Let's Talk

The Elmore Plan: Draft Concept Vision

Get involved in developing a structure plan for Elmore!

The Elmore Plan will build upon the existing community strengths to achieve a liveable town for current and future residents.

The Plan will identify what opportunities exist and determine what facilities, services and infrastructure are needed to support that change, while respecting the existing character and qualities of Elmore.

What is a structure plan?

A **structure plan** is a Council document which provides guidelines for how a town should change and grow.

It includes guidance around streetscape improvements, and what should be maintained or protected. It can also set out where new residential expansion could occur and may even recommend planning scheme changes to allow certain commercial or industry growth.

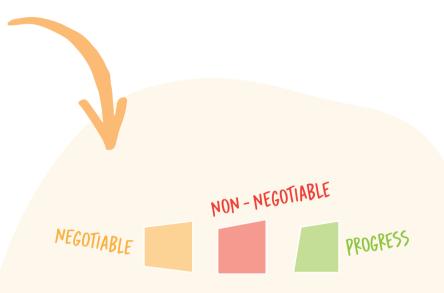
A **community plan** is different in the sense that it is community led and includes things the community can do in terms of events for the town, opening new shops or heritage walk signage.

How were the concept maps developed?

Recently a community workshop was held in the township of Elmore. It involved participants undertaking a range of exercises to hear and share different community ideas around growth, what needs to be protected and what they see for the future of their town.

Following the workshop a series of draft concept maps and cross sections were prepared to reflect what the community discussed at the workshop.





Participants were asked to rank what aspects of the town needed to stay the same, things that could change (but not essential) and also things which must change or progress to achieve their vision



Participants were divided into groups to
discuss topics related to the town. They discussed what
improvements could be made and also what
responsibilities there were for Council and
the community

SETTLEMENT + LAND USE

This theme captures the communities desire for growth but also the need to protect what they love about their town (rural feel, large lots, compact footprint) The map shows:

- a clear township boundary to contain residential development and protect rural character and surrounding farming land
- opportunity within the existing residential area for large lot infill (1/4 acre)
- opportunities for residential expansion on the southern fringes (options only)
- a defined commercial activity area so shops and services are located together
- potential for smaller lots around commercial area

PUBLIC SPACE + ENVIRONMENT

This theme captures the need for suitably designed public space. The map shows:

- definition of main town entrances with plantings / sculptural artwork
- increased street tree plantings to create shaded walking routes to key destinations (Campaspe River, schools, recreation reserve, train station and commercial area)
- potential pedestrian bridge to Elmore Field Days site

TRANSPORT + MOVEMENT

There is a need for safe roads and footpaths:

- priority walking and cycling links to schools, rec reserve, river and train station
- primary north-south street for shaded walking and cycling (Michie Street)
- main footpaths are connected (no breaks)
- key intersections are improved for example Midland Highway crossing at the bakery and Margret Street school crossing
- designated long vehicle parking

TOWN CENTRE CONCEPT

An attractive and active town centre is important to community members. There are opportunities for:

- rear car parking or rear access to commercial buildings
- laneway access between main street and Michie Street with smaller residential lot sizes
- public gathering places outside of key buildings to encourage commercial businesses and people spending time in the area
- landscape improvements to Caldwell Street to encourage retail / food and drink businesses

KEY STREETS CAPE DESIGN

This theme represents the importance of suitable streetscapes for movement inleuding:

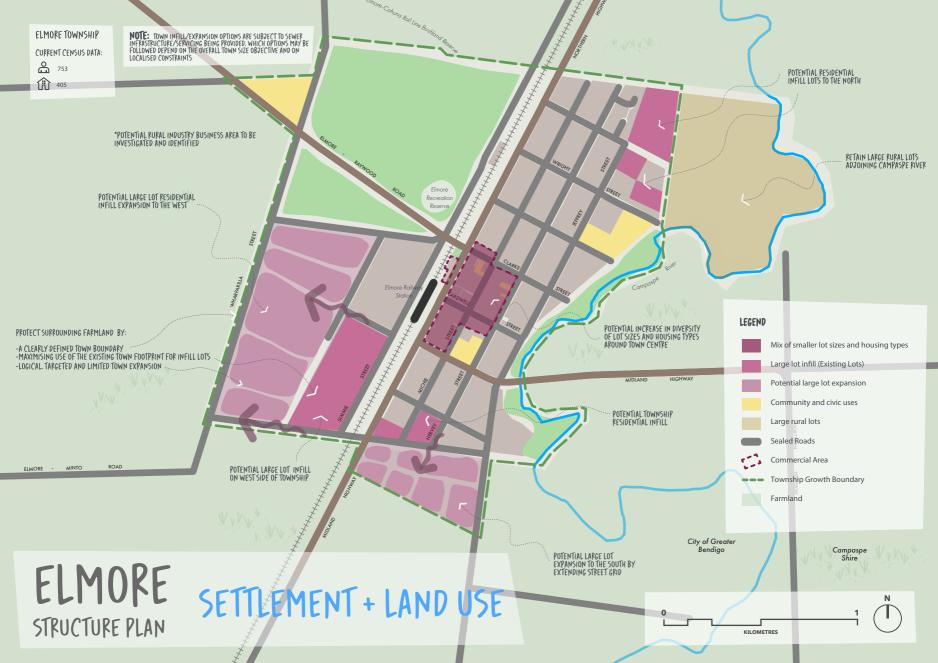
- potential improvements to Caldwell Street as an extension of the commercial area and link to river reserve
- local roads with design treatments and plantings depending on the context, existing features and priority use (walking cycling)

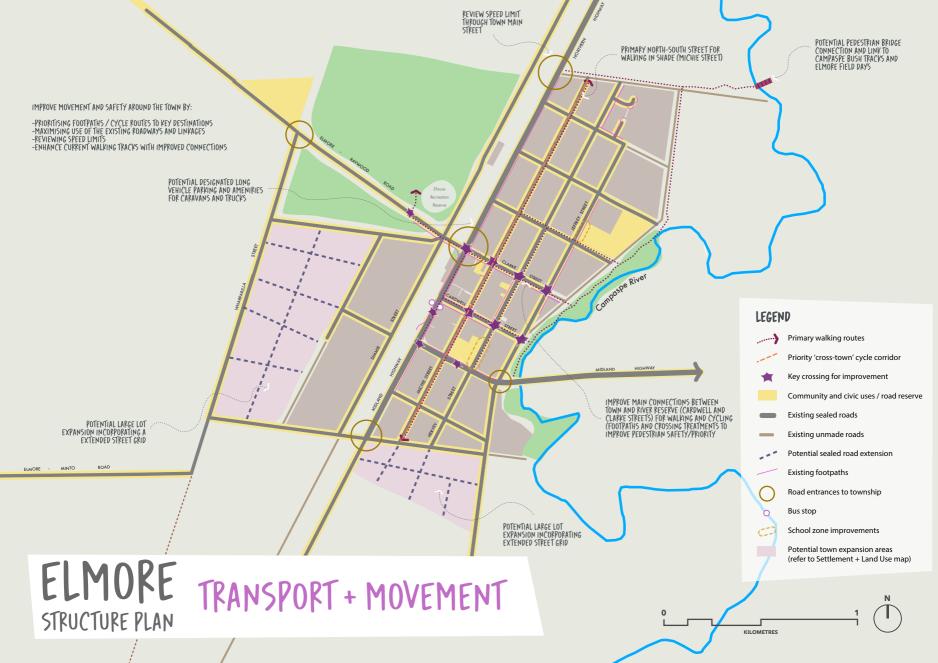
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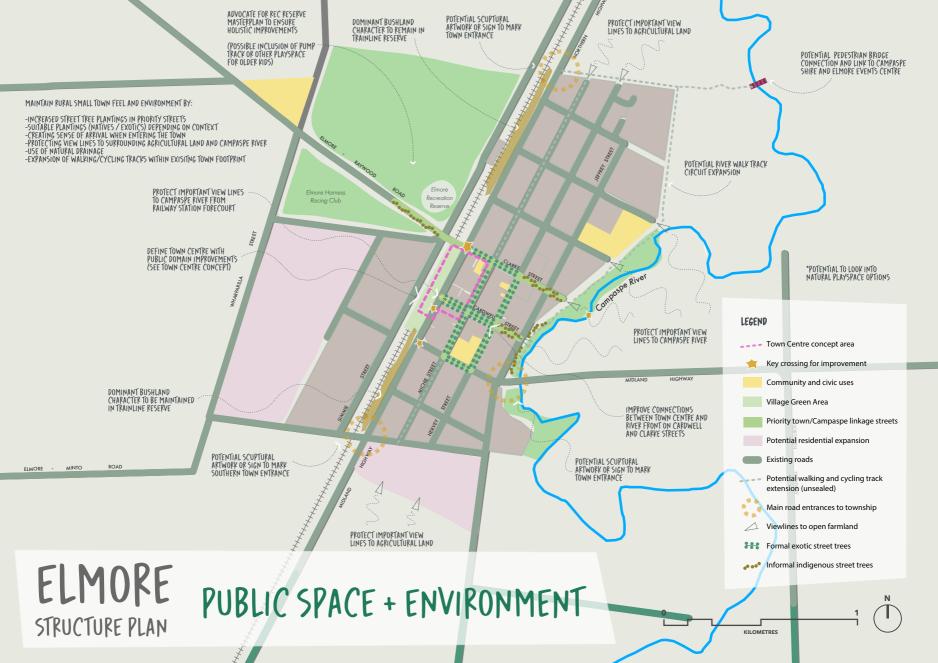
Following the workshop, a series of draft concept maps and cross sections have been prepared. These visuals reflect the emerging themes and township vision which was discussed at the workshop. The maps have been grouped into the themes above and detail potential changes and improvements.















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CAMPASPE STREET
RIVERSIDE TRAIL



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HERVEY STREET

SCHOOL ZONE AND CYCLING STREET



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CARDWELL STREET

TOWN-RIVER LINK