Community Vision

By 2030, embracing our heritage, environment and diversity, we – the community of Hobsons Bay – will be an inclusive, empowered, sustainable and visionary community, led and supported by a progressive Council of excellence.

Council Plan

- an inclusive and healthy community – enhancing the health and quality of life of the community through equitable provision of quality services and opportunities for greater wellbeing
- a great place – ensure Hobsons Bay is a vibrant place to live, work and visit
- a well-designed, maintained and environmentally sustainable place – manage future growth and development to ensure it is well-designed and accessible whilst protecting our natural and built environments
- a Council of excellence – be a leading and skilled Council that is responsible, innovative and engaging in order to deliver excellence in all we do

All ideas must fit within one of the four goals of the Council Plan which are aligned with the six key priority areas of the Hobsons Bay 2030 Community Vision.

Assessment of ideas will occur against the following plans/strategies and their goals, principles and actions.
Open space

- distribution, access and connectivity – open spaces are equitably distributed within a safe 10-minute walk of 95 per cent of residents, are well-connected, safe and co-located with community infrastructure
- quality – open spaces are designed to meet minimum service standards, be multi-purpose, multi-functional and enhance community appreciation, reflect community values and be adaptable to changing needs
- provision and diversity – the quality of open space is sufficient to cater for a diverse range of community uses and groups; the purpose of open spaces also caters for different types of amenity
- environment – the network of open spaces supports biodiversity and habitat links, while being resource-efficient, sustainable and resilient to climate change

Sport

- maximise the use of existing facilities through more efficient user groups, playing area and building allocation
- promote and facilitate facility improvements that increase participation opportunities for girls and women, young people, older people and those not traditionally engaged in sport
- Maximise facility sustainability and viability

Arts and culture

If you feel that your idea could be supported through the Creative City Arts and Culture Plan, by enabling the celebration of diversity, creativity and innovation, or opportunities to build social connection, please refer to the Arts and Culture Plan and its key program areas.

Economic development

If you feel that your idea contributes to a vibrant and inclusive business community, or creates opportunities for people to skill, re-skill or up-skill in preparation for future employment needs, please refer to the Economic Development Strategy and its five theme areas.

Sustainability

If your idea impacts on our natural and built environment (including transport), or may help in reducing impacts of climate change in our community, please refer to the individual links below:
- Climate Change Policy 2013
- Climate Change Adaptation Plan 2013–2018
- Corporate Greenhouse Strategy 2013–2020
- Environmental Engagement Strategy 2013–2018
- Community Greenhouse Strategy 2013–2030
- Biodiversity Strategy
- Integrated Transport Plan 2017–30
- Waste and Litter Management Plan

People

If you feel that your idea may impact communities within Hobsons Bay who may experience social disadvantage, including: young people; older people; women; LGBTIQ+ and gender diverse people; people with a disability; people from a culturally and linguistically diverse background; and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, please refer to the individual policies:
- Ageing Well Strategy 2007–2017
- Disability Access and Inclusion Strategy 2013–17
- Children and Young People’s Plan 2014–18
- Multicultural Policy 2016–20
- Gender Equity Policy Statement 2014
- Reconciliation Policy Statement

If your idea relates to any of the below themes make sure it aligns with the corresponding plans/strategies.

If you need help with any of the information on this page or with your submission, please refer to the who’s listening box on the main page of this project. The Hobsons Bay Language Line interpreter services details can also be found on the main page.