

MELTON CITY COUNCIL
Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2013-2017
Annual Progress Report: Annual Action Plan 2016-2017






The Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan (MPHWP) 2013-2017 was adopted by Council in October 2013, following extensive research and comprehensive consultation with community members, local community organisations and Council departments. It sets out Council’s vision for promoting and protecting the wellbeing of the community, now and into the future. The MPHWP identifies four themes:

1. Healthy Places – A sustainable City that promotes community health and wellbeing.
2. A Healthy Community – A safe, inclusive and connected community.
3. Healthy People – A Culturally rich, active, safe and connected City.
4. Healthy Lifestyles – A City of people leading healthy and happy lives


Each annual action plan demonstrates how Melton City Council’s operationalising the MPHWP’s objectives and strategies. An annual progress report is developed at the end of each year to provide an update on the progressive achievement of the MPHWP. The Annual Action Plan 2016-2017 is the fourth and final annual action plan.

The Annual Action Plan 2016-2017 contains **106 actions** – a summary of the status is as follows:

Status	Description	Symbol	Number of actions
Achieved	The action is completed.	✓	91
On track (included in next plan)	The action has commenced and will continue as a multi-year action in the timeframe of the Council and Wellbeing Plan 2017-2021 (as planned).		5
On track (completed by 30 June 2018)	The action has commenced and is due to be completed outside the timeframe of the MPHWP 2013-2017.		7
Postponed	The action has been postponed for multiple reasons.		3

It is noted that the seven (7) actions listed as ‘On track (completed by 30 June 2018)’ will be completed within the current financial year and have not been included as ongoing actions in the new Council and Wellbeing Plan 2017-2021.

Theme 1: Healthy Places

Objective 1.1: Urban Design and Planning A City that promotes community health and wellbeing through design and planning.						
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action	Symbol		
1	1.1	1.1.1	Develop an Urban Design Strategy (2 year project).			
2	1.1	1.1.2	Provide opportunities for the community to have input into future improvements to Council's passive recreation reserves.	✓		
3	1.1	1.1.3	Develop plan for the building of community infrastructure, to the appropriate standard.	✓		
4	1.1	1.1.4	Develop a Signage Strategy to improve accessibility within the municipality (2 year project).	✓		
5	1.1	1.1.4	Develop Caroline Springs sub regional tennis facility.			
6	1.1	1.1.5	Implement the Housing Diversity Strategy.	✓		
7	1.1	1.1.6	Develop Toolern Employment Area Urban Design Framework.			

Objective 1.2: Environmental Health			
A sustainable City that values environmental health protections to promote community health and wellbeing.			
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action
8	1.2	1.2.2	Deliver the vaccinations against preventable diseases to children and secondary school children.
9	1.2	1.2.2	Conduct food safety inspections of food premises.
10	1.2	1.2.2 1.2.3	Test and assess Emergency Response and Recovery Preparedness in accordance with the Emergency Management Act 2013 through annual desktop and event exercises.


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Objective 1.3: Local Economy			Action	Symbol
A City that generates an innovative local economy that stimulates opportunities for investment, business and training.				
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy		
11	1.3	1.3.1 1.3.3	Facilitate Council and business engagement in programs, activities and spaces within the Western BACE.	✓
12	1.3	1.3.1	Deliver an incentive based Buy Local program.	✓
13	1.3	1.3.2	Provide tourism information services through the Visitor Information Centre.	✓
14	1.3	1.3.4	Work in partnership to maximise employment opportunities in the operation of the Ravenhall Prison.	✓

Objective 1.4: Natural Environment and Climate Change			Action	Symbol
A City that promotes community health and wellbeing through valuing and protecting the natural environment for future generations				
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy		
15	1.4	1.4.1	Develop and implement Climate Resilience Checklist for Council assets.	✓
16	1.4	1.4.1 1.4.2	Develop Environment Plan to address climate change impacts and the protection of natural resources.	✓
17	1.4	1.4.3	Review operation of Melton Recycling Facility and deliver waste education initiatives.	
18	1.4	1.4.4 1.4.5	Support local environment groups and school based programs.	✓
19	1.4	1.4.4 1.4.5	Deliver the Environment Enhancement Program.	✓

Objective 1.5: Active and Sustainable Transport				
A City that promotes community health and wellbeing through adequate transport systems that connects and moves our community.				
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action	Symbol
20	1.5	1.5.1	Advocate for public transport networks	✓
21	1.5	1.5.2	Support the planning and implementation of active and sustainable transport initiatives.	✓
22	1.5	1.5.3	Implement Moving Melton, Council's integrated transport strategy.	✓
23	1.5	1.5.3	Construction of walking and cycling networks.	✓

Theme 2: A Healthy Community

Objective 2.1: Responsive Community Services A community that provides responsive community services.					
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action	Symbol	
24	2.1	2.1.1	Advocate to State government to promote improved health facilities including day procedure facility and general hospital.	✓	
25	2.1	2.1.1	Advocate for the provision of a purpose-built community health facility.	✓	
26	2.1	2.1.2	Develop new City of Melton Health and Wellbeing profile.	✓	
27	2.1	2.1.2	Develop the 2017-2021 Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan incorporating community engagement.	✓	
28	2.1	2.1.3	Implement Community Services Attraction Framework.	✓	

Objective 2.2: Health Promotion			
A community that promotes health and prioritises health prevention.			
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action
29	2.2	2.2.1 2.2.2	Collaborate to deliver improved, coordinated health services promotion and issue based campaigns with community providers such as Djerriwarrh Health Services and Women's Health West.
30	2.2	2.2.2	Scope and apply for relevant funding grants for the delivery of health and wellbeing initiatives.
31	2.2	2.2.1 2.2.2	Undertake capacity building initiatives with Council staff and local service providers to build health literacy and continue to embed health and wellbeing into core business.
32	2.2	2.2.3	Deliver oral health messages during maternal and child health consultations.
33	2.2	2.2.1	Undertake review of Condom Vending Machine Pilot Project

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Objective 2.3: Community Safety				Action	Symbol
A safe community that fosters a sense of belonging and community pride.					
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy			
34	2.3	2.3.1 2.3.2 2.3.3	Implement the Safer City Plan 2015-17.	✓	
35	2.3	2.3.1	Coordinate Council's Community Safety Advisory Committee	✓	
36	2.3	2.3.2	Respond to community concerns regarding perceptions of safety in the municipality.	✓	
37	2.3	2.3.2	Provide opportunities within the community to actively celebrate pride, diversity and inclusion.	✓	
38	2.3	2.3.3	Proactively utilise the provisions of the <i>Graffiti Prevention Act 2007</i> to remove graffiti in a timely manner.	✓	
39	2.3	2.3.3	Review Community Emergency Risk Assessments that build capacity of communities to respond to emergencies.	✓	
40	2.3	2.3.3	Implement year 8 of the Road 2 Zero Action Plan.	✓	

Objective 2.4: Family Violence Prevention A community that prevents and responds to family violence.				Symbol
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action	Symbol
41	2.4	2.4.1 2.4.2	Implement and review Prevention of Violence Against Women Strategy and Action Plan 2013-16	✓
42	2.4	2.4.1	Support Council's White Ribbon Action team to deliver key preventing violence against women initiatives.	✓
43	2.4	2.4.2	Review Council's Family Violence Policy and Preventing Violence Against Women Policy.	✓
44	2.4	2.4.3	Continue to participate in local, regional and state primary prevention initiatives and networks including Preventing Violence Together.	✓
45	2.4	2.4.3	Co-convene Melton Family Violence Network.	✓

Objective 2.5: Mental Health				
A community that promotes good mental health.				
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action	Symbol
46	2.5	2.5.1	Deliver programs in Neighbourhood Houses and Community Centres aimed at promoting mental wellbeing.	✓
47	2.5	2.5.1	Utilise social media platforms to promote key mental health and wellbeing messages.	✓
48	2.5	2.5.2	Review Maternal and Child Health Positive Parenting Program.	
49	2.5	2.5.3	Collaborate with Western region mental health services to provide referral pathways for clients through Housing Services case management.	✓

Objective 2.6: Cultural Diversity				
An inclusive and connected community that embraces diversity and harmony.				
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action	Symbol
50	2.6	2.6.1 2.6.3	Develop Intercultural Plan.	✓
51	2.6	2.6.3	Facilitate Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Advisory Committee.	✓

Objective 2.7: Social Participation				
A community that increases opportunity for social participation.				
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action	Symbol
52	2.7	2.7.1 2.7.4	Implement and build capacity of Council staff to utilise Community Engagement Framework.	✓
53	2.7	2.7.2	Implement Community Leadership Program.	✓
54	2.7	2.7.2	Promote New Groups Starter Kit and deliver relevant training to community groups.	✓
55	2.7	2.7.1 2.7.4	Deliver broad range of Neighbourhood House programs.	✓
56	2.7	2.7.1 2.7.4	Develop Council's social media presence.	✓

Theme 3: Healthy People


Objective 3.1: Access and Inclusion				
Increase levels of wellbeing by improving outcomes for people with a disability and their carers.				
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action	Symbol
57	3.1	3.1.1 3.1.2	Implement Disability Action Plan.	✓
58	3.1	3.1.2 3.1.3	Facilitate Disability Advisory Committee.	✓
59	3.1	3.1.2	Develop flexible, interest based respite options that meet individual and families' needs.	✓


Objective 3.2: Gender Equity				
Maximise wellbeing outcomes for women through the promotion of gender equity.				
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action	Symbol
60	3.2	3.2.1	Undertake a gender equity audit of sports facilities and apply for State Government funding to support targets to increase participation in sport by women.	
61	3.2	3.2.1	Development of Gender Equity Strategy.	


Objective 3.3: Health Inequalities					
Address health inequalities in our community.					
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action	Symbol	
62	3.3	3.3.1 3.3.2	Support implementation of the Linking Melton South Project in collaboration with Djerriwarth Health Services.	✓	
63	3.3	3.3.1 3.3.2	Support delivery of the Adolescent, Young Adult and Family Counselling service by Djerriwarth Health Services at Melton Youth Centre.	✓	
64	3.3	3.3.1 3.3.2	Deliver the Integrated Family Support Program to vulnerable families as referred through the Brimbank Melton Child FIRST Alliance.	✓	
65	3.3	3.3.1 3.3.2	Implement community development initiatives in small townships.	✓	
66	3.3	3.3.3	Distribution of demographic data highlighting social determinants of health.	✓	



Objective 3.4: Children			
Maximise opportunities for children's health and wellbeing.			
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action
67	3.4	3.4.1	Engage children in development of key strategic documents such as Council Plan and MPHWP.
68	3.4	3.4.2 3.4.3	Implement and evaluate Healthy Children Growing Together project.
69	3.4	3.4.2	Undertake active play and healthy eating promotion and celebration of diversity through Children's Services and events.
70	3.4	3.4.3	Distribute Cooking for Kids cookbooks at 4 month Key Age and Stage visit to encourage suitable introduction of solids and healthy eating.
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Objective 3.5: Young People			
Maximise opportunities for health and wellbeing for young people.			
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action
71	3.5	3.5.1	Deliver a range of youth programs and services from Melton and Taylor's Hill Youth Centres.
72	3.5	3.5.1	Implement health and wellbeing objectives in Youth Strategy.
			✓
			✓

Objective 3.6: Older Adults				Action	Symbol
Increase opportunities for health and wellbeing for older people.					
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy			
73	3.6	3.6.1 3.6.3 3.6.4	Develop strategy to address the health, wellbeing and social connectedness of older people.		
74	3.6	3.6.3	Deliver health and wellbeing programs for older adults and promote key events such as Seniors Festival Week.	✓	
75	3.6	3.6.3	Deliver men's health and wellbeing activities from Melton and Taylors Hill Men's Sheds.	✓	



Objective 3.7: Arts and Culture				
Develop an environment that supports imagination, creative expression and engagement in cultural experiences.				
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action	Symbol
76	3.7	3.7.1 3.7.2	Deliver Pop Culture events as a community gathering opportunity.	✓
77	3.7	3.7.2 3.7.3	Deliver a range of artistic & cultural events and exhibitions at Caroline Springs Gallery incorporating professional and amateur practice.	✓
78	3.7	3.7.4	Deliver Artist in Residence program.	✓
79	3.7	3.7.4	Develop a new Public Art Strategy and Policy.	

Objective 3.8: Lifelong Learning				
Provide lifelong learning opportunities to build social connections and self development.				
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action	Symbol
80	3.8	3.8.1 3.8.2	Deliver learning, literacy and social connection programs through libraries.	✓
81	3.8	3.8.3	Implement Lifelong Learning Plan. Overseen by the Community Learning Board.	

Objective 3.9: Indigenous			
Increase opportunities for health and wellbeing for Indigenous people.			
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action
82	3.9	3.9.1	Support the activation of the Kirrip Aboriginal Community Hub.
			✓
83	3.9	3.9.1	Collaborate with Djerrirri Health Services to deliver the Koolin Bailit project to enhance the health and development outcomes for Aboriginal children and their families.
			
84	3.9	3.9.1	Work in partnership with Family Services Alliance to increase referrals from ATSI community.
			✓
85	3.9	3.9.1 3.9.2	Explore professional development opportunities for early years educators to develop education programs that are inclusive of Indigenous residents.
			


Objective 3.10: Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD)			
Increase opportunities for health and wellbeing for people from CALD backgrounds.			
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action
86	3.10	3.10.1 3.10.2	Implement the Community Partnership Program.
			✓
87	3.10	3.10.1	Support the Melton Interfaith Network.
			✓

Theme 4: Healthy Lifestyles

Objective 4.1: Physical Activity		Encourage the community to be physically active.		MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action	Symbol
88	4.1	4.1.6	Support ongoing and new community walking groups.	4.1	4.1.6		✓
89	4.1	4.1.1 4.1.6	Implement Sons of the West men's health program.	4.1	4.1.1 4.1.6		✓
90	4.1	4.1.1 4.1.6 4.1.7	Implement physical activity programs and events in Neighbourhood Houses. Community Centres and open spaces.	4.1	4.1.1 4.1.6 4.1.7		✓
91	4.1	4.1.5	Develop a Play Space Strategy.	4.1	4.1.5		
92	4.1	4.1.5	Develop Atherstone Regional Play Space.	4.1	4.1.5		✓
93	4.1	4.1.5	Develop Taylor's Hill West sports precinct.	4.1	4.1.5		✓
94	4.1	4.1.5	Develop Caroline Springs sub regional tennis facility.	4.1	4.1.5		
95	4.1	4.1.6	Promote messages about physical activity using social media platforms.	4.1	4.1.6		✓

Objective 4.2: Healthy Eating				
Support an increase in access to nutritious, affordable and culturally appropriate foods with a particular focus on vulnerable communities.				
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action	Symbol
96	4.2	4.2.1 4.2.6	Implement Council's Healthy Food and Drink Policy.	✓
97	4.2	4.2.1 4.2.6	Implement Sports Clubs Healthy Eating in the West Project in partnership with Wyndham City Council.	✓
98	4.2	4.2.1 4.2.6	Implement the Green Light Lunchbox program in partnership with local food outlets.	✓
99	4.2	4.2.4	Promote suitable breastfeeding friendly locations throughout the municipality.	✓
100	4.2	4.2.4	Explore opportunities for professional development for health professionals, early year's services and community members regarding breastfeeding.	✓
101	4.2	4.2.5	Develop guidelines to support the implementation of the Community Gardens Policy.	✓
102	4.2	4.2.3 4.2.6	Undertake GIS mapping of take-away and fresh food outlets throughout the municipality.	✓

Objective 4.3: Smoking			
Minimise health impacts associated with tobacco use.			
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action
103	4.3	4.3.1	Support and promote smoking cessation programs delivered by Djerriwarrh Health Services.
104	4.3	4.3.2	Conduct annual sale of tobacco to minors testing program.
			✓
			✓

Objective 4.4: Drug and Alcohol			
Minimise social and health impacts associated with alcohol and other drugs.			
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action
105	4.4	4.4.1 4.4.2	Develop an Alcohol Management Framework informed by harm minimisation and health promotion principles.
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Objective 4.5: Gaming			
Minimise social and health impacts associated with gaming.			
#	MPHWP Objective	MPHWP Strategy	Action
106	4.5	4.5.3	Promote Responsible Gambling Awareness Week.
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			✓