

THE LISMORE PLAN

Community priorities for township development 2012 – 2022



An initial survey was conducted to review existing Community Plan priorities and to add new project ideas. This survey drew 42 responses, adding 26 new ideas to the original 26 priorities. The results of the initial survey were sorted and aggregated and presented to a public meeting which drew only 8 people. A second survey was therefore prepared seeking advice on the total 52 expanded priorities, with the option of adding further project ideas. It was applied by the local community through a distributed method. There were some departures from the specified ranking methodology, which diluted the power of the prioritisation system. This second survey attracted 107 responses, and identified another 19 project ideas. The outcomes can be summarised as follows:

SUMMARY OF SECOND SURVEY RESPONSES

No	Theme	Project ideas	Survey mentions
1	Community Activities and involvement	12	135
2	Sport and active recreation	6	127
3	Business and economic development	9	90
4	Tourism Development and town promotion	15	178
5	Transport and roads	5	70
6	Town amenity and liveability	13	83
7	Health medical and retirement services	5	81
8	Other	6	56
	TOTAL	71	820

Survey 2 (N=107)

An updated ranking is given in the following tables. Because there has been no deliberative assessment – some ideas identified in the second survey have yet to be shared with others – further consideration is required before they can be fairly prioritised. The revised ranking list will have to serve in the interim.

OVERALL RANKING 2016

R*	Priority projects	Th	S12	V12	S16	R16
1	DEVELOP HEATED SWIMMING POOL All year round swimming program, transport to hydro facility	2	30	12	42	1
4	DEVELOP WALKING/ CYCLING TRAILS Lismore to Derrinallum	2	22	8	42	2
	IMPROVE TOWN ENTRANCES With planning and signage, rationalise signage around town	4			41	3
2	UPGRADE THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY BUS	5	25	11	35	4
18	IMPROVED HEALTH SERVICES	6	4	8	35	5
	MORE COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/ INVOLVEMENT Evening water aerobics, Reaching out to all residents, Local music nights at the pub, Events like the 'Mikado' which attract community and outsiders, Subsidise fitness and entertainment activities, More things like the amazing Christmas Party, More community involvement, More accessible community events, Local entertainment eg Operetta, a local music event,	1			34	6
8	UPGRADE PUBLIC TOILETS	6	9	33	15	7
	TOWN PROMOTION Use internet as a means to better promote the town and regions attractions – school, recreation, housing affordability, internet connections, community activity and services – health etc, where to go for great day trips from Lismore	4			30	8
	BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT Improved online presence for local businesses, Establish Restaurant, Café, Farmers Market, Pizza shop, Butcher, Laundrette, Night-time take-away, Larger bakery and supermarket, Special sales, More trading on website	3			30	9
	MORE FOOTPATHS Make more footpaths, repair footpaths, Concrete instead of grass, Grass slippery with holes, ensure dogs of walkers are leashed and cleaned up after	6			27	10
17	BETTER ACCESS TO MEDICAL SERVICES	7	5	8	26	11
5	MOVIE THEATRE/ FILM SCREENINGS	1	21	-	25	12
15	WEED CONTROL ALONG CREEK	6	2	8	25	13
	BETTER ROADS Better roads, pavement and vegetation maintenance, Care of rural roads	5			23	14
	INSTALL ATM FOR LOCALS (Already have one at servo – promote to locals)	6			23	15

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21	BETTER EXPRESS OUR HISTORY FOR VISITORS Signage on our historical buildings	6	4	7	22	16
6	SOCIAL TENNIS	2	19	4	22	17
	DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE Directions to places and activities from/ across Highway	4			22	18
	ESTABLISH A FREE LIBRARY Where people can donate and borrow books , Like the one at the Health Centre, house around town in 'doll's houses'	1			22	19
	CREATE TOURISM LANDMARKS AND EVENTS Government sponsored amusement park to attract stop-over tourists, or historical sites/ buildings, promote our star croquet players, improve tourism, More public/tourist visiting facilities, Tourist attraction events eg Antique Car Show, Farm Equipment Show, Land rover heritage festival national event	4			21	20
	ESTABLISH COMMUNITY OP-SHOP Craft shop has cooked goodies on both days	3			20	21
	MORE TREES Plant more trees in Herriot Street Shopping area, Tree planting at cemetery	6			20	22
	TOURIST WALKS/ DRIVES Develop tourist walks/ drives, with some interpretation of key assets in the area and places to visit	4			20	23
7	FOOTBALL GROUND LIGHTING	2	19	-	12	24
9	ENCLOSED PLAYSPACE	4	1	14	19	25
26	INSTALL COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD In front of Rick's IGA or Post Office	1	4	2	18	26
10	RETIREMENT ACCOMMODATION AND CARE	7	9	15	16	27
	CHANGE GOVERNMENT POLICY Encourage diversity in agriculture, Policy change on development, Incentives for decentralisation, Support for local product	8			16	28
	INCREASED POLICE SECURITY Police Station should be open, Roster for duty on a certain day that people know about	8			16	29
13	CREATE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES	3	4	8	15	30

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	IMPROVE STREETSCAPES Make pretty garden beds, install art works, more attention to weeding and spraying on streetscapes and around signage, Council better manage road edges and around driveways, Develop strategies to improve the overall look of the town	6			15	31
	ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS Bounce place, kids holiday activities, Santa at Christmas knocking on each door, Art activities over school holidays, Big decorated Christmas tree, flying fox in the playground	1			15	32
11	TIDY UP AROUND TOWN	6	11	-	14	33
	POPULATION ATTRACTION More community minded people moving here, Stop the drain of people to the cities	3			14	34
	SHIRE VISITS Occasional visits by Shire to local businesses, Create opportunities for increased dialogue between the Shire and the residents/community to ensure that important decisions are made locally by those impacted by them	8			13	36
19	UPGRADE CARAVAN PARK(S)	4	1	8	12	37
14	MORE COMMUNITY GET-TOGETHERS	1	8	2	12	38
20	IMPROVED STREET LIGHTING	6	6	1	11	39

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The survey conducted as part of the review of the Lismore Community Plan confirmed many of the existing 26 Priorities, but has also added 26 new project ideas. The task now is sort and reset these priorities.

For convenience, the 52 project ideas have been sorted into 8 themes:

- 1 Community activities and involvement
- 2 Sport and active recreation
- 3 Business and economic development
- 4 Tourism development and town promotion
- 5 Transport and roads
- 6 Town amenity and liveability
- 7 Health medical and retirement services
- 8 Other

Can you please list from (1 to 10) what you think are the most important projects to the future of Lismore? (You can also add to this list if you feel something important has been missed.)

THEME 1: COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND INVOLVEMENT

R*	Priority projects	S12	V12	S16
3	ESTABLISH VISITING LIBRARY	COMPLETED		
	MORE COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/ INVOLVEMENT Evening water aerobics, Reaching out to all residents, Local music nights at the pub, Events like the 'Mikado' which attract community and outsiders, Subsidise fitness and entertainment activities, More things like the amazing Christmas Party, More community involvement, More accessible community events, Local entertainment eg Operetta, a local music event,			34
5	MOVIE THEATRE/ FILM SCREENINGS	21	-	25
	ESTABLISH A FREE LIBRARY Where people can donate and borrow books , Like the one at the Health Centre, house around town in 'doll's houses'			22
26	INSTALL COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD In front of Rick's IGA or Post Office	4	2	18
14	MORE COMMUNITY GET-TOGETHERS	8	2	12
	ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS Bounce place, kids holiday activities, Santa at Christmas knocking on each door, Art activities over school holidays, Big decorated Christmas tree, flying fox in the playground			15
22	DEVELOP SOME TYPE OF YOUTH GROUP	6	2	4
23	UNISEX MENS SHED	1	5	1
	REPAINT YABBIE Repaint blue yabbie signage panel			1
	UPGRADE PLAYGROUND At football oval near netball courts			1
	TIDY TOWN ENTRY Enter Tidy Town competition			1
	PROMOTE CLUBS Promote existing clubs and societies to town and district			1

*Existing priority ranking in Community Plan 12 project ideas

135 survey mentions

THEME 2: SPORT AND ACTIVE RECREATION

* Priority projects		S12	V12	S16
1	DEVELOP HEATED SWIMMING POOL All year round swimming program, transport to hydro facility	30	12	42
4	DEVELOP WALKING/ CYCLING TRAILS Lismore to Derrinallum	22	8	42
6	SOCIAL TENNIS	19	4	22
7	FOOTBALL GROUND LIGHTING	19	-	12
	HORSE ACTIVITY FACILITY Re-vamp Old Showgrounds site for equine use, dressage, cross country and adult riding clubs, Create horse activity area (where motor bike area is)			6
	LAKE TOOLIOROOK PLAYGROUND Fund upgrade of playground to current safety standards			3

*Existing priority ranking in Community Plan 6 project ideas 127 survey mentions

THEME 3: BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

* Priority projects		S12	V12	S16
	BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT Improved online presence for local businesses, Establish Restaurant, Café, Farmers Market, Pizza shop, Butcher, Laundrette, Night-time take-away, Larger bakery and supermarket, Special sales, More trading on website			30
	ESTABLISH COMMUNITY OP-SHOP Craft shop has cooked goodies on both days			20
13	CREATE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES	4	8	15
	POPULATION ATTRACTION More community minded people moving here, Stop the drain of people to the cities			14
	LOCAL LEADERSHIP GROUP Establish a stronger local leadership group to lead initiatives, A Local Relations and Community Network group and Local Pride business group			5
	RESETTLE REFUGEES Investigate possibility of resettling three or four refugee families in Lismore, Establish a multicultural Officer position to plan for refugee intake			3
	USE EXISTING SHIRE SERVICES Promote and use			1
	HELP BUSINESSES THROUGH 'RED-TAPE Guide/ mentor businesses through red tape			1
	RESEARCH PROJECTS Liaise with university to conduct local research projects which will create local work			1

*Existing priority ranking in Community Plan 9 project ideas 90 survey mentions

THEME 4: TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AND TOWN PROMOTION

* Priority projects	S12	V12	S16
IMPROVE TOWN ENTRANCES With planning and signage, rationalise signage around town			41
TOWN PROMOTION Use internet as a means to better promote the town and regions attractions – school, recreation, housing affordability, internet connections, community activity and services – health etc, where to go for great day trips from Lismore			30
DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE Directions to places and activities from/ across Highway			22
CREATE TOURISM LANDMARKS AND EVENTS Government sponsored amusement park to attract stop-over tourists, or historical sites/ buildings, promote our star croquet players, improve tourism, More public/tourist visiting facilities, Tourist attraction events eg Antique Car Show, Farm Equipment Show, Land rover heritage festival national event			21
TOURIST WALKS/ DRIVES Develop tourist walks/ drives, with some interpretation of key assets in the area and places to visit			20
9 ENCLOSED PLAYSPACE	1	14	19
19 UPGRADE CARAVAN PARK(S)	1	8	12
DEVELOP/ PROMOTE LOCAL ACCOMMODATION Including in regard to windfarm development			9
12 ROOF OVER TRAIN	10	-	5
24 REMOVE FENCE AROUND TRAIN	-	5	2
CAMP KITCHEN Undercover camp kitchen at Lake Tooliorook with fireplace, tables and seats			2
TOWN MAP Map of town/ district near train with places of interest, historic sites and famous people of Lismore			2
PROVIDE DOG WALKING AREA Provide enclosed dog walking area			1
GOOD FOOD STOP Make Lismore a good food stop, 'The Healthy Trucker' store			1
GIFT SHOP PROFILE Make the Gift Shop more prominent including signage			1

*Existing priority ranking in Community Plan 15 project ideas

178 survey mentions

THEME 5: TRANSPORT AND ROADS

* Priority projects	S12	V12	S16
2 UPGRADE THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY BUS	25	11	35
BETTER ROADS Better roads, pavement and vegetation maintenance, Care of rural roads			23
16 BETTER PUBLIC TRANSPORT	7	1	9
SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION Reduce speed limit to 40 km in shopping centre area			2
SHIRE BUS USE Promote/ increase use, review conditions of use			1

*Existing priority ranking in Community Plan

5 project ideas 70 survey mentions

THEME 6: TOWN AMENITY AND LIVEABILITY

* Priority projects	S12	V12	S16
8 UPGRADE PUBLIC TOILETS	9	33	15
MORE FOOTPATHS Make more footpaths, repair footpaths, Concrete instead of grass, Grass slippery with holes, 'ensure dogs walkers are leashed and cleaned up'			27
15 WEED CONTROL ALONG CREEK	2	8	25
INSTALL ATM FOR LOCALS (Already have one at servo – promote to locals)			23
21 BETTER EXPRESS OUR HISTORY FOR VISITORS Signage on our historical buildings	4	7	22
MORE TREES Plant more trees in Herriot Street Shopping area, Tree planting at cemetery			20
IMPROVE STREETSCAPES Make pretty garden beds, install art works, more attention to weeding and spraying on streetscapes and around signage, Council better manage road edges and around driveways, Develop strategies to improve to overall look of the town			15
11 TIDY UP AROUND TOWN	11	-	14
20 IMPROVED STREET LIGHTING	6	1	11
IMPROVE STREET PARKING			4
ESTABLISH TOWN SQUARE Sheltered outdoor central meeting area, Would church sell kindergarten building?			4
STOCKMAN/ SHEEP FIGURE Install stockman or sheep figure in brass or wood in middle of town or on footpaths			2
INTERNET SERVICE Still would like an internet service for town			1

*Existing priority ranking in Community Plan

13 project ideas

83 survey mentions

THEME 7: HEALTH MEDICAL AND RETIREMENT SERVICES

* Priority projects		S12	V12	S16
25	PROVIDE CHEMIST SHOP IN TOWN	COMPLETED		
18	IMPROVED HEALTH SERVICES	4	8	35
17	BETTER ACCESS TO MEDICAL SERVICES	5	8	26
10	RETIREMENT ACCOMMODATION AND CARE	9	15	16
	LOCAL AMBULANCE SERVICE Need to build up local volunteer numbers, Call out of local ambulance needs to be rationalised – call out local ambulance before help arrives from Terang or Camperdown			3
	HOSTEL Make use of empty hostel			1

*Existing priority ranking in Community Plan 5 project 1ideas 81 Survey mentions

THEME 8: OTHER

Priority projects		S12	V12	S16
	CHANGE GOVERNMENT POLICY Encourage diversity in agriculture, Policy change on development, Incentives for decentralisation, Support for local product			16
	INCREASED POLICE SECURITY Police Station should be open, Roster for duty on a certain day that people know about			16
	SHIRE VISITS Occasional visits by Shire to local businesses, Create opportunities for increased dialogue between the Shire and the residents/community to ensure that important decisions are made locally by those impacted by them			13
	ANNUAL GRANTS FOR GOOD IDEAS An open and transparent way to feed in good ideas			6
	COMMUNITY FIRE GUARD A community (fire) guard put in place			4
	PROVIDE TOWN SECURITY Provide 'community-initiated' town security			1

6 project ideas

56 survey mentions