

No

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2483

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

What i DID like was the calmness and the easy nature.. but now everyone is in a hurry on the roads and people are cranky and have more road rage.. why? please bring in something to make people less agitated.. everyone drives so fast..

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Please place the wildlife and forests first. We came here for the beauty and right before our eyes it is disappearing.. please do something about the wildlife carnage on the roads and the ridiculous speed limit (excessive) on the back roads.. Please get some education out there on pet ownership. All pets need to be desexed. All pets need to be contained .. all pets inside at night. get more animal management people on board and crack down on the violence and abuse done to all animals. Please keep planting more native trees and implement wildlife crossings.. i know you can do it please do it.. you need to educate people as they come from the city and they have no clue about wildlife..

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

More police and more jobs and more education on everything that makes byron byron.. the environment.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Beautiful..a haven for wildlife and caring compassionate people.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

I dont know what that is.. will you be chopping more trees down? apparently you didnt fine the guy up there on the ridge behind the fruit man Bill .. that man chopped all those natives down and you didnt do much..what chance does the environment have if you dont stand up for her? We need stronger laws to protect the environment.. have you not seen the influx of people in the last 4 years?.. please dont let Byron become a gold coast.. i feel its looking like this already..

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Talk to a Councillor
Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. **What do you like most about Byron Shire?**

The weather

Q2. **What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?**

Fixing our roads Get a proper by pass for Byron

Q3. **Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?**

Improve our roads they are terrible

Q4. **What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?**

Much the same A smaller more efficient council that doesn't waste so much money on surveys

Q5. **Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?**

not answered

Q6. **Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council** Email

Q7. **Please specify** not answered

Q8. **Your name**

Q9. **Your email**

Q10. **Your post code** 2483

Q11. **Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?** No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The diversity of people.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

No more pop up granny flats and back yard accommodation. Any new development applications for accommodation should all have their own car park space. Get residential parking off the streets.!!!

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Regular weekly lawn mowing of parks in the summer period especially in peak holiday times. Bike paths connecting the whole shire.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Cleaner, better kept eg gardens, parks, sitting areas. More parking areas in Mullum.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2483

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The surrounding beauty the community feel from be raised here and knoqing so many people, that is changing now due to so many people making the sea change but thats not the worst thing

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Infrastructure the riads are terrible the round about at the district hospital is insane hiw can council justify that round about that causes traffic to back up onto the freeway

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Roads and better structuring of parking spaces or use of one way arcades in mullum to allow more parking bruns could use a similar restructure

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

As much the same as possible with better roads

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Focus on create a more driendly environment for foot traffic and more parking to cope with increasing tourism restructure the cbds of mullum and bruns

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

In person at a workshop
In person at an event
Social media

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. **What do you like most about Byron Shire?**

Acceptance

Q2. **What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?**

Sustainability

Q3. **Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?**

More trees, less regulation. A sustainable powehouse

Q4. **What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?**

We could be a sustainable, reusable example. A place where people from all walks of life can coexist. Where community is real and residents are encouraged to share and care for others around them.

Q5. **Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?**

not answered

Q6. **Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council**

Talk to a Councillor

Talk to Council staff

In person at a workshop

Q7. **Please specify**

not answered

Q8. **Your name**

Q9. **Your email**

Q10. **Your post code**

2482

Q11. **Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?**

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

It is unique and development is a dirty word

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

No big developers or development keep it small and local and special

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Flood mitigation and cycle paths

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

No big development and lots of diversity no Gold Coast

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 4220

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

alternative thinking

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

reduction of traffic

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

more bike paths, resolve the flood issue of Tallows Creek foot bridge, a roundabout for beachside Suffolk Park, better roads, bring back annual one day free hard waste pick up, introduce a bed tax, get tougher on Airbnb,

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

turn back the clock....our village is far too busy

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to Council staff
Telephone

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Byron Shire is reliant on its natural beauty and sense of escape for its tourism and overall appeal. To allow much more development or overpopulation will create a risk of 'killing the golden goose'.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

As above, on so many levels. Adding things like paid parking is taking away from the atmosphere people are taking massive trouble and expense to gain by visiting this region - for tiny benefit. People don't come to a town like Bangalow to be stung by parking fees. They expect that in a big city, and they holiday away from big cities to escape it. Find another way to make \$ from tourists (like accommodations tax). likewise restrictive parking at Broken Head. People want a sense of freedom and agency here, not constriction. don't kill the vibe.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Roads.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

no more developed than it is now.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council In person at a workshop

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2479

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The life style

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Traffic lights on the corner of Johnson and lawson streets This would provide a better traffic flow for cars and Pedestrians

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Traffic flow

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Just like it is now

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

No not at the moment

**Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide
feedback to Council** Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 3000

**Q11. Would you like to be involved in future
engagement activities about the Community
Strategic Plan?** Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

diverse people who live here and who visit. nature the relaxed pace and open spaces the creative culture

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

restrict new development greatly increase fees for new development stop illegal holiday letting- start with air b&b and stays tax the visitors to pay for infrastructure - bed tax and bring in paid parking in Brunswick heads and in Mullumbimby then reduce our rates

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

More housing for locals. All the illegal holiday houses and granny flats currently being rented to tourists should be available for locals to live in. People should be living in the town they work in, not driving down from pottsville. More paid parking! Better public transport ... more buses and bring back the trains We need a Byron Shire Regional Art Gallery in Mullumbimby. The current art spaces are inadequate. The 'cube' is a joke and the lone goat gallery is also too small, it is expensive to exhibit there and it is tucked behind the library like an afterthought. Visitors don't even know it exists. With all the artists in the shire surely we can do better? Look at the NRCG in Ballina, it is a great success and an asset for the community and the TRAG brings in thousands of visitors every year. Lismore also now has a great gallery... Why doesn't Byron Shire have a gallery?

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

less poverty more community better public transport more art less development

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Climate and nature.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Get the basics right. Prioritise the essentials (roads, sorry to bring it up again), and spend less time on the fluff.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Roads again, obviously. Increase biodiversity by encouraging larger landholders to create riparian zones. Reward them with an extra building entitlement.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Not much different, but allowing some organic population growth (rather than mass-scale subdivisions that allow only one or two developers to profit massively).

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

In order to create community, we need a less transient population and this means more houses need to be available for long term rental rather than Airbnb.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2479

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

I'm a recent 'refugee' from Sydney so I enjoy the space but I'm here mainly because of family.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

A lot of 'consultations' are programmed in this Shire but nothing much changes. Maybe the consultation for the Strategic Plan will help to change this. To maintain 'faith' with the community council needs to demonstrate that it is 'fair dickum' and demonstrates this by following up where and when possible.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

It appears thta there is only minimum effort made by council to be 'inclusive' and ensure that young and older residents who are disabled and have mobility problems are catered for across the Shire.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

I am aware that residents across the Shire want to retain the uniqueness of their villages. This means maintaining the 'heritage' of each village. Council needs to recognise this value in its planning documents. There is a general feeling that 'we' don't want to finish up like Byron Bay. I appreciate this sentiment as I have traveled a lot in our eastern States and learnt to appreciate the history and heritage of each area.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council	In person at a public meeting
	In person at a workshop
	In person at an event

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Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code	2482
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Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?	Yes
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Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

I like the people. This area is filled with the most amazing bunch of creatives and environmentally and social conscious people and it is THAT which has always made the area special.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Don't develop Byron into another gold coast. The thing that makes this region special are its colourful characters and the environmental consciousness. Make sure to retain these or Byron has lost its worldwide appeal as

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

The roads.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Hopefully retaining some of its character and colour. Not another gold coast!!!

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Community consultation all the way. I know it is hard in this area.. But do it

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Social media

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The beaches, national parks and independent retailers/cafes.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

The environmental impact of tourism and an increasingly urban and consumption based society. I would like to council to consider the most economically sustainable way to manage the income generated from tourism and channel it towards the rate payers in the shire, the majority of whom suffer the consequences of tourism, yet do not reap the benefits of the income. I would like to see council invest more funds to support the residents of the shire rather than mainly the concerns of visitors. I would like to see more infrastructure to encourage cycling and also more pedestrianised areas in the towns.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

I would like to see the cycle network improved, more regularly maintained and also the development of new cycleways that link some of our town, Mullum, Bruns, Byron etc.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Cleaner with more green architecture that focusses on local and sustainable practices. The towns will be pedestrianised and cycleways will link our towns. Byron Bay in particular will be less haphazard and the buildings will reflect a well planned approach to urban design.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

In person at a workshop
Email
Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The coastline and the local community

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Infrastructure needs to be our priority and to achieve successful infrastructure detailed planning and delivery needs to occur. Currently ratepayers and residents are seeing very little in the way of results. Too often we have expensive consultations with groups who do not necessarily have an understanding of our regional communities.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Our council needs to be more responsible, especially with communicating their actions to the ratepayers and residents. People are disappointed with the communication channels. It's ok to invite people to participate in strategic planning but, when their ideas and voices are ignored their faith in their local government is destroyed.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

For the residents and ratepayers to be comfortable in their town and not feel like a prisoner which we are quickly moving towards. Yes, it is time for the council to be visionary. Currently residents and ratepayers are asking to regain their towns so emphasis with future planning needs to be given NOT to tourists but rather, how can we make this a better place for the residents/ratepayers? In addition, I would also hope to see an ordered compliance of the illegal holiday letting in residential areas. We, as residents did not choose to build in a n area of holiday lets but rather a residential area. It is currently open slather with no off street parking etc. Council needs to ensure that this is addressed in their 10 year planning to ensure residents continue to live within the shire, working people have long term accommodation and the shire doesn't become over run with developers and greed. Simply, regain our communities. All the talk will not work unless you are prepared to take action. Stand up and be counted councillors. Save our towns because currently we are being swallowed up in a whirlpool of decaying infrastructure, lack of planning and developers and people ignoring the rights of residents and ratepayers.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Ensure all stakeholders are heard, don't allow developers to have the final say and take ACTION.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Email
Letter
Social media

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

**Q11. Would you like to be involved in future
engagement activities about the Community
Strategic Plan?**

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The climate and the beaches and hinterland.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Maintenance and development of the infrastructure to support a growing population and increased tourism.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

The roads and infrastructure maintenance.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Roads should be as good as or better than those of Noosa and its surrounding areas. All public areas to be properly maintained. Being green and environmentally friendly does not mean that everything has to shabby and poorly maintained. Let's show some pride in the appearance of our Shire.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Accept the reality of increasing tourism. Tourism means jobs. Focus on the basics, namely provision of high quality infrastructure and essential services - roads, water, waste water, garbage and maintenance of infrastructure. Forget about everything else until these things are addressed.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The trees

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

A bed tax or surcharge on accommodation.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

The roads.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

not overcrowded, some were the elderly can still live.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

I was on the Community Consultation committee with 42 other people. you could implement the recommendations from that working group.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The open expanses of green countryside.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Resistance to rampant development and loss of public amenity.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

The condition of the roads.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

It would have trains running again on The North Coast Line.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Consideration is never given to Undergrounding the power supply in townships.

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Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The beaches

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Reducing traffic in the CBD. Make pedestrian and cycle friendly

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Cycle/walkways

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

A candidate for "TIDY TOWN". At the moment it looks very third world.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

The rail trail will make a huge difference to the town - encouraging healthy tourism and cleaning up the corridor. Once people start riding it, others will follow- just like in other towns and cities.

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Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Beaches and light house walk

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

getting cars out of the heart of the town and creating better bike paths. Supporting the community here with affordable housing

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Roads still have a long way to go Please ensure proper under road preparation and strong upper surface that will last. The two new roundabouts (Hospital and Sunrise) have shocking curves

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Great walking paths at back of the beaches Cars out of the main beach car park. More appropriate tree planting.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

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Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The beaches, forests, rivers and waterfalls. The community The cafes and live music

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Look after the locals needs above the tourist needs. Support businesses who export from the Shire rather than import tourists. Look after our young people. Make the Shire sustainable - renewable energy projects, public transport

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Roads and traffic especially in Byron. More emphasis on sustainable housing and low cost developments. Create zones where holiday letting can and cant occur so we keep a sense of community. Regulate number of people allowed in to Broken Head Nature Reserve - like we do at the Lighthouse. Make people pay to go in there.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Green, clean and community focussed. Less cars. Focus on the arts and culture. Good public facilities such as clean toilets, picnic areas.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council In person at a workshop
Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. **What do you like most about Byron Shire?**

Beautiful nature The sense of community, family friendly, safety & peacefulness

Q2. **What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?**

Supporting sustainable living, focus on ecology, redefining affordable housing

Q3. **Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?**

More towards ecology and affordable housing

Q4. **What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?**

Pristine ecology, Strong down to earth community support, Access to affordable decent home

Q5. **Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?**

not answered

Q6. **Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council** Email

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Q8. **Your name**

Q9. **Your email**

Q10. **Your post code** 2482

Q11. **Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?** Unsure



Q1. **What do you like most about Byron Shire?**

Beaches, markets, friendly atmosphere

Q2. **What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?**

Holiday letting Infrastructure Bypass Jonson street mall

Q3. **Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?**

The overpopulation of holiday let that is ruining our town Traffic & alternative routes

Q4. **What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?**

I would like to see Byron shire ahead of its time in areas such as Sustainability, Common green areas , Community gardens

Q5. **Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?**

Not at this stage

Q6. **Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council**

In person at a public meeting

Email

Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. **Please specify**

not answered

Q8. **Your name**

Q9. **Your email**

2481

Q10. **Your post code**

Yes

Q11. **Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?**

Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

* incredible beautiful countryside * variety of interesting and diverse people * great climate * beautiful beaches and surf

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

* ensuring that development is sustainable * cater for people from all socio-economic backgrounds * develop realistic public transport

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

* this area needs to get serious about developing its section the walk/cycle way from Casino to Murwillumbah as part of a larger network within the Shire. Stop dithering about romantic notions of trains and other gimmicks.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

* sustainably developed and environmentally aware.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

* the plan looks interesting and contains many worthwhile features.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2479

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The casual vibe and the scenery.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Try to regulate AirBnB and its likes

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Keep it small! No more shopping plazas. I am not looking forward to the new Woolworths. That's not Byron Bay.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Peaceful

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Not really. Though it would be great to have a railway line back to Casino and Murwillumbay, and even up to Robina. Though that's pretty unlikely!

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Anything that encourages use of public parks like paths through trees for walking and cycling.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Reducing car dependency by providing many bicycle lock up frames.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Utilizing the old rail corridor into a world class rail trail. Turning Jonson St into a Mall. Installing a fully coordinated traffic light system along Lawson St in conjunction with existing roundabouts.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

People friendly. No car congestion and fumes and noise.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The natural beauty & environment & Diversity of people

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

not to lose the uniqueness of the Byron Shire, to preserve the environment

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

the infrastructure (roads & drains) - keeping pace with the population / development / tourism growth. somehow getting tourists to fund the infrastructure more so than it falling on the shoulders of the residents via rates. Paid parking helps but for most residents it was really akin to a \$100/year rate rise.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

balanced

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Telephone

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The beaches, fauna and flora

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Improve traffic flow and keep,open spaces as area grows.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

The state of the roads and a botanical garden would be great ...possibly at Suffolk

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Much the same but with better roads and traffic flow, reasonable housing for workers and the elderly.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

**Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide
feedback to Council** Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

**Q11. Would you like to be involved in future
engagement activities about the Community
Strategic Plan?** No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Outdoor lifestyle

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Bicycle and walking paths, particularly in Bangalow, but also Byron. Bangalow has the potential to be extremely bicycle friendly, it's so small! We could all just leave our cars at home., an excellent idea on SO many levels!

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Bicycle and walking paths!

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Better managed traffic/parking/ less traffic in towns, more parking outside of towns, more bike paths!

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Keep maximum building height as it is, don't give in! Beware greedy developers... By the way I've noticed the latest improvements and am impressed, thank you!

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to Council staff
Telephone
Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2479

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

No high rises

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Cycling and walking tracks

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Road surfaces

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Carbon neutral

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Rail Trail a must

**Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide
feedback to Council** Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

**Q11. Would you like to be involved in future
engagement activities about the Community
Strategic Plan?** Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Always something to do.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Transport - small electric buses around town, bigger buses between towns. Rail rail combined with network of good bike paths. Extend rail trail to Bluesfest site so people can ride / walk from Byron & Mullum.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Condition of the roads.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Not much different other than transport else it will not be the same Byron.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The beaches,hinterland ,the hippies,pineapple man and buskers ,drumming circle,the tourist,as they are happy to be on holidays.The fresh food,the Markets ,the music scene.The cafe and restaurants.The creative art people.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Fix roads ,update town centre which is happening.Allow subdivision on acreage so more affordable housing .

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

A shower at Belongil Beach entrance from main car park please

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

More variable options for housing including the outer areas of Byron Bay

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

To maintain the 3 story minimum,no Mc Donald's ,KFC etc .

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council In person at a public meeting

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

low-rise buildings, fresh air, clean beaches, food market,

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Diverting traffic from town centre, repairing roads, preventing illegal camping and camper vans in residential streets

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

roads

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

similar to now really, with the above traffic and road problems addressed and continuance of only low-rise buildings

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

no

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council In person at an event

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Nature and green spaces

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Traffic control

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Traffic

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Not very different

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Don't lose what we have.

**Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide
feedback to Council**

Telephone

Letter

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

**Q11. Would you like to be involved in future
engagement activities about the Community
Strategic Plan?** Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The natural environment That there is no high rise buildings

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

To maintain what we have no high rise Control of illegal holiday let's so families can rent close to schools

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

The roads ,the roads, the roads

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

I would like to see an over head walk way for pedestrians to use . Better roads ,better transport

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

That people of the community are heard

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Laid back, friendly, progressive, not too busy

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

How to keep the Shire that we all love and to realise our ambitions for a sustainable way of life

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

More affordable housing, realisation of zero emissions goal, definitely much more support for safe bike ways.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Similar to now, but much less car use, more bike use, affordable housing.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The natural beauty of beaches, and hinterland, quirky villages. The national parks.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Sustainability, but ensuring essential infrastructure is maintained without more degradation. Take into account climate change in planning.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Essential infrastructure, workable transport systems, rail, more public transport, park and ride into Byron, surf racks on train, clean public toilets and parks. Continue steam weeding. Ask the State government to give back our community based refuges for the homeless. Continue to take action on Air BNB so that locals can rent the studios and granny flats, as originally intended.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Co-operative, sustainable, respectful, vibrant, diverse, no high rise, less Air BNB.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Continue the communication that you have commenced about the state of the budget, the infrastructure backlog, the hard choices that are required. Get genuine bottom up feedback from community about their priorities for their local regions, but make commonsense decisions based on staff advice about essential core requirements, and not be swayed by loud voices, and/or political expediency.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Other

Q7. Please specify Committees

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

1. The natural environment - on the coast and the in the hinterland 2. The diversity and tolerance of the people who live in the shire

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

1. The impact of tourism on the built environment, natural environment and social environment 2. The impact of population growth on the region

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

1. The roads! 2. Areas of high impact tourism to have improved facilities which in turn manage how the area is used - pathways and board walks, developed picnic areas for example 3. It may be difficult to eradicate camphor laurel but a program to reduce them from the landscape across the shire would lead to improved chances for native trees to grow

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

I would like the region to maintain the diversity of people who are able to live here. This means there needs to be affordable housing. It would be a shame if the shire was only available to the wealthy. I would like tourism to be managed so the impact on locals is minimised. Tourist accommodation should be restricted to registered tourist facilities. I hope that the natural environment is protected, managed and improved for future generations. I believe that council and the community is on the right track with 'green' initiatives - renewable energy, recycling, reducing plastic bags and excess packaging etc and would like to see these initiatives continue and develop.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The physical and social environment, Byron is just a country town with a lot of visitors and the elements of the country town. The opportunity to experience a range of food and entertainment available.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Maintain the essence of the country town feeling . Limit high rise growth and grow infrastructure to cater for any inevitable growth in population . Do not amalgamate with other councils. Maintain the recreation grounds, local swimming, cycle ways and any other community asset that is needed by local families.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Roads, pedestrian and cycle networks, improving the Recreation Grounds and other public spaces. Ensure the visitors pay for visits to Byron- bed tax/ paid parking. Ensure BSC uses as many grants available to them to maintain and develop infrastructure. Link the towns within the shire with great transport options.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Much the same as now back with improved infrastructure. Definitely not like the Gold Coast or South Bank

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

The CSP must play an important role in future directions and not discarded by the present council or in 4 years when the council composition will change.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Talk to a Councillor

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Its natural beauty

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Consider whether to continue with the transition of Byron to a tourist theme park or develop amenities for local North Coast residents . Ballina is updating the swimming pools in Ballina and Alstonville, walk and cycle ways, limiting high rise development, forming partnerships with Department of Education for joint facilities, ocean pool and redeveloping Shaws Bay

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

develop cycle and walk ways, mini buses to replace visiting private cars

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

More relaxed and family friendly, not overrun with cars, affordable for average families A more ordinary town rather than a party place almost everyday of the year A place I would visit

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

I feel Byron may have passed its tipping point and will be loved to death. Stop chasing/allowing so many large events. Low key local events that attract residents also have a place Supporting the rail trail concept that would release some tourism pressure by creating a pathway to other areas on the North Coast. People could then visit Casino, Lismore etc and instead of staying in Byron solely for , say 2 weeks, may stay for a week in Byron and then another week around the area. Bangalow, Mullumbumby Brunswick Heads, Billinudgel could all benefit

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor
In person at a workshop
Email

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2478

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

small villages, great restaurants, casual dress, families, these and rivers which provide physical and environmental activities

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Carrying out traffic management plan in Bruns with focus on one-way lanes, mobility parking, clear speed signs, regulate them and cycleways. Afterthat, repair the roads properly not just bandaids.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

(Solar) Lighting for security in laneways and parks; regulate tourist numbes particularly at Festival times; continue pushing for something like a visitor tax; investigate novel ways to transport locals and visitors through the shire make it difficult to restrict AirB'nB accom - must register with Destination NSW , or at least with local VIC. Re Rubbish collections and racing, loud trucks - better hrs if there are no better trucks. Hate GREEN bins - I don't use it but have to pay for it. RED bins can be too small; YELLOW bins should be picked up more - do a survey on bin use!

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Clean, environmentally sustainable power; local compost centres in each village/town at convenient places; Clean, fit-for-use environmentally sustainable public toilets; no parking meters and more regular enforcement of parking times at busy visitor periods.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Listen to what residents want not market what Council sees as an easy fix fo all parts of the shire; think laterally - and especially consult youth. through school projects and competitions.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council	Talk to Council staff
	In person at a public meeting
	Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2483

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

It's diversity

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Traffic flow

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Traffic flow by road widening of the north & south entrances/exits. Multi storey car parks. More user friendly parking meters

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Modernised food & retailing outlets; everything streamlined to reduce the current congestion at peak times; self sufficiency in electricity generating by using bio fuel from the garbage collected in the shire; better sign posting/ electronic information boards with touch screens in the street advising where to find various attractions & facilities. Better beach access along currently rocky walkways

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Include all economic aspects that foster prosperity from job creation plans to road building; sophisticated tourist promotions to use of technology in the street. Consider how to include more facilities for children 0-15 years & family friendly events not only during the year but at Xmas time as well. Congratulations on having a ten year plan. Very intelligent & progressive in the true sense of the word.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. **What do you like most about Byron Shire?**

Environment

Q2. **What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?**

Community infrastructure

Q3. **Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?**

Public transport

Q4. **What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?**

Self sufficient i.e. Eco villages, producing energy

Q5. **Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?**

not answered

Q6. **Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council**

Talk to Council staff

Q7. **Please specify**

not answered

Q8. **Your name**

Q9. **Your email**

Q10. **Your post code**

2483

Q11. **Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?**

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Beaches and coast

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Strong family life, how community supports families and children

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Less negativity and criticism and more positive action

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Stay the same - so not impacted by development, affordable housing

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Building community is really important , for mental health and wellbeing

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council In person at an event

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Music ocean nature

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Traffic sustainability population resources

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

More free parking

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Adapt but keep the heart and soul through things like markets and culture and events, away from binge drinking tourism culture

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

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Q1. **What do you like most about Byron Shire?**

Nature

Q2. **What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?**

Community- bringing people together to make positive changes instead of whining

Q3. **Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?**

Roads!

Q4. **What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?**

More sustainability and no pay parking

Q5. **Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?**

not answered

Q6. **Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council** In person at an event

Q7. **Please specify** not answered

Q8. **Your name**

Q9. **Your email**

Q10. **Your post code** 2481

Q11. **Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?** No



Q1. **What do you like most about Byron Shire?**

Farmers, community and events, beauty and natural culture

Q2. **What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?**

Support for local farming, increase sustainability

Q3. **Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?**

Sustainability and farming, more community events

Q4. **What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?**

Similar, not highly developed or touristy

Q5. **Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?**

not answered

Q6. **Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council** In person at an event

Q7. **Please specify** not answered

Q8. **Your name**

Q9. **Your email**

Q10. **Your post code** 2478

Q11. **Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?** No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Alternative culture and beautiful nature.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Keep the community real. Not too touristy and developed. We don't want another suburb of Sydney, or to turn into Noosa.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Housing affordability.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Down to earth, not like the Gold Coast. Limit tourism.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to Council staff

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Lots for kids

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

More indoors things for kids

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Parks and shade, safety in parks - fenced

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Same!!

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Love the markets and community vibes, no paid parking

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council In person at an event

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

People

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Accommodation for local people

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Affordable accommodation

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Like it was 10 years ago

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Railway park and master plan good! Butler st redevelopment. No paid parking yes to bed tax or similar levy.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2483

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

History and community vibe Holistic health practitioners Alternative lifestyles Farmers markets The culture and music Environment Beaches

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Housing- terrible development across from ocean shores, we need sustainable and affordable high density- walk the talk of sustainability

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

More affordable sustainable housing- what about da's for alternative models like earth ships, processes need to support innovation Better customer service at council when needing help and information

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Supported accommodation for older population eg alternative lifestyle retirement villages and communities More alternative options! Improve public transport

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Bring back trains, paid parking and bed tax good, but paid parking at low low cost for local families

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council In person at an event

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

It's cultural diversity. The atmosphere and geography. There's no place really like it.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Infrastructure. With the growth I've seen in the 20+ years I've lived here, it feels like the town now can barely handle the influx of visitors and the growing population within the community. The town bypass will be one phase of this, along with renewed bike paths, road improvements, etc.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Changes in holiday letting. I feel like in the last couple of years the town has lost an element of it's soul to outside dollars. The community is still there, but I feel like it's been driven out to the out suburbs, as Byron Central really is just one big holiday. There needs to be a nice balance found between the influx of visitors enjoying Byron Bay, and allowing the local people to afford to live here. Traffic congestion. The Butler Street Bypass will be a great temporary solution to this and renewed bike paths. There will need to be further developments, with possible developments from Suffolk Park via the High School to Byron Central (traffic 8:30-9:30am weekdays is heavy). Using the unused railway corridor for traffic diversion. Parking. Every time a parking area is re-done (from the old Tallows carpark, to Broken Head and now Watego's), there seems to be less parking, creating more frustration (especially for locals). This is a frustration for a lot of my peers, that we can no longer frequent these places like we used to. A further breakdown in the parking scheme could be beneficial here allowing locals better access to these areas, and also the Seven Mile Beach Rd could be limited to Shire residents. Child friendly areas. Renewed playgrounds. A skatepark near the YAC (I can't believe this has never been approved).

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

I hope it's a town with a strong sense of community, with a strong sustainable edge, nurturing both the needs of locals, and enjoying the ongoing diversity of people visiting our town.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

I can't find the documentation on the website.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Email
Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Its inhabitants (...it is demographically distinctive in having a high proportion of inhabitants who strongly value the environment, relationships and quality of life: and who are oriented towards finding more whole and balanced ways of living than those dominant in mainstream culture.); Its natural beauty; Its diversity; Its rich culture; (high concentration of 'creatives') Its climate its proximity to, and distance from airports and urban centres

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Being creative and proactive in finding ways to conserve and enhance the distinctive qualities of Byron Shire, and in allowing it to play a leading role in creating sustainable ways of living.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Being more self-consciously proactive about the kind of development and 'tourism' that is encouraged: ie. to actively promote tourism and development that takes advantage of and supports the distinctive qualities on offer here (healthy living, environmental and cultural awareness, creativity, innovation and, personal growth, and discourage generic tourism and development.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

I would like the Shire to be an expanded, more self-confident and publicly recognised version of what it is already: a world-recognised centre of innovation and learning in the areas of healthy living, inclusivity, creativity, and environmental sustainability - piloting and role-modeling socially, culturally and environmentally sustainable ways of living.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

The community engagement is GREAT...!! I greatly appreciate the Council's dedication to the process, and HOPE the plan can be used to good effect in decision-making...!

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor
Email
Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Friendly people and the weather

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Traffic management

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Traffic flow

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Peaceful and beautiful. Not another Gold Coast

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

No

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor
In person at a public meeting
In person at an event

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The people who I meet both as a volunteer and in my community. I love the cool breezes and I love the sky as it is blue and there is no smog. I also like that I know my family has been here a long time.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Remember the people who live here who are rate payers and who love the environment. There are older people who need to use their vehicles and will not graduate to bikes. We love that we still have some open spaces where there is no development. We need to keep the height of buildings down. We need less buildings on each block and need less Air B&B and rental of every property that is spoiling our community. We now do not know who lives next door. Why does everyone have to make money out of each property? we have little knowledge who actually lives here anymore.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

When Council makes decisions then in a few years changes these requirements it is wrong. People use the garage as a rental property and park lots of cars on the street. These streets were not made to accommodate cars either side of the road. We have created a traffic hazard. I want to see council ensure we have streets wide enough plus homes required to use the garage for what it was built for i.e. to park the car in. I would like council to answer correspondence that is sent to them they need a policy in place that details staff requirements on answering emails and letters and ensuring there is a response.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

A community hub, green and clean. Easy to negotiate, no high rise, more gardens and trees, good community facilities, good footpaths and roads.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

I am sure this strategy will be changed by incoming council members or NSW State Intervention. The most important thing is a road from Cemetery Road to Melaleuca Road, for both disaster management and prevention of gridlock if such a broader wider bypass is not considered.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Telephone

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Lifestyle

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Roads and local shopping centres...Suffolk Park desperately needs upgrading

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Access thro Byron Bay

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Easy to access with up to date shopping centres

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Great to have a plan Council

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Nothing get your priorities right and fix our roads

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Get a Byron by pass Fix the roads in the shire they are terrible

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Yes our roads are an embarrassment please get the money and fix them

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

If the roads are still so bad I would like to live elsewhere How come Ballina shire has beautiful walks and pathways? Why can't we

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Stop having so many plans and surveys and spend the money on our roads and infrastructure

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2482

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The beaches, the coastline, the climate

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Remember that the grass roots community sporting associations are vital to a healthy community and they should be supported as much as possible

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Parks n reserves Maintenance- fewer surveys more action

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

A place where permanent residents can live in harmony with tourists and the community is supported by a Council that is more interested in providing services than global issues

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Keep the Byron Rec fields as a primary location for the Byron Soccer Club and so not turn the Byron Bay Surf Club into a commercial operation where there would be no such thing as a cheap meal.. more like elements or byron at byron.. no cheap grits there!!!

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Its sense of community; its diversity; its colourful street life and buskers; the way indigenous people are able to hang out together; the care and tolerance that is given to homeless people; the services and cultural contributions of the Byron Community Centre; the lushness and greenness, the climate, the beaches, the natural beauty; the life and sense of place about the Main Beach Park; the 'buzz' of Byron!

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

To maintain all those things mentioned above - that it keeps the sense of community, that it thinks for the long term; that plans for people and the environment, not just for economic growth and business development; that it works out some way of helping to provide affordable housing; that it works out how to balance tourism and social amenity.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Get to work on some of the ideas in the Masterplan; develop the common/public areas; beautify the parks; get the cars out of town; get rid of the car park at Main Beach and turn it into parkland; develop the laneways ideas; create some pedestrian malls; control holiday letting - and of course fix the roads!

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

I'd like it to develop its potential to be a show showcase of new ideas for combining artistic, environmental (including energy production) and tourism etc to lead the way in innovative sustainability resting securely on grassroots self-government.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

no ideas at the moment -

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council In person at a workshop
Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The sense of community. The wonderful way that the Arakwal people care for their country. The exquisite landscape, in particular, the rainforest areas and beaches. That there are no Macdonald's outlets here.

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A Bed Tax as this would be a great revenue source for Council. What would be ideal is if all accommodation websites ie airbnb, stayz, wotif, booking.com etc could charge the bed tax at the time of the booking. Then the websites direct debit the bed tax monthly or weekly to the Byron Council. Alternatively, all accommodation providers could pay a lump sum at the end of the year. Anyone that is holiday letting of any type should be paying commercial rates.

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Would be great if the roads were maintained and repaired properly eg after potholes are filled that they be rolled properly so that black tar seal does not go all over our cars. Also all colverts be kept clear so that when it rains the water flows down the drains and not on to the roads which can cause tarseal to crack and road wash aways also occur. Would be great if Tourism NSW stopped promoting this area as a tourist destination as Byron already has a name so let's improve roads and infrastructure and maintain it so that everybody that does come gets a better experience rather than the frazzled chaos of traffic jams and lack of public toilets etc Would be great if you could contact Google maps etc and advise them to remove dangerous narrow roads like Possum Shoot Road Coorabell or the road at St Helena from their databases as there are safer roads for tourists to travel on to get to their destinations. The parents of schoolies should pay for the clean up after they all leave not the Byron ratepayers.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

More trees planted in the Byron Industrial Estate. No homeless people. No traffic jams going into Byron Bay. There have been five car accidents (that I know of this year) on Ewingsdale Road due to road rage. Traffic lights or a turn circle could be good at the turn off at Ozigo turning in and out of the Byron Industrial Estate. Each village being clean, tidy and with buildings well maintained and less weeds etc

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Would be great if there were less backpackers in Byron and more families. I am not against backpackers but just feel that the ratio of backpackers is too high and that they dominate the town. Not sure how to change this?

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Telephone
Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

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Q10. Your post code

2479

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Unsure



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Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2479

**Q11. Would you like to be involved in future
engagement activities about the Community
Strategic Plan?**

Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Natural beauty of our environment.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Preserve the amenity of those who live here, not as NIMBY's, but as a community of people who deserve respect and some protection from the forces of commerce and development. Lose community and you lose soul.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Reduction in the number of houses set aside for holiday letting, the big bucks.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

A healthy vibrant community that celebrates its people not its tourist status.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Talk to a Councillor

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. **What do you like most about Byron Shire?**

Community spaces Sporting grounds Surf club Markets

Q2. **What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?**

To keep community spaces, rec grounds in town, green areas, parks

Q3. **Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?**

Keep development out

Q4. **What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?**

I want Byron to retain its community spaces and sporting grounds in town. It supports our kids and gives them open spaces.

Q5. **Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?**

I am very concerned about the possibility that the Byron Bay Rec Grounds may be developed. I am totally against this.

Q6. **Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council** Email

Q7. **Please specify** not answered

Q8. **Your name**

Q9. **Your email**

Q10. **Your post code** 2489

Q11. **Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?** Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

That is has offered a genuine alternative to city living in terms of nature, diversity of lifestyle & - in the past at least - provided sanctuary for those who don't fit into the mainstream (it is less possible for them now to live here because costs have soared in housing, etc.).

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Please please see that AFFORDABLE aged care facilities are increased, especially in the north of the shire, in Brunswick & Ocean Shores. I am 65 now, a single woman with no family, & i have lived in my home in Ocean Shores for 18 years. I would like my older years to be spent in the area i love & not have to be shunted elsewhere. Already i see older friends relocating because of the high costs (rates with minimal pensioner reductions, e.g.) that are beyond what they can afford & because they can't see any care facilities in the area that could accommodate them as they become more frail. There needs to be more community support for ageing seniors generally, with local folk involved, providing services of help with transport, meals, housework, gardening, etc. Something easily accessible through local community centres, face to face contact. Run locally - not through impersonal, centralised government or groups. Locals helping locals.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

There seems to be a huge rush by developers to push through totally inappropriate, overcrowded housing on the few remaining blocks available in Ocean Shores, all under the guise of addressing the housing shortage. This is NOT the answer & will only create more problems. People are feeling disempowered & that Council pretends to listen to their concerns but just goes ahead with what it wants to do irrespective. There's a lot of disenchantment with Council at the moment in this regard, especially given that it's supposed to be Green!

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Self-sufficient in terms of providing health facilities (a hospital with surgery, etc.), aged care facilities, ongoing support for young people, housing affordability for all, greater public transport (let's cut the near empty big buses that run infrequently when children are in school & use more economical smaller buses that run more frequently). And of course protection of our beautiful environment.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Not right now. Thank you for the opportunity to add my voice. I am grateful - even though i may sound a bit disgruntled about certain things!

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council In person at a workshop
Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2483

**Q11. Would you like to be involved in future
engagement activities about the Community
Strategic Plan?**

Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The quiet environmental setting of the various communities

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Increased funding and adoption of current engineering practices for improved road maintenance particularly in the populated community areas.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Road maintenance and introduction of a bed tax to assist funding

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Enhanced open space areas with well serviced infrastructure, particularly roads

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Make sure it is truly achievable

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to Council staff
Email

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2483

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

its diversity of people who LIVE here and the "alternate" community and their beautiful children. also the natural environment and the low building height.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

being sustainable with power and for them to consider opening up the old hydro power station again, fix the bloody pot holes keep no pay parking for elderly more bike paths make mullum hospital available to for public use STOP ADVERTISING OUR SHIRE AND BRINGING EVEN MORE TOURISTS HERE no more festivals approved for north byron parklands

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

get rid of some of the tourists KEEP THE PUBLIC TOILETS CLEANER, THEY ARE DISGUSTING get rid of the pot holes

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

what it was like ten years ago

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

what is the new community strategic plan 2028 ?

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Email
Your Say Byron Shire website

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2483

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

No



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

open space rural landscape ocean access climate

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

avoidance of congestion - housing and vehicle as the population grows consider planning for public spaces, schooling public transport better road planning for town centre to ease the current congestion

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

housing congestion in built up areas - specifically Bangalow road congestion in town centre

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

a rural region by the ocean with public transport and infrastructure that supports the people that live in the shire to enjoy all it has to offer with ease of access

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

- maintain and enhance current sporting facilities and allow them to remain independent and without corporate interests - rec grounds, surf club, Byron Pool, Cavanbah Centre - improve public transport as priority - plan infrastructure for areas being currently actively expanded with housing in particular Bangalow

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

In person at a public meeting
Email

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2479

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. **What do you like most about Byron Shire?**

Nature

Q2. **What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?**

Natural environment

Q3. **Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?**

Less wi fi

Q4. **What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?**

Full of healthy people, less cats more wildlife

Q5. **Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?**

Remove paid parking from Byron bay or implement it in all towns. Protect any natural habitat.

Q6. **Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council** Email

Q7. **Please specify** not answered

Q8. **Your name**

Q9. **Your email**

Q10. **Your post code** 2482

Q11. **Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?** Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The climate and the conscious people

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Find a way to get the tourists to pay for the infrastructure that is so badly needed and beyond the ability of a few rate payers to provide.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

The roads, the drains, the airbnb scourge.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

I would like Byron Shire to be a peaceful place with more consideration given to the rate payers wishes rather than all the businesses as is currently happening.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

what's this about ?

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2483

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. **What do you like most about Byron Shire?**

Beautiful beaches and nature, climate, young 'cosmopolitan' feel

Q2. **What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?**

Residential amenity and traffic overload, esp in Byron Bay

Q3. **Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?**

Yes, traffic jams/gridlock in Byron Bay

Q4. **What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?**

Not over-crowded

Q5. **Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?**

No

Q6. **Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council** In person at a public meeting

Q7. **Please specify** not answered

Q8. **Your name**

Q9. **Your email**

Q10. **Your post code** 2481

Q11. **Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?** Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

its beauty and community

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Council should listen to the community and what it wants, particularly regarding existing facilities that need upgrade and improvement.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

that the council (staff and councillors) listens to the community rather than you bulldozing ahead with its own ideas. Less money wasted on consultant and put into project instead.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

better infrastructure and catering to the community, especially fixing roads, its sporting facilities in particular the local pool.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor
Talk to Council staff
In person at a public meeting

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Our beautiful beaches, green rolling hills and relaxed, strongly connected community lifestyle

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Controlled economic/tourism growth that targets appropriate tourists and businesses that support our environment and community needs.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Fixing the roads properly - and maintaining them Not taking over community assets such as the Rec Grounds (or allowing businesses to put a commercial enterprise in our park - too late, already done) Focus on community needs as much as tourists' needs Hire an economic/tourism development employee for appropriate and targeted growth No more big developments after West Byron, the town is too small for all this rapid growth By-pass that eases traffic congestion More transparency with all information provided up front rather than ekeing it out and being sneaky! Difficult to base decisions when you don't know what is actually intended in the long run. Stop being so 'money grubbing' at our expense - eg paid parking was supposed to fix the roads but that excuse is still used to justify other things, yet another special rate variation - rates are getting so high in some areas it's ridiculous for a country town, making holiday homes pay for a DA as a revenue raiser etc Stop making it hard for farmers - this new 'environmental zone' is unfair to many, some zones are not logical eg camphor laurel hills or single/few trees in a paddock Support for our arts and local food culture Don't take over the Rec Grounds, they were developed by war veterans as a community asset and are much loved and constantly used by the community

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

The shire will be well connected through excellent roads, well maintained walkways and bicycle paths and a range of community events that celebrate our diversity and our relaxed, community lifestyle, with controlled and targeted economic and tourism growth as this is the lifeblood of the community providing jobs for locals.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

I like the pathways from the Rec Ground along the beach etc as we lots of sporty locals and visitors who like to exercise and be outdoors. Visuals and aesthetics are important to a town and region based on tourism and agriculture so making it look good is as important as functionality.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2479

**Q11. Would you like to be involved in future
engagement activities about the Community
Strategic Plan?**

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The shire's geography and climate

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

1. Basic asset maintenance 2. Giving the amenity of Byron Bay residents a much higher priority when deciding on what happens in Byron Bay. Stop pandering to the tourist industry, holiday letting, van campers, market stall holders, commercial interests. 3. Complete the Byron Bay Bypass so we are not trapped in our own town by traffic congestion.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

More emphasis on addressing the needs and concerns of residents. Less emphasis on addressing the concerns of absentee landlords, commercial interests, market stall holders, festival organisers, commercial interests, tourists. Better traffic management in Byron Bay.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

A stable and contended residential community that is not totally compromised by holiday letting and other commercial interests.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

The Council has financial and asset failure problems relating to infrastructure maintenance mismanagement for over 20 years. The infrastructure management has to concentrate on basics like bitumen reseals. High capital cost projects are not within Council's means and must be abandoned in favour of basic preventative maintenance works. Stop chasing pie in the sky projects like restoring the railway when all credible studies have shown it to be unviable. Support the Casino to Murwillumbah rail trail as otherwise the public will lose the corridor to private interests and adjacent landowners.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

The natural beauty which is globally recognised and attracts huge amounts of tourists every year.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Ensuring the natural beauty of the area is maintained and enhanced. Look after the residents of the shire instead of prioritising tourism and the negative impacts it has on Byron Bay and Brunswick Heads' residents. Tourism has become an important part of the shire's income and it needs to be well managed. This involves managing traffic better, managing the maintenance of the roads better; and managing where tourists stay in a way that does not impact upon residents, nor the natural resources. Develop and implement traffic strategies that work: for example commence work on the Byron Bay bypass immediately; move the transport interchange out to the industrial estate/Cavanbah area; do not crowd the town with markets, festivals, but rather look beyond the town area for markets. Tourists will still come as has been shown by the Blues fest moving out of town. Employ more staff to manage the ongoing problem of illegal camping where tourists are defecating and urinating, washing their clothes, brushing teeth in our bushland and streets of Byron Bay. Keep the swimming pool where it is. Keep the rec ground as it is with no change to its zoning to allow other activities such as 'markets'. Employ staff that are knowledgeable and provide work conditions so that they staff and develop corporate knowledge of the shire. This is important to support key decision making in the shire. Care for the residents of towns- they are a valuable resource contributing thousands of hours voluntarily to the good of the shire. Don't dismiss them.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

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Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

To maintain its natural beauty and for it to be well cared for in a sustainable fashion.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

The residential amenity of the shire needs to be considered. Please stop implementing this 'master plan'. It is horrible. It is doing things to Byron Bay that residents do not want. It is difficult to understand why this 'big ticket' strategy is being implemented. The town does not want it. Empower the councillors we have elected. It appears that decisions are being made without their say. Ensure councillors are working to make decisions not having their decision making taken away from them

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email
Letter

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Beaches People Care of environment

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

The community - not just our wonderful visitors

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Less festivals - we are doing too much to bring people in - lets work with the people who live here

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Home

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

I believe the rec grounds should have improved resources not changed into a place for festivals but kept as grounds for all of our children to enjoy - as the RSL intended

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to Council staff
Email

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Space and not living in a city

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Don't allow too much housing and a significant bypass.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Traffic issues

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Day parking out of town. Markets at Cavanbah Centre. No parking in town for anyone other than locals.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Do not remove the recreation grounds. The town needs a green space.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

In person at a public meeting

In person at an event

Telephone

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Living and working here for the last 15 years.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Maintaining a residential community in the town.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Roads and infrastructure.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Vibrant as a community, not as a theme park. A substantial population of long term residents.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Keep the Recreation Grounds for their present use. As a resident living directly opposite them, I see every day that they provide a usable community space for residents, their sporting teams, their children and visitors. They should not be commercialised.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Festivals, unique shops, markets, no high risers, lifestyle

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Definitely keeping the rec grounds in byron as a rec ground and improve public facilities and upgrade byron pool especially the toilets

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

As above

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Hopefully the same

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Don't change the rec grounds

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Environment seemingly laid back attitudes

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Environmental impacts traffic

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

traffic - the town has grown without planning for influxes of large numbers.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Not "south gold coast" still an environmental sanctuary in and out of the water. Much consideration is given to visitors to the town but less to those that live here. International leader in adopting green power initiatives

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Email

Letter

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2480

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

It's open spaces.

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Keep the open spaces

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Get the big buses out of town. Use cavanbah as a bus exchange keeping all buses out of town.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Not too different. Individual villages separated by green belts.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

Don't kill the golden goose

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council In person at a public meeting

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2481

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Yes



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

not answered

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Creating better parking areas, walkways and picnic areas at the beaches, such as Torakina and Brunswick main beach and along the riverbank. Funding could be provided by paid parking in Brunswick HD's.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Better access and parking areas in public spaces. Better roads and occasional council cleanups

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

People friendly, more facilities in parks and recreational areas. Low key walkways along waterways. Scenic lookouts that are not ruined by inappropriate overgrown trees. We should be able to live in a beautiful area that is still people friendly

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

not answered

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council Email

Q7. Please specify not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code 2483

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan? Unsure



Q1. What do you like most about Byron Shire?

Beaches, parks, markets, community,

Q2. What is the most important thing for Council to consider as it plans for the next 10 years?

Protect our environment and beaches. Keep tourist respectful and to a minimum. Do something about the state of the roads and the infrastructure traffic into town. Keep developers out. This is not the new Gold Coast.

Q3. Is there anything you would like to improve about the Byron Shire area?

Our roads!!! Protect our parks and beaches, the upkeep of our parks. Some are looking very tired. Keep development to a bare minimum.

Q4. What do you want Byron Shire to be like in 10 years time?

Better roads. Beautiful parks and walk ways. Less tourists. No new major development. Protect Byron.

Q5. Do you have any other comments about the development of the new Community Strategic Plan 2028?

That areas of council communication is better I often find areas not aware of certain issues that happen in the community. Different departments not on to issues they should be. Example, DA, planning and compliance need to compare notes.

Q6. Please choose your preferred way to provide feedback to Council

Talk to a Councillor
Talk to Council staff
Email

Q7. Please specify

not answered

Q8. Your name

Q9. Your email

Q10. Your post code

2479

Q11. Would you like to be involved in future engagement activities about the Community Strategic Plan?

Yes

APPENDIX D

Submissions



Active promotion of a distinctive Vision for Byron

To create a Vision for Byron that allows ‘the community’ to identify and publicize its distinctive “Byron Shire” characteristics and aspirations: to proactively negotiate the Byron ‘brand’.

- Help to create a sense of unity, solidarity and cooperation
- To guide development decisions, and
- To selectively encourage, as visitors and residents, those who identify with the distinctive qualities of the Shire.

Byron has long been a beacon. Over the decades, many individuals and families, dissatisfied and disenchanted with the limitations of ‘mainstream’ culture and systems have found their way to its shores. The Shire *abounds* with creative, independent-thinking individuals, who are *sure* there are better, healthier ways to live and die, and to interact with ourselves, each other, and our environment. There are a myriad of exciting projects and experiments going on here. Along with its natural beauty, this is one of the main things that has made it such an attractive place to live and visit.

From the perspective of sustainability, Byron Shire contains one of the strongest, healthiest, and most viable pockets of culture within Australia. More than many other places, it contains the seeds of a way of living and being (creative, critical, activist, holistic, environmentally aware and community-oriented) that is better-equipped than most to move into a viable and sustainable future for human kind.

The success of Byron has had its cost. Its increasing popularity has meant that these distinctive aspects of Byron culture are increasingly under threat. ‘Byron’ has been widely associated with surf and beaches, natural beauty, yoga, healing, artistic and spiritual pursuits, and ‘alternative’ community. These days, what many visitors increasingly find is crowds, traffic, beaches, pubs, food, icecream, gift and clothes shops, and a degree of covert or overt frustration... ie. something very similar to what they find in many other ‘holiday destinations’. And recent residential developments (eg. West Byron) seem to promise a very standard, and not very innovative or future-oriented, approach to housing and development.

This situation is far from the optimal for many of the local inhabitants. The tragic erosion of the true Byron ethos is one of the most common discourses in circulation in the Shire today.

How might this situation be addressed? Some constructive solutions to various tourism-related challenges have already been found, a prime example being the ‘Falls Festival’ to ease the pressure of NYE party revelers in Byron... This kind of coordinated, proactive approach to visitors seems like an optimal solution for Byron’s tourist-related dilemmas.

The inhabitants of the shire are well equipped to offer a very wide range of opportunities to visitors, for healing, growth, education, inspiration, re-creation,

creative expression, and connection with themselves, each other, and the natural environment. Focusing and promoting the Shire in this way can help to strengthen decision-making around developments that are in accord with its unique values and priorities.

More selective, targeted promotion and advertising of the Shire could do a great deal for the *economy* of the Shire. The Shire is disproportionately endowed with creative people and healers, with highly talented and gifted artists, musicians and writers, educators, inventors, creators and technicians of every kind, (refugees from the 'Real' world); with people who have engaged in personal and spiritual growth and community development for many years, and who have a wealth of experience. Many of these people live on low incomes, or are 'under-employed', and their resources, power and influence are severely curtailed. A Byron Shire dedicated to offering its unique vision to those who visit would call on the skills and talents of all these people, and could potentially generate a strong livelihood for them. (Tourist websites could be developed an extended, to create a ready, easy link between local 'providers' with prospective visitors.)

Likewise, the Shire has long sought to explore innovative forms of community living. Active encouragement of such a focus on innovation in sustainably in housing and community development would greatly strengthen the cultural leadership role of the Shire.

This kind of targeted, proactive approach to development and tourism would reinforce and support the distinctive values and priorities of the Shire, rather than allowing 'market forces' to erode its distinctive qualities. The development of a clear and concise Vision for Byron would assist the community to retain control the Byron 'brand'. It would restore the *symbol* of Byron Bay, to its proper place: an image of natural and social beauty, health and vitality, of communion with nature, with ourselves, and with each other. And in so doing, it would provide a valuable gift to a world that *sorely in need of alternatives*.

If we, as a community, move from seeing and experiencing ourselves as passive victims, to seeing and experiencing ourselves as active agents, then we can create real and powerful change, and provide much inspiration for others elsewhere. It is so much easier to be motivated, energized and committed towards a positive vision – something that inspires and excites us, than it is to oppose things. If, instead of focusing on problems, we focus on *possibilities*, there is an exciting *opportunity* to grow something truly inspirational here in Byron Shire.

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Future Of Byron Shire

Good morning,

I write in reply to your notice in the Echo on November 2nd relating to the future of the shire.

Whilst Byron Shire is extremely well known for its coastal resort and beaches I do believe that the beauty of its hinterland is not being sufficiently promoted. It does not follow that beach lovers will also take the time to travel to the inland townships and spread their economic benefits.

In my opinion, and of course I may be completely wrong, I do believe there are two ways in which the hinterland can be made more attractive to visitors.

The first is that in many of the country roads there is just no place where a motorist can safely stop the car, get out, and take time to pour a coffee or a cool drink whilst admiring the scenery. Certainly, there is usually a park within the bounds of a township but the townships are rarely perched on the edge of a valley with breath-taking views where a motorist would prefer to stop.

It may be that the land put aside for the roads development does include areas where such stops are possible. Alternatively, perhaps areas can be acquired from land holders.

The other matter which I believe has merit is if the idea of the shire being a capital of local arts and crafts could be explored. There is the industry and arts complex down Ewingsdale Road but that is hardly a beautiful tourist drawcard. Can the Council become friendly towards the artists and craftsmen to help them locate to the townships from other centres around Australia. Even the continual promotion of Byron as the place of arts and crafts with maps depicting their wares and addresses could gradually entice both the craftsmen and the visitors to check it out for their - selves.

You have the weekly markets in different towns but they are not operating evry day of the week, Just at week-ends.

Just a couple of ideas