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Community Planning

Update of the Masterplans for Wahgunyah and Chiltern

Simon Leisure Consulting has been engaged as the consultants on the project. Consultations to commence with the community at the end of February and will include discussions with Councillors and Council Staff.

Tangambalanga skate park

The plans are still with designers who hope to have the final drawings ready by 14 February. There is a fair bit of work to do following this. Plans need to be viewed by engineers for approval before tendering. Still a fair period of time before any build takes place.

Baarmutha Park

Progressing well and on budget.

Resealing Works

Approximately 90% of projected works have been completed and the rest should be finished early February 2011.

Reconstruction of Jacks Road Wahgunyah

Progressing well, surface reshaping and culvert work on schedule and works are within budget.

Community Strengthening

Community Strengthening Update

Indigo communities who have developed their own community plans are Bruarong, Chiltern, Barnawartha, Stanley, Indigo Valley.

Beechworth and Yackandandah plans are currently being created and other communities including Wahgunyah and Kiewa-Tangambalanga will begin talking

about their plans in the coming weeks.

Rutherglen and Wooragee residents can expect to see the Community Strengthening Project commencing in their community from April this year. Now is the time for residents to begin thinking about what they might like to see in their community.

What is happening in the Indigo Valley?

The Indigo Valley Community Plan has recently been drafted after the Community Planning night on Thursday 4 November 2010. Some of the priority projects for the Indigo Valley community including

investigating flashing 'school zone' lights for Indigo Creek Road, an Indigo Valley Community Newsletter and developing 'special interest groups' around areas such as walking, bike riding, craft, etc.



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What is happening in Barnawartha?

Barnawartha Recreation reserve

Prior to the Barnawartha community naming 'Upgrades to the Recreation Reserve' project as the priority for their town (as a part of the Community Strengthening process), Indigo Shire Council had been working with the Barnawartha Recreation Reserve committee to determine a course of action for the Barnawartha Recreation Reserve upgrades.

Council has funded a contractor to amend the existing masterplan as well as provide new design of the Recreation Reserve, under the direction of a steering committee comprised of Barnawartha community members.

Funding options are now being investigated and to date, the facility has received a \$300,000 grant from Regional Development Victoria and Indigo Shire will also be contributing \$500,000 to the two-year project.

Community events in Barnawartha

The Barnawartha community have been working on Barnawartha Heritage Day which is planned to be held in October 2011. To date the group have been working with Barnawartha Development Association to obtain grants, as well as investigated the activities that will run at the event including a sheep shearing competition and a meal and music in the street.

What is happening in Chiltern?

Reviving Lake Anderson

A project group has recently commenced working on Reviving Lake Anderson. This project will work in conjunction with Greening Chilterns Watercourses. To date this group have coordinated a working bee to clean up the area. Spring 2010 also saw heavy rainfall, presenting more opportunities for the Lake Anderson project group. The community are now working with Council on the Masterplan for Lake Anderson.

group kick started this project through the organisation of 'Chiltern Open Day' on Sunday 24 October 2010 which was a huge success. The event was used to promote Chiltern to potential residents as a lifestyle opportunity. The group involved real estate agents to perform open house inspections on the day, as well as organised town tours and involved all community groups/ organisations to promote what they do.

Promoting Chiltern as a place to live

A project group has come together to 'promote Chiltern as a place to live'. The

Bike Tourism

A project group has recently commenced working on developing Bike Tourism in Chiltern.



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What is happening in Bruarong?

Bruarong Hall upgrade

It is all happening at the Bruarong Hall. A new kitchen has recently been installed as well as a brand new toilet facility. This has come together through Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program funding as well as Victorian Bushfire Appeal Funding. Further developments are still taking place at the hall.

with the Bruarong Community Centre Committee to plan events to keep the Bruarong community connected. These are closely linked with the priorities identified by the community to use the hall as a hub for gatherings. These projects have been funded by the Victorian Bushfire Appeal.

The Bruarong Hall after upgrade



Bushfire Memorial

Additional grants were received from the Victorian Bushfire Appeal for a Bushfire Memorial, which has taken the form of a Memorial Wall which symbolises the events of the bushfires as well as acknowledges the history of the Bruarong area.

Community Events

Community Strengthening Project Officers have been working closely

What is happening in Yackandandah?

The Yackandandah priority meeting was held Wednesday 8 December 2010 and the Yackandandah Community Plan was compiled following the priorities outlined in this meeting.

Contact Community Strengthening Project Officers to become a part of upcoming projects in Yackandandah.

What is happening in Beechworth?

The Beechworth Community Planning meeting was held Monday 6 December 2010 and the Beechworth Community Plan will be compiled following the priorities outlined in this meeting.



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What is happening in Stanley?

Stanley has also received Victorian Bushfire Relief funding for community projects including a community newsletter, a community noticeboard, community events and most recently an emergency trailer.

Project groups have formed around each of these projects which are currently being actioned in Stanley. The Stanley newsletter the *Nine Mile News* has been a vivid success.

Funding has also been received for a Stanley Community noticeboard. This project is getting closer to completion.

The community were also lucky enough to secure funding for an

emergency trailer. This trailer consists of a power generator, spotlights and a barbeque and is expected will be used for a variety of activities in the Stanley community.

The Emergency trailer in use



Indigo Shire Volunteers Expo

A Volunteer Expo took place on Friday 29 and Saturday 30 October at the Yackandandah Sports Park. It was a free event for participants and the central purpose was for current volunteers to build on their skills, as well as promote their organisation for recruitment purposes.

The expo commenced with a dinner on the Friday evening and a panel discussion which comprised volunteers and other key players involved in volunteer/ community activities.

On Saturday volunteer organisations have the opportunity to show what their organisation/s had to offer and potential recruits were invited to learn the different

types of volunteer jobs offered by local organisations which could ultimately fit their lifestyle. It included workshops which aimed to assist volunteers in carrying out everyday activities and functions. Topics covered grant writing, governance and insurance/risk management.

Participants enjoyed the variety of content the Expo had on offer, with many comments made about how they will now be able to apply the new skills and learning's they gained in their everyday volunteer activities.

Although numbers were not as high as expected, the event was still a success.



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Natural Resource Management

Roadside Weeds

Additional funding provided from the State Government has enabled follow up spraying to occur on local roads targeting Gorse, Broom and Blackberry. These works have been concentrated in the localities of Yackandandah, Beechworth, Stanley and Chiltern. It is anticipated that this funding will enable roadside weed control in Sandy Creek and Indigo Valley.

Mapping and spraying of Chilean Needle Grass also occurred late last year, with funding provided through the Federal government. The season has been favourable to growth of this species, with many reports of significant infestations.

Sustainability Toolkit

Work on the development of a toolkit to assist in design and construction for improved sustainability outcomes is well underway. The toolkit will comprise a number of targeted development types including new residential, retrofit residential,

commercial and subdivision. Members of the Energy and Greenhouse strategy group of the Environment Advisory Committee have contributed significant input into the development of the first sector – residential.

Roadside Management Plan Update

The draft updated Roadside Management Plan was considered by Council at the December meeting and placed on public exhibition until February 7 2011. This comment period has recently been extended

until March 7 2011. A number of submissions have already been received on the Plan. These will assist in the preparation of the final draft.

Native Vegetation Removal

A number of assessments have been undertaken for removal of native vegetation for the purpose of development as well as for fence line maintenance. These assessments

have required consultation with applicants to ensure that either all information for a permit is captured, or to ensure that exemptions are applied in a consistent manner.



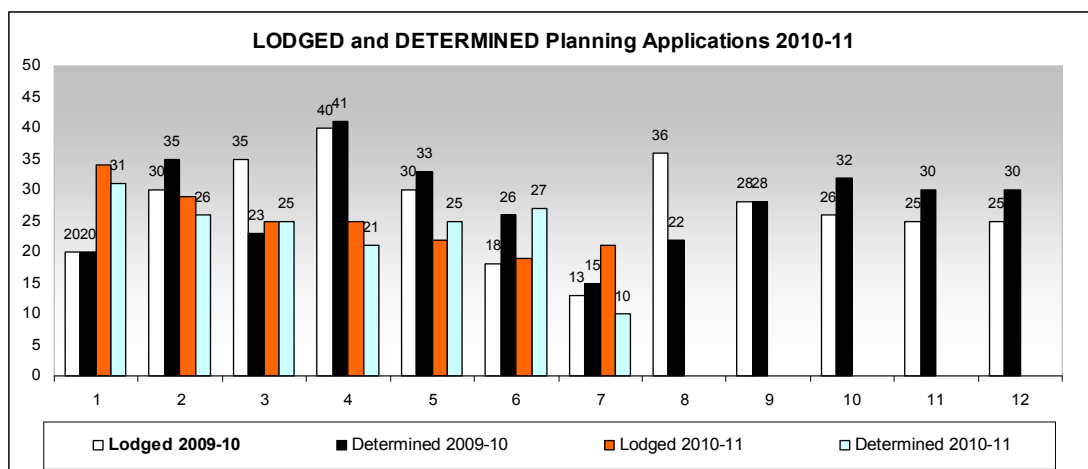
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Planning & Sustainable development Enforcement services

- Higher than usual instances of roaming dogs were recorded in January, resulting in increased impounds and infringement notices.
- The cat-trapping program is ongoing, however fewer than average numbers have been trapped despite the full compliment of 10 cat traps on loan to the public
- Incidents of livestock wandering on roads have also been down over the past two months. However, as seasonal temperatures rise and fodder growth slows, stock will place greater pressure on fencing as they try to graze on road grass.

Town Planning—Planning Applications Determined



December 2010				
Application No	Locality	Proposed Use	Cost	Decision
PP100205	Beechworth	Operate Crossley Engine and display vintage engines	0	Withdrawn
PP100206	Yackandandah	Automotive Repairs & Maintenance Workshop	100,000	Approved
PP100221	Yackandandah	Security Gates	2,500	Approved
PP100235	Yackandandah	Verandah, Deck, Front Fence & Painting	35,000	Approved
PP100236	Beechworth	Transportable Cabin	48,000	Approved
PP100240	Beechworth	Signage	0	Approved
PP100247	Yackandandah	Carport & Repairs to Gutters on Dwelling	4,100	Approved
PP100252	Norong	Re-subdivision of Existing Allotments	0	Approved
PP100255	Stanley	Extension to Shed	50,000	Approved
PP100257	Beechworth	Two Lot Subdivision	0	Withdrawn
			239,600	



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Application No	Locality	Proposed Use	Cost	Decision
PP090202	Chiltern	Extractive Industry	23,000,000	Notice of Decision to Refuse
PP100162	Beechworth	Storage Shed	3,000	Approved
PP084323.1	Beechworth	Extend Permit - Dwelling	0	Approved
PP100196	Rutherglen	Change of Use (Shop) & Signage	2,000	Approved
PP100199	Barnawartha	Dual Occupancy and Garage	105,000	Withdrawn
PP100210	Yackandandah	Extension to Dwelling	164,790	Approved
PP100212	Beechworth	Carport, Shed & Entertaining Area	16,000	Approved
PP100214	Stanley	Dwelling	330,000	Approved
PP100215	Yackandandah	Construct Shed / Stable	17,300	Approved
PP100218	Beechworth	Storage Shed for Kindergarten	3,500	Approved
PP100219	Beechworth	Three (3) Lot Subdivision - Variation of Easement	0	Approved
PP100220	Yackandandah	Shed/Garage	10,000	Approved
PP100224	Beechworth	Two Lot Subdivision	0	Approved
PP100225	Beechworth	Front Fence	2,000	Lapsed
PP100226	Kiewa	3 Lot Subdivision	0	Lapsed
PP100227	Chiltern	Extension to Dwelling	48,000	Approved
PP100228	Beechworth	Tourist Accommodation	0	Approved
PP100229	Wooragee	Dwelling	250,000	Approved
PP100231	Tangambalanga	Two Sheds & Stable	25,000	Approved
PP100233	Yackandandah	Boundary Re-alignment	386	Approved
PP100234	Yackandandah	Shed, including Demolition of existing Shed	22,000	Approved
PP100239	Beechworth	Parking bay	14,825	Approved
PP100243	Barnawartha	Extension to existing dwelling	50,000	Approved
PP100244	Beechworth	Road construction	50,000	Approved
PP100245	Osbornes Flat	Shed	23,173	Approved
PP100248	Norong	Extension to dwelling	125,158	Approved
PP100254	Yackandandah	Dwelling	244,000	No permit required



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Building surveying services

December 2010			
Property Locality	Description	Project Value	Approval Date
INDIGO SHIRE SURVEYOR			
Yackandandah	New Building	\$8,700	01/12/10
Yackandandah	New Building	\$10,000	16/12/10
Wooragee	Extension	\$70,000	16/12/10
Rutherglen	Swimming Pool	\$27,230	16/12/10
Beechworth	Alteration	\$4,000	17/12/10
Beechworth	New Building	\$285,000	17/12/10
Yackandandah	New Building	\$17,336	20/12/10
Indigo Valley	Swimming Pool	\$27,600	21/12/10
Barnawartha	Swimming Pool	\$20,000	21/12/10
Huon	Dwelling	\$83,320	22/12/10
Cornistown	New Building	\$6,200	22/12/10
Osbornes Flat	New Building	\$23,173	24/12/10
Barnawartha	New Building	\$5,000	24/12/10
Yackandandah	New Building	\$24,999	24/12/10
Beechworth	Dwelling	\$120,000	24/12/10
Sub-total		\$732,558	
PRIVATE SURVEYOR			
Tangambalanga	Extension	\$48,719	26/11/10
Yackandandah	New Building	\$3,300	09/12/10
Stanley	Dwelling	\$36,751	10/12/10
Beechworth	New Building	\$9,231	10/12/10
Beechworth	Swimming Pool	\$39,600	16/12/10
Rutherglen	Swimming Pool	\$28,475	03/01/11
Sub-total		\$166,076	
Total - December 2010		\$898,634	



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January 2011			
Property Locality	Description	Project Value	Approval Date
INDIGO SURVEYOR			
Yackandandah	Extension	\$222,246	04/01/11
Beechworth	New Building	\$11,800	05/01/11
Sandy Creek	Extension	\$11,700	05/01/11
Beechworth	New Building	\$3,000	05/01/11
Wahgunyah	Extension	\$6,000	06/01/11
Beechworth	Other	\$1	06/01/11
Beechworth	Extension	\$7,000	06/01/11
Norong	Extension	\$125,158	07/01/11
Barnawartha	New Building	\$25,200	10/01/11
Chiltern	New Building	\$8,000	10/01/11
Beechworth	New Building	\$18,975	11/01/11
Yackandandah	New Building	\$44,129	11/01/11
Beechworth	Dwelling	\$168,308	13/01/11
Yackandandah	Extension	\$164,790	14/01/11
Rutherglen	New Building	\$4,879	17/01/11
Rutherglen	New Building	\$10,760	17/01/11
Tangambalanga	New Building	\$9,500	18/01/11
Brimin	New Building	\$3,500	20/01/11
Chiltern	Extension	\$48,000	21/01/11
Chiltern	Swimming Pool	\$30,000	25/01/11
Yackandandah	Extension	\$47,072	27/01/11
Sub-total		\$970,017	
PRIVATE SURVEYOR			
Beechworth	Dwelling	\$237,740	21/12/11
Rutherglen	Extension	\$11,100	21/12/11
Beechworth	Dwelling	\$170,000	21/12/11
Sub-total		\$418,840	
Total January 2011		\$1,388,857	



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Building Graphs

