

Green Wedge

MANAGEMENT PLAN

BULLETIN 2 - JUNE 2018



Nillumbik Shire Council is asking for your help to prepare a new Green Wedge Management Plan. The key question that will guide the preparation of the new plan is - what is the best way for us to manage Nillumbik's Green Wedge, now and in the future?

Council wants to hear from you

To understand our community's opinions and experiences, we want to hear from the people that truly matter – the people that live in and around the Green Wedge. This includes those who own property, run businesses, invest, care for, or simply enjoy the Green Wedge.

Nillumbik's Green Wedge takes up 91 per cent of the Shire – but as the Green Wedge Shire, we all identify with our beautiful open spaces and unique landscape. Seventy-nine per cent of the Green Wedge is in private ownership and just under one fifth (13,000) of Nillumbik's residents live in the Green Wedge.

The broad community engagement phase which has now commenced allows everybody in the community to share their thoughts and experiences about the Green Wedge.

How you can participate – a snapshot

There are many different ways you can share your thoughts about the Green Wedge until 13 July 2018.

- Complete a survey
- Share your stories about your experiences – both good and bad – in the Green Wedge
- Share a photo of what you love about the Green Wedge
- Attend a workshop to share your thoughts with others
- Pop into one of the Coffee and Chat sessions around the Shire.

Surveys

The survey is available online at participate.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/gwmp or hard copies are available to collect from Hurstbridge Community Hub, Eltham Community and Reception Centre, our libraries or the Civic Centre, or from one of the many local business or service centres across the Shire.

Return your completed survey at any one of Council's staffed community facilities or post back to us.

If you would like assistance to access a survey, please contact us on 9433 3134.



Share your story

If you have a story about your experience/s of the Green Wedge that you want to share, we'd love to hear it. It might be a positive experience you've had, a challenge you've faced, or a great idea for the future.

When telling your story it's a good idea to:

- Set the scene (a few details about who, when and where)
- Make it personal (what you thought, how you felt, what you saw or heard)
- Tell us what happened (the key actions and events)
- Explain how it turned out, what the final outcome was
- And finally, what did you learn, what would you change, and why?

You can share your story by posting it online at participate.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/gwmp where others can read it, emailing it to gwmp@nillumbik.vic.gov.au or dropping it off at one of the following Council venues. Hurstbridge Community Hub, Eltham Community and Reception Centre or the Civic Centre.

Or you could come and tell us your story in person at one of our coffee and chat sessions (see page 3 for details).

Share your photos

Do you have a photo that captures what you love about the Green Wedge? We'd love you to share it with us. And it would also be great if you included a



comment to tell us why you chose this photo.

You can share your photo by posting it online at participate.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/gwmp or emailing it to gwmp@nillumbik.vic.gov.au. Photos should be no larger than 1MB in size.

Please note: these photos will appear on our public website, so any people appearing in the photos must not be identifiable. If the photo is not your own, let us know who took it, and that you have their permission to share it.

Workshops

We will be holding workshops with key stakeholder groups and are working directly with these groups. If your group is interested in hosting a workshop, please get in touch with us. We also have two public workshops scheduled.

WORKSHOP 1: Saturday 16 June 2018 10am – 12pm	WORKSHOP 2: Wednesday 27 June 2018 6.30pm – 8.30pm
Hurstbridge Community Hub 50 Graysharps Road Hurstbridge	Eltham Community and Reception Centre 801 Main Road Eltham

These workshops will explore the same questions as the survey. To register, visit participate.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/gwmp email gwmp@nillumbik.vic.gov.au or call 9433 3134.



Coffee and Chat sessions

If you would like to come and share your stories and experiences with our team, please drop in for a coffee and chat on any of these dates.

FRIDAY 8 JUNE 10am – 11.30am	La Petite France Shop 8/29 Civic Drive Greensborough	WEDNESDAY 20 JUNE 10am – 11.30am	La Petite France Shop 8 / 29 Civic Drive Greensborough
TUESDAY 12 JUNE 10am – 11.30am	The Vines Café 11 Chute Street Diamond Creek	WEDNESDAY 20 JUNE 2.30pm – 4pm	Tin Shed Café 35 Chute Street Diamond Creek
TUESDAY 12 JUNE 2pm – 3.30pm	Tancks Corner 461 Ironbark Road Yarrambat	THURSDAY 21 JUNE 10am – 11.30am	Rivers of Yarrambat 28 Kurrak Road Yarrambat
WEDNESDAY 13 JUNE 10am – 11.30am	St Andrews General Store 10 Caledonia Street St Andrews	THURSDAY 21 JUNE 2.30pm – 4pm	St Andrews General Store 10 Caledonia Street St Andrews
WEDNESDAY 13 JUNE 2pm – 3.30pm	Smith Gully Café 914 Kangaroo Ground-St Andrews Road Smiths Gully	FRIDAY 22 JUNE 10am – 11.30am	Smiths Gully Café 914 Kangaroo Ground-St Andrews Road Smiths Gully
THURSDAY 14 JUNE 10am – 11.30am	Dark Horse Café 765 Eltham-Yarra Glen Road Watson's Creek	MONDAY 25 JUNE 2.30pm – 4pm	Peppers Paddock 13 Kangaroo Ground-Wattle Glen Road Wattle Glen
THURSDAY 14 JUNE 12.30pm – 2pm	Panton Hill Pub 633 Kangaroo Ground-St Andrews Road Panton Hill	TUESDAY 26 JUNE 10am – 11.30am	Kangaroo Ground General Store 280 Eltham-Yarra Glen Road Kangaroo Ground
FRIDAY 15 JUNE 10am – 11.30am	Peppers Paddock 13 Kangaroo Ground-Wattle Glen Road Wattle Glen	WEDNESDAY 27 JUNE 10am – 11.30am	Café Z 1530 Main Road Research
FRIDAY 15 JUNE 2pm – 3.30pm	Kangaroo Ground General Store 280 Eltham-Yarra Glen Road Kangaroo Ground	WEDNESDAY 4 JULY 10am – 11.30am	Dark Horse Café 765 Eltham-Yarra Glen Road Watson's Creek
MONDAY 18 JUNE 2pm – 3.30pm	Café Z 1530 Main Road Research	THURSDAY 5 JULY 12.30pm – 2pm	Panton Hill Pub 633 Kangaroo Ground-St Andrews Road Panton Hill
TUESDAY 19 JUNE 10am – 11.30am	Hurstbridge Post Office Café 794 Heidelberg-Kinglake Road Hurstbridge	FRIDAY 6 JULY 10am – 11.30am	Craft Kitchen Bar 70 Commercial Place Eltham
TUESDAY 19 JUNE 2pm – 3.30pm	Cornercaf 950 Main Road Eltham		

As detailed in Bulletin 1, the review of the Green Wedge Management Plan is a large and complex project with many stages.

	STAGE 1 Designing the broader community engagement plan (Complete)	Council worked with community stakeholders to help design the critical community engagement and activities to maximise community interest and involvement.
	STAGE 2 Implementing the broader community Engagement Plan (until 13 July 2018)	There are a range of ways the community can get involved and share their ideas and experiences as detailed in this bulletin.
	STAGE 3 Community Panel (August - October 2018)	<p>Everything we hear through the community engagement phase will be summarised in a report that will be shared publicly and presented to a special community panel of 40 participants from across the Shire, selected by a third party independent of Council.</p> <p>The panel will sit for up to five days to listen and consider the community's views covering economic, social and environmental values and impacts. The panel will hear evidence and make recommendations to Council on ways to ensure the Green Wedge is nurtured and managed for future generations.</p>
	STAGE 4 Preparation of the Green Wedge Management Plan (November 2018 - April 2019)	<p>Council will carefully consider and respond to the Community Panel's recommendations and respond to these publicly.</p> <p>Council will then prepare a draft Green Wedge Management Plan. The draft Plan will be released for wider community engagement for a further four months from the end of 2018.</p>

Need more information?

Bulletin 1 is available online at participate.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/gwmp or call us on 9433 3134 for a copy. FAQ 1 is also online, with more available in the coming weeks.

Participate Nillumbik is the one-stop-shop for the Green Wedge Management Plan review. You can provide input, and access information and register to keep up to date with the project at participate.nillumbik.vic.gov.au

Mosaic Lab has been engaged as an independent consultant to support Council to undertake the community panel process. Further information on the operation of community panels (also known as Citizens Juries) can be found at mosaiclab.com.au/projects