

Advocacy

With the high lake levels, the increase in visitors has raised concerns about traffic speed, litter and rubbish dumping and lack of telecommunications around the area.

Greater control of weeds and a reduction in the number of dead trees on the lake bed are also high priority.

The community is keen to work with Council and land managers to lobby for these improvements.

Goughs Bay Area Progress Association...

...is the 'voice' of the community and is behind many social events and projects around the village. The group is always keen for new members with new ideas and energy to join. Contact the GBAPA on gbprogressassociation@gmail.com



Goughs Bay Boat Club

This plan is available in alternate formats by phoning Mansfield Shire Council on 5775 8555.



Background

Goughs Bay created their first community plan in 2007 and set about bringing some of the actions to life - the walking path and BBQ park are testament to this.

As part of the Capable and Cohesive Communities project, the community was given the opportunity to review and update the 2007 plan and add fresh ideas and visions.

The community came together at a BBQ and shared their ideas then prioritised them through a survey. A smaller group worked through the results of the survey and developed this plan.

This plan was created by the community to guide Goughs Bay's future. It was created by, and belongs to, the people of today.

What next? A working group with a leader will be formed for each of the projects and Council will help where appropriate. The community plan will be reviewed every three years to make sure it still reflects our priorities.

Want to get involved? We'd love to hear from you! Everyone has something they can offer to help the plan come to life. Call Mansfield Shire Council's community development team on 5775 8555 or the Goughs Bay Area Progress Association on gbprogressassociation@gmail.com

"You can change the future of your community or you can sit back and allow whatever happens to happen."
Jack McColl

Goughs Bay

Community Plan Update

2012 - 2015

water
friendly
star gazing
sight seeing
fishing
laid back
walking
natural beauty
relaxing
water sports
peace
good people



Who are we?

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Goughs Bay is the second largest community in Mansfield Shire. Nestled on the edge of Lake Eildon, the picturesque village comprises 32% permanent and 68% part-time residences.

Being so close to the water, the residents enjoy lots of water based and outdoor activities.

The community loves the **lifestyle** and the **environment** and enjoys the vibrancy that the summer visitors bring to the village.

However, the influx of visitors can create some issues including litter and traffic problems and lake management issues and the community would like to see these alleviated.

According to the community, **Goughs Bay is a peaceful, relaxing place to be** and is also **friendly and social**. The **Goughs Bay** community is a predominately older demographic that is keen to see more younger people join them. An active community group, the **Goughs Bay Area Progress Association** has already been involved in some fabulous community projects including a walking path, a BBQ area and installation of artistic bollards along the path. What will Goughs bay create next...?

Our future

What's happening?

We want to be more informed about what is going on in Goughs Bay and believe a community newsletter, that can be used to share information, news and promote upcoming social events, is the answer.

Cleaning up

Litter can be a problem around Goughs Bay and community led clean-up days will help keep Goughs Bay sparkling clean and protect the environment.

Fabulous and fit

We love our walking trail and the next step is to add an exercise station to encourage even more physical activity and add some extra fun.

These projects are listed in no particular order.

Just beautiful

Public art and beautiful landscapes are high on the list of priorities for Goughs Bay locals. The entrance to Goughs Bay is already being beautified but there is lots more could be done through some planning and people power.

What's where?

The community would like to see more signage – both directional and interpretive, to help guide visitors around the community and inform them about Goughs Bay's history, heritage, environment and community.

