

# ADVOCACY 2021-25 PRIORITIES

While the Hobsons Bay Advocacy Strategy 2021-2025 has a four-year scope, this document will be assessed and renewed annually.

Advocacy Priorities are influenced by a range of inputs, including: Council Plan commitments, community feedback, community need, operationally gathered community feedback, Council policies/strategies, Council positions/resolutions, internal consultation with leadership teams, arising issues of the day, state/federal government investment and focus areas, state/federal government budget and policy cycles, representative peak body groups, regional plans/priorities, sector/industry research, environmental scanning, related publications/data and emergencies/unforeseen events.

The following are the 2021 – 2022 advocacy priorities. Using the Hobson's Bay Advocacy Strategy 2021 – 2025 and its framework for determining priorities council will review this list on an annual basis.

# TRANSFORMATIONAL OUTCOMES PROACTIVE AND TARGETED APPROACH



#### **Western Aquatic and Leisure Centre**

- » State and federal government funding contribution to support project implementation
- » Project cost: approx. \$50-60 million



### **Hobsons Bay Wetlands Centre**

- » State and federal government funding contribution to support project implementation
- » Project cost: approx. \$16 million



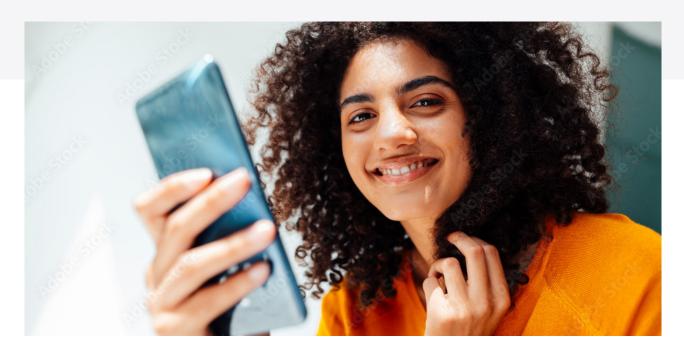
### **Better Places Place Guide projects**

- » State and federal government funding contribution to support the implementation of Hobsons Bay's Better Places 'Place Guide' projects across Laverton, Spotswood/South Kingsville, and Brooklyn/Altona North
- » Project cost: approx. \$50 million



#### Melbourne Metro 2 bring forward (and Altona North Station reinstatement)

- » The state government to bring forward the funding and planning for Melbourne Metro 2 and ensure its completion prior to the building of the outer suburban rail line to reduce congestion, encourage sustainable and integrated transport options and increase health and wellbeing outcomes.
- » This ask also includes the reinstatement of a train station in Altona North on the Werribee line to service the increasing population along Blackshaws Road (set to increase due to Precinct 15), employees at the Brooklyn Business Park and residents of the Bradmill site development in neighbouring Yarraville (City of Maribyrnong).



#### Youth mental health

- » Hobsons Bay's fair share of the state and federal governments investment
- » This partnership also seeks to partner with government in providing advice and recommendations on service delivery opportunities/needs in Hobsons Bay and the western region.



### Large scale Solar Virtual Power project

- » State and federal governments funding contribution to support the delivery of the project to enable the phase of on-demand battery storage.
- » This partnership also seeks to partner with government in providing the roll out blueprint that other Victorian communities can benefit from.

## HIGH IMPACT WITH CLEAR EVIDENCE PLANNED AND OPPORTUNISTIC APPROACH

#### Traffic congestion in the west (resulting from West Gate Tunnel Project)

- » The state government to fund and deliver improvements in the transport network related to the West Gate Tunnel Project
  - » Millers Road Establish a grade separated crossing of Millers Road for the Federation Trail; Amenity and functionality/safety upgrades i.e. Install green pavement treatment for cyclists on Millers Road across intersections; and establish additional southbound service lane on Millers Road to assist residential access from Millers Road
  - » Grieve Parade Upgrading Grieve Parade to a preferred truck route; the extension of Grieve Parade north to Market Road; the provision of freeway access ramps at Dohertys Road west of Grieve Parade; and the development of a regional freight management plan. This would redirect the anticipated 4,500 extra trucks expected on Millers Rd.
  - » Blackshaws and Geelong Roads Amenity and functionality/safety upgrades

#### **Brooklyn and Altona North Air quality**

» The state government to fund and deliver air quality alleviation measures resulting from the West Gate Tunnel Project, and the Inner West Air Quality Community Reference Group's report "Air Pollution in Melbourne's Inner West: Taking direct action to reduce our community's exposure."

#### Waste and recycling support

» State government funding contribution to support more recycling processing infrastructure and community education programs

#### Western major transport infrastructure projects

- » The state government to fund and deliver infrastructure improvements in Hobsons Bay
  - » Queen St Bridge pedestrian and cycling connection construction funding commitment
  - » Point Cook Road / Central Avenue intersection safety and congestion improvements funding commitment

#### Shared trails and cycling infrastructure

- » State and federal government funding contribution to support the implementation of Hobsons Bay's top 10 shared trail and cycling projects that improve the local integrated transport network and address connectivity gaps.
- » Project cost: approx. \$27 million

# SUPPORTED AND ALIGNED ACTIVE AND 'BUSINESS AS USUAL' APPROACH

#### Precincts - Altona

- » State and federal government funding contribution to support the implementation a cultural and arts precinct in the Altona Civic Centre area (with on-site library, and redevelopment of the existing Altona Library building)
- » Further government investment to Altona building upgrades in foreshore areas

#### Western transport infrastructure improvements

» State government support for improvements to freeway infrastructure including the entry and exit ramps at Newland Street, Altona Meadows and High Street, Laverton.

#### Infrastructure preservation

» State and federal government support in the protection for heritage buildings and railway stock at the Newport Railway Workshops and the Williamstown Rail Museum

#### Planning and building reforms

» State and federal government partnerships in the future and potential government service delivery changes and improvements

#### **Affordable Housing in Laverton**

- » State government funding through their Big Housing Build Fund program to deliver affordable housing in the Epson Street Laverton site (delivered via the Hobsons Bay Affordable Housing Trust)
- » Project cost: approx. \$45 million
- » This project also seeks to partner with and gain support from local political representatives, project stakeholders and advocates to jointly engage with the community in encouraging a broader understanding of the benefits of affordable housing.

#### Reimagining our Industrial Areas / Hobsons Bay Land Management Strategy

» Council will engage and seek opportunity for government partnerships over the coming years to further Council's objectives as part of Reimagining our Industrial Areas approach

#### Foreshore management partnership approach

- » Support for engaging with relevant stakeholders, land managers and government bodies to develop a partnership approach to management and upgrade of foreshore areas
- » The ask also includes state government funding and taking a coordinated, integrated approach with coastal councils to deliver projects and programs identified within their Coastal and Marine Management Plans.

#### **Precincts - Williamstown**

» State government support for the Williamstown Maritime Precinct Framework final report recommendations analysis (for intended future advocacy regarding the future use of the BAU site and foreshore infrastructure renewal)

