



**AMPHITHEATRE  
AND DISTRICT  
COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN  
2022**

**(updated from 2016–19 plan)**

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## Introduction

This community action plan reflects our needs and aspirations as the people of Amphytheatre and the surrounding district. It marks our achievements as a community and identifies our challenges. Through this plan, we seek to improve our community and its assets to enrich the lives of all who live and visit here.

## Our Vision for Amphytheatre and District

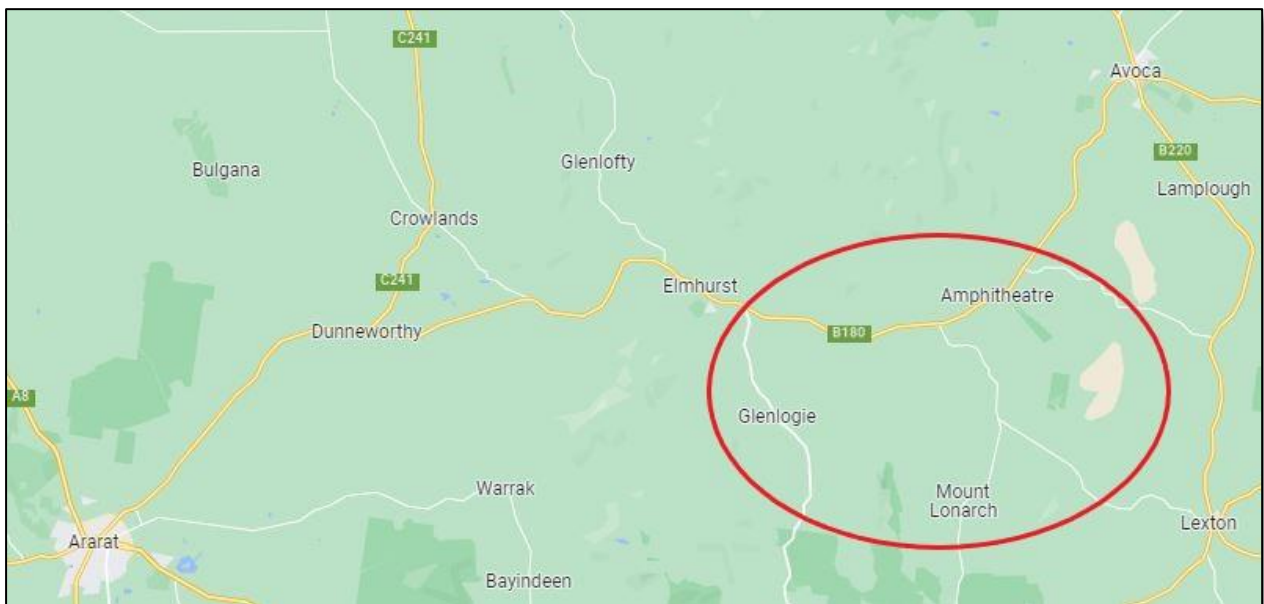
*To build on our strong community spirit by improving our amenities, celebrating our heritage and welcoming visitors*

## Our District

### Location

**Amphytheatre** is a small town in the Pyrenees Shire of regional Victorian. Our community incorporates the surrounding localities of **Glenlogie**, **Greenhill Creek**, **Mount Lonarch** and **Mountain Hut**.

The Amphytheatre township lies along the Pyrenees Highway (B180) between the larger towns of Avoca to the north-east and Ararat to the south-west.



### Geography

The district is characterised by rolling hills, green pastures and the nearby Pyrenees Ranges. The Avoca River rises at the foot of Mount Lonarch, near Amphytheatre, and flows through the township northwards to the Kerang Lakes near the Victorian border with New South Wales. The town of Amphytheatre sits at an elevation of 370 metres above sea level and is within the Pyrenees wine region.

Amphitheatre has immediate access to the Pyrenees State Forest with many excellent picnic sites and tracks for walking, cycling and four-wheel-driving.

### Key characteristics of our district:

- Distance from Melbourne: 155 km
- Approximate area: 378 sq km
- State electoral district: Ripon
- Federal electoral divisions: Mallee and Wannon
- Population in 2016 census: 248
- Median age: 52 years old
- Residents' most common birthplace: Australia
- Residents' most common heritage: England, Ireland, Scotland and Germany
- Principal industry: farming

## Our History and Heritage

### History

The Dja Dja Wurung People of the Kulin Nation are recognised as the Traditional Owners of the land where Amphitheatre now sits, and their ancestors ranged over the area. Surveyor and explorer Major Thomas Mitchell passed through the area in 1836 on his third expedition. On coming across the large natural depression – some 10 kilometres across – that now surrounds the settlement of Mount Lonarch, Mitchell named it the Amphitheatre.

Following Mitchell's description of central-west Victoria as 'Australia Felix', squatters took up land for grazing. Alexander Irvine took up the land around the Amphitheatre and established Junction Station run in 1840. In 1862, Junction Station was divided into two runs, known as Glenlogie run and Amphitheatre run.

Gold was discovered at the junction of the Avoca River and Glenlogie Creek – some ten kilometres north of Amphitheatre pastoral run – in 1853, and a mining settlement grew there as a result. It was known both as Glenlogie and Amphitheatre, despite not being located in the geographic amphitheatre. Nonetheless, the name Amphitheatre was finally settled on, and Glenlogie Creek took the name as well. The present locality of Glenlogie, 10 kilometres to the south-west, acts as a reminder of the earlier name.

By 1857, the Cobb and Co Telegraph Line of stage coaches passed through Amphitheatre on the Maryborough to Ararat line. The thriving settlement grew steadily and was serviced by a police station, a number of hotels, a post office and a primary school. The Mechanics' Institute Hall was erected in 1901.

The Avoca–Ararat railway, which opened in 1890, included a station for passengers and goods at Amphitheatre. The station was closed, along with the line, in 1959. Although the line was eventually reopened for goods, the station was not.

As the gold deposits waned, orchards and farming became the main industries. However, the placement of a dredge in the Avoca River during the 1960s allowed gold mining to resume for some time. Farming continues as the main industry of the district.



*Amphitheatre Anzac Avenue*

## Heritage

Many historical assets remain from our past, and various landmarks define the town of Amphitheatre.

**Amphitheatre Anzac Avenue.** The Amphitheatre Anzac Avenue, planted on 7 June 1917, forms the northern approach to the town. The girlfriend, fiancé or parent of each soldier from the district who served overseas in the First World War planted a tree in their honour. A brass plaque with each soldier's or sailor's name and service number was added later. The mature trees form a picturesque and fitting town entrance.

**Amphitheatre Hotel.** English migrants Henry and John Bird established 'The Amphitheatre Inn' for the gold mining community in 1854–5. The Bird brothers erected stables beside the hotel by 1857 as a staging post for the Cobb and Co line. The hotel was robbed at gunpoint by a gang of highway robbers in 1857. The hotel was moved 100 metres to face the new road after the highway was realigned in 1862. It ceased operating in 2011, and is now a private home, but remains symbolic of the town.



*Amphytheatre Hotel*

**Mechanics' Institute Hall.** The Mechanics' Institute Hall was built in 1901. It contains a library and remains the largest indoor space for meetings and community events. It doubled as the town's cinema during the 1920 and 1930s.

**War memorial arch.** The town's soldiers who returned from the First World War erected a granite arch in front of the Mechanics' Institute Hall 'to the memory of fallen comrades' during the 1920s. The community added two brass plaques in 2002 listing the names of all who served from the district in both world wars.

**Motor garages.** Amphytheatre has three historical motor garages. Although they no longer serve petrol, they are a reminder of the days when cars had shorter range and roads conditions were tougher.

**45 Bailey Street.** Amphytheatre's most prominent residence is situated at 45 Bailey Street (the Pyrenees Highway). The house began as the cottage of store keepers Henry and Eliza Spiers in 1860 and was extended 1876, adding a second storey.

**The Old Apple Shed.** The mud brick 'Old Apple Shed' remains as an important remnant of the town's orcharding past. It survives in very good condition and is now a home.

**Mud brick dwellings.** Mud brick was the preferred construction method for many permanent dwellings from the late nineteenth century. Some are still occupied, and the hills of the town and district are scattered with the remains of others.

**Bakery Park.** A recreation reserve called Bakery Park is situated on the Pyrenees Highway. Members of the community improved it in 1988 as an Australian Bicentennial Project. A horse-drawn vehicle used by a local sawmiller in the 1920s is displayed in the park, which offers rest facilities for travellers passing through the town.

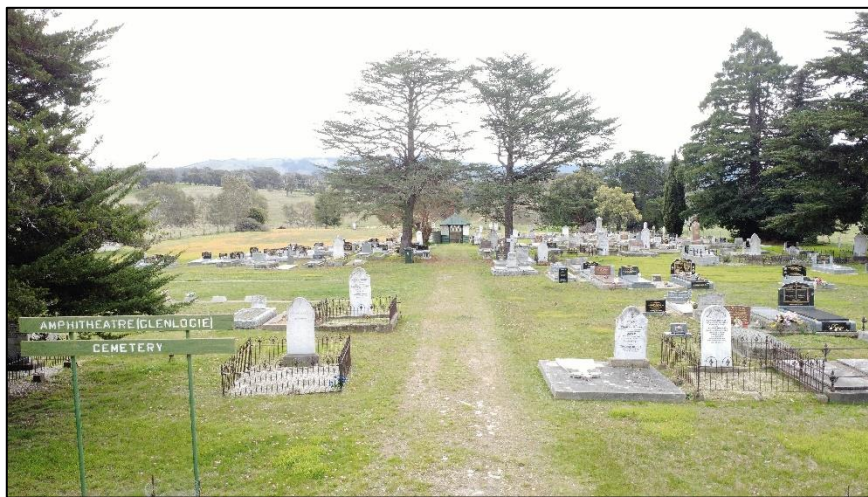
**Glenlogie (Amphytheatre) Cemetery.** The cemetery began during the gold rush and holds the remains of many pioneers of the town. It is still in use today. The cemetery, and the others in the district, also contain the remains of many of the Chinese pioneers who helped to develop the area.

**Mountain Hut Cemetery.** The pioneer cemetery at Mountain Hut is one of the few visible reminders of the gold mining settlement established in 1859. Many of the graves are marked by stone borders.

**Belfast Cemetery.** The cemetery began during the gold rush and is no longer in use. While the site is signposted, older residents say that the incorrect site has been identified.

**Gold mining evidence.** Public and private land in the district is littered with evidence of gold mining. There are diggers' holes, mine shafts, puddlers and mullock heaps to be found.

**Amphitheatre rifle range.** The town's rifle range was established in the years before the First World War as part of Australia's encouragement of civilian rifle clubs. The range's stop butts remain to mark the layout of the now overgrown firing lanes.



*Amphitheatre (Glenlogie) Cemetery*

## Our People

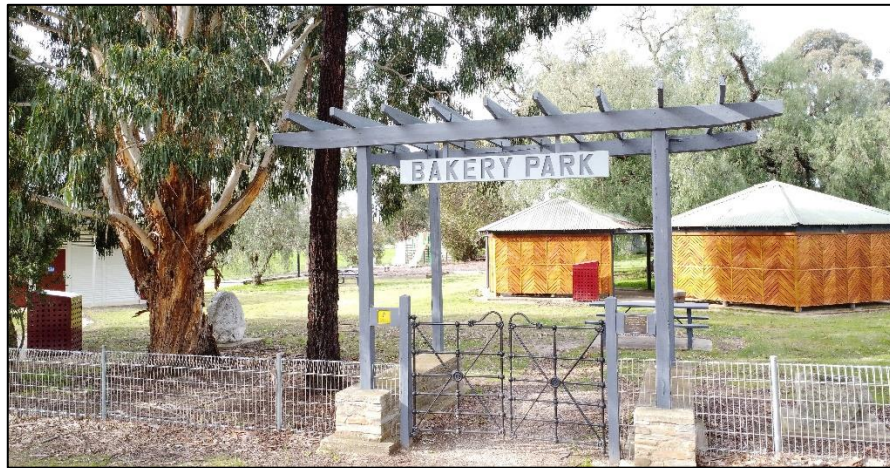
### Community

Our community is proud of Amphitheatre for what it is – a small, vibrant community that is friendly, welcoming and has a strong community spirit.

Amphitheatre thrives on its strong community values and its family-orientated lifestyle. We are active participants in maintaining and improving our assets, whilst preserving the uniqueness of our peaceful, friendly, small-town atmosphere. Residents actively participate in Clean up Australia day each year, which reflects our pride and ownership. The community members hold weekly barbecues on Friday nights, at Bakery Park during summer months and monthly casserole tea nights over the winter months at the Mechanics' Hall to promote community spirit and a chance to catch up and socialise with people of all ages.

Our single public-facing business is the post office, which is often an ad hoc meeting place for swapping information about local happenings. The noticeboard at the front

is always full of posters about the latest activities. The thriving Amphitheatre Community Facebook page keeps us closely connected.



*Bakery Park*

## Groups and organisations

**Primary school.** Amphitheatre Primary School No 22 was founded in 1861 to meet the needs of the gold mining community. By 1875, it had outgrown its accommodation, and a new school was established on the present site, renumbered as No 1637. The school has run continuously on that site with fluctuating enrolments, peaking at 110 in 1919. Recent funding initiatives have allowed the school to adopt the latest technological learning aids and to be refurbished to highlight its historical architecture. Landscaped grounds and a produce garden are features of the school, which won a small schools gardening award and a community involvement award in 2004.

**Landcare group.** Amphitheatre's Landcare group focuses on caring for the local environment and maintaining sound agricultural practices.

**Fire brigade.** The Amphitheatre Brigade of the Country Fire Authority (CFA) was formed in 1912 and has protected lives and property in the district ever since. Brigade members are active in educating, preparing and protecting the community against fire and regularly assist in regional and state exercises and emergency responses.

**Mechanics' Institute committee.** The Amphitheatre Mechanics' Institute Hall was erected in 1901 and is managed by committee of community members. The hall has received several upgrades. These include the 'Glenlogie Room', which is a general-purpose meeting/activity/resource room for the community. The renovated kitchen meets modern standards for hosting large events.





*Mechanics' Institute Hall*

**Recreation reserve committee.** The Amphitheatre Recreation Reserve is managed by a committee of community members. The reserve has an oval, four tennis courts and recreation building completed in 2016. The committee of management ensures the facilities are kept in excellent condition.

**Cemetery trust.** The Glenlogie (Amphitheatre) Cemetery Trust manages the town's cemetery on behalf of the community. The Trust is active in maintaining the grounds, documenting the cemetery's history and facilitating community use of the cemetery.

**Sports clubs.** Amphitheatre has clubs that support tennis and cricket.

**School council and parents' club.** Amphitheatre Primary School is supported by a dedicated group of parents, who form part of the school council and raise funds for the school.

**Craft group.** Amphitheatre recently formed a craft group open to all comers. The group gathers at the Mechanics' Hall to share skills in a friendly weekly setting.

## Our Recent Achievements

During the tenure of the previous version of our action plan, we achieved many things important to our community, including:

- Streetscape project with roadside trees and stone town entrance signs
- Extensions to eating shelters at Bakery Park with new barbecues and lighting
- Erection of new entrance to Bakery Park with information board
- Construction of portico and outside breakout area at Mechanics' Institute Hall
- Upgrade to toilets at Mechanics' Institute Hall
- Installation of solar power at Mechanics' Institute Hall

- Refurbishment of public toilets at Bakery Park
- Upgrade of air-conditioning at the Mechanics' Institute Hall
- Resurfacing of tennis courts with synthetic surface
- Erection of new entrance signage and fencing at recreation reserve
- Erection of a rotunda at the tennis courts
- Installation of security system and lighting at recreation reserve building
- Installation of barbecues and outdoor seating at recreation reserve building
- Installation of trophy cabinet at recreation reserve building
- Increase in primary school enrolments, ensuring its viability
- Formation of weekly craft group
- Increase in pride within our community, notably evident in improved streetscape
- Continuation of progress towards community goals despite Covid
- Researched and drafted planning document for Anzac Avenue

Details of all completed projects are included in Annex B.



*Amphitheatre Recreation Reserve*

## Our Current Challenges

We pride ourselves on what we have achieved and want to build on our successes by increasing our capacity to draw revenue into our community from a variety of sources to enable us to be more self-sufficient and environmentally sustainable.

We wish to improve local health and community services, streetscape, recreational and sporting facilities, organise community orientated gatherings and events, and acknowledge and preserve our heritage. We also wish to be proactive in attracting new residents to our community.

Closure of some of our community infrastructure, such as the local shop, hotel and childcare centre has led to decreased opportunities for community members to meet, socialise and plan future projects.

Our school age population is low and would benefit from promoting Amphitheatre to attract new members to our town and community.



*Amphitheatre Primary School*

## Our Plan for Amphitheatre and District

### Enabling principles

We align our action plan with the Pyrenees Shire Council Plan's enabling principles to:

- Motivate and inspire community involvement
- Provide transparency and accountability
- Use resources efficiently and effectively.

### Community projects

Aligned with the Pyrenees Shire Council Plan's four priorities, we identify the following as our major community projects for the next five years (not in order of precedence). All projects, including minor projects, are listed in the annexes to this plan.

- **People**
  - Build on our strong community spirit by providing more activities and events that focus on community, youth and wellbeing.
  - Encourage people to relocate to our town and help increase our school enrolment numbers to ensure our school remains open.
  - Recognise people within our community for their contributions.
- **Place**
  - Preserve and maintain Amphitheatre Anzac Avenue and promote its significance.
  - Preserve, document and promote our significant historical buildings, sites and landmarks.
  - Maintain and improve our town cultural and business assets.
  - Install street lighting in Ethels Court.
  - Install gym equipment at Bakery Park to promote health and community wellbeing.
  - Install shade structures, tables with seating and play equipment at the recreation reserve.
- **Environment**
  - Improve sustainability and energy efficiency through solar power and other means at our facilities.
  - Investigate options for sewerage connection within and around our township.
  - Improve the quality of our town's water supply.
  - Conserve and manage our environment with the assistance of Landcare and other organisations.
  - Preserve and enhance the appearance of the township and surrounding environment.
  - Control weeds and ensure regular slashing and road maintenance.
- **Economy**
  - Promote Amphitheatre as a tourist destination as well as supporting local businesses
  - Help community groups run events to generate income.
  - Encourage new businesses to open.

## Plans to achieve our community projects

To achieve these priorities, we will engage the support of local businesses, local service groups, the Pyrenees Shire and state and federal governments. We will apply for grants and will encourage active community involvement to ensure we achieve our priorities.

Details of resources, responsibilities, timeframes and reporting measures for our priorities are shown in Annex A.

## Our Planning Process

### Plan development

This plan is an update of the plan we adopted in 2016. The planning process began in 2004, when we formed an action plan group. The group developed and tested a survey that it sent to all residents in the Amphitheatre district, as well as absentee property owners. Of the approximately 250 surveys sent, 83 recipients responded. Along with the survey, we invited people (including absentee owners) to become involved in the action plan group.

The action plan group collated the information from the survey and interpreted it. The group liaised with Leeanne Edmondson, community facilitator at the Shire, for assistance in the process. The group left the resulting draft action plan at the then open town store for comment and sent a letter to all residents advising so and inviting comment.

The action plan group reformed in 2011 to update the plan with input from the town's groups, organisations and individuals. We conducted further updates in 2012, 2014 and 2019 following community consultation.

We carried out this 2022 update during the pressures and restrictions of the covid pandemic. The facilitators, listed below, undertook a comprehensive review of the existing plan to note recent achievements and reassess priorities.

### Community Action Plan facilitators

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## Annexes

- A. Amphitheatre and District Community Action Plan 2022 – Active Projects
- B. Amphitheatre and District Community Action Plan 2022 – Completed Projects

## Amphitheatre and District Community Action Plan 2022 – Active Projects

<b>Project: Recreation building defibrillator training</b>				<b>Priority Type: People</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Train community members in using the defibrillator at the recreation building	Short term <6 mths	- Recreation committee - Pyrenees Shire	- Apply for grants - Source training provider	Ongoing
<b>Project: Recreation reserve playground</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Erect playground equipment at recreation reserve  Install shade structure over playground	Med. term 6–18 mths	- Recreation committee - Pyrenees Shire - Local community	- Apply for grants - Seek in-kind labour from locals	
<b>Project: Road and verge maintenance</b>				<b>Priority Type: Environment</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Liaise with authorities to report road and verge maintenance matters, including surfacing, drainage, slashing and mowing	Ongoing	- Community members - Country Roads Authority - Pyrenees Shire	- Observation and reporting	Ongoing
<b>Project: Town signage maintenance</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Liaise with authorities to improve signage throughout the township and correct misspelling and incorrect names of roads and features	Ongoing	- Community members - Country Roads Authority - Pyrenees Shire	- Observation and reporting	Ongoing

<b>Project: Town entry sign landscaping</b>				<b>Priority Type: Environment</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Landscape around township entry signs	Med. term 6–18 mths	- Pyrenees Shire	- Can include provision of gravel/paving/weed mat to reduce weed growth obstructing signs - Can include planting of small ornamental trees at rear of entry signs	
<b>Project: Historical interpretation plaques</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Place historical interpretation plaques at sites of historical significance	Med. term 6–18 mths	- Mechanics' Institutes Vic - Hall committee	- Research significance of sites - Seek funding for plaques	
<b>Project: Cemetery ground maintenance</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Maintain cemetery grounds	Ongoing	- Cemetery trust	- Purchase replacement trees for future shade - Research funding sources - Employ local tradespersons to complete works	Ongoing
<b>Project: Tennis rebound wall</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Construct tennis rebound wall	Med. term 6–18 mths	- Tennis Club - Recreation reserve committee - Pyrenees Shire - Community members	- Supply of building products - In-kind labour donation - Pyrenees Shire building approval	



<b>Project: Tennis team clothing</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Supply tennis teams with appropriate protective clothing (e.g. sports shirts and sun hats)	Med. term 6–18 mths	- Tennis club - Recreation reserve committee	- Apply for sports grant funding	
<b>Project: Tennis facility maintenance</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Maintain tennis courts and facilities	Ongoing	- Tennis club - Recreation reserve committee	- Apply for sports grant funding	Ongoing
<b>Project: Tennis coaching</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Continue to bring specialised tennis coaching to our club and community	Ongoing	- Tennis club - Recreation reserve committee	- Apply for sports grant funding	Ongoing
<b>Project: Bakery Park gym equipment</b>				<b>Priority Type: People</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Install gym health equipment in Bakery Park	Short term <6 mths	- Pyrenees Shire - Dept of Sport & Recreation - Community members	- Apply for sports grant funding	
<b>Project: Streetscape remediation</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Remediate and maintain streetscapes	Short term <6 mths	- Community members - Pyrenees Shire	- Reform Amphitheatre Streetscape Group - Source trees of appropriate types - Undertake ongoing streetscape maintenance and replacement of dead trees - Ensure recognition as part of shire's streetscape initiatives (as we were one of the original streetscape groups)	Ongoing

<b>Project: Anzac Avenue of Honour remediation</b>				<b>Priority Type: Environment</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Replace trees in Anzac Avenue of Honour.	Med. term 6–18 mths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Community members</li> <li>- Pyrenees Shire</li> <li>- Victorian Heritage Database</li> <li>- RSL Victorian Branch</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Apply for funding through grant processes</li> <li>- Liaise with Pyrenees Shire and Country Roads Vic regarding health status of trees</li> <li>- Replace trees as necessary</li> <li>- Replace and reproduce signage to entrance of Anzac Avenue of Honour and individual tree/soldier plaques</li> <li>- Construct visitor vehicle stopping area</li> <li>- Consult appropriate governmental bodies regarding ongoing preservation of avenue</li> </ul>	Ongoing
<b>Project: Weed control</b>				<b>Priority Type: Environment</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Eradicate invasive & noxious weeds from roadsides, rivers and creeks	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dept of Env, Land, Water &amp; Planning</li> <li>- Landcare</li> <li>- Pyrenees Shire</li> <li>- Community members</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Regular spraying</li> <li>- Enforcement of weed control laws</li> <li>- Educate community about rights and responsibilities</li> <li>- Encourage involvement in Landcare projects</li> </ul>	Ongoing
<b>Project: Mobile phone coverage</b>				<b>Priority Type: People</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Improve mobile phone reception and coverage	Med. term 6–18 mths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hall Committee</li> <li>- Community members</li> <li>- Pyrenees Shire</li> <li>- Phone companies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lobby for improved reception &amp; coverage</li> <li>- Consult with communication companies</li> </ul>	Ongoing

<b>Project: Relationship with Pyrenees Shire</b>				<b>Priority Type: People</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Forge closer relationship with council	Short term <6 mths	- All community groups - Community members - Pyrenees Shire	- Encourage local council to hold meetings in our Hall at least annually - Inform councillors about community needs and requirements - Improve communication and consultation - Encourage councillors to tour community and see communities needs - Invite councillors to community meetings	
<b>Project: Support to Landcare</b>				<b>Priority Type: Environment</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Ensure ongoing community support and membership of local Landcare Group	Ongoing	- Amphitheatre Landcare Group - Local landowners	- Liaise with appropriate government bodies to ensure improvement of our local environment - Apply for government funding/grants to assist with completion of Landcare projects	
<b>Project: Community interaction</b>				<b>Priority Type: People</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Encourage socialisation between community members and welcome new members to our community	Ongoing	- Hall committee - Community members and groups - Pyrenees Shire - Pyrenees Advocate newspaper	- Hold monthly casserole dinners at the Hall during colder months - Hold weekly barbecues each Friday night at Bakery Park during the warmer months - Advertise and promote these social activities - Encourage local community members to attend - Invite new residents to attend	
<b>Project: Bakery Park improvements – wagon shelter</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Erect pergola over historical wagon	Med. term 6–18 mths			

<b>Project: Bakery Park improvements – picnic shelters</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Renovate Bakery Park picnic shelters	Med. term 6–18 mths			- Work commenced
<b>Project: Bakery Park improvements – playground equipment</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Purchase new playground equipment	Med. term 6–18 mths		- Purchase and install rope nest swing - Maintain basketball ring	
<b>Project: Bakery Park improvements – outdoor fitness equipment</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Install outdoor fitness equipment	Med. term 6–18 mths		- Apply for sports grant funding	
<b>Project: Local business sustainability</b>				<b>Priority Type: Economy</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Ensure local businesses are financially sustainable	Med. term 6–18 mths	- Local businesses - Pyrenees Shire Council	- Promote local businesses and encourage new enterprises within township - Support local businesses and promotion within local community	
<b>Project: Primary School sustainability</b>				<b>Priority Type: Economy</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Ensure Amphitheatre Primary School remains open	Ongoing	- Amphitheatre Primary School - Pyrenees Shire - Dept of Educational - Parents and friends club	- Promote Amphitheatre Primary School - Encourage enrolments from within the district - Publish school newsletter	

<b>Project: Mechanics' Institute Hall library catalogue</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Catalogue Amphitheatre Mechanics' Institute Hall library	Med. term 6–18 mths	- Hall committee - Community members		Commenced
<b>Project: Mechanics' Institute Hall access</b>				<b>Priority Type: People</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Open Hall weekly for community and tourist access		- Hall committee - Community members - Pyrenees Shire	- Roster Hall Committee members to provide weekly access - Purchase signage	
<b>Project: Hall hire advertising signage</b>				<b>Priority Type: Economy</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Install signage to promote hire of Amphitheatre Mechanics' Institute Hall	Med. term 6–18 mths	- Hall committee	- Purchase signage	
<b>Project: Rainbow Serpent Festival participation</b>				<b>Priority Type: Economy</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Participate in Rainbow Serpent Festival	Ongoing annually			Awaiting reinstatement of Rainbow Serpent Festival
<b>Project: Cemetery Chinese section remediation</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Erect signage and boundary fence at old Chinese cemetery to preserve site	Med. term 6–18 mths	- Cemetery Trust		

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<b>Project: Cemetery water tank</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Install water tank in cemetery grounds	Short term <6 mths	- Cemetery Trustees - Department of Health - Community members	- Research funding sources - Obtain quotes - Complete required works	Completed 2012
<b>Project: Hall air-conditioning</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Install x1 split system air conditioner in Mechanics' Institute Hall	Short term <6 mths	- Hall committee - Pyrenees Shire - Community members	- Employ local tradespeople - Encourage in-kind donation of time, skills & labour	Completed 2013
<b>Project: Tennis court resurfacing</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Apply for funding to resurface tennis courts	Short term <6 mths	- Tennis Club - Pyrenees Shire - Reserve committee - Dept of Sport & Rec - Dept Planning & Comm Dev	- Consultancy and funding submissions to Local Government	Completed 2014
<b>Project: Hall internal painting</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Paint interior of Mechanics' Institute Hall	Short term <6 mths	- Hall committee - Pyrenees Shire - Community members	- Seek donations - Purchase materials - Employ locals to complete project	Completed 2015

<b>Project: Cemetery tree maintenance</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Trim and maintain overhanging branches/limbs of large trees in cemetery	Med. term 6–18 mths	- Cemetery Trustees - Department of Health - Community members	- Seek donations - Purchase materials - Employ locals to complete project	Completed 2015
<b>Project: Cemetery equipment purchase</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Purchase of equipment (lawn mower) and air vent for grounds maintenance	Short term <6 mths	- Cemetery Trustees - Department of Health - Community members	- Seek donations - Purchase materials - Employ locals to complete project	Completed 2015
<b>Project: Recreation reserve automatic defibrillator</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Purchase auto DEFIB for Amphitheatre Recreation Reserve	Short term <6 mths	- Recreation committee - St John Ambulance	- Unit purchased from St John Ambulance - Ongoing maintenance required	Completed 2015 with ongoing maintenance required
<b>Project: Completion of recreation reserve building</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Complete construction of the recreation reserve building with power and water supply – internal and external	Short term <6 mths	- Recreation committee - Pyrenees Shire - Community members	- Project developed and ran by Pyrenees Shire through tender system - Local in-kind labour	Completed 2015 with ongoing maintenance required
<b>Project: Recreation reserve landscaping</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Undertake landscaping in new carpark area and erection of bollards	Short term 0-6 mths	- Recreation committee - Pyrenees Shire - Community members	- Project developed and ran by Pyrenees Shire through tender system - Local in-kind labour	Completed 2015 with ongoing maintenance required

<b>Project: Recreation reserve rainwater tank relocation</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Relocate rainwater tank and pump from old recreation building to the rotunda	Short term <6 mths	- Recreation committee - Community members	- Project completed by local Recreation committee	Completed 2015
<b>Project: Recreation reserve security system</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Install security system and lighting at recreation building	Short term <6 mths	- Recreation committee - Pyrenees Shire - Community members	- Pyrenees Shire tender process - Project completed by Pyrenees Shire	Completed 2015
<b>Project: Recreation reserve security lighting</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Install external security lighting at Recreation reserve	Short term <6 mths	- Recreation committee - Pyrenees Shire - Community members	- Pyrenees Shire tender process - Project completed by Pyrenees Shire	Completed 2015
<b>Project: Recreation reserve trophy cabinet</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Install trophy cabinet for sporting memorabilia	Short term <6 mths	- Recreation committee - Avoca Men's Shed	- Project completed by Avoca Men's Shed	Completed 2015
<b>Project 1: CFA trailer upgrade</b>				<b>Priority Type: Environment</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Upgrade CFA quick fill trailer	Med. term 6–18 mths	- Amphitheatre CFA Brigade - Region 16 CFA		Completed



<b>Project: Hall furniture and blinds</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Purchase outside furniture and blinds for Mechanics' Institute Hall	Med. term 6–18 mths	- Hall committee - Pyrenees Shire - Community members	- Seek donations - Purchase materials - Employ locals to complete project	Completed 2017
<b>Project: Recreation reserve barbecues and seating</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Install barbecues and seating at rotunda	Med. term 6–18 mths	- Recreation committee - Pyrenees Shire - Local tradespeople	- Research funding sources - Obtain quotes - Complete required works	Completed 2018
<b>Project: Hall side entrance upgrade</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Construct portico and concrete flooring at the side entrance of the Hall	Short term <6 mths	- Hall Committee - DSE - Pyrenees Shire - Local tradespeople - Dept Planning & Comm Dev	- Research funding sources - Obtain building permits - Obtain quotes - Complete required works	Completed 2018
<b>Project: Recreation reserve building weather protection</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Replacement of rear and side roller doors to reduce water and vermin entry  Erection of awning over rear door	High Priority Urgent	- Recreation committee - Pyrenees Shire - Local tradespeople	- Research funding sources - Obtain quotes - Complete required works	Completed 2018

<b>Project: Bakery Park toilet block replacement</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Replace Bakery Park toilet facilities	Ongoing	- Hall committee - Community members and groups - Pyrenees Shire	- Research funding sources - Obtain building permits - Obtain quotes - Complete required works	Completed 2018
<b>Project: Recreation reserve railway fencing</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Erection of fence along boundary of recreation reserve		- Recreation committee - Pyrenees Shire - Vic Rail	- Vic Rail approached and will contribute to supply of materials and erection of new fencing	Completed 2019
<b>Project: Town sign lighting</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Install solar-powered lighting at three stone town entrance structures	Short term <6 mths	- Pyrenees Shire	- Pyrenees Shire tender	Completed 2020
<b>Project: Mechanics' Institute Hall air-conditioning</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Install new air-conditioning at the Mechanics' Institute Hall	Med. term 6–18 mths	- Hall committee - State Government	- State Government grant	Completed 2021
<b>Project: Mechanics' Institute Hall solar panels</b>				<b>Priority Type: Place</b>
<b>Project details</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Lead and partners</b>	<b>Action and Resources</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Install solar panels at the Mechanics' Institute Hall	Med. term 6–18 mths	- Hall committee - State Government	- State Government grant	Completed 2021