

Help shape the future of Strathbogie Shire

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Join the Strathbogie Shire Community Panel

Strathbogie Shire Council invites you to be part of our Community Panel to develop our first long-term Community Vision and set the direction for our next Council Plan.

During the past few months, we have held hundreds of conversations with our community to understand their values and expectations. We wanted to be really clear on what matters to our community, to help us set priorities and to shape our future direction together.

The next step in this process is our Community Panel. Our panel will have the important role of reviewing this information and creating the Strathbogie Shire 2040 Community Vision and the 2021-25 Council Plan.

How the Community Panel will work?

The Strathbogie Shire Community Panel will consist of about 25 to 30 people from throughout our region. Panel members will be independently recruited in a random-selection process to ensure there are a cross-section of people working together to drive Council's direction.

Through an independently facilitated process, the panel will draft a Vision Statement that captures what our community values most about living in our Shire and set the priorities for a Council Plan that gets us there.

Expert facilitators will support panel members with different viewpoints to work together in a respectful manner and come to a shared position. This will be a genuine, open process that will result in a shared vision for our future. It will not be a public meeting format where loud voices can sometimes dominate.

When will the Strathbogie Shire Community Panel meet?

The panel will meet three times and participants must attend all meetings.

- **Meeting one:** Sunday, July 18 from 10am to 4pm
- **Meeting two:** Sunday, July 25 from 10am to 4pm
- **Meeting three:** Sunday, August 1 from 10am to 4pm.

The meetings will be held at the Longwood Community Centre. Meals and snacks will be provided, and participants will receive an honorarium of \$150 in recognition of their time and commitment to being part of this process.

Are you interested? Here's how you register!

You or anyone (or everyone) in your household is encouraged to apply to join our Community Panel. We urge you to register your interest at deliberatelyengaging.com.au/strathbogie. Registrations close at midnight on Sunday, June 20.

We are always keen to include younger people in these processes. If you or anyone in your household is between 18 to 30 years old, please register so we can include their voice in this process.

Selection will be managed by an independent organisation, Deliberately Engaging Pty Ltd. Your contact details will not be provided to Strathbogie Shire unless you are selected.

Questions? If you have any questions or need help to register, please phone Daren McDonald at Deliberately Engaging on 0472 761 324 or email info@deliberatelyengaging.com.au

