

## Pitch Your Idea 2021-22 Guidelines

Council is inviting community members to pitch an idea to be included in Council's 2021-22 Budget.

Council invites residents, community groups, sporting associations, businesses and organisations to make submissions recommending specific ideas for capital works or community programs/projects to be funded in the 2021-22 Budget.

How to pitch your idea...

1. Read the terms and conditions
2. Read the guidelines
3. Submit your idea via the link on Participate, Council's online engagement portal – [participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au](https://participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au)

If you require the form in a different format or language, or have any questions in relation to the form, please contact Council's Community Engagement Team on 1300 179 944.

Submissions close at 11.59pm, Thursday 31 December 2020.

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.

### Hobsons Bay 2030 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.*

Inviting the Hobsons Bay community to actively submit their budget ideas is one of the ways Council aims to achieve this vision. Read more about Hobsons Bay 2030, the community's vision for Hobsons Bay, at [www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/HobsonsBay2030](https://www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/HobsonsBay2030)

### Council Plan

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.

1. 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
2. A great place – ensure Hobsons Bay is a vibrant place to live, work and visit
3. A well-designed, maintained and environmentally sustainable place – manage future growth and development to ensure it is well-designed accessible while protecting our natural and built environments
4. A Council of excellence – we will be a leading and skilled Council that is responsible, innovative and engaging in order to deliver excellence in all we do

The Council Plan can be found at [www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/councilplan](https://www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/councilplan)

Assessment of ideas will occur against the following plans/strategies and their goals, principles and actions. If your idea relates to any of the below themes, please ensure it aligns with the corresponding plans/strategies.

## **Open space**

Hobsons Bay's 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.

Our open spaces are equitably distributed across the municipality within a safe 10-minute walk of 95 per cent of residents. The spaces are well-connected, safe and co-located with community infrastructure. Our open spaces also cater for a diverse range of community uses and groups.

The network of open spaces supports biodiversity and habitat links, while being resource-efficient, sustainable and resilient to climate change.

Council's open space portfolio incorporates the following asset groupings:

- parks and open spaces (excluding building facilities)
- playgrounds
- sports fields (excluding building facilities)

If your idea relates to open space in Hobsons Bay, please refer to the below documents:

[Open Space Strategy 2018](#)

[Play Space Strategy 2013-23](#)

## **Sport and recreation**

Hobsons Bay provides a range of indoor and outdoor sporting facilities that cater for a significant number of formal and informal activities and participation opportunities. Council has a responsibility to deliver facilities and services that promote and encourage community interaction and health and wellbeing outcomes through sport.

If your idea relates to sport and recreation, please refer to the below documents:

[Sports Facilities Needs Analysis 2018](#)

[Tennis Needs Assessment 2018](#)

A full list of sport and recreation related documents can be found at [www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/Community/Sport-Recreation/Sport-recreation-policies-strategies](http://www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/Community/Sport-Recreation/Sport-recreation-policies-strategies)

## **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 below documents:

[Climate Change Policy 2013](#)

[Climate Change Adaptation Plan 2013-2018 and Climate Change Adaptation Plan Refresh 2030](#)

[Corporate Greenhouse Strategy 2013-2020](#)

[Community Greenhouse Strategy 2013-2030](#)

[Biodiversity Strategy 2017-22](#)

[Integrated Transport Plan 2017-2030](#)

[Urban Forest Strategy 2020](#)

[Waste and Litter Management Strategy 2025](#)

## **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 below documents:

[A Fair Hobsons Bay for All 2019-23](#)

[Reconciliation Action Plan 2019-21](#)

## **Arts and culture**

If you feel that your idea could enable the celebration of diversity, creativity and innovation, or opportunities to build social connection, please refer to the below documents:

[Creative City Arts and Culture Plan 2018-22](#)

[Events and Festivals Plan 2016-21](#)

## **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 upskill in preparation for future employment needs, please refer to the Economic Development Strategy and its five theme areas.

Aimed at achieving a long-term vision for Hobsons Bay, the Experience Hobsons Bay Tourism Strategy reflects Council's commitment to ensuring Hobsons Bay is a place that people are proud to call home and a place that can be recognised widely for its rich experiences and visitor offering. If you feel that your idea contributes to this vision, please refer to the below documents:

[Experience Hobsons Bay Tourism Strategy 2019-24](#)

[Economic Development Strategy 2015-20](#)

## Building management

If your idea relates to a Council owned building or facility, please refer to the Building Asset Management Plan.

Long term asset planning and timely renewal of Council's building assets ensure the ongoing provision of facilities that are safe, accessible and fit for purpose for present and future communities, while being serviced at the most economical cost to the community and environment.

Council provides buildings and related facilities to enable a range of important services and benefits to the community, which include:

- providing operational facilities for the administration of local government and delivery of related services
- providing facilities for recreation and maintaining a healthy population lifestyle
- providing an important focal point for social interaction helping to develop and strengthen the local community

If you feel that your idea contributes to this vision, please refer to the below document:

[Building Asset Management Plan 2020](#)

## Roads

Did you know that in Hobsons Bay, Council manages 433km of roads including pavement, kerb and channel? This figure will increase by an additional 23km by 2037 once the new housing projects all that are currently in development are completed. If your idea relates to a Council-managed road then please refer to the below document:

[Roads Asset Management Plan 2020](#)

## Multicultural community

Hobsons Bay is a welcoming and multicultural community which provides opportunities and a sense of belonging for people of all cultural, linguistic and religious backgrounds.

People from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds bring important strengths to Hobsons Bay including new skills, knowledge and experiences. However, they also face barriers such as reduced access to educational, economic, social, recreational and civic opportunities.

Culturally and linguistically diverse communities are an asset for Hobsons Bay, making it a more interesting and vibrant place. Council recognises that it is critical to protect and promote our cultural diversity and continue to build a welcoming community for all.

If your idea relates to multiculturalism in Hobsons Bay, please refer to the below document:

[Multicultural Policy 2016-20](#)

*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.*