

Imagine Greater Bendigo 30 years from now. What do you see?

Hello!

Thank you for taking the time to participate in Imagine Greater Bendigo, your opportunity to help shape an exciting future for our city and region.

All feedback received as part of this nine-month project will help the City of Greater Bendigo prepare a new community vision and Council Plan, Financial Plan, and Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan by October 2021. An Asset Plan will also be developed in 2022.

This is the beginning of community consultation for the project. In this first stage we want to know what makes Greater Bendigo a great place to live now and what will make it an even better place to live 30 years from now, particularly as our population is forecast to reach 200,000 by 2050.

We also want to test some recent feedback received through other consultation opportunities to see if you agree or disagree. There is an optional section about finance and managing future population growth to get your thoughts on how Council should continue to support our growing community in a financially responsible way. This feedback will be helpful as we move into the second stage of community consultation.

How do we provide feedback?

This consultation toolkit has been prepared to help guide a conversation with your group, which can be done in person or via an online meeting.

Following the instructions in the toolkit, work through the questions as a group. The questions in the toolkit are the same questions in the online survey. You can either complete the digital survey as a group or print, handwrite in the toolkit and post it to City of Greater Bendigo, PO Box 733, Bendigo, VIC 3552. You could also hand deliver your toolkit responses to our Customer Service Centres at Hopetoun Street, Bendigo or High Street, Heathcote. **All feedback is required by Sunday February 28, 2021.**



Also attached are some FAQs to explain more about Imagine Greater Bendigo and further information is available at **www.letstalkgreaterbendigo.com.au/imagine**

We all want to live in a community where we can enjoy the best possible quality of life. We all have different ideas on what we need to be able to do this, so this is your chance to imagine a Greater Bendigo that has everything you, your family, friends and community need to succeed, be well and happy, and help us make plans to look after the environment we live in.

Your feedback will help to shape the future of Greater Bendigo. Thank you for time.

Sincerely, Mayor Cr Jennifer Alden



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