

Mitchell, Amby, Dunkeld and Mungallala Local Plan

Progress report

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Community Life – A Sense of Belonging	
1.1 By 2020 together we will ensure that Maranoa is a region well known for its friendly, relaxed and welcoming community spirit and where every resident is a valued respected member of our community	
1.1.1 Development and distribution of community service information to potential and/or new residents to assist them with their relocation and welcoming into the local community including printed and web-based resources e.g. welcome packs, www.livemitchell .com, community notice board.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bottle Tree community newsletter (Council funded and produced by BAG)• Community notice board• Numerous Facebook pages• Council website with general and Mitchell specific information• Calendar of events• Community organisation contact list (Council website)• ALSO SEE:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 1.1.3 - indigenous partnerships

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<p>1.1.2 Provision of social networking opportunities for new and existing residents of varying ages and interests to enhance social interaction and encourage participation in community life e.g. personal interest programs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sporting groups – rugby league, tennis, bowls, cricket, golf – often have to go to visits by other teams (eg rugby league goes to Mitchell) • Campdrafting, rodeo, pony club, • Pistol club • Yoga, aqua aerobics, free gym • School-based programs and events facilitated by principal and school staff • School Holiday Program (Council operated) • Skate park • Swimming pool and swimming club • Personal and group trainer • Fitness equipment around RSL • River walk maintained by Rotary • Indigenous trail • New wide footpaths • Family orientation in some club activities • Mitchell Fishing Club – includes restocking • RADF supported activities • Skymuster providing better internet access • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.4 – services that enhance community pride, participation and wellbeing
<p>1.1.3 Ongoing maintenance of strong partnerships within the community to ensure that local Indigenous culture and</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gunggari Aboriginal Property Association has a website and Strategic Plan for 2014-2019.

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<p>heritage is maintained, shared and celebrated through a range of community events and projects including Yumba Master Plan Strategy, Sustainable Indigenous Business Strategies, Language, Culture and Heritage Preservation Project.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nalingu Aboriginal Corporation is responsible for Yumba bush tucker trail and memorabilia in old school house • Yumba site closed in 2013 but now open in limited way. • Major clean-up of Yumba site in progress with Work Camp assistance • Nalingu Aboriginal Corporation works with the local council and schools to promote language preservation in the Mitchell district. Young community members assist in language recording projects and developing skills in using new technology to support the work of the Corporation. • With the assistance of Nalingu Corporation a Gunggari Language Program is run for students at Mitchell State School. • Gunggari language books have been printed • Council provides support on tasks and projects • Gunggari Aboriginal Property Association does work with tertiary institutions <p>NOTES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Nalingu Aboriginal Corporation is identified as responsible for the research, recording and preservation of the languages around the Maranoa and Ballone Rivers in central Queensland.</i>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>A committee of the corporation represents the Gunggari, Margany and Wangkumara Languages of the area and progresses language projects.</i> • <i>Nalingu Aboriginal Corporation is lessee of Yumba land east of Mitchell</i> • <i>Gunggari Native Title Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC is the registered claimant body for native title claims Nos 2 and 4</i> • <i>Native title claims No 4 covers lands at Mitchell</i> • <i>Gungarri Native Title Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC administers land on trust for the Gunggari people for Claim No 2. In June 2012, the Federal Court recognised the Gunggari people’s native title rights over approximately 13,600 km² of lands and waters in the South Central region of Queensland, roughly situated between the towns of Charleville, Mitchell, St George and Bollon.</i> • <i>Gunggari Land Trust holds Aboriginal freehold land granted to the Gunggari Aboriginal peoples by the State of Queensland. The Land Trust was established under the Aboriginal Land Act 1991 for Claim No 1 – Dunkeld land</i> • <i>Gunggari Aboriginal Property Association Inc is trustee for Gunggari Land Trust and manages the Gunggari Cultural Heritage Body.</i> • <i>The Gunggari Cultural Heritage Body identifies Gunggari peoples as the Aboriginal party for the area of Gunggari #2 native title area and collects information about cultural heritage and maintains it for the exclusive benefit of the Gunggari peoples.</i>

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<p>1.1.4 Promote and support services that enhance community pride, participation and wellbeing.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PUBLICITY though: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Western Star ○ Imparja television ○ Bottle Tree Bulletin monthly regional community newsletter - in production since October 2010 – produced by BAG and funded by Council ○ Facebook and website pages of organisations ○ My Maranoa website ○ My Maranoa events calendar ○ My Maranoa community directory ○ My Maranoa business directory ○ Council News monthly publication • ORGANISATIONS include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ BAG – Booringa Action Group ○ Booringa Heritage Group ○ Rotary club ○ QCWA ○ Isolated Childrens Parents Association (ICPA), ○ P&Cs ○ SES ○ Rural Fire Brigades ○ police, ambulance, Mitchell fire brigade ○ Bluecare ○ Anglicare ○ Hospital auxiliary ○ Mitchell Meals on Wheels ○ Horizon Housing

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Nalingu Aboriginal Corporation ○ Maranoa Arts Group ○ Friends of the Gallery ○ Maranoa Garden Club ○ Mitchell Fishing Club ○ Mitchell Mens Shed ○ Kenniff Country Quilters ○ Maranoa Regional Council ○ EVENTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ICPA swag camp (at hall and artesian spa) ○ Australia Day, ○ Anzac Day ○ Remembrance Day ○ Mitchell Show ○ Senior, Youth, Mental Health weeks participation ○ Biggest Morning Tea ○ Mitchell Races ○ Mitchell Camel and Pig Races ○ BAG New Years Eve Event ○ Mitchell Rodeo ○ Tooloombilla campdraft and rodeo ○ Dunkeld Golf Weekend ○ Pony Club shield days ○ Mungallala tennis camp for kids ○ Christmas Tree and Christmas in Park – Amby, Mitchell, Dunkeld, Mungallala ○ Melbourne Cup Day

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NAIDOC week ○ Big Fishing Competition (focussed on carp removal) ○ Mitchell Triathlon ○ Little Athletics Championship ○ Small Schools Athletics Carnival ○ St Patrick School fete ○ Paint the Town REaD – school, council and business ○ School holiday program ○ Market Day – BAG ○ QCWA Mitchell Markets ○ Quilts and Craft in the Woolshed ○ Blue Light Disco <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.1 – communication with new residents ○ 1.1.2 – social networking ○ 1.1.3 – indigenous partnerships
<p>1.1.5 Ensure members of the community who are disabled, disadvantaged or disenfranchised in any way are included in the fabric of the community as worthwhile citizens and contributors to their communities and environment.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Greater independence provided to individuals by NDIS (National Disability Insurance Scheme) ● Surat Aboriginal Corporation runs inclusiveness programs in Mitchell, including in schools ● CWAATSICH (Charleville and Western Areas Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Community Health) was founded in 1993 for the public charitable purpose of the relief of sickness, poverty and disadvantage amongst the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population of the Charleville and Western Area. It operates a facility and services in Mitchell.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free programs for health, education, home support, etc funded or provided by community organisations, Council, Queensland and Australian Governments • Trained facilitator in Council library to deliver First Five Forever program • Schools operate inclusiveness programs • Family and community brings disabled, disadvantaged or disenfranchised persons to Anzac Day and other events • Most local events are free. • Council provides Seniors Week transport to Roma • Bus provided by Anglicare • Free gym in Mitchell • Mitchell Hospital Auxiliary provide events at the hospital • Ramps provide access to public facilities, including artesian spa, hall, Council offices and library • More footpaths incorporate wheelchair friendly crossings • Building standards now incorporate improved access provisions • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.1 - new residents support ○ 1.1.2 – social networking ○ 1.1.4 – services that enhance community pride, participation and wellbeing ○ 1.2.3 - transport options for older residents

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<p>1.2 By 2020 together we will create an environment where our older residents are safe, secure, valued, included and continue to actively participate in community life</p>	
<p>1.2.1 Local residents have access to quality aged care facilities and support programs and services which are delivered locally within the community.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospital has new 12 bed aged care facility • Anglicare and Bluecare services • Mitchell Meals on Wheels • Pensioner cottages • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.5 - Ensure community members are included as worthwhile citizens and contributors to their communities ○ 1.2.2 - Delivery of programs and services to assist older people to remain safely within their homes ○ 1.2.3 - transport options for older residents ○ 2.1.1 - Allied health services, programs and facilities through Mitchell Multi-Purpose Health Service (Qld Health)
<p>1.2.2 Delivery of programs and services to assist older people to remain safely within their homes and facilitate a smooth transition from independent living accommodation into a range of age care facilities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anglicare and Bluecare services • Mitchell Meals on Wheels • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.5 - Ensure community members are included as worthwhile citizens and contributors to their communities

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.2.1 – access to aged care facilities, programs, services ○ 2.1.1 – Allied health services, programs and facilities through Mitchell Multi-Purpose Health Service (Qld Health)
<p>1.2.3 Provision of affordable and reliable transport options to enable older residents to access required services and socialisation opportunities, particularly for those residents of the smaller outlying communities of Amby, Mungallala and Dunkeld.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Family and community members provide transport ● Bus provided by Anglicare ● Blue care transport older residents in Bluecare vehicles ● Bus Queensland services ● Qld Rail (at Mitchell)
<p>1.2.4 Older resident are provided with opportunities to participate and/ or attend community events and activities e.g. inclusion of event access initiatives in event management plans.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.5 – All community members are included as worthwhile citizens and contributors to their communities ○ 2.1.1 - Allied health services, programs and facilities through Mitchell Multi-Purpose Health Service (Qld Health) ○ 1.2.3 - transport options for older residents ● Council footpath upgrades are including improved wheelchair access ● Building standards now have wheelchair access requirements
<p>1.2.5 Acknowledgement of the contribution that older people make to their community and local history through the preservation of their stories and knowledge and ongoing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Oral history collection at the library ● Books and memorials ● Seniors Week ● NAIDOC week

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support of national recognition initiatives such as Seniors Week.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.2.4 - Older resident are provided with opportunities to participate •
<p>1.3 By 2020 together we will create an environment where our children and young people are cared for, safe, actively engaged and have access to support networks and developmental pathways which will encourage and stimulate them to reach their full potential</p>	
<p>1.3.1 Access to a range of quality and affordable childcare options and early learning programs to meet the needs of children and their parents / carers within the local community.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mitchel ECEC Kindy and long day care • Home day care options • Mitchell library offers reading and other 0 to 5 (First Five Forever)
<p>1.3.2 Provision of affordable accommodation options to enable young people to live and work within the local community and reverse youth migration.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community housing can provide some options
<p>1.3.3 Implementation of personal development programs and engagement initiatives to enhance the capacity and confidence of local youth e.g. peer mentoring programs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bridge Builders program (by school) • QCWA programs • Club coaching opportunities • Rotary • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.4 – services that enhance community pride, participation and wellbeing

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.2 – social networking
<p>1.3.4 Development of a youth precinct in Mitchell which provides safe environment in which young people can socialise and interact in a positive manner and engenders a sense of belonging.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skate park • Youth Hub being explored
<p>1.3.5. Delivery of information programs to address contemporary social issues impacting on youth including bullying and harassment; sexual and mental health; drugs and alcohol; safe and responsible electronic communications usage etc.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School programs including Bridge Builders program • ICE program from Heart Church, Qld Police and Lifeline • Qld Health programs • Anglican Church programs • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2.1.1 – Allied health services, programs and facilities through Mitchell Multi-Purpose Health Service (Qld Health)
<p>1.3.6 Increase the positive profiling and capacity of youth through mentoring programs and active engagement and partnering with local volunteer clubs, committees and events.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Race, golf, campdraft, pony clubs encouraged younger people into committees • Junior league clubs, pony clubs oriented to youth • Rotary – including Rotary youth exchange • Kids help serve food etc at local events and sporting club activities • QCWA programs • Publicity though: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Western Star ○ Bottle Tree Bulletin ○ School newsletters

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Facebook and website pages of organisations ○ My Maranoa website ● ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.4 – services that enhance community pride, participation and wellbeing ○ 1.3.3 - Implementation of personal development programs and engagement initiatives ○ 1.3.7 - opportunities for local young people to broaden, enhance and share life skills ○ 1.3.8 - local youth engagement activities and programs
<p>1.3.7 Support and provide opportunities for local young people to broaden, enhance and share life skills and knowledge through access to a diverse range of programs and experiences e.g. youth exchange programs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rotary youth exchange ● QCWA programs ● RSL programs ● ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.4 – services that enhance community pride, participation and wellbeing ○ 1.3.3 - Implementation of personal development programs and engagement initiatives ○ 1.3.6 - positive profiling and capacity of youth ○ 1.3.8 - local youth engagement activities and programs
<p>1.3.8 Delivery of local youth engagement activities and programs including school holiday program, Youth Week Program i.e. Mitchell Triathlon.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● school holiday program, ● Youth Week Program ● Mitchell Triathlon

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Community Life – Creative, Inspiring & Proud	
<p>1.4 By 2020 together we will create the Maranoa as a region which is proud of its heritage, culturally dynamic, nurtures inspiring artistic expression and stimulate viable creative enterprises</p>	
<p>1.4.1 Support local heritage and cultural groups to preserve, present and share local history and cultural assets with residents and visitors e.g. Booringa Heritage Museum, Yumba Indigenous Cultural Centre, Heritage Trails and Interpretative Displays at Mitchell, Amby and Mungallala</p> <p>(not Amby)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Booringa Heritage Group (BAG) • Booringa Heritage Museum • Oral history at the library • The Old Things Shop – collection • Cinema display at library • Yumba Indigenous Cultural Centre • Amby scar trees garden • Signs and plaques

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kenniff Courthouse Museum • Billabong at the Artesian Spa • Memorial Hall and Spa • RSL Hall • Old pensioner Huts (as arts precinct) • Mungallala stock Brands wall • Indigenous Cultural Centre • Maranoa Art Gallery • Mitchell and Mungallala Council libraries • fatsilc.org.au - aboriginal languages - Gunggari • PUBLICITY: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Booringa Heritage Museum – Trip Advisor ○ Mitchell Visitor Information Centre ○ Visit Maranoa website ○ Trails of the Maranoa (My Maranoa) ○ Western Star ○ Bottle Tree Bulletin ○ Outback Qld website ○ Warrego Way route – Outback Qld ○ RACQ Qld Road Trip publication - Roma-to-Charleville ○ Tour operator and accommodation provider websites ○ Tourism and Events Qld – Warrego Way ○ Tourism and Events Qld – Mitchell ○ Wikipedia – Mitchell, Amby, Mungallala ○ Bonzle.com – town maps

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<p>1.4.2 Inclusion of public art in open spaces within the local communities which convey the essence and character of the community e.g. Think Tanks Project, A-Maze-In Gates Installation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A-Maze-In Gates Installation • Amby scar trees garden • Amby public hall archway • Mungallala sculptures • Kenniff bins • One Mile Hill – Kenniff monument • Seats in front of Mitchell library • Mitchell streetscapes – functional art • ANZAC memorials
<p>1.4.3 Hosting of community events which engender a sense of community pride and wellbeing and encourages visitation to the area.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.2 - social networking opportunities for new and existing residents ○ 1.1.4 – services that enhance community pride, participation and wellbeing
<p>1.4.4 Delivery of arts and cultural development programs which are based on community participation and ownership including art gallery / spaces; local arts and craft enterprises / co-operatives; volunteer and mentoring programs; diverse gallery exhibition program; archives and local history; public art precincts.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RADF program (Council – Qld Govt funding) • Gaming Fund and other grant sources (including Origin and Santos) • Council grant program • Travelling exhibitions • Maranoa Art Gallery • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.4.1 - local heritage and cultural groups to preserve, present and share local history and cultural assets ○ 1.4.2 - Inclusion of public art in open spaces

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<p>1.4.5 Preservation, protection, awareness and maintenance of indigenous culture, language and heritage within the Maranoa River region.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yumba indigenous cultural centre • School teaches Gunggari language and bush tucker • Indigenous language books produced • Gunggari Corporation heritage service • Amby Scar trees • Heritage controls through heritage protection legislation • Indigenous land use agreements with Gunggari organisations • Native title determinations and claims • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.3 - partnerships within the community to ensure that local Indigenous culture and heritage ○ 1.4.1 - local heritage and cultural groups to preserve, present and share local history and cultural assets ○ 1.4.2 - Inclusion of public art in open spaces
<p>1.4.6. Provision of library resources and services to support informational, recreational, educational and cultural needs of the local community encompassing all age groups.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Libraries in Mitchell and Mungallala

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Active Healthy Community – Healthy Community	
<p>2.1 By 2020 together we will deliver a high standard of healthcare which is holistic, innovative and services the needs of all residents locally with an emphasis on preventative health programs</p>	
<p>2.1.1 Residents have access to a full range of primary and allied health services, programs and facilities to service local needs including hospital, dental services, mental health services, pharmacy services, Maranoa Health Enhancement Program (MHEP) etc.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mitchell Multi-Purpose Health Service provides 24-hours a day, seven days a week acute and emergency care, community care services, retrievals with the Royal Flying Doctor Service and dedicated flexible care places, which can be delivered in the community or at Mitchell Multi Purpose Health Service. • In May 2013, 10 flexible-care beds were officially opened at Mitchell. These beds added to the 13 acute-care beds and seven high-care long-stay beds already available. • A suite of allied health services regularly visits Mitchell, including alcohol and drugs, cancer case management, child development, a diabetes educator, a continence advisor, dietetics, mental health, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, social work, speech pathology and a women's health clinic. • Home and Community Care services are available for eligible clients in the community. This service is coordinated through Roma Community Health

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mitchell has a regular community nurse program that starts at the bedside with discharge planning. The program is to assist in keeping local resident in their home. The service includes but is not restricted to: Regular blood pressure monitoring, dressings, injections and post-surgery follow-up upon returning home. The Community Nurse visits Mungallala to the west, Amby to the east and south to Dunkeld. • Telehealth facilities are available to connect patients with specialist clinical services in Brisbane and other regional areas via video-conference. • Mitchell can provide financial assistance with the Patient Travel Subsidy Scheme to eligible patients who need to travel away to other health services for procedures and tests not available locally. • A midwife visits Mitchell every month to provide antenatal and postnatal services, including reviewing and supporting new and expectant mothers. • Charleville and Western Areas Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Community Health (CWAATSICH) was founded in 1993 to improve Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health in the Charleville and Western Areas. It operates a facility and services in Mitchell.
<p>2.1.2 Development and delivery of preventative healthcare programs which promote healthy lifestyles including nutrition and physical exercise e.g. Walk to School Day Program, Ride to Work, etc</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council operates Be Healthy & Safe Maranoa program which includes mums and bubs, cooking for one classes • Get-out Get-active programs – Queensland Government programs and Council implementation

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community nurse from hospital • Free gym provided by Council • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2.1.1 – Allied health services, programs and facilities through Mitchell Multi-Purpose Health Service (Qld Health)
<p>2.1.3. Implementation of programs and initiatives that facilitate the attraction and retention of medical, nursing and allied health professionals to Mitchell e.g. promotional resources and community welcoming initiatives</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qld Health is promoting spa and gym • SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.2 – social networking opportunities for new and existing residents ○ 1.1.4 – services that enhance community pride, participation and wellbeing ○ 1.3.1 - range of quality and affordable childcare options and early learning programs
<p>Active Healthy Community – Active Community</p>	
<p>2.2 By 2020 together we will positively contribute to community wellbeing through the provision of a diverse range of sporting and recreational opportunities, facilities and open spaces for all residents which encourage active lifestyle options and high levels of participation and facility utilisation</p>	

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<p>2.2.1 Provision and ongoing maintenance of community infrastructure which promotes exercise and physical activity e.g. community gymnasium, walking / cycling trails (Maranoa River Walk), swimming pool and sporting facilities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community gymnasium – provided free by Council (at Spa), • Walking and cycling trails (Maranoa River Walk) • swimming pool • Mitchell RSL & Combined Sports Club as a quality integrated multipurpose sport • Pony Club • Golf Club • School sporting facilities • Boating on Neil Turner Weir • National parks • Bonus Downs walking trails • Yumba walking trail (assisted by work camp) • Mitchell pool redevelopment (\$1.8 million)
<p>2.2.2 Ongoing support and maintenance of the Mitchell RSL & Combined Sports Club as a quality integrated multipurpose sport and recreation facility and sustainable shared club management model.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi-purpose facility in regular use • Management agreement meeting needs of multiple clubs • Council and grant contributions to maintenance
<p>2.2.3 Explore opportunities to develop the Neil Turner Weir as a viable natural sporting and recreational area including the feasibility for the removal and commercialisation of the excess sand currently deposited in Maranoa River at the Neil Turner Weir.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neil Turner Weir currently used for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Boating - two boat ramps ○ Recreational fishing ○ Park with BBQs and toilets ○ Public camping (no showers) ○ Market Day – BAG ○ Wedding venue

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Walking trail ● ALSO SEE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 3.1.10 – feasibility study for natural resource management of Neil Turner Weir
<p>2.2.4 Partner with appropriate stakeholders to deliver programs to increase club membership and volunteer base including youth mentoring and volunteer promotion.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.4 – services that enhance community pride, participation and wellbeing ○ 1.3.3 – Implementation of personal development programs and engagement initiatives ○ 1.3.6 – positive profiling and capacity of youth ○ 1.3.7 – opportunities for local young people to broaden, enhance and share life skills ○ 1.3.8 – local youth engagement activities and programs
<p>2.2.5 Installation of appropriate directional and facility signage for all sporting and recreation facilities, precincts and spaces within the communities of Mitchell, Amby, Dunkeld and Mungallala.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Facility signage is covers all major facilities
<p>2.2.6 Support and promote local sporting and recreational activities to increase participation rates and encourage residents to pursue healthy lifestyles e.g. dance, gymnastics, aerobic and gentle exercise programs including aquatic exercise activities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PUBLICITY though: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Western Star ○ Imparja Television ○ Bottle Tree Bulletin monthly regional community newsletter – produced by BAG and funded by Council ○ Facebook and website pages of organisations ○ My Maranoa website

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<p>2.2.7 Implementation of appropriate strategies to ensure that residents and visitors can undertake physical exercise and activities in a safe environment e.g. walking paths, adequate lighting and animal control.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.4 – services that enhance community pride, participation and wellbeing ○ 2.2.1 – Provision community infrastructure for exercise and physical activity

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2.2.2 – Mitchell RSL & Combined Sports Club as a quality integrated multipurpose sport and recreation facility ○ 2.2.3 – Develop Neil Turner Weir as natural sporting and recreational area ○ 2.2.6 – Support and promote local sporting and recreational activities ○ 3.1.8 – animal control
<p>2.2.8 Explore opportunities to develop ‘adventure’ and leadership training programs within Mitchell and district e.g. ropes course, river activities, bush / outback experiences and challenges etc.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Current opportunities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ High and low ropes course – RSL sports complex ○ Bonus Downs holiday excursions ○ School programs ○ Yumba Indigenous Culture Centre ○ Sporting club programs ● ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.3.3 – Implementation of personal development programs and engagement initiatives ○ 1.3.6 – positive profiling and capacity of youth ○ 1.3.7 – opportunities for local young people to broaden, enhance and share life skills
<p>2.2.9 Explore opportunities for the development of a multipurpose indoor sports and recreation facility.</p>	
<p>2.2.10 Promotion and provision of access to existing local sporting facilities for residents of Amby, Dunkeld and Mungallala e.g. golf courses, multipurpose courts, etc.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Current opportunities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Amby – Golf course and playground, ○ Dunkeld – pony club, golf, tennis and playground

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="1196 288 1868 355">○ Mungallala– golf, tennis , pistol range, park and playground and table tennis

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<p>Naturally Sustainable Environment – Natural Environment</p>	
<p>3.1 By 2020 together we will actively strive to conserve, restore and enhance the Maranoa’s natural environment and assets by engaging and empowering residents, businesses and industry to proactively seek out opportunities to reduce our ecological footprint at a local level</p>	
<p>3.1.1 Development of programs and distribution of information to assist residents to reduce their carbon footprint targeted to local issues e.g. Mitchell Plastic Police Project, Information / Fact Sheets.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Envirobags program – “Buggerit Bags” • Mens Shed – undertakes aluminium can recycling • Local electrician is a solar agent • Dump recycling of metals • Keep Maranoa Beautiful campaign
<p>3.1.2 Support each other through environmental challenges eg: excessive drought and flooding that may occur in Mitchell and district area.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SES, Council, state agencies and community organisations cooperate in disaster management and coordination • Council officers in areas have designated responsibilities in disaster coordination • Mitchell has local emergency coordination committee • Council coordinates food vouchers distribution for drought – state funded • Long history of local community members providing support for distressed families • Community participates in programs and activities such as:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Buy a Bale, ○ Aussie Helpers. ○ Care outreach ○ Local fund-raising events
<p>3.1.3 Ensure that Council’s reticulated water supplies provide reliable and safe water access for the residents of Mitchell, Amby and Mungallala. i.e. that safe drinking water standards are met.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mitchell – water bore replaced ● Mitchell – Back up bore pump installed ● Mitchell – Power redundancy system ● Mitchell – water tower safety upgrade ● Mitchell – new water Mitchell ● Mitchell – water mains upgrade ● Mitchell – Potable Water Facility AVDATA ● Mungallala – water pressure system renewal ● Mungallala – poly-line renewal ● Mungallala – iron removal
<p>3.1.4 Investigate and assess water conservation and recycling opportunities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Council website has an extensive series of information sheets on <i>Waterwise</i> topics. ● Water restrictions and usage charges also help to encourage conservation behaviours ● ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 3.1.9 – Commercial opportunities for use of sewage effluent
<p>3.1.5 Explore opportunities and implement strategies to reduce and manage waste generation and disposal within</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Council waste management strategy under review ● Mens Shed – undertakes aluminium can recycling ● Dump recycling of metals and green waste

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<p>Mitchell and surrounding district including rural properties, local businesses and industries.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Queensland Government – <i>Queensland Waste Avoidance and Resource Productivity Strategy (2014–2024)</i> sets a framework for waste avoidance and recovery performance • This is an industry-led strategy that sets targets for improving resource recovery and recycling rates and reducing landfill disposal over the next 10 years. These targets take account of the different circumstances and opportunities in metropolitan, regional and remote parts of Queensland • The strategy is underpinned by <i>Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011</i> and Queensland Government Action Plan
<p>3.1.6 Implementation of strategies to maintain a harmonious balance between the emerging natural resource industry and existing agricultural industry in relation land management and access.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited land areas in Mitchell area affected by resource industry activities • Gasfields protocols will apply when resource industry activities expand into the Mitchell area • Processes have been enhanced by Gasfields Commission Queensland which was established on 1 July 2013 as an independent statutory body whose functions include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Facilitating better relationships between landholders, regional communities and the onshore gas industry; ○ Reviewing the effectiveness of government entities in implementing regulatory frameworks that relate to the onshore gas industry; ○ Advising Ministers and government entities about the ability of landholders, regional communities and the onshore gas industry to coexist within an identified area

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Origin and Santos have land access management officers and established community liaison officers
<p>3.1.7 Implementation of pest management strategies specifically targeting wild dogs, feral animals, pests and weed eradication e.g. wild dog baiting programs, noxious weed control.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council operates ongoing weed spraying, coordinated wild dog baiting programs • Council provides bounties on wild dog scalps and funds the Golden Dogger awards • Council officers monitor weeds and other pests on crown and public lands • Council offers an information service and work with Landcare and sub-catchment groups • Landcare and sub-catchment groups assist with development of property plans with landholders and some implementation funding • State government provides fact sheets and 1080 for baiting programs and wild dog coordinator and biosecurity officer • Council assists with identification and with funding opportunities • Council is a member of state oversight group for pest animals, plants and disease • Council receives and distributes state and federal funding cluster fencing funding for approved projects
<p>3.1.8 Implementation of an education and management strategy for the control of companion animals.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council has undertaken property inspections across all Maranoa towns and villages and increased enforcement and dog and cat ownership education action part of improving dog control

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education programs include Dogs Day Out • Council has concentrated on ensuring all urban dogs be registered as part its dog management programs to control nuisance and increase public safety • Policies and laws introduced and enforced for limiting numbers of urban dogs to 2 per property • Dangerous and menacing dogs are placed under special permits or destroyed • Council operates dog re-homing program for dogs assessed as suitable for re-homing
<p>3.1.9 Explore commercial opportunities for the use of sewage effluent and associated site operations.</p>	
<p>3.1.10 Undertake a feasibility study for the effective natural resource management of the Neil Turner Weir.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neil Turner Weir – sand analysis opinion obtained in 2010 • Australian Sand Mining given extraction licence from DERM for 300,000 tonnes from Neil Turner Weir in 2012 • Presence of parthenium weed has been identified as a concern for any sand transported from the Neil Turner Weir • Fish restocking program operated by Mitchell Fishing Club • Neil Turner Weir and surrounds recognised as providing bird habitat, fish habitat and tree habitat. • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2.2.3 – Develop the Neil Turner Weir as a viable natural sporting and recreational area

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Community Place Making – Somewhere to Live	
<p>4.1 By 2020 together we will provide a diverse and balanced supply of accommodation options which meet the lifecycle needs of all existing and potential residents and where housing needs are met in safe, liveable, affordable, well planned and sustainable neighbourhoods</p>	
<p>4.1.1 Delivery of a community housing program to provide affordable accommodation options including youth accommodation; medium and short term accommodation and transitional accommodation for older people or people with special needs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council operates supply of rental community housing • Horizon Housing operates community housing in Mitchell • Nursing beds at hospital 12 rooms for medium and low care • Pensioner cottages in Mitchell • Support programs for older persons to remain in their homes
<p>4.1.2 Facilitate the provision of land for industrial and residential development.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Maranoa Planning Scheme provides capacity for development of residential, rural residential and industrial land growth over a twenty year planning horizon • Infrastructure charges policies were introduced to keep charges at 10% of average market prices
<p>4.1.3 Implement strategies and initiatives to stimulate private investment and development of quality housing and rental stocks within Mitchell and district.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Maranoa Planning Scheme supports development of additional lots and diverse forms of accommodation

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<p>Community Place Making – Community Facilities & Infrastructure</p>	
<p>4.2 By 2020 together we will provide and maintain public facilities and infrastructure which enhances the liveability of the Maranoa, are well utilised and service the existing and futuristic needs of all residents in a balanced, timely, well planned and cost-efficient manner</p>	
<p>4.2.1 Encourage development and maintenance of local infrastructure and services to attract business investment and support a quality lifestyle.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council has a program of maintenance, audit inspections and a customer request system to look after Council assets • Council also has a system of user agreements being progressively expanded to all Council facilities occupied by user groups. The user agreement clarify development and maintenance responsibilities. • DTMR and Qld Rail have rolling condition assessment and maintenance programs for their assets • Police, Fire Brigade, Ambulance, Heath and Education have rolling condition assessment and maintenance programs for their assets •

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<p>4.2.2 Development of a strategy in consultation with the community for improving the townscapes and visual appeal of Mitchell, Amby, Dunkeld and Mungallala including town entrance and CBD areas; signage; streetscapes; open space areas; public meeting spaces and art.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Place-making Strategy has been prepared for Mitchell and Amby with some components for Dunkeld, Mungallala in the Other Communities Place-Making Strategies. • Elements have been implemented progressively
<p>4.2.3 Maintain and enhance existing public facilities and infrastructure to service local residents and attract visitors to the district including Mitchell Great Artesian Spa Complex, Mungallala Cobb and Co Rest Area, Kenniff Brothers Monuments, Kenniff Courthouse Mitchell, Major Mitchell Campsites, Public Art Installations and the museum.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major upgrade by Council to swimming pool • Great Artesian Spa upgrade by Council • Council continues to subsidise the operational costs of the Mitchell Great Artesian Spa complex • Booringa Action Group appointed operators in 2017 • Council • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 4.2.4 – Provision of clean, well maintained and safe public amenities
<p>4.2.4 Provision of clean, well maintained and safe public amenities throughout Mitchell and district.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council undertakes routine maintenance to keep town streets, parks and surrounds neat and tidy • Footpath upgrades in Mitchell and Amby • Council has a rolling program of works for each community • Local town and surrounds coordinators appointed by Council to provide local responses to maintenance and safety matters. • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 4.2.3 – Maintain and enhance existing public facilities and infrastructure

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<p>4.2.5 Provision for restricted mobility and child friendly access for all newly constructed or, where possible upgraded public infrastructure throughout Mitchell and district including footpaths, trails, public spaces and recreational areas, essential community infrastructure and services etc.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council footpath upgrades are including improved wheelchair access • Building standards now have wheelchair access requirements which also accommodate child strollers • Building standards include requirements for toilets for people with disabilities
<p>4.2.6 Develop beautification and revitalisation plans for the former Council Depot site to create a communal area and sustainable gardens.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
<p>4.2.7 Maintain the cemeteries at Mitchell, Amby and Mungallala and enhance the presentation of the Dulbydilla cemetery and provide access to cemetery records through library archives for family history research purposes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council has a program of maintenance for Mitchell, Amby and Mungallala cemeteries

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Maranoa on the Move – Transport Networks	
<p>By 2020 together we will the community with a safe accessible, reliable, sustainable, cost effective and affordable transport system that is well connected and enables the efficient movement of people and products throughout the Maranoa and successfully integrates into regional, state and national transport network system</p>	
<p>5.1.1 Implementation of ongoing programmed maintenance to ensure that the roads servicing the communities of Mitchell, Amby, Dunkeld and Mungallala are safe and maintained to an appropriate standard.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council has a program of maintenance, audit inspections and a customer request system to look after Council assets
<p>5.1.2 Maintain and upgrade the Warrego Highway and truck stop areas and infrastructure to a standard which can safely accommodate the high levels of passenger and heavy vehicle usage.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warrego Highway has undergone improvements in conjunction with programmed improvements and flood recovery work • DTMR improvements include re-routing of Warrego Highway in Mitchel • Series of improvements have been made to DTMR truck-stop areas and general rest areas.
<p>5.1.3 Development of a strategy to promote the use of non-motorised transport options (e.g. bicycles and walking) and identify appropriate infrastructure development requirements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 trail plans for Mitchell: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mitchell Weir Walk ○ Mitchell Heritage Walk

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within Mitchell e.g. provision of bicycle racks and connected pathways.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some trail improvements made • Footpath improvements • Integrated strategy to be developed
5.1.4 Provision of public transport services for residents to enable them to access services and commute to other centres e.g. schools, medical services, retail services, government services etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bus Queensland services • Qld Rail (at Mitchell) • Family and community members provide transport • Bus provided by Anglicare • Blue Care transport older residents in Bluecare vehicles • Mitchell has been declared exempt taxi service area (Taxi service areas have been declared exempt to enable the establishment of a taxi service, which would not be viable if metered taxi licence conditions were to be met.)

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<p>Foundations for the Future – Knowledge & Skills For Life</p>	
<p>6.1 By 2020 together we will provide learning and skill development pathways which are innovative, locally accessible to all residents, address regional skill deficits and encourage investment in a person’s capacity to prosper and contribute throughout life</p>	
<p>6.1.1 Undertake a community training needs analysis and develop and implement an appropriate local training plan to address training and skill deficits.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council has made submissions to Australian Government education reviews and funded university research into establishing hubs to facilitate locally-delivered and better integrated education, training and employment
<p>6.1.2 Facilitate opportunities to develop skills which support employment opportunities in the local area.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business excellence program - Maranoa Regional Council, Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning (DSDIP), Commerce Roma’s Shop Local, Invest Local initiative, and the Western Star) – includes access to business capability training • Group training opportunities through Golden West (minimum course numbers remains an issue for running courses) • Online training services available – (internet quality has improved) • External university courses available through number of universities

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roma is being promoted as a training hub with linkages to outlying communities • Council has made submissions to Australian Government education reviews and funded university research into establishing hubs to facilitate locally-delivered and better integrated education, training and employment • Training also offered through programs operated by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dawson Catchment Coordinating Association ○ Landcare ○ Agforce ○ Business Queensland and Advance Queensland ○ Department of State Development ○ Grant funded courses and workshops (State and Council) • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 6.1.3 Programs which focus on community group and club development and sustainability
<p>6.1.3 Delivery of programs which focus on community group and club development and sustainability including succession planning, membership attraction and reduction of volunteer burnout, funding attraction workshops and resource kit.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuing engagement of Local Community Development officer in local community development activities (positions funded by Council) • Access to Council Community grants for projects, grant writing, leadership, sports coaching • Grants from Council, Queensland Government, Australian Government for developing capacities (for example, coaching, running organisations) • Information services provided through:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ QGAP office ○ Library ○ Council office ○ Council and government websites ● Young people encouraged to participate by sports clubs in events where parents are participants ● Lot of invisible mentoring by family participation ● Coaching sessions – golf, tennis, swimming, football, netball, horsemanship ● Pool of accredited local people ● ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.4 – services that enhance community pride, participation and wellbeing ○ 1.3.3 – Implementation of personal development programs and engagement initiatives ○ 1.3.6 – positive profiling and capacity of youth ○ 1.3.7 – opportunities for local young people to broaden, enhance and share life skills ○ 2.2.4 - Partner with stakeholders for programs to increase club membership and volunteer base ●
6.1.4 Development of a well resourced training facility.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 6.1.2 – Facilitate opportunities to develop skills
6.1.5 Delivery of local community education programs and initiatives to increase education and skill levels and encourage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● “Paint the Town Read” is annual event ● Council libraries offer

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community engagement e.g. “Paint the Town Read” and children’s library programs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roma is being promoted as a training hub with linkages to outlying communities • Council has made submissions to Australian Government education reviews and funded university research into establishing hubs to facilitate locally-delivered and better integrated education, training and employment • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 6.1.2 – Facilitate opportunities to develop skills
Foundations for the Future – Smart Economy	
<p>6.2 By 2020 together we will achieve a smart economy which fosters innovation and sustainable growth and is characterised by diverse and adaptable industry, business and commercial sectors which are underpinned by a high skilled and energetic labour force</p>	
6.2.1 Harness community energy and skills to support an enterprising optimistic and innovative business culture.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BAG provides local community with opportunities to engage in business and social entrepreneurship • Council has facilitated local community plans for Mitchell and surrounding communities to help provide direction for coordinated community, business, Council and government agency towards optimistic and innovative communities. • Council also provides supporting local information for business through its website

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Qld providing access to information, grants and tools to support entrepreneurship through its website and through government agencies • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 6.1.2 – Facilitate opportunities to develop skills
6.2.2 Delivery of business development and succession planning programs for local business owners targeting small business and the rural industry sectors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 6.1.2 – Facilitate opportunities to develop skills
6.2.3 Delivery of training programs for local businesses and staff e.g. Aussie Host Training, marketing and merchandising, e-commerce.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 6.1.2 – Facilitate opportunities to develop skills
6.2.4 Delivery of business networking and mentoring opportunities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Booringa Action Group is creating community, business and government partnerships • Council has business and community organisation directories on its website to facilitate local communication and partnerships • Western Star, community and business facebook pages and <i>Linkedin</i> help foster partnerships and networks. • Council works in partnership with Department of State Development and other entities to facilitate projects that facilitate local jobs • Council is a networking member of the South West Regional Economic Development (SWRED) and the Toowoomba and Surat Basin Enterprise (TSBI) groups

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agricultural and cattle industry organisations offer networking opportunities to local producers • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 6.2.10 – effective partnerships and networks for economic development.
<p>6.2.5 Develop and implement a strategic plan and marketing resources to encourage a sustainable visitor industry which focus on increasing visitor numbers, extending duration of stay and extending the peak visitor season e.g. visitor website, brochure and marketing initiatives.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New draft Maranoa tourism strategy encourages tourism enterprises which are based on all assets of the Maranoa including indigenous culture, history and heritage, arts, sport and recreation, natural resources, agriculture, animal husbandry, timber, oil, gas and coal • New draft Maranoa tourism strategy encourages cohesive sharing of stories across the region with specific roles allocated to each town and village. • Council funds a tourism coordinator, tourism officers and maintains a series of visitor information centres with the assistance of volunteers across the region • Council is a member of Outback Queensland and participates in state and regional tourism strategies (for example – Great Inland Way, Maranoa Way) • New Maranoa planning scheme is intended to facilitate on-farm and off-farm tourism opportunities • Development and delivery of tourism opportunities facilitated by : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Visitor information centre and its display of local business brochures ○ Tourism drive brochure and web-based information ○ Tourist drive signage ○ Billboard

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Injune incorporated in suggested bus itineraries for bus tour operators ○ Visit Maranoa Guide ○ Great Inland Way ○ Outback magazine ○ Council developed souvenirs for Injune, Mt Moffatt and Carnarvon ○ IDTA merchandise and consignment tourism products ○ National parks and wildlife literature ○ IDTA town and district brochure ○ Injune Characters booklet ○ Driver Reviver – 363 days per year – coffee tea biscuits – truckies ○ Famils for local and tour operators (e.g. Mt Moffatt) ○ Volunteer training sessions
<p>6.2.6 Establishment of an Indigenous Eco-Tourism Business and Cultural Centre.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Yumba indigenous cultural centre is intended as a base for Indigenous eco-tourism business as well as a cultural centre for Gunggari people – presently under stewardship of Nalingu Aboriginal Corporation which is the lessee of Yumba land ● Gunggari Aboriginal Property Association has a website and Strategic Plan for 2014-2019 which envisages business activities ● ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1.1.3 – partnerships within the community to ensure that local Indigenous culture and heritage is maintained

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6.2.7 Facilitate project assessment and feasibility advice for new projects.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Maranoa planning scheme is intended to facilitate on-farm and off-farm tourism opportunities • New Maranoa planning scheme provides clearer guidance to developers and investors • Council works in partnership with Department of State Development and other partners to facilitate projects that facilitate local jobs • Council’s new website has enhanced information and linkages for business and industry development in the Maranoa • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 6.2.8 – Pursue investment opportunities and a broader economic base for the local community
6.2.8 Pursue investment opportunities and foster a broader economic base for the local community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council website promotes Mitchell and surrounding communities as investment opportunities • Council prepared <i>Invest Maranoa</i> booklet • Council officers have provided information and assistance to potential investors • <i>Western Star</i> and <i>Surat Basin</i> have provided information and marketing to encourage investors • Maranoa economic development strategy is seeking to achieve these outcomes by focussing upon sustainable communities which are adaptable and responsive to market conditions, technological changes and environmental challenges.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be adaptable and responsive the new strategies recognise that social, environmental and economic entrepreneurship is to be encouraged. Reshaping education and training and its interaction with employment is seen as fundamental to fostering entrepreneurship • Council has made submissions that supported the Queensland Government legislation restricting fly-in and fly-out (FIFO) operations (<i>Strong and Sustainable Resource Communities Act 2017</i>) • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 6.2.5 – Strategic plan and marketing resources to encourage a sustainable visitor industry ○ 6.2.7 – Facilitate project assessment and feasibility advice for new projects ○ 6.2.9 – provide information resources and marketing collateral to promote Mitchell and district
<p>6.2.9 Develop and distribute information resources and marketing collateral to promote Mitchell and district to potential investors and businesses e.g. website, investment prospectus etc.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council website promotes Mitchell and surrounding communities as investment opportunities • Council prepared <i>Invest Maranoa</i> booklet • Council officers have provided information and assistance to potential investors • <i>Western Star</i> has provided information and marketing to encourage investors • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 6.2.7 – Facilitate project assessment and feasibility advice for new projects

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 6.2.8 – Pursue investment opportunities and a broader economic base for the local community
<p>6.2.10 Foster and develop effective partnerships and networks which will enhance economic development.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Booringa Action Group is creating community, business and government partnerships • Council has business and community organisation directories on its website to facilitate local communication and partnerships • Western Star, community and business facebook pages and <i>LinkedIn</i> help foster partnerships and networks. • Council works in partnership with Department of State Development and other entities to facilitate projects that facilitate local jobs • Council is a networking member of the South West Regional Economic Development (SWRED) and the Toowoomba and Surat Basin Enterprise (TSBI) groups • Agricultural and cattle industry organisations offer networking opportunities to local producers • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 6.2.4 – Delivery of business networking and mentoring opportunities
<p>6.2.11 Identify and deliver innovative strategies and initiatives which promote and encourage customer loyalty and support for local businesses.</p>	

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6.2.12 Conduct a Futures Search Forum to identify potential new industries and business opportunities for Mitchell and district.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Futures Search Forum has been held
6.2.13 Explore and enhance commercialisation opportunities for waste products and natural resources e.g. river sand, sewage effluent and site, cypress timber by-products and wild game harvesting etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALSO SEE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 3.1.9 – Commercial opportunities for use of sewage effluent
6.2.14 Implement Strategies to ensure the ongoing sustainability and viability of the cypress pine timber industry within Mitchell and district.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timber allocations, which are fundamental to sawmill operations, are controlled by the Queensland Government. In 2013, 25 year allocation were made to many sawmill operators, giving greater certainty to long-term operations. • However, allocation trading, where a transfer is permitted by the Queensland Government, can result in sawmillers transferring their allocations to other parties with consequences for local jobs especially if transfers occur because temporary industry downturns. • The Maranoa economic development strategy is based on fostering local entrepreneurship and partnerships to help local communities adapt to downturns and industry changes
6.2.15 Recognition and development of the Wild Game Harvesting industry through marketing and enterprise schemes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council has promoted wild game meat in China • Council has also been active in promoting the Maranoa as an excellent site for an abattoir for cattle and game meat.

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<p>6.2.16 Recognition of the Great Artesian Spa as a tourism venture and a stream of employment within the community.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Great Artesian Spa listed as a major attraction in Mitchell and in the Maranoa on Council website and in Council publications • Council highlights the Great Artesian Spa as a major attraction when working with other tourism bodies on regional and state strategies and drive trails • BAG has taken over the management of the Great Artesian Spa as part of a community driven endeavour to maximise the potential of the Great Artesian Spa as a major tourism anchor asset. • BAG also sees the Great Artesian Spa as a local employment asset.
<p>6.2.17 Foster support, publicity and opportunities for the development of cottage industries in the areas of the arts, horticulture and manufacturing.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Maranoa planning scheme is intended to facilitate on-farm and off-farm tourism opportunities • New Maranoa planning scheme provides clearer guidance to developers and investors • Council works in partnership with Department of State Development and other partners to facilitate projects that facilitate local jobs • Council's new website has enhanced information and linkages for business and industry development in the Maranoa • Council and BAG are active in promoting growth of tourism, which is necessary for supporting cottage industries • ALSO SEE:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 6.2.4 – Delivery of business networking and mentoring opportunities ○ 6.2.10 - Effective partnerships and networks which will enhance economic development.
<p>Foundations for the Future – Global Communication</p>	
<p>6.3 By 2020 together we will be able to communicate globally through reliable contemporary telecommunications technologies and networking systems</p>	
<p>6.3.1 Delivery of contemporary telecommunication services and technologies which provide reliable access and full coverage for residents of Mitchell, Amby, Dunkeld and Mungallala inclusive of township and rural areas.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Skymuster and NBN improvements have occurred. ● Service quality is affected by a number of variables, especially the operations and contract provisions of third-party providers. ● Some “black spot” mobile coverage improvements
<p>6.3.2 Ensure that a high level of professional technical service and support is available locally and can be easily accessed by residents in outlying areas.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Local businesses provide IT equipment and support ● Online support through a number of support ● Mitchell library is part of Regional Libraries Queensland (RLQ) Library Online (network of 68 local libraries - supported by State Library of Queensland) ● Access to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ internet terminals ○ Entire RLQ catalogue of books, including best sellers

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DVDs ○ Large print books ○ Magazines ○ eBooks and audio books ○ CDs and Free music downloads ○ LOTE collections ○ Information about community events
<p>6.3.3 Delivery of technology information and training programs to keep up-to-date with technological developments and address training needs and skill development requirements.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Training offered through programs operated by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dawson Catchment Coordinating Association ○ Landcare ○ Agforce ○ Australian Government – business.com.au ○ Business Queensland and Advance Queensland ○ Qld Department of State Development ● TAFE Qld courses on offer when numbers are available ● Council and Commerce Roma have provided access to programs through funding and coordination

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<p>Progressive, Inclusive and Strong Local Leadership</p>	
<p>7.1 By 2020 together we will deliver progressive and accountable local government administration which focuses on community representation and engagement; transparent decision making; futuristic strategic planning and policy development; responsible financial and performance management; and delivery of public facilities, infrastructure and services which enhance the liveability of the residence in Mitchell and District</p>	
<p>7.1.1 Provide and maintain Council's infrastructure and services to meet the community's current and future needs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local area budgets are being prepared to provide greater transparency to Council expenditure in the local area. The Council is pursuing a program of continuous improvement in asset management. • Service delivery is optimised in relation to the budget available. • Council has 10 year projections for underpinning its asset management
<p>7.1.2 Facilitate community involvement in decision making through a range of effective community engagement activities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The current local community plan update process is part of the process of facilitating community involvement in decision making through effective community engagement. • The appointment of Council local area managers is part of enhanced community engagement.

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7.1.3 Implementation and utilisation of mechanisms which facilitate effective and meaningful communication between Council and the public and deliver prompt and efficient customer service including availability of Council Meeting Minutes on Council's website.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Council website in conjunction with Council News are the two main communication tools with the public. • All Council agendas and meeting minutes are included on the Council website • Councillor out-and-about sessions, mobile Councillor offices are all part of more effective communication.
7.1.4 Advance the interests of the communities of Mitchell, Amby, Dunkeld and Mungallala through active representation and effective working relationships with federal and state governments, regional bodies, business and industry and community organisations and agencies.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council and other local community leaders continue to be active representatives on regional, state and federal government, industry and community bodies
7.1.5 Maintenance of community newsletter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Booringa Action Group publishes the Bottle Tree Bulletin as both a local and regional newsletter.
7.1.6 Provision of continued support for local community events and activities delivered in Mitchell, Amby, Dunkeld and Mungallala.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council provides support through local and RADF grants as well as through its local development officers. • In addition to RADF funding, state government provides support local community events and activities through a range of programs, including sport and recreation
7.1.7 Promotion of Council's scheduled road maintenance and capital works program to the local community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local area budgets are being prepared to provide greater transparency to Council expenditure in the local area. • The new local area managers of Council in conjunction with Councillors and local development officers will be able to

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	show where the information is location on the Council website.
7.1.8 Maintain effective and regularly review disaster management plans and flood mitigation schemes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Emergency Control Centre is maintained by Council and operated in partnership with emergency services • Council officers have been trained in Guardian program