**Lilydale Structure Plan – Community Reference Group (CRG) Meeting**

| **Meeting Notes** |
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| Date | 17 September 2020 |  |  |  |
| Present | CRG reps, Ward Councillors, Officers |
| Apologies | Terry Avery |
| **Agenda Item Action** |
| **No** | **What** | **Lead** | **Notes** | **Actions** |
| **1** | Welcome | Nathan Islip | Purpose of meeting - Rebecca Andre to present university work on design around the Main Street for the benefit of discussion, and Phil Burton to discuss landscaping issues for the Main Street, again for discussion purposes only. | - |
| **2** | Minutes of last meetingActions from last meeting highlighted in attached notes below | Ben Champion | Summary provided | - |
| **3** | Update on Lilydale Quarry | Ben Champion | Role of VPA explainedQuestion raised on ability for community input on the quarry proposal at preliminary stages | To discuss internally with relevant officers re the process and community input, and provide feedback to the group |
| **4** | Rebecca Andre to present her ideas for design in and around Main Street, with discussion | Rebecca Andre | Two ideas discussed, from Rebecca’s university work: 1. A changed parking arrangement along the Main Street to create a pedestrian boulevard, 2. A raised pedestrian bridge between Main Street and John StreetThoughts from the group included:* There is a need to celebrate the Creek as a prominent feature. Nearby buildings to the Creek could potentially open onto it/look onto it.
* Any option to relocate parking in Main Street would need stakeholder engagement, and careful consideration
 | Consider these thoughts as work continues on the Structure Plan.  |
| **5** | Phil Burton to discuss ideas about landscaping in the Main Street  | Phil Burton | Ideas expressed that:* native plantings do not reflect the character of Lilydale, so there should be a preference in level crossing and other works for exotic species
* adequate maintenance of landscaping is important
* some existing planting should be reviewed, e.g. Melaleuca trees on John/Hardy Street add little landscape value
* Some public seating in Main Street has no shade
 | Next project stage to discuss landscape themes within Main Street and surrounds. Next project stage to discuss pedestrian convenience and comfort in Main Street, i.e. via street furniture and other features.  |
| **6** | Other business | Nathan Islip | Next contact will be after the Council election period to discuss the results of community feedback to the Issues and Opportunities Paper | - |

Next meeting: TBA

**Attachment**

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| Apologies | None |
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| **1** | **Welcome** | Nathan Islip | - | - |
| **2** | **Councillor introductions** | Crs Avery and Heenan | - | - |
| **3** | **Draft Terms of Reference**Discuss proposed role of the group, Terms of Reference | All | Terms of Reference generally agreed as presented | - |
| **4** | **Summary of Role of Structure Plan, and summary of key points**What is a Structure Plan, Why do one?Summary of issues – major new land uses, bypass, residential growth, community hub, heritage | Ben Champion | Cr Avery sought community views on the bypass issue. Responses were generally favourable to the bypass. Cr Avery presented potential alternate option for bypass alignment to be Victoria Rd/Coldstream West Road.  | Consider the Victoria Road/Coldstream West Road bypass option. |
| **5**  | **Focus – Main Street*** Summary of I&O Paper commentary
* Key issues – making it accessible, suitable for multi-purpose trips, high amenity
 | All | Query about where the centre of the town should be considered to beComment that Council offices may be good location for future community node, being close to Marketplace and Lake, especially if surrounding land could be used. Query about whether Main Street can ever be a vibrant town hub, or whether investment should instead occur around periphery of centre.Rebecca brought to the group’s attention some student work that had been done on options for Main Street and nearby areas | Consider these issuesConvene a voluntary zoom session to discuss Rebecca’s concepts |
| **7** | **Free flowing discussion*** I&O Paper coverage of town’s issues, connection to Place Plan, etc. Concerns, omissions, further issues for investigation, etc.
 | All | Concern with a lack of emphasis on climate change impacts and biodiversity | Draft Structure Plan stage to include consideration – re adaption, resilience, sustainable transport, urban heat island effect, WSUD, and other relevant issues.  |
| **7** | **Other business**Next contact will be an invitation to consider the results of community feedback, to occur after end of consultation.  | Nathan Islip | Noted that community involvement in the consultation had been very strong. |  |