



# Bacchus Marsh Activity Centre: Consultation Summary Report

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## Introduction

### The Consultation Process

An integral step in the process the development of the Bacchus Marsh Town Centre Structure Plan is the community consultation process which began at 'Stage 2b: Consultation Round 1'.

This first round of consultation seeks community input during the early phases of the project to guide future development and activity within the Bacchus Marsh Town Centre. Further community consultation will occur at 'Stage 4a: Consultation Round 2', where community members will have the opportunity to provide comment on the draft structure plan.

### Community Drop-In Sessions

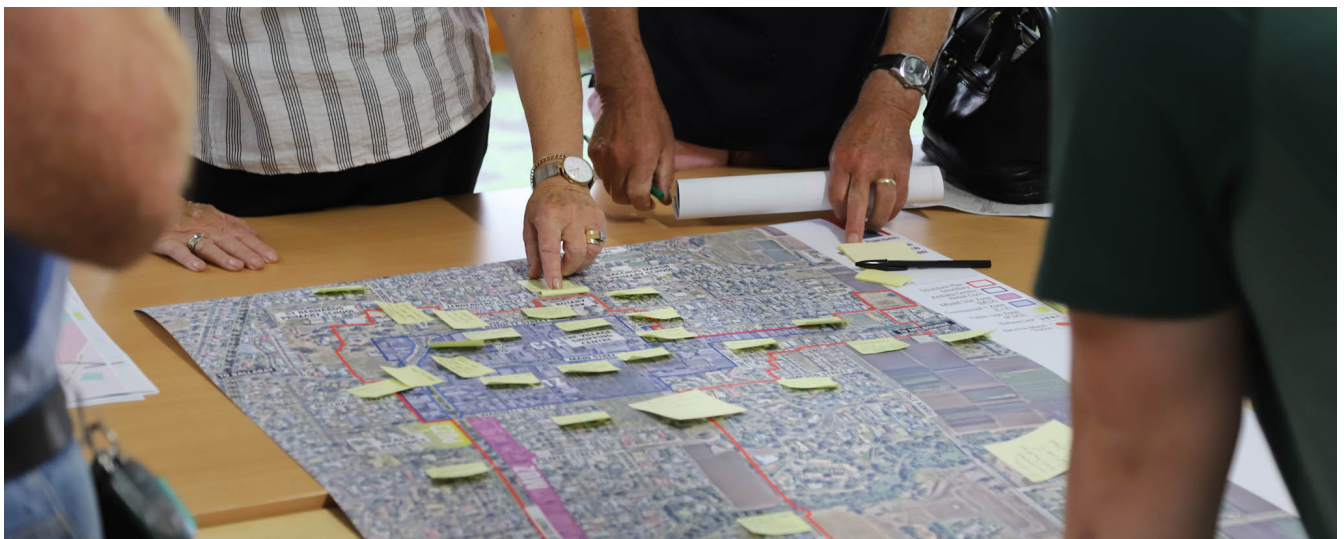
To facilitate community input during Stage 2b, Council and the consultant team ran two community drop in sessions to provide information on the project, and to understand community views of the critical issues, constraints and opportunities the Structure Plan should consider. The two community drop in sessions were held on the 16th & 17th of February 2023 in the James Young Room at the Lerderderg Library in Bacchus Marsh.

### Online Surveys

For those who were unable to attend the in person community drop in sessions, an online survey provided an opportunity for community members to have their say in response to five key questions, in addition to be able to spatially document comments via a Social Pinpoint map.

### Role of Consultation Summary Report

This report aims to provide a summary of comments, concerns and queries raised by the community at both the drop in sessions and online surveys/ Social Pinpoint Map. The results of this process will be used to develop an overarching vision and objectives which will underpin the preparation of the Bacchus Marsh Town Centre Structure Plan.







*Grant Street, Bacchus Marsh*



## Community Drop-In Sessions

Below is a summary of comments made at the two community drop-in sessions, the comments have been grouped into themes, with comments mentioned multiple times indicated with a multiplier (for example 'x4').

### Commercial Activity Centre

- *Main street does not suit Bacchus Marsh.*
- *Replace on street parking with outdoor dining.*
- *Paths are not swept on Main Street, ensure maintenance and upgrades in commercial centre.*
- *Increase retail opportunities to keep people in the town.*
- *There is a lack of shops since Target Country left, need more variety in shopping especially clothes for men (x6)*
- *Commercial centre is too small.*
- *Not enough civic services, Medicare, Centrelink etc.*
- *Big Box needed in BM (Target, Big W, Best and Less) (x4)*
- *Shoe shop needed (x5)*
- *Big Box not needed in BM, happy to go to Melton.*
- *Village shopping centre provides a good place to mingle with the local community, a pleasant place to shop and socialise.*
- *Not enough variety of shops, have to go to Melton (x3).*
- *Not enough shops for families.*
- *Not enough retail such as clothing shops.*
- *Not enough shops in BM, have to go to Maddingley to do shopping.*
- *There are new shops opening in Maddingley, I'm happy to go there instead to do shopping.*
- *Would like to see public art/ sculpture on Main Street.*
- *Needs and art gallery/ cultural space/ performing arts (x3)*
- *Facilitate more outdoor dining on Main Street (x3)*
- *Make Main Street a pedestrian mall (x2)*
- *Main Street should revert to village feel.*
- *Main Street should be a shared street.*
- *Not enough shops, there are more in Darley and Maddingley.*
- *No post office, have to go to Maddingley.*
- *We need a bike shop.*
- *The village restaurants on Main Street need a toilet.*
- *Need more seating in commercial centre – ageing population.*
- *Parcel lockers needed for deliveries.*
- *Needs more nightlife options other than the pub.*
- *Liven up the Main Street (x2)*
- *Need more activities for kids to do around Main Street (x2)*

### Vehicle Movements/ Traffic

- *Concerns about new traffic lights on Grant/Main Street, will they cause more congestion? (x4)*
- *There is general traffic congestion along Gisborne Road (x2)*
- *Parking is an issue in the commercial centre.*
- *General traffic complaint (x2)*
- *Get the trucks out of the main town.*
- *Reduce speed on Main Street (30km/h)*
- *There are too many cars in and around the BM centre, not enough car parking (x2)*
- *A lot of traffic congestion at around 3pm when schools finish.*
- *Heavy trucks down Grant Street causing congestion and increasing in volume. (x3)*
- *Speed on Bennet Street is too fast, dangerous for pedestrians.*
- *Fisken Street requires road upgrade, people use it to bypass school traffic (x2)*







*Avenue of Honour*



- *Community bus from Main Street to railway station is a good idea.*
- *Traffic Congestion on Main Street, there are many big trucks around this area.*
- *Traffic calming on Taverner Street required.*
- *Remove parking from main street.*
- *Make Main Street meander with angled parking (Swan Hill).*
- *Footpaths on Taverner Street required.*
- *New crossing on Young Street is good.*
- *Landscaped chicanes are preferred to speed humps.*
- *Change bus route to provide better access.*
- *More parking required on Main Street.*
- *Provide an electric bus that is smaller but more frequent.*
- *Werribee River, no access for cars/ carivans.*
- *Better street permeability throughout BM.*
- *Bus depot needs to be elsewhere. e.g. on Provenzano Land.*
- *Worried about caravans in BM.*
- *Gell Street should be 2 ways.*
- *Upgrade Fiskin Street intersection.*
- *Fiskin Street needs upgrade.*
- *Traffic speeds in centre are an issue.*
- *Speeding cars on Graham Street.*
- *Intersection at Fiskin and Taverner Street, now a major bypass for motorists avoiding Grant Street.*
- *Provide link from Waddell Street joining to Simpson Street.*
- *Intersection of South Maddingley Road and Parwan Road needs an upgrade.*



## Pedestrian Safety

- *40km/h speed signs are hidden on Main Street by big trees.*
- *Pedestrian crossing on Main Street are hidden and obscured.*
- *Should be pedestrian crossing from Peppertree Park pool.*
- *Main street should be pedestrian focused.*
- *Main street should be a mixed use path for bicycles/ mobility scooters.*
- *Signalised crossing required at the corner of Gisborne Road and Main Street.*
- *Pedestrian crossing signalised or zebra required on Main Street between Young and Lord Street. Walking groups start from car park and walk north to the shopping centre.*
- *Not enough pedestrian crossings on Grant Street.*
- *Pedestrian crossing outside the library required (x4)*
- *Not enough pedestrian crossings around college precinct, there are many elderly in that area.*
- *Lots of elderly people between Waddell and Pilmer Street, pedestrian safety upgrades required.*
- *Difficult to navigate town centre with wheelchair or prams.*
- *Gell Street crossing is dangerous, lack of visibility for people on mobility scooters.*
- *Lack of pedestrian crossings on Main Street.*
- *Pedestrian Crossing on Bennet Street required to get to food works safely.*
- *Pedestrian path all the way from the commercial centre to the train station required.*
- *Blind spot as vehicles exit village shopping centre to main street, blind spot and dangerous for pedestrians.*
- *Raised intersection at Sydney and Pilmer Street not slowing traffic down.*
- *Pedestrian crossing at the train station needed.*
- *Difficult to cross road from train station to Maddingley.*
- *Unsafe for pedestrians to cross Grant Street from MUZ. (x2)*

## Neighbourhood Character

- *It is imperative to support the existing neighbourhood character, heritage and landscape values and of BM. (x3)*
- *Need to preserve varied architecture of BM, heritage overlay doesn't do enough to protect character.*



## Built Form

- *Would like to see multi-storey development in the Main Street.*
- *Celebrate heritage buildings in BM.*
- *Preserve 19th and 20th Century buildings throughout BM.*
- *Infrastructure needs to keep up with pace of growth.*
- *Should have consistency of building design (x2)*

## Cycling/ Shared Paths

- *Improve accessibility to primary schools by foot/bike.*
- *Historic pavers made in BM all gone, planning should connect with history.*
- *Provide more interesting paving options, aggregate is boring (x2)*
- *Upgrade path between Werribee River and McGarth Street.*
- *Along Werribee River, path changes from gravel to concrete, should be one surface.*
- *Shared Path at Pilmer Street terminates, no connectivity for bikes.*
- *Connect Station Street bike path at roundabout to other side and to Werribee River path.*
- *Cycle path between Main Street and railway station is encouraged (x3)*
- *Increase bike path network (x3)*
- *Pedestrian path on Grant Street should lead to Peppertree Park.*



- *Not safe to ride bicycle into town centre (x2)*
- *Bike paths on Main Street needed and encouraged. (x4)*
- *Separated bike path from the station to Main Street (with concrete bollards to keep riders safe)*

## Universal Access

- *Footpaths near KFC are dangerous (sloping).*
- *Better footpaths for people in wheelchairs throughout BM (x3)*
- *Improve universal access throughout BM.*
- *Paths are wonky for disabled people in and around the commercial centre.*
- *Uneven paths on Main Street from tree roots make it difficult to navigate for people with disabilities. (x3)*
- *Gradient is bad on streets and footpaths.*
- *Need mobility access throughout, Darley Freeway crossing is an issue no space for passing scooter or pram.*

## Public Open Space

- *Retain Main Street Park, this is a good asset in BM.*
- *Rotary Park is lovely for picnics.*
- *Management of Maddingley Park Reserve, needs better lighting and all weather paths.*
- *Not enough shade in Peppertree Park.*
- *Trees near flower shop (Main Street) make it hard to see people crossing the road.*
- *Upgrades to Peppertree Park required.*
- *Celebrate the waterways of Bacchus Marsh, they are under-appreciated.*
- *Moorabool Aquatic and Recreation Centre needs landscaping and public realm treatment.*
- *Peppertree Park should be a community space, BBQ shelter, walking tracks and events.*
- *Rotary park requires path upgrades (x4)*
- *Village Green needs upgrade and improvement (x2)*
- *Plane trees are an issue, very messy and hypoallergenic (x2)*
- *Love the walks and loops around the river.*
- *Must preserve green spaces around town.*
- *Don't allow trees to be removed or cut down (x2)*



## Vegetation

- More native vegetation plantings encouraged. Not only trees on Main Street but encourage other plantings throughout the centre and throughout the public realm.
- Retain and protect existing vegetation.
- Retention of Avenue of Honour.
- Love the street trees in the town centre.

## Other

- There are lots of caravans that come through BM, but no services or parking to support them.
- More outreach for community programs needed.
- Would be good idea to develop this land parcel south of Main Street to support growing community as long as it is pedestrian friendly.
- Develop land parcel south of Main Street for community function.
- Cultural use on the big development site south of Main Street is a good idea, something with community function.
- Retail opportunity on big redevelopment site south of Main Street.
- Mural and Peppertree Park is great, more public art and murals.
- Entries into town through agriculture are great.
- Boyes Close should be well lit.
- Move skate park to Maddingley Park near water tanks.
- Put a sign on Grant Street indicating where Werribee Track is.
- Youth Centre near the skate park required.
- Put a lake in Maddingley Park.
- Consider the ageing population.
- VPA rezoning to east of centre, what impact will this have on BM.
- Visibility at train station is poor.
- Bridge at Werribee River is an essential asset.
- Love the aqualink.
- Need to protect and conserve agricultural land.
- Concerns about skatepark and youth centre.
- Connect the town with its history including irrigation district.
- Not enough accommodation in town, people have to stay in Melton.
- Graham Street needs a sign for the street (near Main Street).
- Use large space below library car park for more car parking.
- Retain the country town feel in BM (x2)









## Online Survey Results

Below is a summary of community comments from the online survey, of which there were 100 contributors/ respondents.

Community members were asked a series of five key questions/ topics, including:

- *What do you love about the Bacchus Marsh Town Centre?*
- *Describe your improvements for Bacchus Marsh's future. What types of public spaces and gathering areas would you like to see in the town centre?*
- *Any other priorities or comments?*
- *Vision for Bacchus Marsh Town Centre in 3 words?*

Respondents were also given a chance to provide any additional comments not covered by the survey, and an opportunity to provide spatially based comments provided via a Social Pinpoint map. The spatially based comments are also included at the end of this document.

Details of respondents and their relationship to Bacchus Marsh are outlined in tables within this section.

## 'What do you love about the Bacchus Marsh Town Centre?'

country/rural atmosphere	green	heritage	real/hospitality	compact and accessible	walkability	parks and rec	community	misc
country feel	trees	heritage buildings	variety	close to my house	walkability	parks	community	events and markets
older style country town vibe	trees	heritage buildings	good multicultural food mix	easy access	residential areas walking distance to retail	Kids using the rotary park skate park	community spirit	everything except traffic
village feel	tree lined streets	the old buildings that remain (J&M building and the Manse)	cafes bars and restaurants	essential services close to each other	main street and crossings	parkland	friendly locals	clean and wide streets
country village feeling	trees	heritage buildings	outdoor dining on main street	compact town centre	love walking to main street	Peppertree park and the river walk	friendly locals	no high rise
small town feel	greenery	heritage	coffee culture	easily accessible	pedestrian accessibility	potential of rotary park	friends	main street
small town feel	trees and parks	old architecture	unique retail and hospitality	closest amenities	nice vibe walking on the street getting coffee	pockets of green areas		library
country feel	Main street trees	heritage buildings	few interesting shops	everything easily accessible	walking and riding to shops			
country feel	trees	heritage buildings	pubs and restaurants	proximity to major cities				
country town feeling	trees	heritage buildings	Foodworks	ample parking				
remaining country feeling	Trees	historic buildings	fresh veggie shop	free parking				
small town feel	trees	low profile and heritage buildings	cafes and pubs					
small town country feel	trees	historic buildings	easy access supermarkets					
country looks	lush green landscapes	remaining historic buildings	mix of shops parks and houses					
country feel	Main street trees	pride in town history and sense of place						
regional feeling	avenue of honour	history and community						
country feel	trees							
relaxed regional feel								
small town feel								
country feel								
great feel								
little country town feel								
community feel								
country quiet								
older style country town vibe								
village feel								
country town feel and character								
original rural feeling								
rural feel								
small town feel								
relaxed atmosphere								
good and friendly community feeling								
country lifestyle and community feel								
lifestyle								



## 'Describe your improvement ideas for Bacchus Marsh's future'

traffic and streets	retail	reduce trucks	walking	entertainment and culture	public transport	parking	growth and development pressures	indoor pool	existing shop comments	heritage	decentralise retail	small town character	trees/green	maintenance (public/private)	accessibility	appearance	sports & rec	Rotary Park/ Statepark	CCTV	traffic reduction
traffic congestion	large variety stores	reduce trucks	upgrade footpaths	cinema	PT to Melton and Geelong	off street parking	less infill and density	indoor pool	move KFC and McD out of town	enhance heritage areas	more basic retail but in the new areas, not in BM	keep rural feel	plant more trees	clean outside of bins	improve road safety for ALL users	attractive main street	upgrade outdoor facilities	improve rotary park with trees	CCTV cameras	one way outside footworks
fix congestion	another supermarket	truck bypass	encourage walking	museum	improve PT	longer parking times	limit growth	indoor pool	Village SC is bad for Main Street	new buildings in keeping with heritage	secondary retail precinct to preserve existing town feel	keep town character	maximise public open space to keep rural atmosphere	regular street sweeping	everything should be accessible and inclusive	country style verandahs	sporting facilities/ pool/ basketball	upgrade playground in rotary park	CCTV cameras	create one way streets in the town centre
fix town centre traffic	essential clothing shops	reduce trucks	improve pedestrian experience in centre	cultural centre/ theatre/ concerts	reduce bus sizes to preserve resi streets	adequate parking	less doctor clinics	splash park	less fast food takeaways	maintain historic charm	second town centre	retain county feel	reintroduce tree plantings	footpaths fixed to be wheelchair accessible	meet relax and live	improve leisure and health infra	preserve central green space e.g. rotary park as a destination	safety as a priority	make Gall Street or Church Street car-free park	
manage traffic diversity and quality	retail diversity and quality	reduce trucks on parwan road	walking tracks between station and main street	arts cultural museum centre	redirect buses from resi streets	more parking or better public transport	keep some streets single dwelling only	splash park	remove fast food stores	celebrate heritage	retail and services should spread across town to reduce congestion	keep town character	add more street trees	accessible footpaths and shop fronts for disabilities	underground power lines in town centre to allow street trees	sports precincts	new skate park near train station, easy access	safe streets (crime and drugs)	reduce traffic on main street	
school traffic solution	robust hospitality and commerce environment	limit trucks on gill street	improve walkability	gallery space	round shuttles from station through town and bus routes to the avenue	more parking available	limit growth	indoor pool	too many nail salons and \$2 shops	protect heritage	expand town centre to accommodate growth	keep country town feel	clean it up	improve quality of accessible parking - parking safely	more recreation and leisure facilities	relocate skate park to sports ground	install CCTV in rotary park	any link between residential and shops should be paid only to stop through traffic		
keep thru traffic out of the centre	upmarket gourmet eateries	reduce trucks	safe crossing on griffith street	arts and performance centre	bus services	increased parking options	limit growth	indoor pool	prevent trams, don't become the next Hoppers Crossing	preserve heritage	Keep town centre compact	protect unique areas	improve geology side gateway	more wheelchair accessible shops	recreational facilities	new skate park like belair				
reduce traffic	improved retail (clothing, kmart)	reduce trucks	ped crossings on grant street	entertainment options, cinema, playcentre, cafe	increase transport connections and bus routes to residential	fix parking issues	less child care centres	indoor pool	better shops, not \$2, laptop and Takeaway	protect heritage	new town centre close to residential	continue to ensure it is a regional town	streetscape looks tired / like a dying town	accessibility (footpaths)	flower boxes					
reduce traffic	interesting shops	reduce trucks	walking tracks and footpaths	BM art gallery needs a home	park and ride with shuttle bus to town	long vehicle parking	2 storey height limit for residential	indoor pool	better mix of businesses	preserve historic buildings	More retail in Maddingley and Dalry to reduce traffic	preserve country feel	green nature strips on grant street							
reduce congestion	increase retail mix and offering	reduce trucks	limit traffic flow to encourage pedestrians	a cinema or entertainment complex	improve public transport to melton	increase parking, in town and along the avenue	no high density housing minimum 600sqm lots	indoor pool	better range of shops	respect heritage	more amenities outside bacchus marsh	protect market gardens								
reduce traffic	need more shops	reduce trucks	reduce speed limit to 40km/h on main street	arts and culture	relocate bus stops to main street	improved parking	infrastructure keep up with development	indoor pool	less vacant shops	protect heritage streetscape and buildings										
rail crossing intersection improvements	2nd supermarket on main street	reduce trucks	improve network for walkways to school/amenities to reduce traffic	infra for arts, music, concerts	improve public transport	get rid of village car park and rebuild	limit growth		proper peer governance											
no lights at the main st roundabout	more diverse businesses	reduce trucks	increase pedestrian, wheelchair, and trolley access to main street on weekends	indoor or outdoor cinema	PT loop around town	parking at edge of town centre	limit growth													
no traffic lights in grant street	develop provenzano land	ELR bypass	maintenance to walking trails	arts trail	flexi ride PT															
roundabout needs traffic lights	more shops and services	truck bypass	more walking paths in nature	more art/ culture and history	shuttle bus between BM and Melton															
roundabouts at main x lord and main x fishen st	better shops best & less and bigW	truck bypass	finish walking paths to the centre																	
grant x main st intersection	provide more services and facilities to compete with Melton	reduce trucks																		
extra traffic lanes in Gabrielle rd and main st	more shops	reduce trucks																		
upgrade roads	lots of shops in condensed area	reduce trucks																		
safer intersections, reduce grant, main griffith and fishen	somewhere to buy homewares	reduce trucks																		
improve intersections	build bypass	reduce trucks																		
bring back the coach/bus road left turn only onto main street	proper food and stores	truck bypass																		
connect waddell and simpson streets	new stores e.g. kmart, best and less	reduce trucks																		
improve traffic flow of main street to attract customers	future shopping precinct should be provenzano land	build bypass																		
60km speed limit	somewhere other than provenzano to buy socks and underwear	reduce trucks																		
widening grant street to 5 lanes is a bad idea	department store like Kmart or best & less	reduce trucks																		
expand roads leading to town centre	Kmart or Best & Less	reduce trucks																		
no large intersections or traffic lights	more stores for basic items	reduce trucks																		
fix damaged roads	all shops open on sundays	reduce trucks																		
only put blue lines in when roads are fixed	better variety of shopping like clothing, shoes, furniture, etc. increase up shops on the best option ATM	reduce trucks																		
improve road infrastructure	improve retail entertainment on main street	reduce trucks																		
remove rail crossing		reduce trucks																		
fix BM roads		reduce trucks																		
2 lanes at station st roundabout		reduce trucks																		
yes to traffic lights at main st X grant street		reduce trucks																		

youth	education	Council services	Activate existing sites	Sustainable	Outdoor dining	Dog park	Bikes	Local products	Ballarart route	Tourism	Planning	Housing	Family	Traditional Owners
youth centre complex	another secondary school	more community groups	events to activate area	utilise local resources, green-roofing and renewable energy	Grant St could be dining street like Lygon street	dog park	more cycling infrastructure	business incubator	road to get to ballarart avoiding main street	develop tourist features	develop traffic management plan	increase housing choice and density	family friendly spaces	recognition of traditional owners
more for teens to do	another primary school	provide quality community services	consolidate council sites	plan to make town more sustainable	outdoor dining	dog park	more bike racks	farmers market on main street	access to Ballarart without needing to go through Main Street	promote tourism	better planning	housing affordability		
activities for youth	another secondary school	increase free services to aged care residents	upgrade village green including facilities	renewable energy	improve outdoor dining vibe	dog park	better bike intersection for grant x main st	showcase local products and produce						
areas to hang out	another high school	hard rubbish collection	cafe in maddingley park											



*'What types of public spaces and gathering areas would you like to see in the town centre?'*

green spaces	play/family spaces	arts/culture/music	aquatic	community/culture spaces	seating and undercover seating	outdoor dining	point activation	accessibility	existing	market	improve rotary park	dog park
green spaces	play infrastructure	nighttime hospitality	water playground	small community hubs away from main street for groups	undercover outdoor spaces	appealing outdoor dining	vibrant gathering point	safer walking areas/crossings	existing spaces are ok	markets	beautify rotary park	dog park
open spaces with trees	disability trendy playground wheelchair accessible and fenced	open air theatre	aquatic centre	gathering garden or mens shed	undercover seating	safe outdoor eating areas	opportunity for public gathering in main street	connections with river	Village green and carpark for community events	all weather market	child and family friendly space at rotary park	dog park
green spaces	kids play while having coffee	music and cultural event space	water fountains	library	undercover seating	outdoor cafes	activation zones on main street	walking tracks	more parking at existing parks	event and market space	improve rotary park - family space	dog park
parks	bbq and playgrounds	area for arts and music	splash park	function centres	sheltered rotundas in nature	outdoor dining	increase civic forecourt and open space areas	cycling facilities	existing 2 areas are OK	market space	improve rotary park for group playground	dog parks
green and beautiful space	kids activities	live music area	indoor pool	youth centre	shade trees and seating	outdoor dining	open space with tables and chairs, paving and garden, string lights.	walking track along Avenue of honour	well maintained			
open parks	childrens play equipment	quiet buskers on main street	splash park	Arts and performance centre with gallery, maker spaces	more park seating	outdoor dining						
small pockets of green amongst shopping areas	more play and exercise places for children	theatre -small outdoor cinema, live music, art gallery, book store	splash park/ indoor pool	community centre/ cinema art centre/ museum	seating areas	outdoor dining						
green spaces	young family spaces	space to watch arts	indoor pool									
green spaces and parks	family gathering space close to town centre	performing space										
gardens	kid friendly areas	live music space										
tree lined streets	indoor kids playground	area where performance structures.										
trees and green space	family friendly	outdoor music bowl										
green spaces	small playground for families											
parks	family gathering area with rural character											
botanical garden	family friendly											
similar to Eddie Toole and Village green												
more green areas with seats												
botanic garden												
lush green space												
garden beds and play equipment at the village green												
open green spaces												
parks												
open green space												
plaza with gardens												

exercise equip

public art

exercise equipment	more public art with seating areas	parks pubs restaurants	spaces in darley	free sports like bocce, table tennis basketball	historic information
outdoor gyms	walking sculpture trail about Bacchus Marsh				
exercise equipment					



'Any other priorities or comments?'

Traffic	Civic and Services	Concern of growth	Swimming pool	Rural charm	Parking	Retail and commercial	ELR bypass	Active Transport	Dog parks	Heritage	Safety	Skate Park/Rotary	Misc
<p>Please just stop ignoring the traffic issue.</p> <p>Improve the traffic congestion</p> <p>Limit trucks through town.</p> <p>the trucks need to be diverted out of Bacchus Marsh - the roundabout at Grant/Main Street sees in excess of 500 multi trailer trucks through it each hour. It is a local business owner I see this each day.</p> <p>Fix the round about near the train station so it is 2 lanes</p> <p>Traffic around MacDonald's/ main street is horrific in peak hours.</p> <p>Make traffic better</p> <p>Widen Gisborne Road bridge.</p> <p>Improve traffic.</p> <p>60km speed limit</p> <p>Speed humps in Simmons drive now before someone gets hurt or killed.</p> <p>Join Simpson and Waddell Street so that the traffic in Main Street can be diverted instead of the bottleneck it has now become</p>	<p>Schooling and a large hospital in Melton</p> <p>Community services.</p> <p>Is there a possibility of building a second secondary college? Education for the growing young families is also needed.</p> <p>Rec. Facilities or Youth Space/ support,</p> <p>Focus more on infrastructure</p> <p>Tourism.</p> <p>Please continue to consult residents, don't just make changes because they seem like a good idea.</p> <p>Improve rural recognition and support</p> <p>Upgrade Maddingley park sporting facilities club rooms are in poor condition and do not justify the impact of Bacchus Marsh which should see Maddingley park as the sporting centre piece of the municipality</p> <p>Arts crafts is important</p> <p>Provide for older residents not just for young.</p> <p>Hard rubbish collection is important</p> <p>This place is in a great location but its boring and lacks cultural development.</p>	<p>Good strategic planning for growth is essential now if we are planning on keeping the charm, history, and usability that we enjoy now, into the future</p> <p>Bacchus Marsh town centre is too small for the population growth I would going into town because of the traffic and limited parking so I would going into to town if possible.</p> <p>Stop trying to make this town into a busy and yuppie place it is a beautiful quiet and green has made it ugly</p> <p>Low Density living and</p> <p>People come to BM for ambience of a country town, not for high density construction</p> <p>Stop the suburban sprawl of tiny houses.</p>	<p>Swimming pool</p> <p>And get us that pool!</p> <p>An indoor pool with changing facilities, and hosting facilities would be amazing and would benefit so many in a social way as well as for therapy</p> <p>Indoor year round pool</p> <p>Swimming pool for everyday general use by all age groups</p> <p>Privacy hedges planted around the pool fences for privacy is essential. Extremely busy road and no privacy for our families is a huge concern. Some extra hedges would also be a huge hit</p>	<p>Please be thought in the development of the East Bacchus area that be to be more than the rural and residential. It needs to be more than just the city new BC area. Local business friendly and available to local community in the area.</p> <p>The town centre is not attractive. It has traffic, congestion, trucks, buses everywhere, council can enforce shops on holidays not give exemptions.</p> <p>Let's make Bacchus Marsh a beautiful place to visit. Prioritise businesses that enhance the town character - we don't need any more accountants.</p> <p>To not lose the rural aspects that make us love this town.</p> <p>Don't lose the remaining feel (open fields) of the town, so much of the allure of the Marsh has been lost in the last ten years. It's time for it to stop.</p> <p>Privacy hedges planted around the pool fences for privacy is essential. Extremely busy road and no privacy for our families is a huge concern. Some extra hedges would also be a huge hit</p>	<p>NO TRAFFIC LIGHTS IN GRANT STREET</p> <p>Don't take away parking spaces for traffic at the round about. It's hard enough to pick up food now.</p> <p>Consider new estates and parking options</p> <p>Shade on village roof car park with solar panels on top.</p> <p>The lack of parking at the Grant/Main Street end needs to be addressed</p> <p>Parking is a huge issue</p>	<p>Encourage shops into the town that aren't medical, hair, nails... Encourage clothing electronics ... Shops we travel out of the town for</p> <p>The town needs an independent centre to make it a great town. The number of shops that are closed for renovation is an absolute disgrace. We need more shops to be opened up for renovation. We need more shops to be opened up for renovation. 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Traffic needs to be redirected away from the main street.</p> <p>Get the trucks off Gisborne Road and Grant Street</p>	<p>People can't stop the march from growing and getting bigger, but we need more of and better way safe and a crossing for kids, especially to cross main roads before and after school</p> <p>Footpaths, Safer roads,</p> <p>education campaign about bike and walking trails and signage for key sites to risk, road board would be good about the alterations. Creating a bike trail to make would help locals more around and tourists</p> <p>Emphasis on choosing alternatives to cars in town to for small trips. Increase bike racks,</p>	<p>A dog park</p> <p>Please put a fenced dog off-leash zone in Maddingley (particularly Stonehill estate if possible)</p> <p>Improve central existing masons lane dog park!</p>	<p>Developing the town's heritage in the name of progress is short-sighted. New additions and developments must be sympathetic to the town's character. Otherwise you risk turning the town into a third-rate suburb.</p> <p>Keep the history of the Marsh</p> <p>Recognition and acknowledgment of traditional owners needs to be part of the story - not just colonial heritage.</p>	<p>Safety</p> <p>Cameras in public areas are a deterrent for unacceptable behaviour</p>	<p>Relocate skate park and turn Rotary park into more vibrant community green space</p> <p>Maybe consider if the skate park can be updated and monitored. Safety.</p>	<p>Yes, the new path along the Weribee River needs overhead cover from the sun where the new picnic tables are.</p> <p>We need to improve our air quality due to far too much traffic, but also quarrying industries, do not seem to be complying with regulations.</p> <p>Shuttle bus service daily between BM and Melton.</p> <p>Wider together with accessibility by providing a secure parking space for all with a secure shelter. The ground is not suitable for a secure parking space. Only 10% of the ground is suitable for a secure parking space. Only 10% of the ground is suitable for a secure parking space.</p> <p>Please do something to raise this town</p>



'Vision for Bacchus Marsh Town Centre in 3 words?'

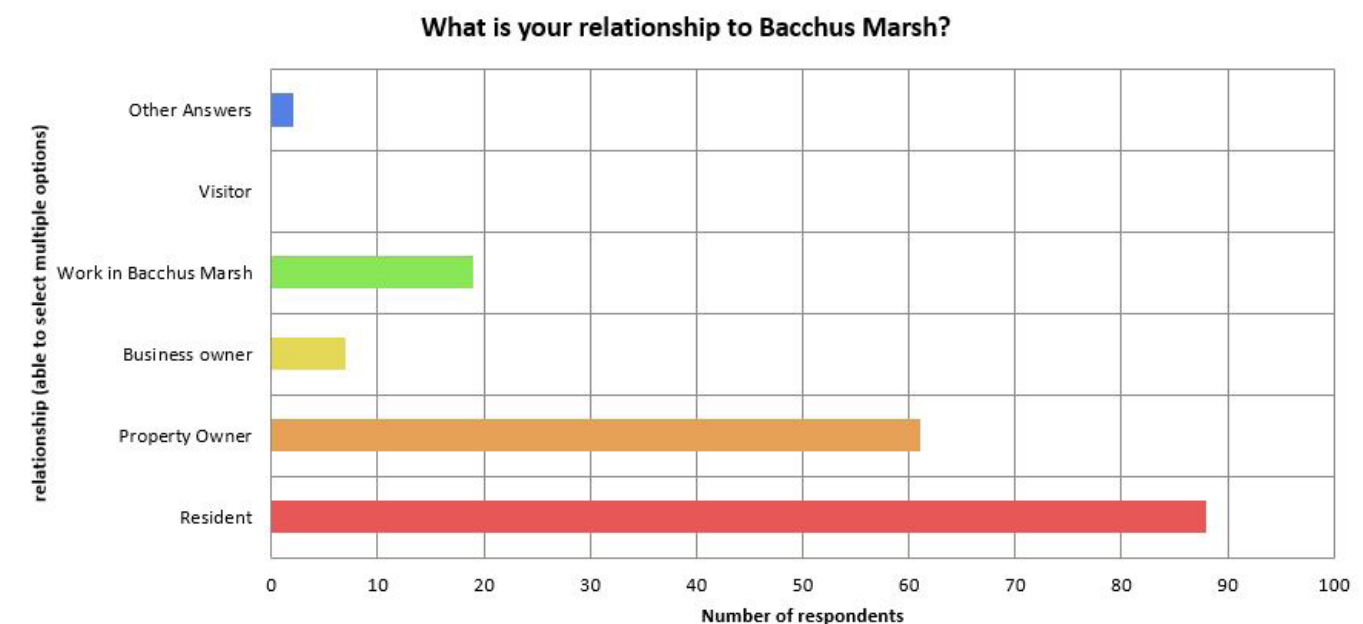
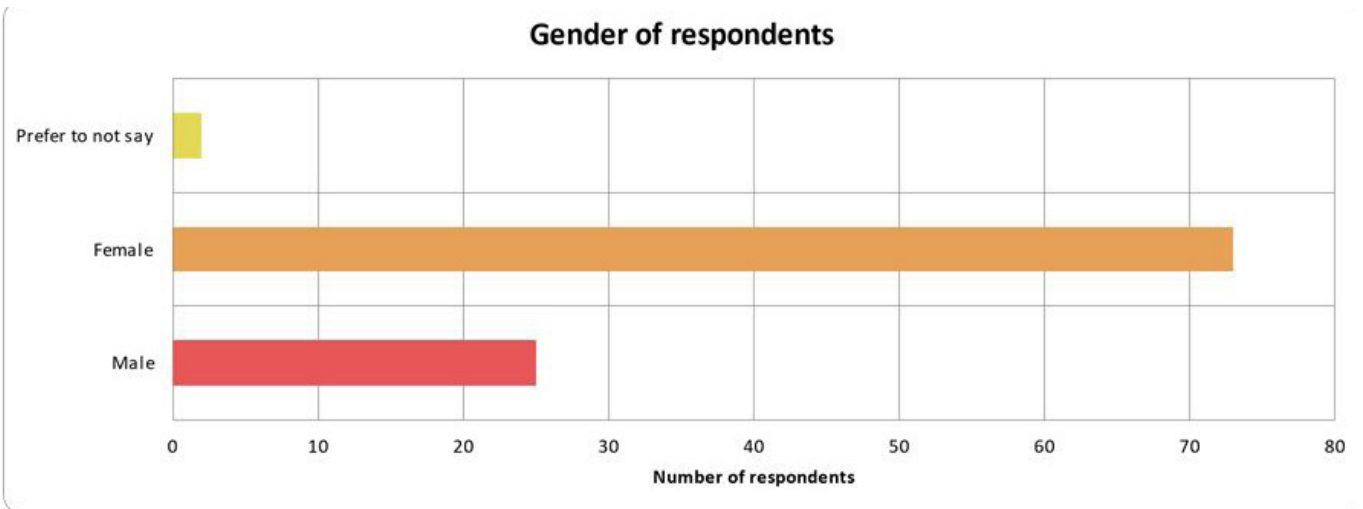
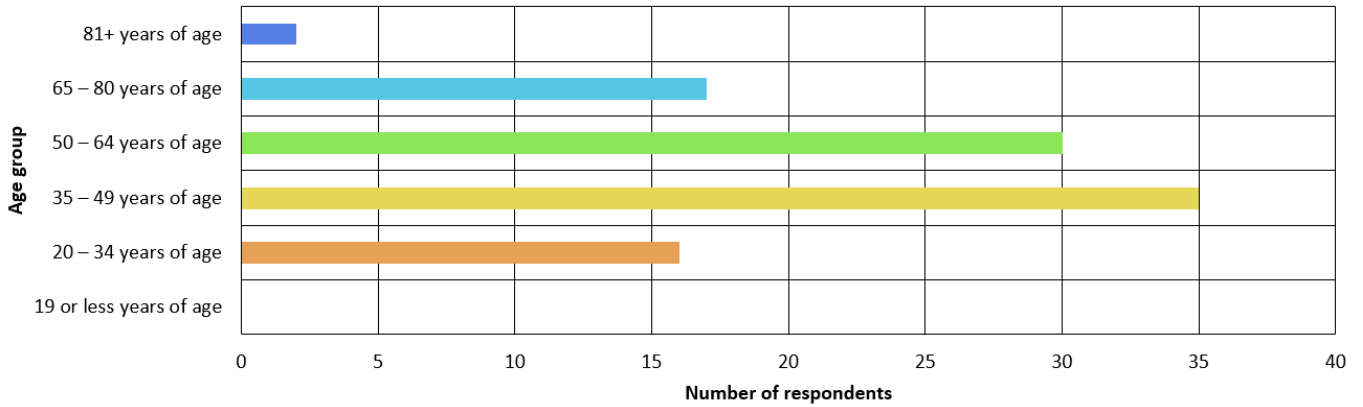
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traffic	regional feel	cramped	green	welcoming	heritage	safe	accessibility	engaged community	picturesque	active	sustainable	cultural	vibrant	family	clean	liveability	successful
no traffic in main street	original country town	overdeveloped	green	friendly	enduring heritage buildings are maintained	safe	accessibility	community	beautification	happy healthy community	sustainable	culture	vibrant	family	clean	liveable	viable
no trucks	country feel	not overpopulated	green	inviting	history	safe	walkability	community	beautiful	regional sporting hub	sustainable	culture	vibrant	family friendly	maintenance	most liveable county (tidy) town	opportunity
less traffic	country village	low rise	green	inclusive	growth respecting heritage	live in safety	wheelchair accessible	community	beautiful area	dog park	environmental	curated					
traffic solutions	rural	not suburbia	green	inclusive	heritage	street lighting	accessible	community centred	beautiful main streets	food bowl hub							
less traffic congestion	country	not a suburb of Melbourne	environment	where it is pleasant to meet for young and old	old meets new	safe	accessible										
ease of traffic flow	keep rural atmosphere		trees	my home													
uncongested	small town feel	not overpopulated	gardens	support													
parking	local	less housing	nature														
traffic gridlock	country town	very heavily populated	outdoor														
no big trucks coming through the village	regional town	town well planned															
better traffic flow	modern country lifestyle	city															
traffic free	maintain small village vibe	only sustainable growth															
bad infrastructure																	
infrastructure																	
bypass																	
fix the roads and public transport																	

relax	retail	oasis	services	attractive	tourism	space							
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relaxing	more shops	peaceful	convenience	charming	tourism	spacious							
great vibe	more local businesses	oasis	resources for growing population	enjoyable									



## Profile of respondents

A general profile of the 100 contributors/ respondents to the survey are documented below.







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## Community & Stakeholder Feedback Summary

Based on the community consultation undertaken, including community drop-in sessions, online survey and Social Pinpoint map, the following key themes to guide the development of the Draft Structure Plan have emerged:

### Character & Identity

There is a sense of pride associated with Bacchus Marsh's Town Centre. Community members value the tree lined streets and the towns 'village feel' and are keen to ensure that the Town Centre retains its charm through the retention and protection of heritage places and historic buildings. It was considered highly important that these celebrated attributes be retained and conserved when considering the future growth and expansion of the Town Centre.

### Community

There is strong support for quality community facilities to facilitate support groups and other community activities and events. There is an interest in sporting recreation facilities, arts and performance spaces and the provision of outdoor public spaces to host events such as outdoor music concerts. There are many young families living and visiting Bacchus Marsh, the community consultation revealed a desire for increasing spaces and infrastructure for young families including children's playground, BBQ facilities and public parks.

### Environment & Sustainability

The community is passionate about the environmental qualities of Bacchus Marsh, over 85% of respondents 'would like to see sustainability considered in the Town Centre Structure Plan'. A large proportion of respondents named tree-lined streets (including Main Street and Avenue of Honour) as their favourite attribute of the Town Centre. The community is keen to ensure the leafy green atmosphere is protected, encouraging the planting of additional street trees and understorey plantings in and around the Town Centre. It was highlighted that green spaces surrounding the Centre including Rotary Park should be preserved, nurtured and further enhanced through the improved landscaping, regular maintenance upgrades to ensure safe and enjoyable access for all members of the community.

### Economic

The community of Bacchus Marsh is generally pleased with the character of the existing Town Centre, and there was encouragement to strengthen commercial viability through the provision of outdoor dining, entertainment and nightlife activities along Main Street. Many community members frequent the Village Shopping Centre and enjoy its community atmosphere, however there is a desire for more diverse retail offerings, with many community members stating they have to travel elsewhere (e.g. Melton, Ballarat or Melbourne) to purchase clothing, white goods and other essential household items. Desire for large format retailers such as KMART or Big W was a repeated theme throughout the consultation process.

### Access & Movement

Walkability and pedestrian access within and around the Town Centre was cited as a positive attribute. The community would like to see improvement to the pedestrian experience, ensuring safe and convenient access for people of all abilities and age groups. The community encourages cycle/ active transport links into and around the Town Centre, including providing linkages from the Town Centre to the Bacchus Marsh Railway Station and more mid-block crossings of Grant Street and Gisborne Road..

There is a general concern among community members about the amount of vehicle traffic, many respondents were concerned with heavy vehicle traffic along Main Street, Gisborne Road and Grant Street, notably the intersection of these streets has been identified as a hot spot for traffic congestion, particularly around school drop off and pick up times. Access to parking at peak times was note to be challenging, while concern of drivers rat-running through local streets to avoid intersections was also prevalent.

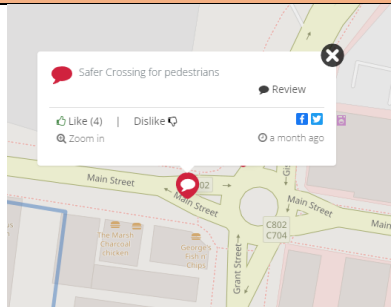
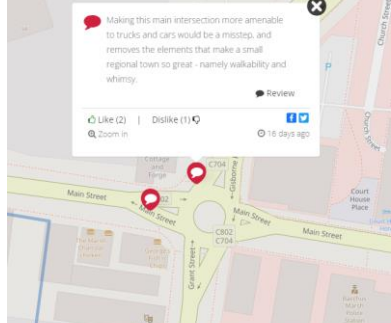
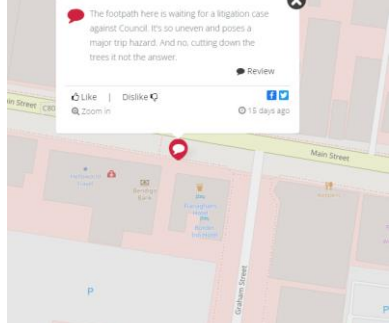
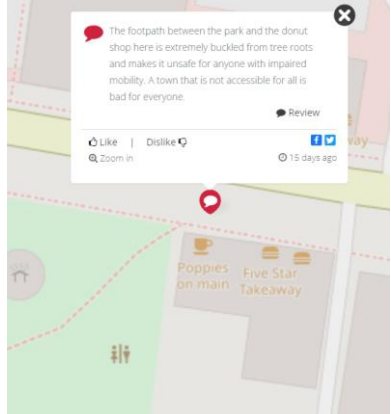
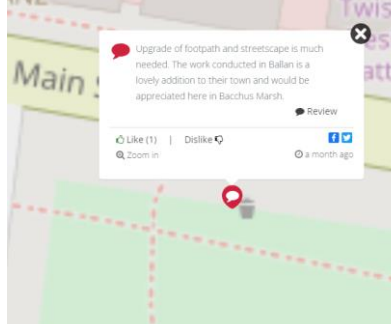




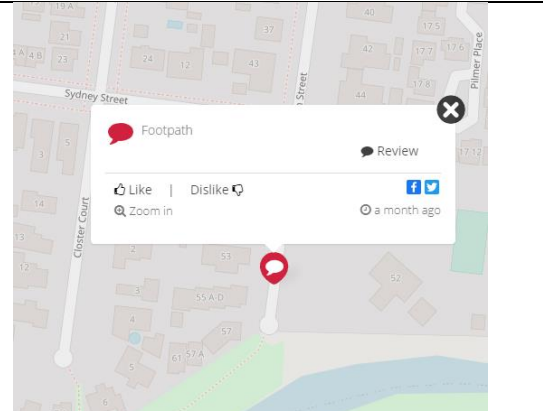
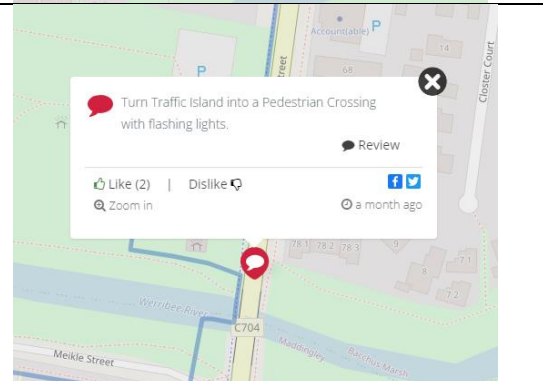
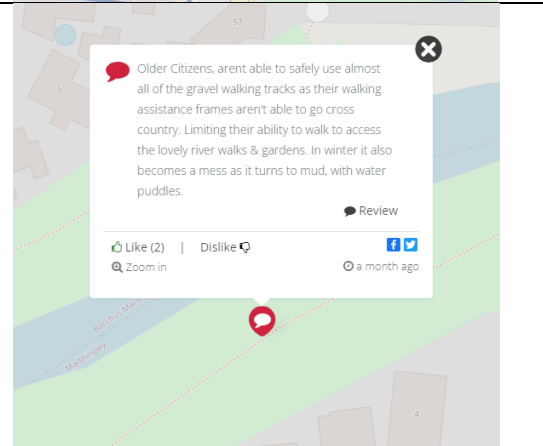
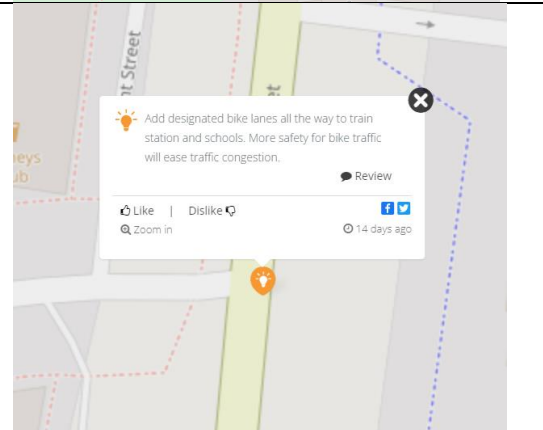
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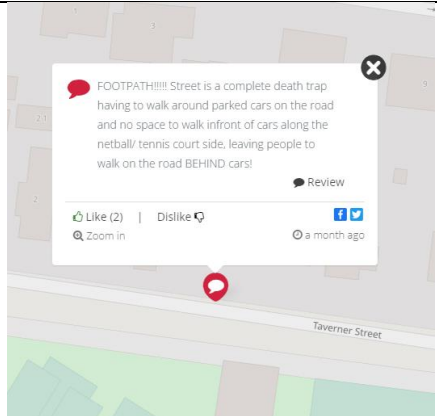
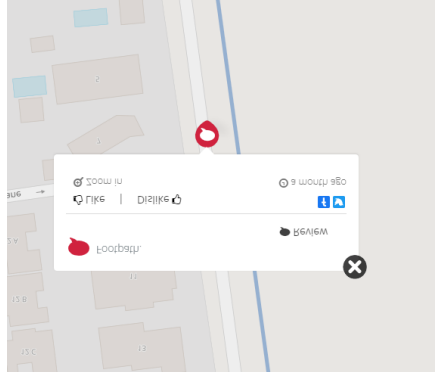
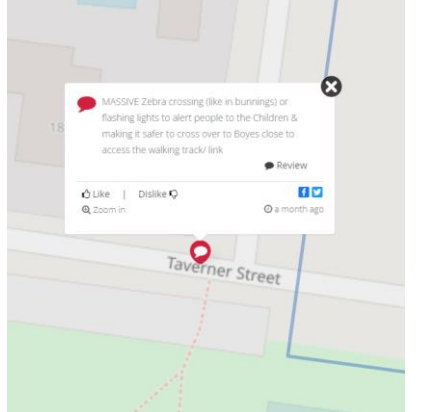
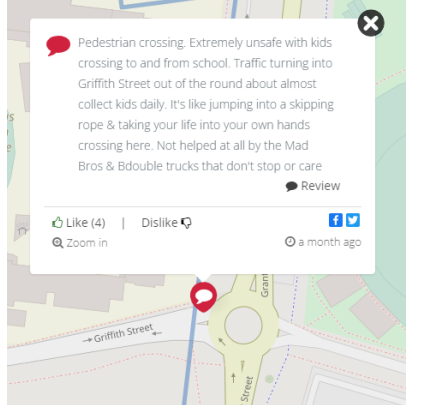
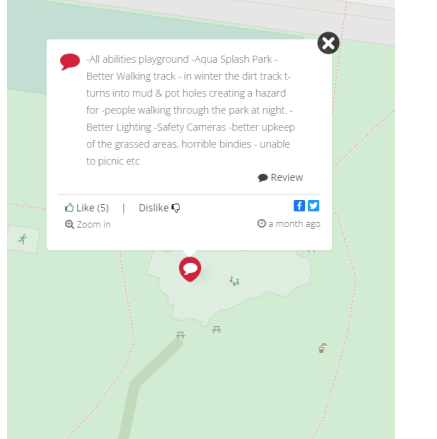




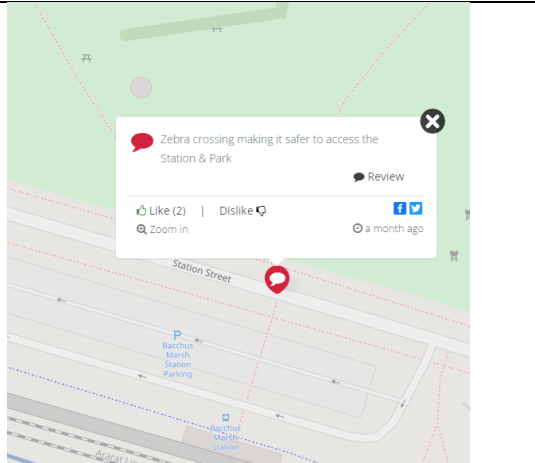
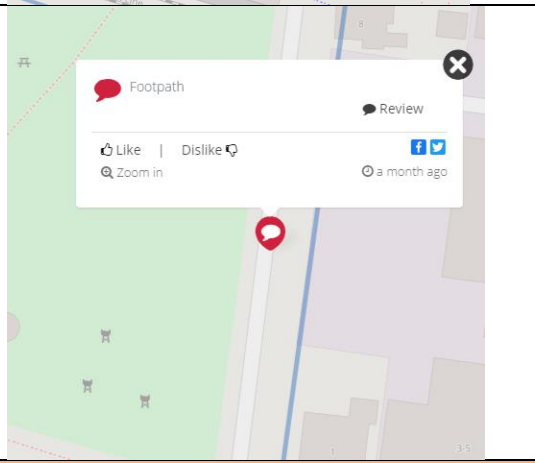
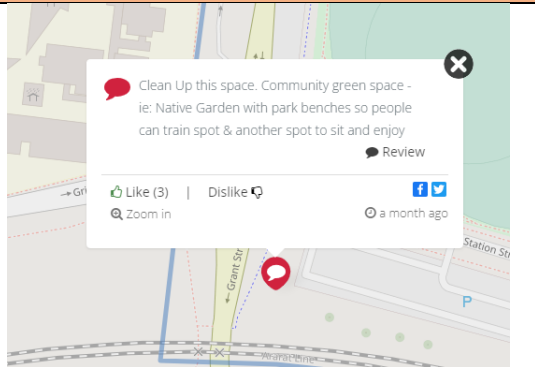
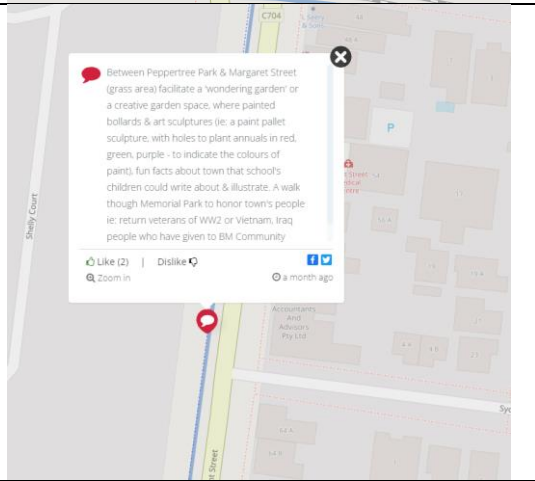
ACCESSIBILITY		
<p>Safer crossing for pedestrians (Main street X Grant Street Intersection)</p>	<p>4 likes</p>	
<p>Making this main intersection more amenable to trucks and cars would be a misstep, and removes the elements that make a small regional town so great - namely walkability and whimsy. (Main street X Grant Street Intersection)</p>	<p>2 likes, 1 dislike</p>	
<p>The footpath here is waiting for a litigation case against Council. It's so uneven and poses a major trip hazard. And no, cutting down the trees it not the answer. (outside flanagans hotel)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>The footpath between the park and the donut shop here is extremely buckled from tree roots and makes it unsafe for anyone with impaired mobility. A town that is not accessible for all is bad for everyone. (outside Eddie Toole Place)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>Upgrade of footpath and streetscape is much needed. The work conducted in Ballan is a lovely addition to their town and would be appreciated here in Bacchus Marsh. (main St)</p>	<p>1 like</p>	

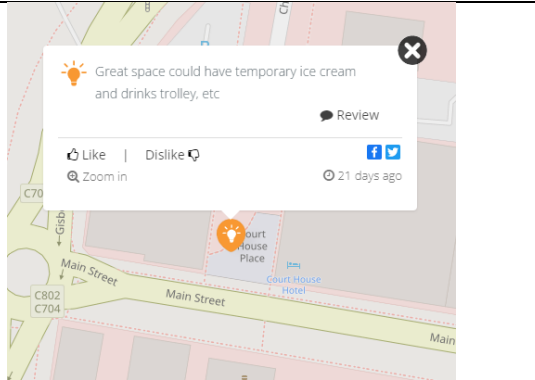
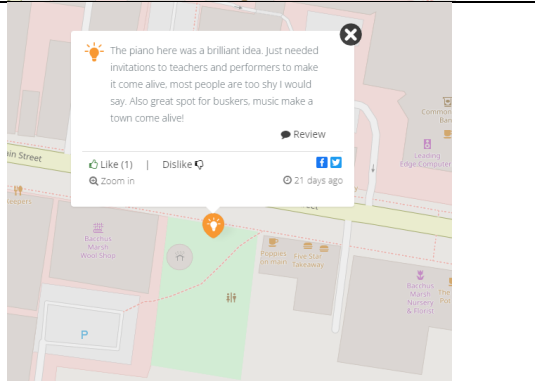
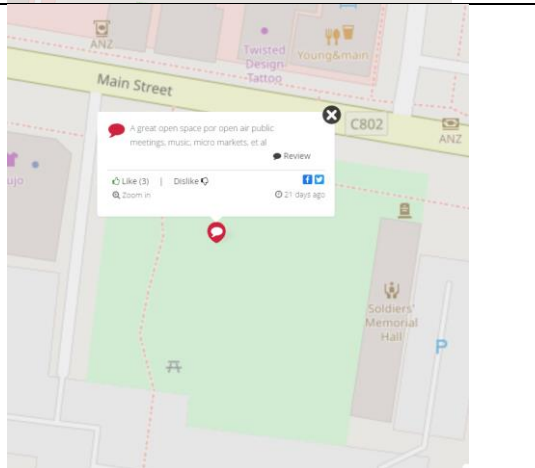
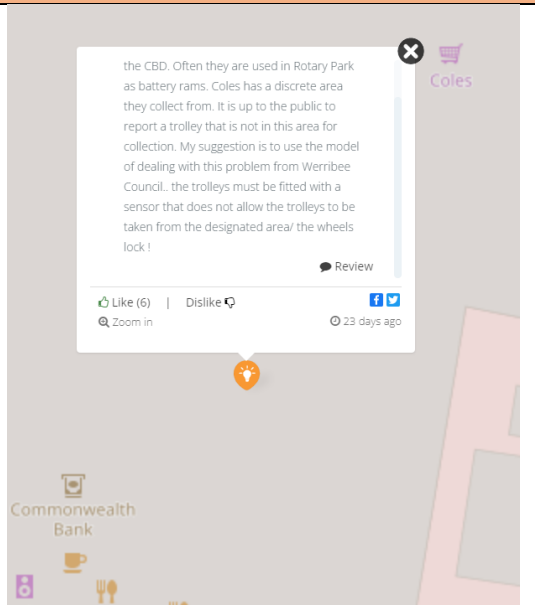


<p>Footpath (south end of Graham St)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>Turn Traffic Island into a Pedestrian Crossing with flashing lights. (grant St near bridge)</p>	<p>2 likes</p>	
<p>Older Citizens, aren't able to safely use almost all of the gravel walking tracks as their walking assistance frames aren't able to go cross country. Limiting their ability to walk to access the lovely river walks &amp; gardens. In winter it also becomes a mess as it turns to mud, with water puddles. (werribee river trail)</p>	<p>2 likes</p>	
<p>Add designated bike lanes all the way to train station and schools. More safety for bike traffic will ease traffic congestion. (Grant st)</p>	<p>-</p>	

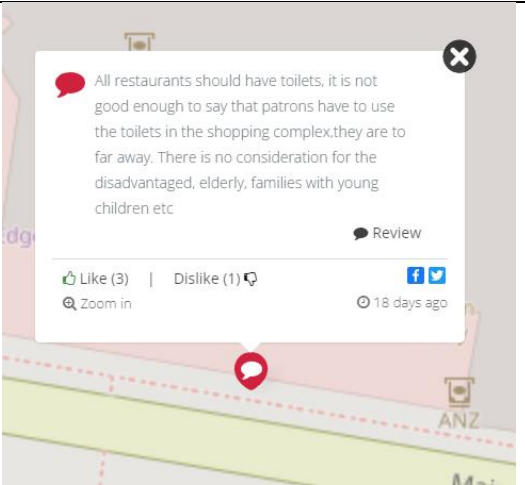
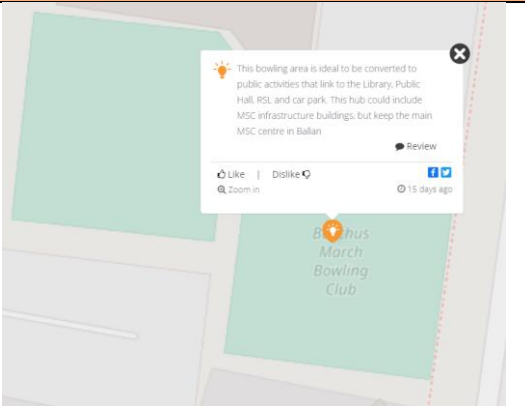
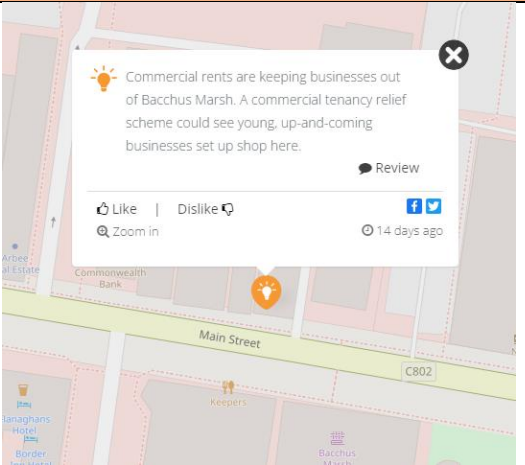
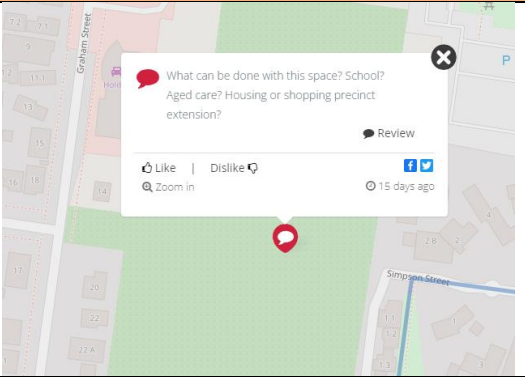
<p>FOOTPATH!!!! Street is a complete death trap having to walk around parked cars on the road and no space to walk in front of cars along the netball/ tennis court side, leaving people to walk on the road BEHIND cars!</p>	<p>2 likes</p>	
<p>Footpath (boyes close)</p>		
<p>MASSIVE Zebra crossing (like in bunnings) or flashing lights to alert people to the Children &amp; making it safer to cross over to Boyes close to access the walking track/ link (Taverner St X Boyes Close)</p>		
<p>Pedestrian crossing. Extremely unsafe with kids crossing to and from school. Traffic turning into Griffith Street out of the round about almost collect kids daily. It's like jumping into a skipping rope &amp; taking your life into your own hands crossing here. Not helped at all by the Mad Bros &amp; Bdouble trucks that don't stop or care (Grant St X Station St)</p>	<p>4 likes</p>	
<p>-All abilities playground -Aqua Splash Park -Better Walking track - in winter the dirt track turns into mud &amp; pot holes creating a hazard for -people walking through the park at night. -Better Lighting -Safety Cameras -better upkeep of the grassed areas, horrible bindies - unable to picnic etc</p>	<p>5 likes</p>	

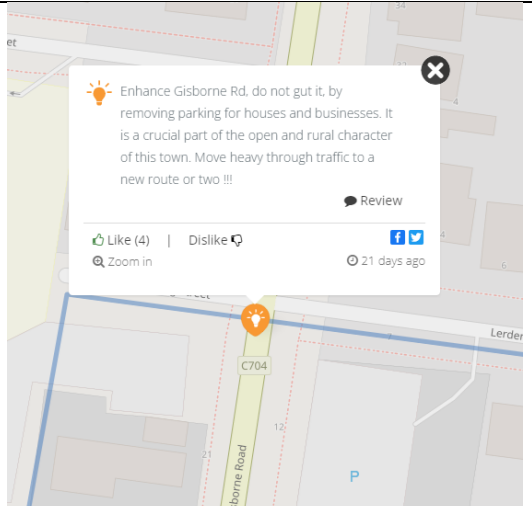
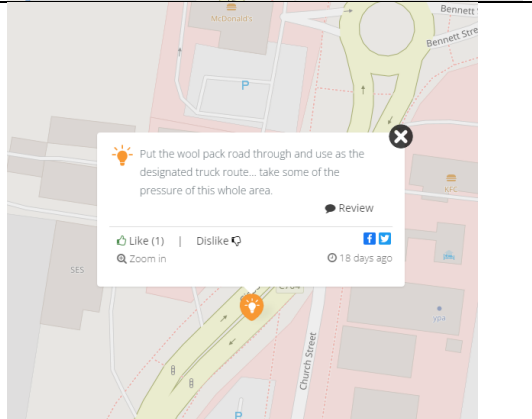
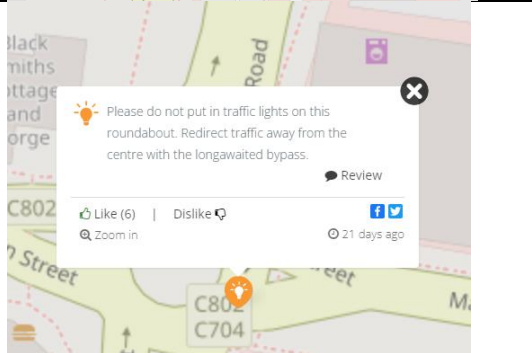
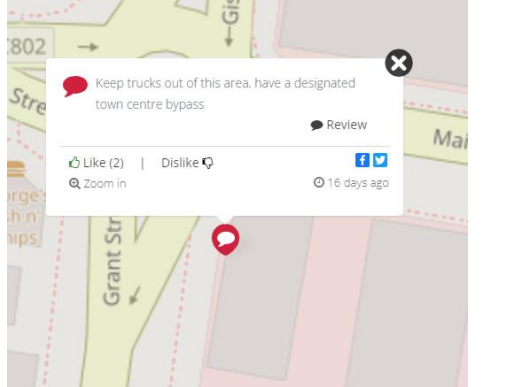


<p>Zebra crossing making it safer to access the Station &amp; Park (Maddingley Park to Train Station)</p>	<p>2 likes</p>	
<p>Footpath (bond Street)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p><b>ACTIVATE OPEN SPACE</b></p>		
<p>Clean Up this space. Community green space - ie: Native Garden with park benches so people can train spot &amp; another spot to sit and enjoy (south of train station carpark)</p>	<p>3 likes</p>	
<p>Between Peppertree Park &amp; Margaret Street (grass area) facilitate a 'wondering garden' or a creative garden space, where painted bollards &amp; art sculptures (ie: a paint pallet sculpture, with holes to plant annuals in red, green, purple - to indicate the colours of paint), fun facts about town that school's children could write about &amp; illustrate. A walk though Memorial Park to honor town's people ie: return veterans of WW2 or Vietnam, Iraq people who have given to BM Community</p>	<p>2 likes</p>	

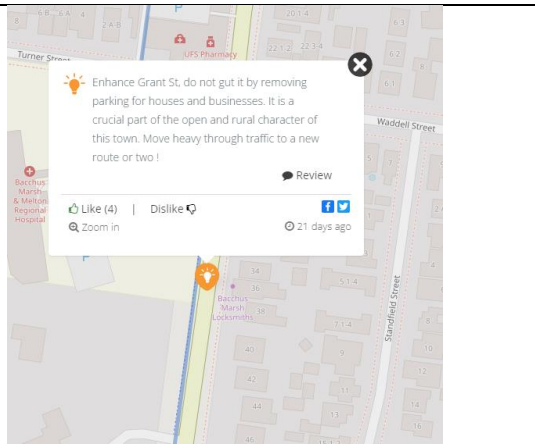
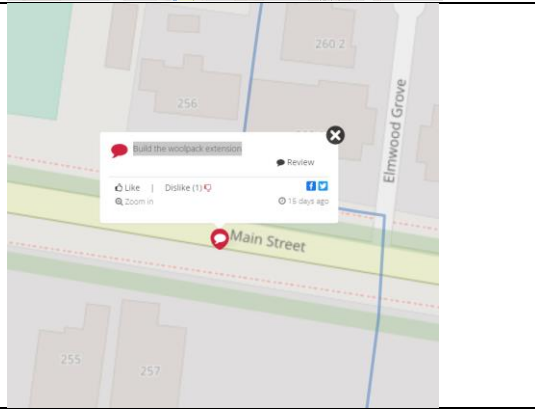
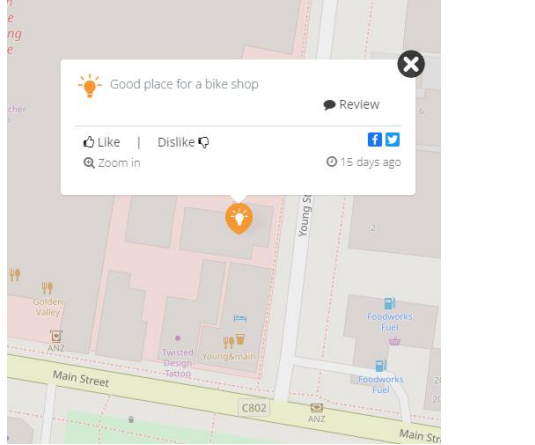
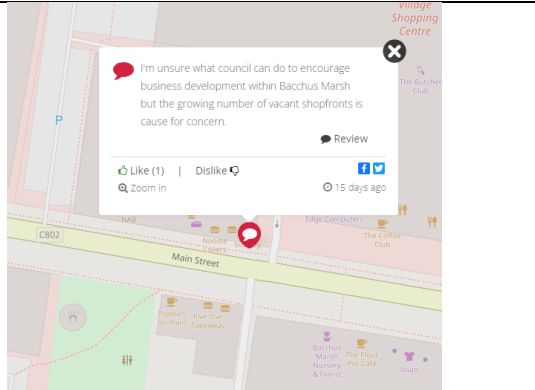
<p>Great space could have temporary ice cream and drinks trolley, etc (Court House Place)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>The piano here was a brilliant idea. Just needed invitations to teachers and performers to make it come alive, most people are too shy I would say. Also great spot for buskers, music make a town come alive! (Eddie Toole Place)</p>	<p>1 like</p>	
<p>A great open space for open air public meetings, music, micro markets, et al (Village Green)</p>	<p>3 likes</p>	
<p><b>BUSINESS FEEDBACK</b></p>		
<p>Shopping trolleys from Coles can be found abandoned daily in the streets and parks of the CBD. Often they are used in Rotary Park as battery rams. Coles has a discrete area they collect from. It is up to the public to report a trolley that is not in this area for collection. My suggestion is to use the model of dealing with this problem from Werribee Council.. the trolleys must be fitted with a sensor that does not allow the trolleys to be taken from the designated area/ the wheels lock !</p>	<p>6 likes</p>	

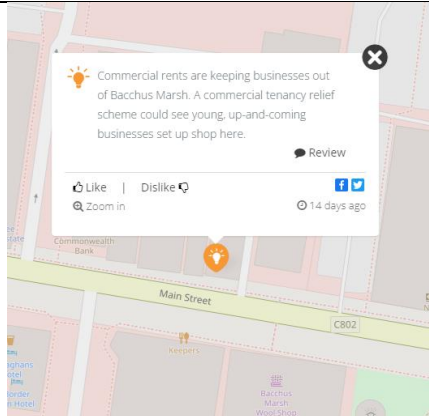
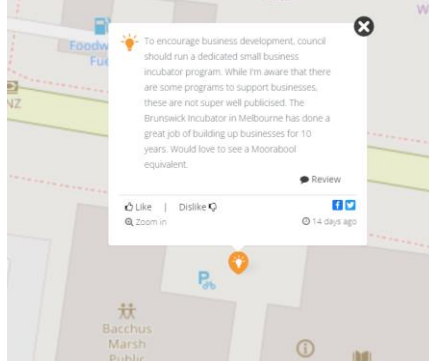
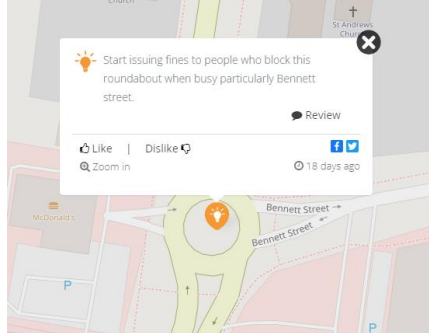
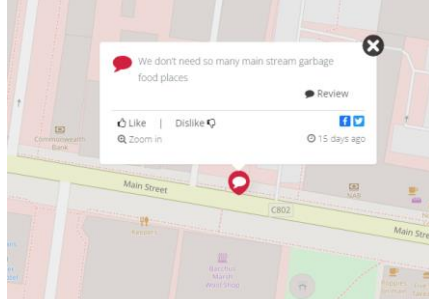
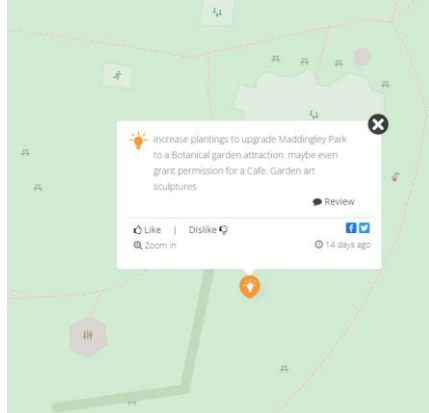


<p>All restaurants should have toilets, it is not good enough to say that patrons have to use the toilets in the shopping complex, they are too far away. There is no consideration for the disadvantaged, elderly, families with young children etc</p>	<p>3 likes</p>	
<p><b>CIVIC CENTRE</b></p>		
<p>This bowling area is ideal to be converted to public activities that link to the Library, Public Hall, RSL and car park. This hub could include MSC infrastructure buildings, but keep the main MSC centre in Ballan (Bacchus Marsh Bowling Club)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p><b>RENT RELIEF</b></p>		
<p>Commercial rents are keeping businesses out of Bacchus Marsh. A commercial tenancy relief scheme could see young, up-and-coming businesses set up shop here.</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p><b>DEVELOPMENT SITE</b></p>		
<p>What can be done with this space? School? Aged care? Housing or shopping precinct extension?</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p><b>EASTERN LINK ROAD</b></p>		

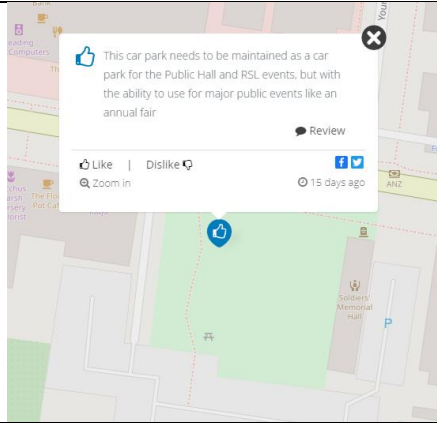
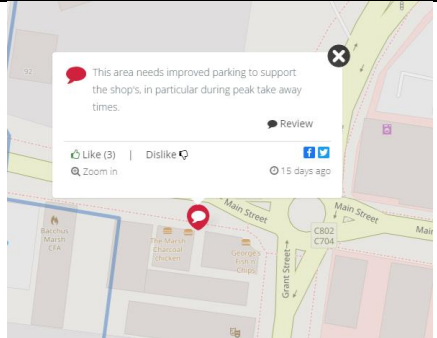
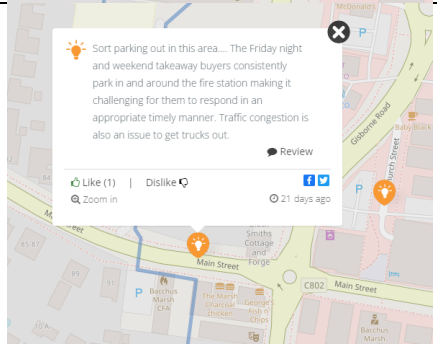
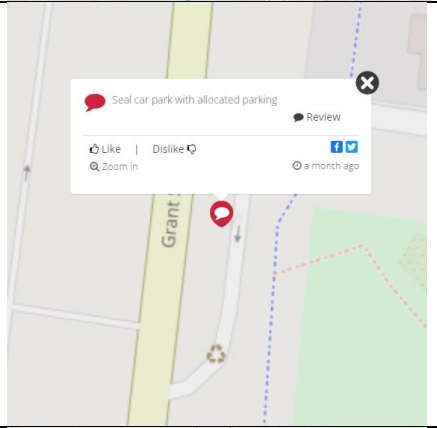
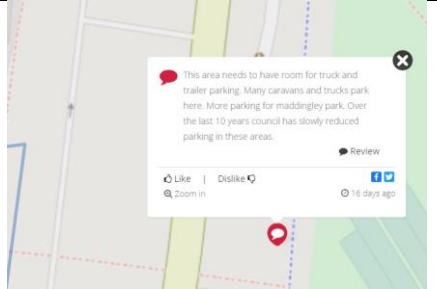
<p>Enhance Gisborne Rd, do not gut it, by removing parking for houses and businesses. It is a crucial part of the open and rural character of this town. Move heavy through traffic to a new route or two !!!</p>	<p>4 likes</p>	
<p>Put the wool pack road through and use as the designated truck route... take some of the pressure of this whole area</p>	<p>1 like</p>	
<p>Please do not put in traffic lights on this roundabout. Redirect traffic away from the centre with the long awaited bypass</p>	<p>6 likes</p>	
<p>Keep trucks out of this area, have a designated town centre bypass</p>	<p>2 likes</p>	

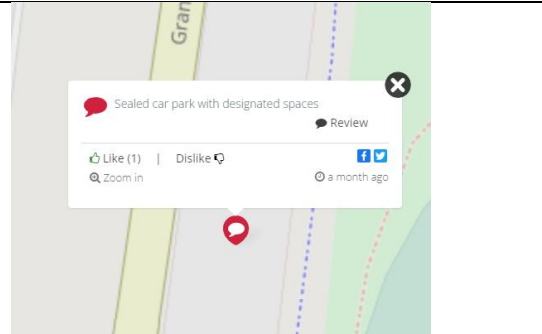
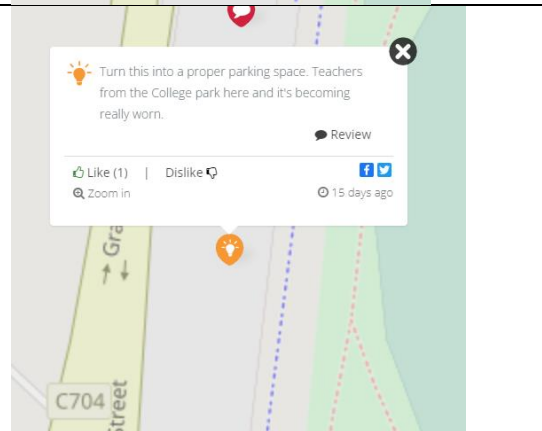
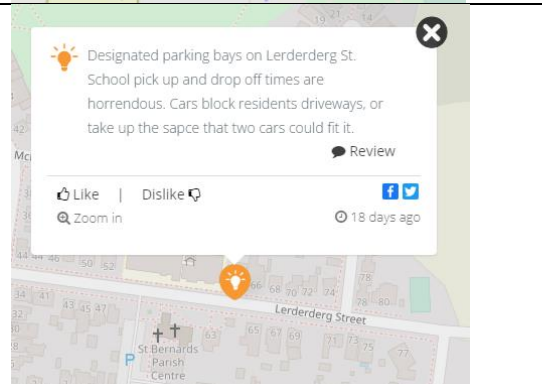
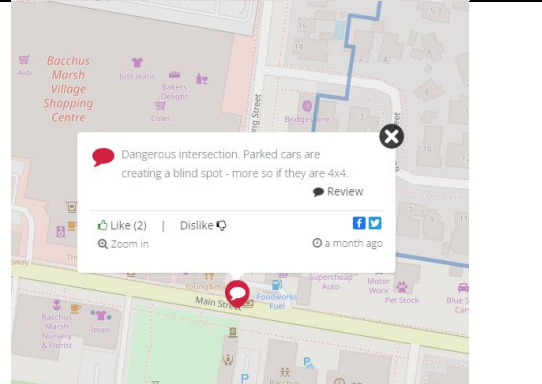
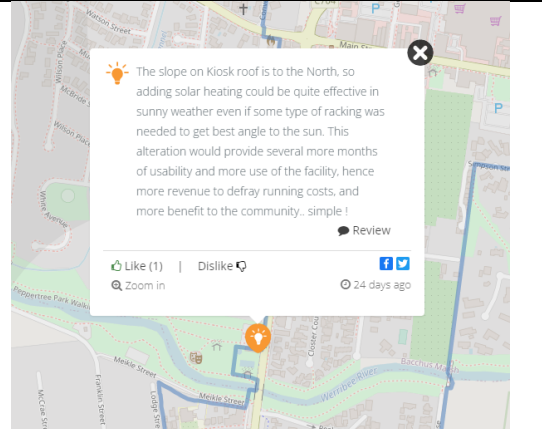


<p>Enhance Grant St, do not gut it by removing parking for houses and businesses. It is a crucial part of the open and rural character of this town. Move heavy through traffic to a new route or two !</p>	<p>4 likes</p>	
<p>Build the woolpack extension</p>	<p>1 dislike</p>	
<p><b>ENCOURAGE NEW BUSINESS</b></p>		
<p>Good place for a bike shop (Young St)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>I'm unsure what council can do to encourage business development within Bacchus Marsh but the growing number of vacant shopfronts is cause for concern.</p>	<p>1 like</p>	

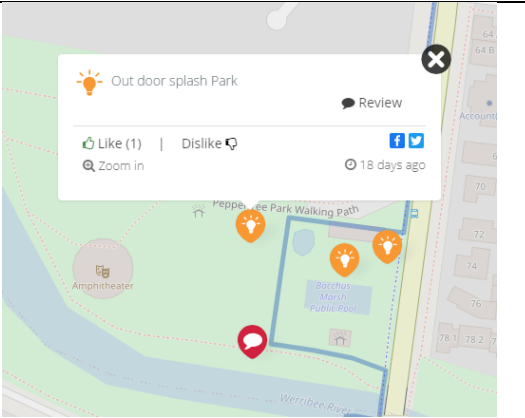
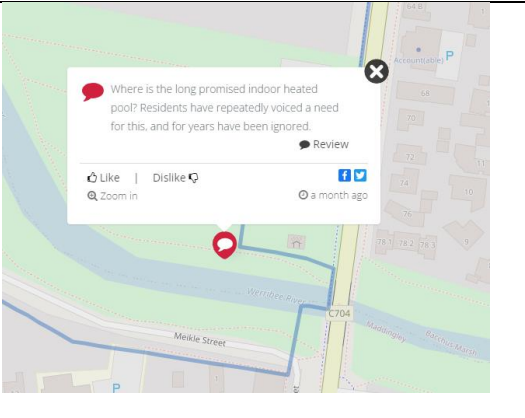
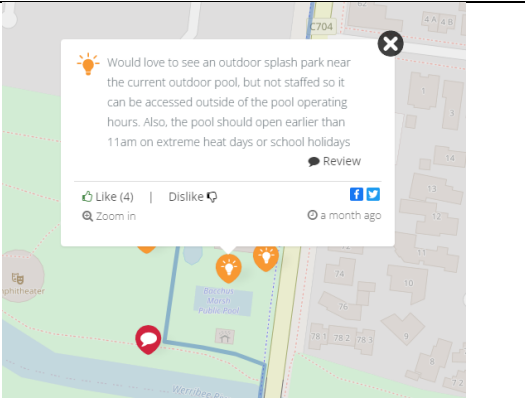
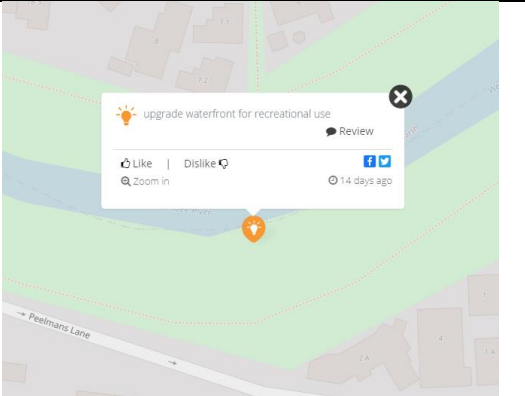
<p>Commercial rents are keeping businesses out of Bacchus Marsh. A commercial tenancy relief scheme could see young, up-and-coming businesses set up shop here.</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>To encourage business development, council should run a dedicated small business incubator program. While I'm aware that there are some programs to support businesses, these are not super well publicised. The Brunswick Incubator in Melbourne has done a great job of building up businesses for 10 years. Would love to see a Moorabool equivalent.</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p><b>ENFORCE ROAD RULES</b></p>		
<p>Start issuing fines to people who block this roundabout when busy particularly Bennett street. (Gisborne Rd near McDonalds)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p><b>FOOD RETAIL DIVERSITY</b></p>		
<p>We don't need so many main stream garbage food places</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>Increase plantings to upgrade Maddingley Park to a Botanical garden attraction. maybe even grant permission for a Cafe. Garden art sculptures</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p><b>CAR PARKING</b></p>		

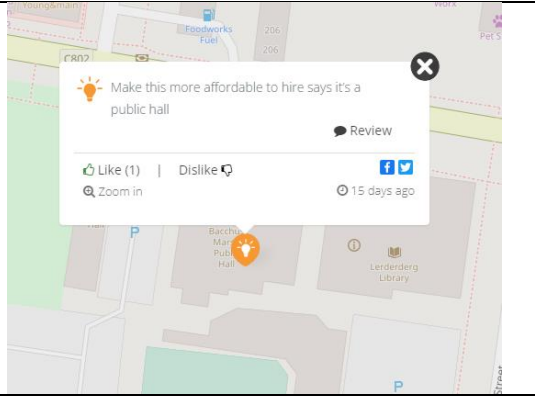
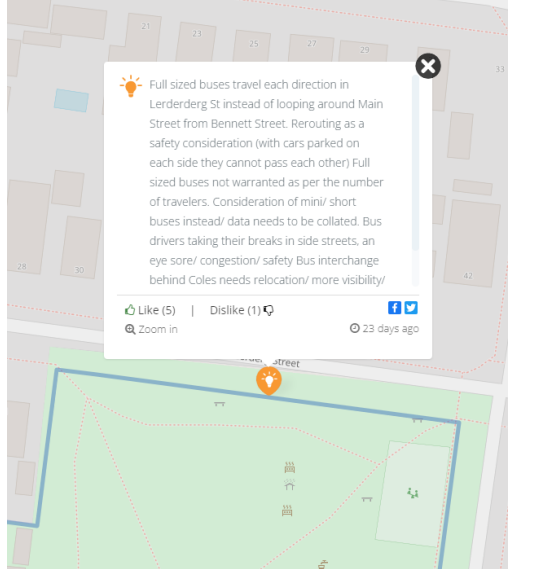
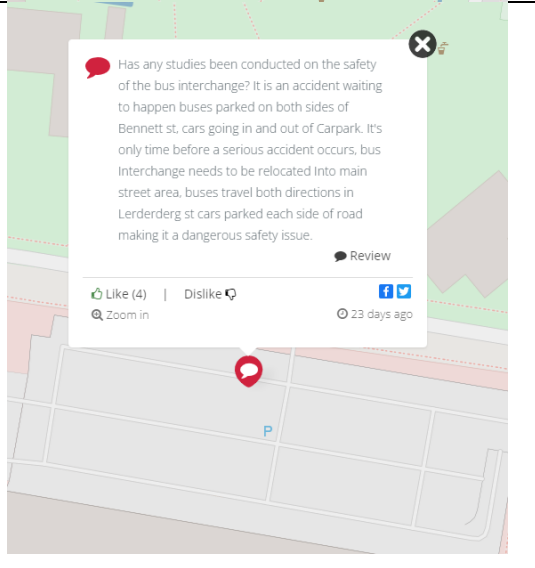
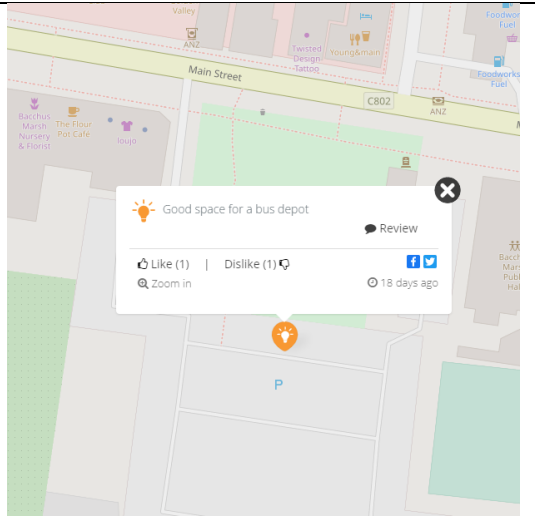


<p>This car park needs to be maintained as a car park for the Public Hall and RSL events, but with the ability to use for major public events like an annual fair (Village Green)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>This area needs improved parking to support the shop's, in particular during peak take away times. (Grant St X Main St intersection)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>Sort parking out in this area.... The Friday night and weekend takeaway buyers consistently park in and around the fire station making it challenging for them to respond in an appropriate timely manner. Traffic congestion is also an issue to get trucks out. (Grant St X Main St intersection)</p>	<p>1 like</p>	
<p>Seal car park with allocated parking (Maddingley Park West side)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>This area needs to have room for truck and trailer parking. Many caravans and trucks park here. More parking for maddingley park. Over the last 10 years council has slowly reduced parking in these areas. (Maddingley Park West side)</p>	<p>-</p>	

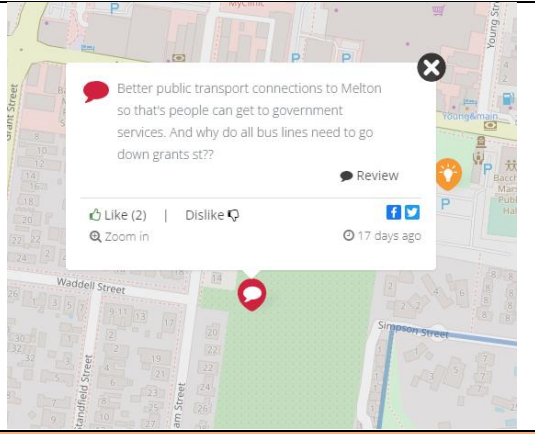
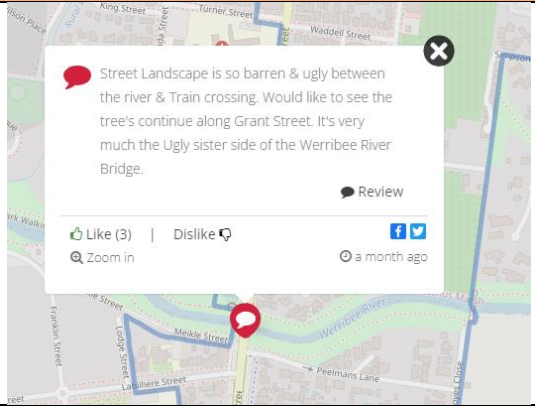
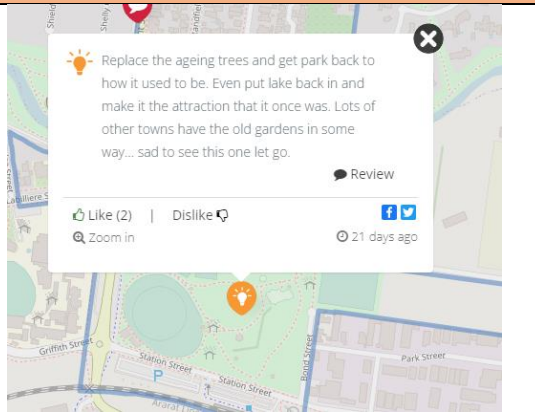
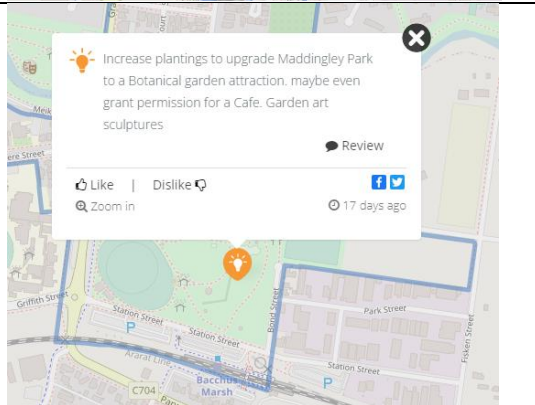
<p>Sealed car park with designated spaces (Maddingley Park West side)</p>	<p>1 like</p>	
<p>Turn this into a proper parking space. Teachers from the College park here and it's becoming really worn. (Maddingley Park West side)</p>	<p>1 like</p>	
<p>Designated parking bays on Lerderderg St. School pick up and drop off times are horrendous. Cars block residents driveways, or take up the sapce that two cars could fit it. (Lerderderg Street)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>Dangerous intersection. Parked cars are creating a blind spot - more so if they are 4x4. (Young St X Main Street )</p>	<p>2 likes</p>	
<p><b>SWIMMING POOL</b></p>		
<p>The slope on Kiosk roof is to the North, so adding solar heating could be quite effective in sunny weather even if some type of racking was needed to get best angle to the sun. This alteration would provide several more months of usability and more use of the facility, hence more revenue to defray running costs, and more benefit to the community.. simple! (Outdoor swimming pool)</p>	<p>1 like</p>	

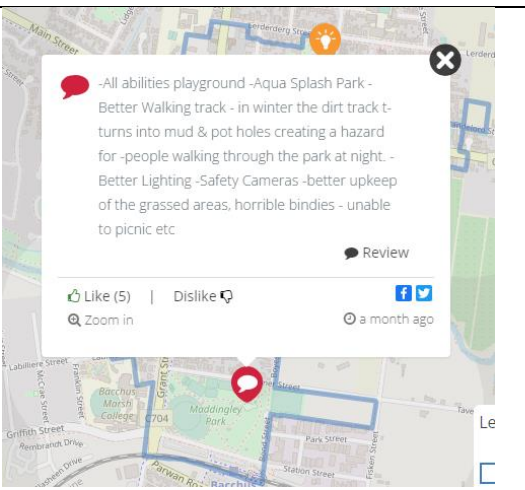
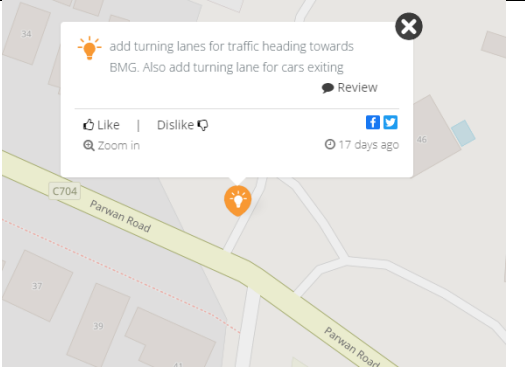
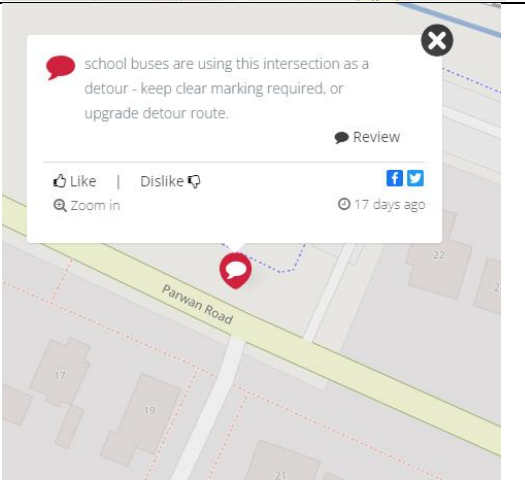
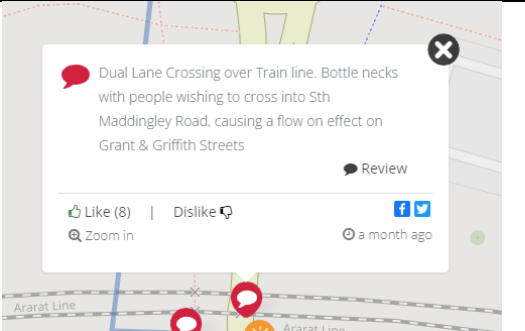


<p>Out door splash Park</p>	<p>1 like</p>	
<p>Where is the long promised indoor heated pool? Residents have repeatedly voiced a need for this, and for years have been ignored.</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>Would love to see an outdoor splash park near the current outdoor pool, but not staffed so it can be accessed outside of the pool operating hours. Also, the pool should open earlier than 11am on extreme heat days or school holidays</p>	<p>4 likes</p>	
<p><b>IMPROVE ACCESS</b></p>		
<p>upgrade waterfront for recreational use (Werribee River)</p>	<p>-</p>	

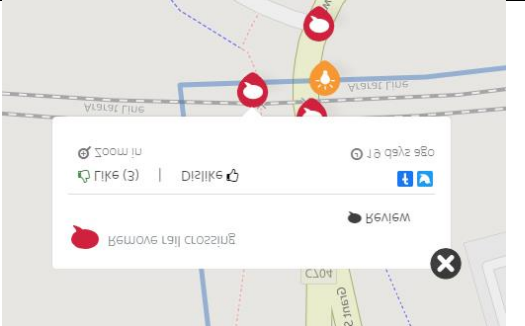
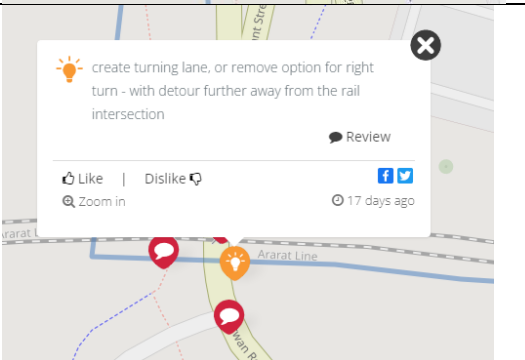
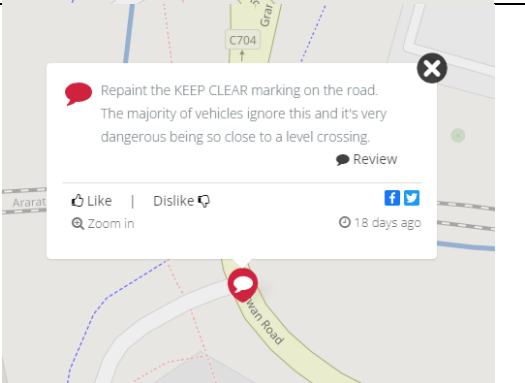
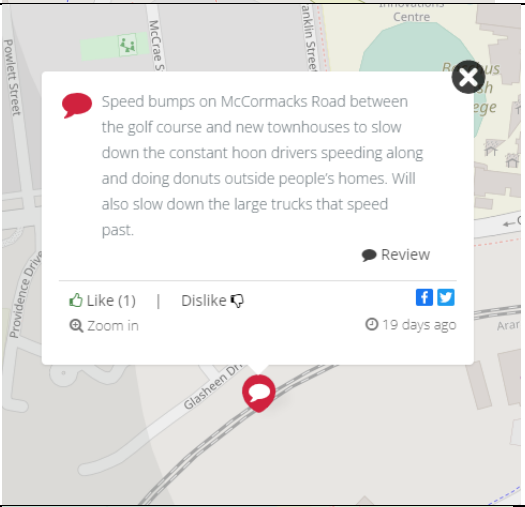
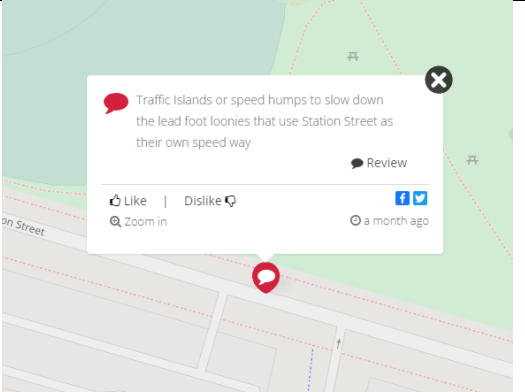
<p>Make this more affordable to hire says it's a public hall (BM Public Hall)</p>	<p>1 like</p>	
<p><b>IMPROVE PUBLIC TRANSPORT</b></p>		
<p>Full sized buses travel each direction in Lerderderg St instead of looping around Main Street from Bennett Street. Rerouting as a safety consideration (with cars parked on each side they cannot pass each other) Full sized buses not warranted as per the number of travelers. Consideration of mini/ short buses instead/ data needs to be collated. Bus drivers taking their breaks in side streets, an eye sore/ congestion/ safety Bus interchange behind Coles needs relocation/ more visibility/ safer.</p>	<p>5 likes, 1 dislike</p>	
<p>Has any studies been conducted on the safety of the bus interchange? It is an accident waiting to happen buses parked on both sides of Bennett st, cars going in and out of Carpark. It's only time before a serious accident occurs, bus Interchange needs to be relocated Into main street area, buses travel both directions in Lerderderg st cars parked each side of road making it a dangerous safety issue.</p>	<p>4 likes</p>	
<p>Good space for a bus depot (Village Green)</p>	<p>1like, 1 dislike</p>	



<p>Better public transport connections to Melton so that's people can get to government services. And why do all bus lines need to go down grant st??</p>	<p>2 likes,</p>	
<p><b>LANDSCAPING</b></p>		
<p>Street Landscape is so barren &amp; ugly between the river &amp; Train crossing. Would like to see the tree's continue along Grant Street. It's very much the Ugly sister side of the Werribee River Bridge.</p>	<p>3 likes</p>	
<p><b>MADDINGLEY PARK</b></p>		
<p>Replace the ageing trees and get park back to how it used to be. Even put lake back in and make it the attraction that it once was. Lots of other towns have the old gardens in some way... sad to see this one let go. (Maddingley Park)</p>	<p>2 likes</p>	
<p>Increase plantings to upgrade Maddingley Park to a Botanical garden attraction. maybe even grant permission for a Cafe. Garden art sculptures (Maddingley Park)</p>	<p>-</p>	

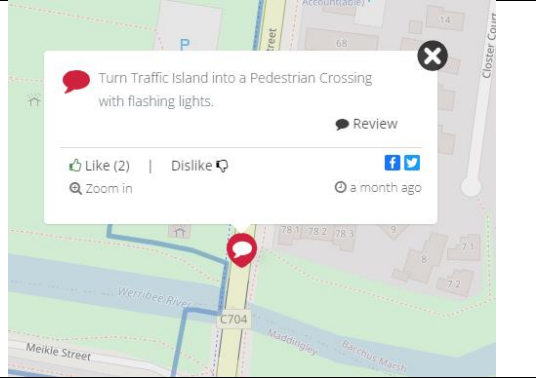
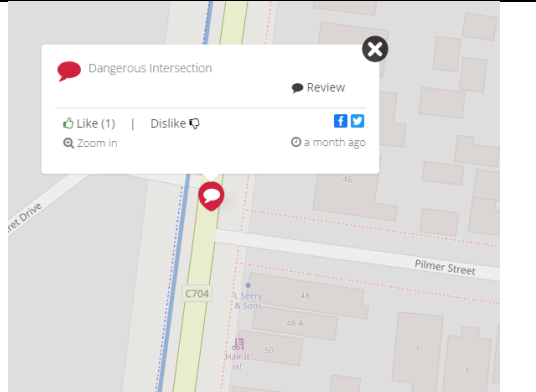
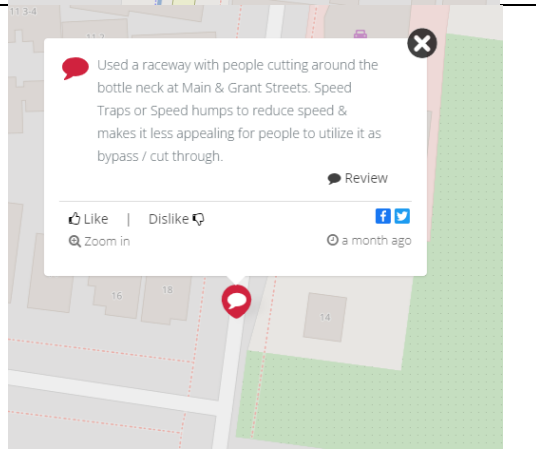
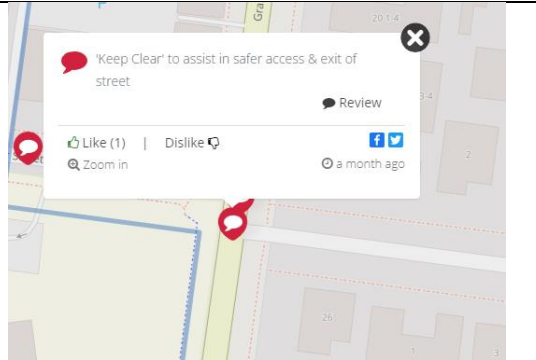
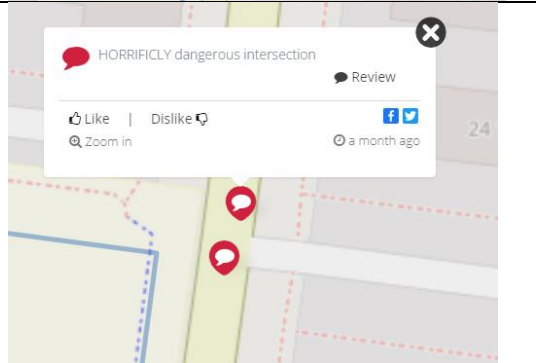
<p>-All abilities playground -Aqua Splash Park -Better Walking track - in winter the dirt track t-turns into mud &amp; pot holes creating a hazard for -people walking through the park at night. -Better Lighting -Safety Cameras -better upkeep of the grassed areas, horrible bindies - unable to picnic etc (Maddingley Park)</p>	<p>5 likes</p>	
<p><b>LOCAL AREA TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT</b></p>		
<p>add turning lanes for traffic heading towards BMG. Also add turning lane for cars exiting (Parwan Road X East Maddingley Road)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>school buses are using this intersection as a detour - keep clear marking required, or upgrade detour route. (Parwan Road X Mitchem Street)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p><b>LATM PARWAN RAIL CROSSING</b></p>		
<p>Dual Lane Crossing over Train line. Bottle necks with people wishing to cross into Sth Maddingley Road, causing a flow on effect on Grant &amp; Griffith Streets</p>	<p>8 likes</p>	

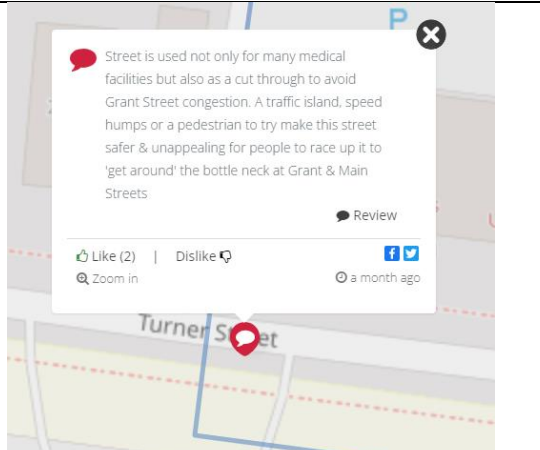
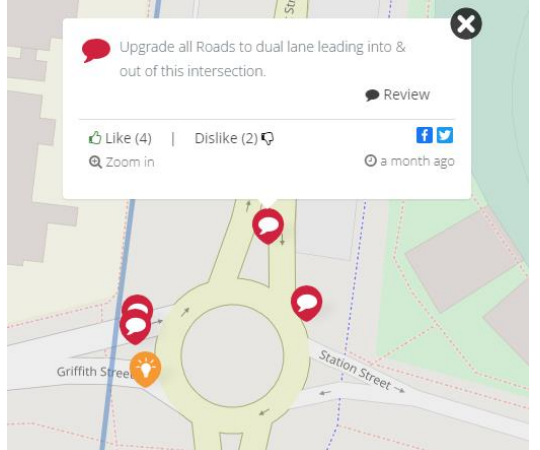
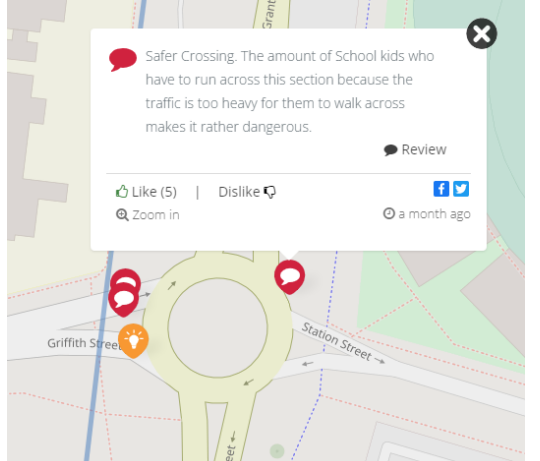
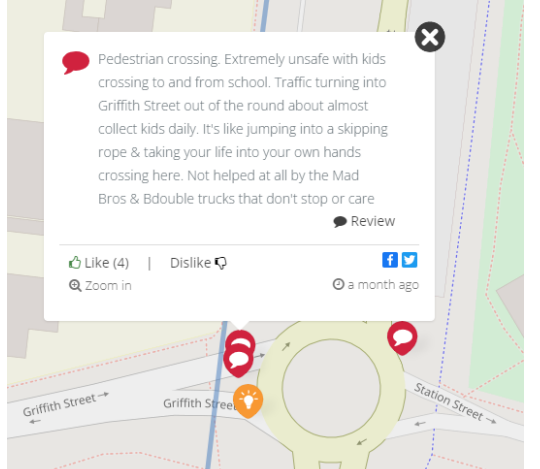


Remove rail crossing	3 likes	
create turning lane, or remove option for right turn - with detour further away from the rail intersection	-	
Repaint the KEEP CLEAR marking on the road. The majority of vehicles ignore this and it's very dangerous being so close to a level crossing.	-	
Speed bumps on McCormacks Road between the golf course and new townhouses to slow down the constant hoon drivers speeding along and doing donuts outside people's homes. Will also slow down the large trucks that speed past. (outside study area)	1 like	
Traffic Islands or speed humps to slow down the lead foot loonies that use Station Street as their own speed way	-	

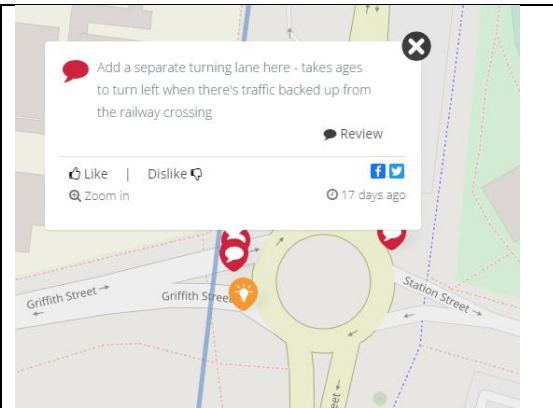
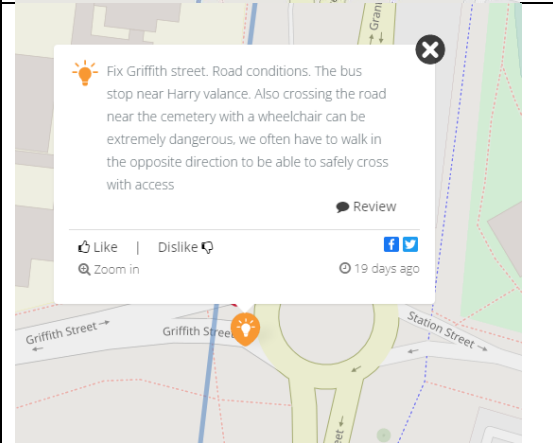
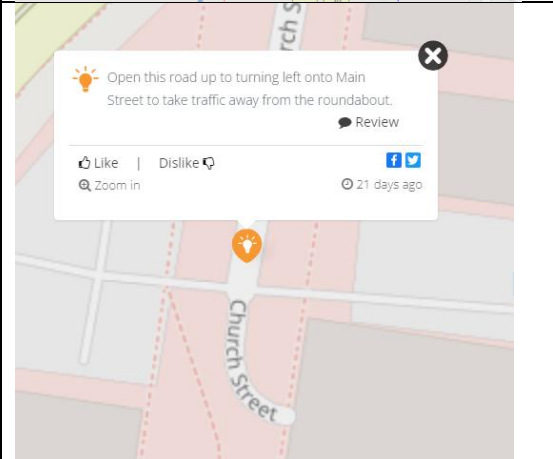
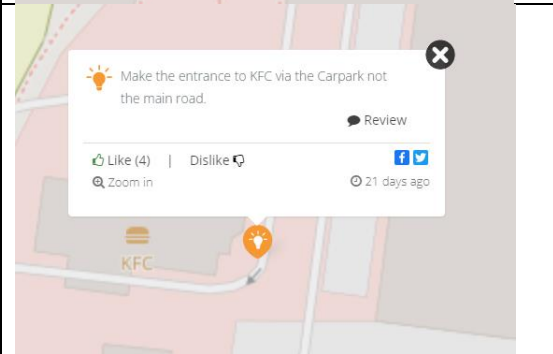
<p>Zebra crossing making it safer to access the Station &amp; Park</p>	<p>2 likes</p>	
<p>Safer intersection - Roundabout or move Traffic crossing down to this intersection. FAR too dangerous, and only going to get worse once the Basketball stadium &amp; Bowls Club open along with the additional homes you have approved in Taverner Street &amp; all other sporting &amp; events that are held in Maddingley Park. (Grant St X Taverner St intersection)</p>	<p>1 like</p>	
<p>People using Taverner Street as a 'cut through' at excessive speed to avoid Grant Street grid lock. Excessive speed, cars parked on side of road pushing cars heading from Grant St to Fiske Street onto the other side of the road (Taverner St)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>Round-about or traffic lights. Going to be carnage once basketball stadium opens, grain trucks, general traffic on Fiske St, additional residence cars from subdivisions &amp; other sporting activities &amp; markets/ events held at Maddingley Park.</p>	<p>1 like</p>	

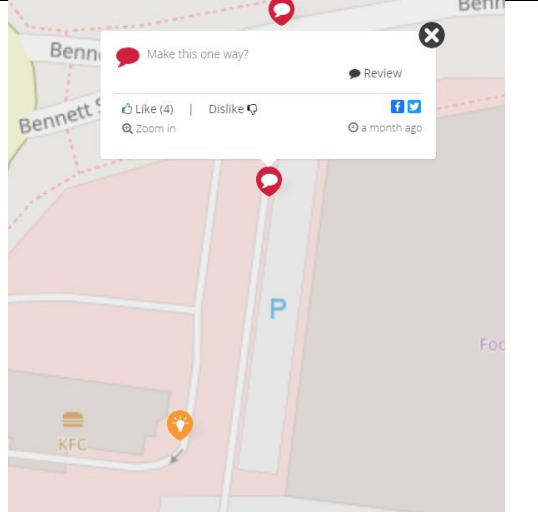
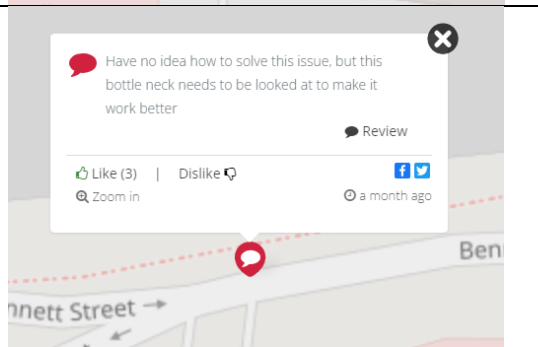
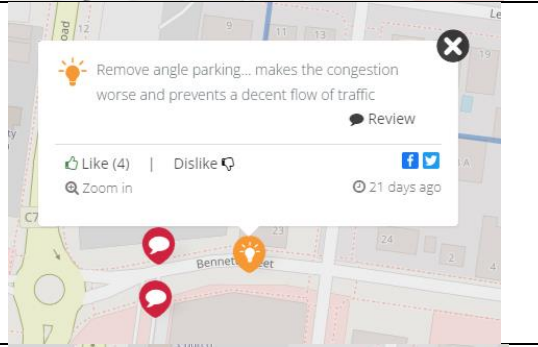
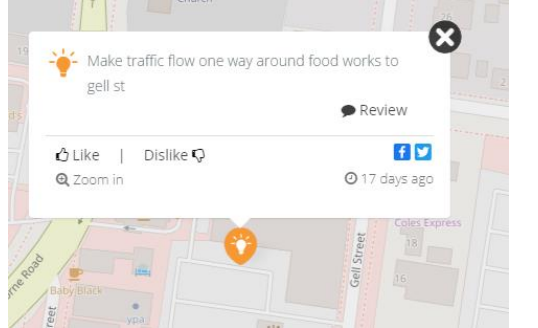
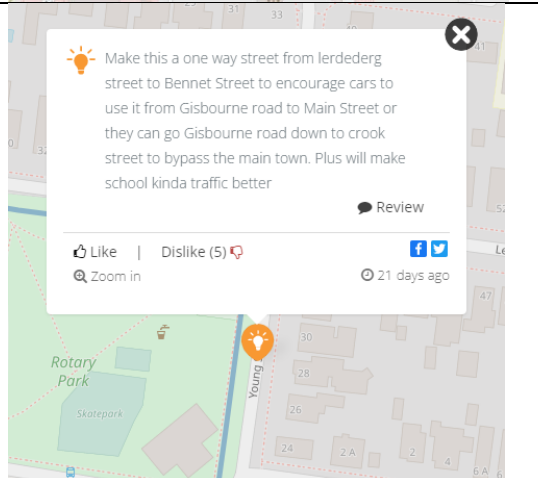


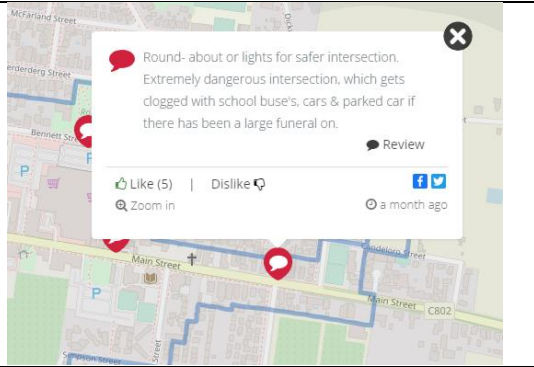
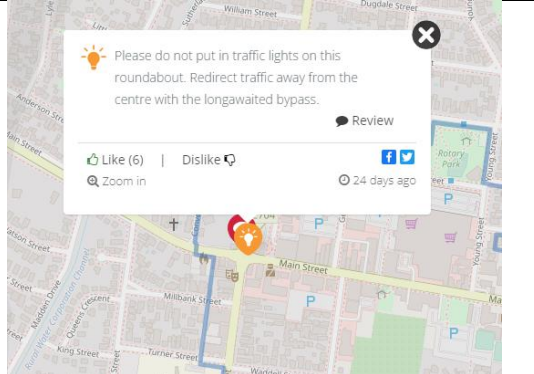
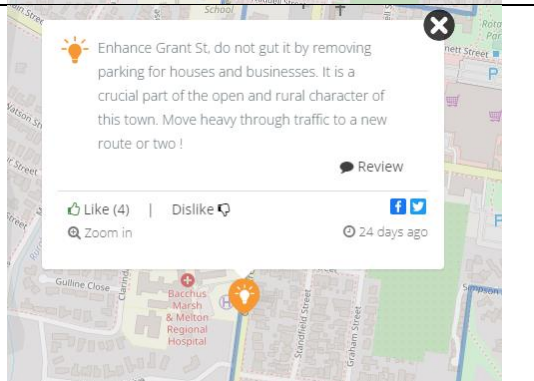
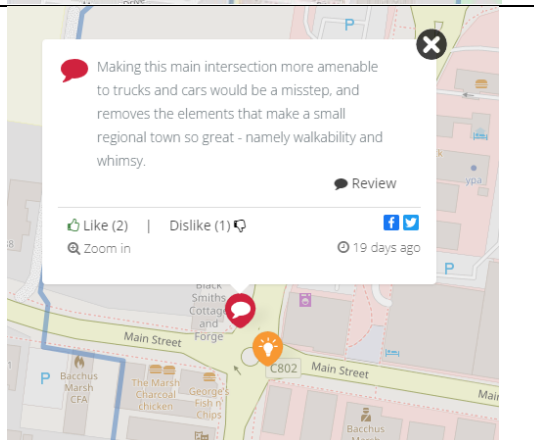
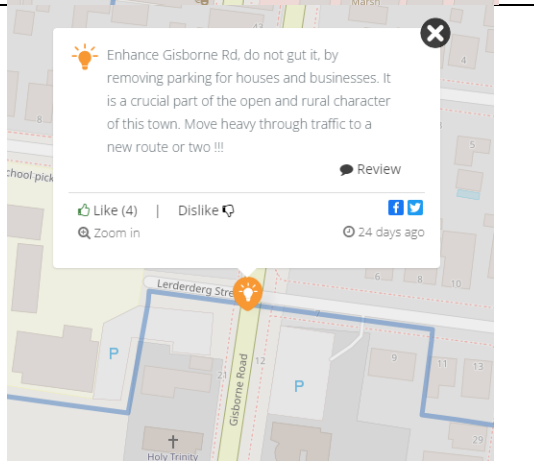
<p>Turn Traffic Island into a Pedestrian Crossing with flashing lights. (Grant St near Bridge)</p>	<p>2 likes</p>	
<p>Dangerous Intersection (Grant St X Pilmer St)</p>	<p>1 like</p>	
<p>Used a raceway with people cutting around the bottle neck at Main &amp; Grant Streets. Speed Traps or Speed humps to reduce speed &amp; makes it less appealing for people to utilize it as bypass / cut through. (Graham Street)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>'Keep Clear' to assist in safer access &amp; exit of street (Waddell St X Grant St)</p>	<p>1 like</p>	
<p>HORRIFICLY dangerous intersection (Waddell St X Grant St)</p>	<p>-</p>	

<p>Street is used not only for many medical facilities but also as a cut through to avoid Grant Street congestion. A traffic island, speed humps or a pedestrian to try make this street safer &amp; unappealing for people to race up it to 'get around' the bottle neck at Grant &amp; Main Streets</p>	<p>2 likes</p>	
<p><b>LATM STATION ST ROUNDABOUT</b></p>		
<p>Upgrade all Roads to dual lane leading into &amp; out of this intersection.</p>	<p>4 likes, 2 dislikes</p>	
<p>Safer Crossing. The amount of School kids who have to run across this section because the traffic is too heavy for them to walk across makes it rather dangerous.</p>	<p>5 likes</p>	
<p>Pedestrian crossing. Extremely unsafe with kids crossing to and from school. Traffic turning into Griffith Street out of the round about almost collect kids daily. It's like jumping into a skipping rope &amp; taking your life into your own hands crossing here. Not helped at all by the Mad Bros &amp; Bdouble trucks that don't stop or care</p>	<p>4 likes</p>	

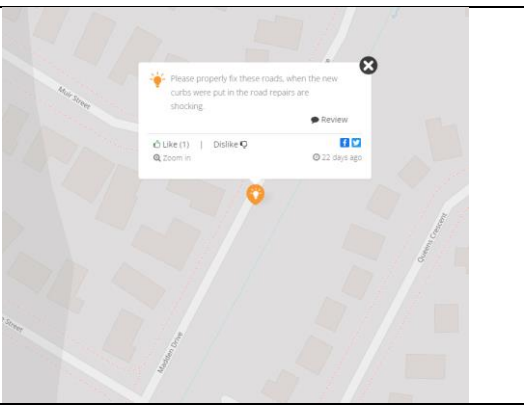
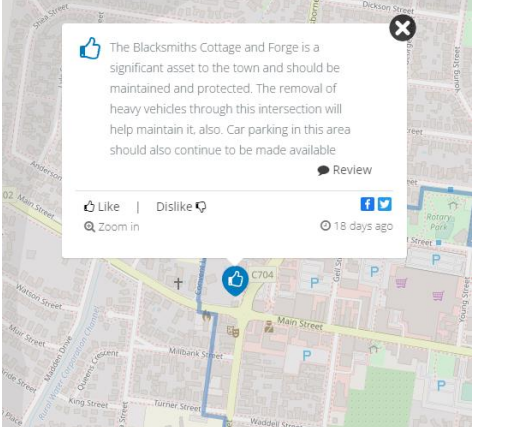
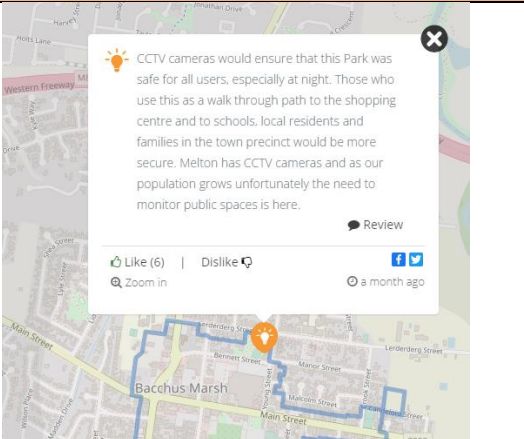
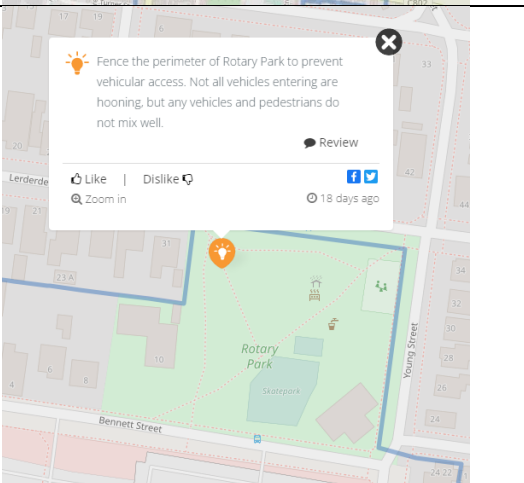


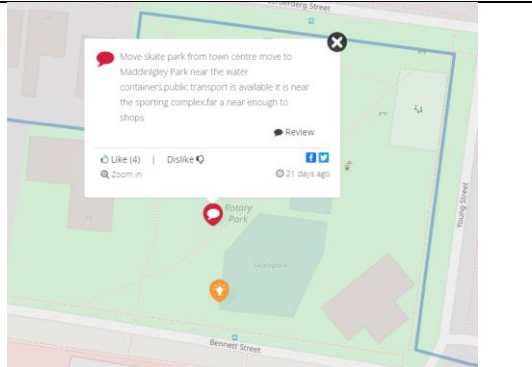
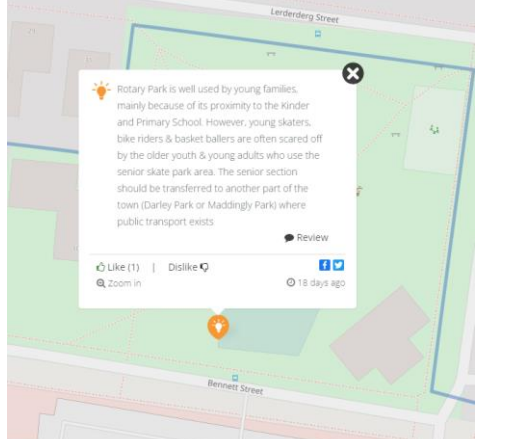
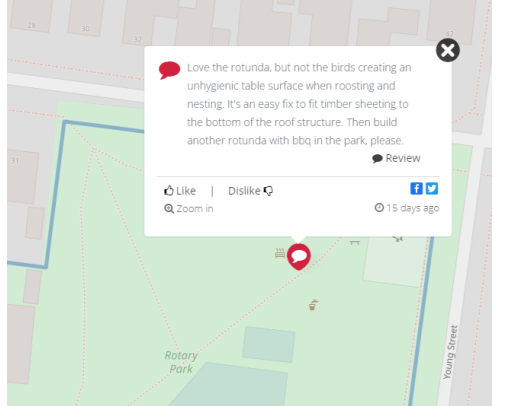
<p>Add a separate turning lane here - takes ages to turn left when there's traffic backed up from the railway crossing</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>Fix Griffith street. Road conditions. The bus stop near Harry valance. Also crossing the road near the cemetery with a wheelchair can be extremely dangerous, we often have to walk in the opposite direction to be able to safely cross with access</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>Open this road up to turning left onto Main Street to take traffic away from the roundabout. (Church St / Courthouse Place)</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p>Make the entrance to KFC via the Carpark not the main road.</p>	<p>4 likes</p>	

<p>Make this one way? (foodworks entry)</p>	<p>4 likes</p>	 <p>A screenshot of a map review. The review text is "Make this one way?". It has 4 likes and was posted a month ago. The map shows a street with a red location pin and a yellow lightbulb icon.</p>
<p>Have no idea how to solve this issue, but this bottle neck needs to be looked at to make it work better (foodworks entry)</p>	<p>3 likes</p>	 <p>A screenshot of a map review. The review text is "Have no idea how to solve this issue, but this bottle neck needs to be looked at to make it work better". It has 3 likes and was posted a month ago. The map shows a street with a red location pin.</p>
<p>Remove angle parking... makes the congestion worse and prevents a decent flow of traffic</p>	<p>4 likes</p>	 <p>A screenshot of a map review. The review text is "Remove angle parking... makes the congestion worse and prevents a decent flow of traffic". It has 4 likes and was posted 21 days ago. The map shows a street with a yellow lightbulb icon and a red location pin.</p>
<p>Make traffic flow one way around food works to gell st</p>	<p>-</p>	 <p>A screenshot of a map review. The review text is "Make traffic flow one way around food works to gell st". It has 0 likes and was posted 17 days ago. The map shows a street with a yellow lightbulb icon and a red location pin.</p>
<p>Make this a one way street from lerederg street to Bennet Street to encourage cars to use it from Gisbourne road to Main Street or they can go Gisbourne road down to crook street to bypass the main town. Plus will make school kinda traffic better. (Young Street)</p>	<p>5 dislikes</p>	 <p>A screenshot of a map review. The review text is "Make this a one way street from lerederg street to Bennet Street to encourage cars to use it from Gisbourne road to Main Street or they can go Gisbourne road down to crook street to bypass the main town. Plus will make school kinda traffic better. (Young Street)". It has 5 dislikes and was posted 21 days ago. The map shows a street with a yellow lightbulb icon and a red location pin.</p>

<p>Round- about or lights for safer intersection. Extremely dangerous intersection, which gets clogged with school buse's, cars &amp; parked car if there has been a large funeral on. (Main St X Fisken St)</p>	<p>5 likes</p>	
<p><b>NO TRAFFIC LIGHTS</b></p>		
<p>Please do not put in traffic lights on this roundabout. Redirect traffic away from the centre with the long awaited bypass. (Main St X Grant St)</p>	<p>6 likes</p>	
<p>Enhance Grant St, do not gut it by removing parking for houses and businesses. It is a crucial part of the open and rural character of this town. Move heavy through traffic to a new route or two !</p>	<p>4 likes</p>	
<p>Making this main intersection more amenable to trucks and cars would be a misstep, and removes the elements that make a small regional town so great - namely walkability and whimsy.</p>	<p>2 likes, 1 dislike</p>	
<p>Enhance Gisborne Rd, do not gut it, by removing parking for houses and businesses. It is a crucial part of the open and rural character of this town. Move heavy through traffic to a new route or two !!!</p>	<p>4 likes</p>	



<p>Please properly fix these roads, when the new curbs were put in the road repairs are shocking.</p>	<p>1 like</p>	 <p>A map screenshot showing a road repair issue. A white review box is overlaid on the map, containing the text: "Please properly fix these roads, when the new curbs were put in the road repairs are shocking." The box also includes a "Review" button, "Like (1)" and "Dislike" options, a "Zoom in" button, and a timestamp of "22 days ago".</p>
<p><b>HERITAGE</b></p>		
<p>The Blacksmiths Cottage and Forge is a significant asset to the town and should be maintained and protected. The removal of heavy vehicles through this intersection will help maintain it, also. Car parking in this area should also continue to be made available</p>	<p>-</p>	 <p>A map screenshot showing a heritage site. A white review box is overlaid on the map, containing the text: "The Blacksmiths Cottage and Forge is a significant asset to the town and should be maintained and protected. The removal of heavy vehicles through this intersection will help maintain it, also. Car parking in this area should also continue to be made available." The box also includes a "Review" button, "Like" and "Dislike" options, a "Zoom in" button, and a timestamp of "18 days ago".</p>
<p><b>PUBLIC SAFETY / ROTARY PARK</b></p>		
<p>CCTV cameras would ensure that this Park was safe for all users, especially at night. Those who use this as a walk through path to the shopping centre and to schools, local residents and families in the town precinct would be more secure. Melton has CCTV cameras and as our population grows unfortunately the need to monitor public spaces is here</p>	<p>6 likes</p>	 <p>A map screenshot showing a park area. A white review box is overlaid on the map, containing the text: "CCTV cameras would ensure that this Park was safe for all users, especially at night. Those who use this as a walk through path to the shopping centre and to schools, local residents and families in the town precinct would be more secure. Melton has CCTV cameras and as our population grows unfortunately the need to monitor public spaces is here." The box also includes a "Review" button, "Like (6)" and "Dislike" options, a "Zoom in" button, and a timestamp of "a month ago".</p>
<p>Fence the perimeter of Rotary Park to prevent vehicular access. Not all vehicles entering are hooning, but any vehicles and pedestrians do not mix well.</p>	<p>-</p>	 <p>A map screenshot showing Rotary Park. A white review box is overlaid on the map, containing the text: "Fence the perimeter of Rotary Park to prevent vehicular access. Not all vehicles entering are hooning, but any vehicles and pedestrians do not mix well." The box also includes a "Review" button, "Like" and "Dislike" options, a "Zoom in" button, and a timestamp of "18 days ago".</p>

<p>Move skate park from town centre move to Maddingley Park near the water containers,public transport is available it is near the sporting complex,for a near enough to shops</p>	<p>4 likes</p>	 <p>A map screenshot showing a review about moving the skate park. The review text is: "Move skate park from town centre move to Maddingley Park near the water containers,public transport is available it is near the sporting complex,for a near enough to shops". The map shows the current location of the skate park (marked with a red pin) and the proposed location at Maddingley Park (marked with an orange pin). The review has 4 likes and was posted 21 days ago.</p>
<p>Rotary Park is well used by young families, mainly because of its proximity to the Kinder and Primary School. However, young skaters, bike riders &amp; basket ballers are often scared off by the older youth &amp; young adults who use the senior skate park area. The senior section should be transferred to another part of the town (Darley Park or Maddingley Park) where public transport exists</p>	<p>1 like</p>	 <p>A map screenshot showing a review about the senior skate park area at Rotary Park. The review text is: "Rotary Park is well used by young families, mainly because of its proximity to the Kinder and Primary School. However, young skaters, bike riders &amp; basket ballers are often scared off by the older youth &amp; young adults who use the senior skate park area. The senior section should be transferred to another part of the town (Darley Park or Maddingley Park) where public transport exists". The map shows the location of Rotary Park. The review has 1 like and was posted 18 days ago.</p>
<p>Love the rotunda, but not the birds creating an unhygienic table surface when roosting and nesting. It's an easy fix to fit timber sheeting to the bottom of the roof structure. Then build another rotunda with bbq in the park, please</p>	<p>-</p>	 <p>A map screenshot showing a review about the rotunda at Rotary Park. The review text is: "Love the rotunda, but not the birds creating an unhygienic table surface when roosting and nesting. It's an easy fix to fit timber sheeting to the bottom of the roof structure. Then build another rotunda with bbq in the park, please". The map shows the location of Rotary Park. The review has 1 like and was posted 15 days ago.</p>

