



Community Engagement Report

Draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Plan 2023-28

Thursday, 1 June 2023 – Friday, 23 June 2023



Community Engagement Summary: Draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Plan 2023-28

Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide details of the community consultation undertaken in relation to the draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Plan 2023-28. It outlines a summary of consultation activities and feedback gathered during the engagement period.

Background

The City of Victor Harbor is home to an abundance of ecological communities and considerable diversity of habitats, native plants and animals. Our Council area is situated within one of fifteen biodiversity hotspots in Australia. From our dunes and headlands to our rivers and hills, our stunning natural surrounds provide our region with immeasurable benefits.

In the City of Victor Harbor, a number of threats to our natural assets have been identified, including climate change and catastrophic events, invasive and overabundant species, dogs and cats, phytophthora cinnamomi, and habitat loss and fragmentation. By working alongside stakeholders in the local community and the wider region, local governments are well placed to play a key role in protecting and restoring natural ecosystems in their area. Hence, the City of Victor Harbor has embarked on a project to develop a Draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan.

Between late 2022 and May 2023, Council staff worked closely with key stakeholders and environmental groups to form the foundations of a draft plan. A workshop held with local environmental volunteers in February 2023 assisted greatly in the development of the plan, and was an opportunity to initially gather community thoughts on strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats for biodiversity in our region.

Once a draft plan was finalised, it was presented for broad community feedback in June 2023.

Consultation Methodology

The community consultation period for the Draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Plan 2023-28 ran from 9am on Thursday 1 June 2023 until 5pm on Friday 23 June 2023. The opportunity for residents and ratepayers to have a say was promoted in the following ways:

- **Public notice** in Fleurieu Sun newspaper, 1 June edition
- **Posters** displayed in Civic Centre foyer for duration of consultation
- **Council website** article published on 6 June
- **Facebook post** published on 7 June (506 people reached, 3 engagements)
- **Your Say website** home page from 1 June (110 page views, 12 document downloads)
- **Email newsletter to Your Say subscribers** sent on 5 June (60.8% open rate, 11% click rate)
- **Victor Viewpoint article** sent on 10 June (61.65% open rate, 60 article clicks)
- **City Activation newsletter article** sent on 7 June (47.47% open rate, 13 article clicks)
- **Listening post / marquee** during Winter Whale Fest on 10 June

Community Feedback

Listening post

A listening post was held during the Winter Whale Fest on 10 June 2023. Attendees were encouraged to complete the online survey.

Written submissions

Several written submissions were received during the consultation:

Victor Harbor Coastcare	Administration Response (if Required)
<i>Suggestion to create an endemic plant list</i>	Council acknowledges Coastcare's submission, and will continue to update endemic plant lists with the intent of providing this information for community use
<i>Support for a community biodiversity nursery</i>	Council acknowledges Coastcare's support towards a community biodiversity nursery. Consequently, an action has been added to the Plan at 5.7 - <i>Consider support for the establishment of a community led native plant nursery</i>

Friends of Hindmarsh River Estuary	Administration Response (if Required)
<i>Formation of a biodiversity group</i>	Council acknowledges the suggestion and continues to engage with community regarding the formation of a biodiversity group.
<i>Suggestion to create an endemic plant list.</i>	Council continues to update endemic plant lists with the plan to provide this information for community use.
<i>Community biodiversity nursery</i>	Council acknowledges the Friends of Hindmarsh River Estuary support for a community biodiversity nursery. An action has been included in the Plan - <i>5.7 Consider support for the establishment of a community led native plant nursery.</i>

Business Victor Harbor	Administration Response (if Required)
<i>Endorsing Friends of the Hindmarsh River Estuary's submission.</i>	Council acknowledges the submission from Business Victor Harbor including the suggestion for the following: - Forming an independent incorporated group 'Victor Harbor Biodiversity' - Implementing endemic plant requirements as suggested

	- Establishing a scalable, community-operated 'community biodiversity Nursery' Responses to these are covered above.
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Richard House	Administration Response (if Required)
<i>The length of Franklin Parade between Yilki and the boat ramp should have a priority allocated. This length of Dune that is suffering huge destruction as seen at Yilki. Nature can help in the protection.</i>	Council continues advocating and prioritising coastal protection works along Franklin Parade. Detailed design for section covering Charles Street to The Bluff is currently underway. CVH coastal monitoring program has also commenced - data will be collected along our coastline throughout this year
<i>The statement re the Hindmarsh River Estuary is very significant and should be taken into strong account when any further decisions re the proposed bikeway are being considered. A bikeway must not be allowed through this pristine area.</i>	<i>For council members' consideration</i>
<i>Why does the Inman get such a lot written about it when the Hindmarsh Doesn't?</i>	Hindmarsh River Estuary statement in the Plan has been amended to include swamp paperbarks and coastal marshes
<i>Recommend expansion of Environmental Project officer Role to 1.0 FTE</i>	Council acknowledges support for an increased environmental resource in the form of increased FTE
<i>Pg 40. The garden that is looked after by Victor Harbor Coastcare at Bridge Point is already along these lines</i>	Council continues to highlight and showcase native garden beds for community reference
<i>Pg 41 This item is very important and already appreciated by Victor Coastcare. It is essential that this co-operation should be continued.</i>	Council acknowledges this comment and Action 5.1 references the support: ... provide support, technical advice and direction for community volunteers and groups working to enhance and protect the local natural environment
<i>Pg 43 this is a pipe dream and not worth the effort and money</i>	Council will continue controlling sea wheat grass and encourage spinifex growth where applicable to support Hooded Plovers
<i>If there is to be an area with enforced dogs on leash criteria there should also be a designated beach where dogs off leash is allowed all year round.</i>	<i>For council members' consideration</i>
<i>P44 Brilliant! Seed for snapper</i>	11.8 Seek opportunities to partner in, and support, the seeds for snapper' program
<i>Pg 44 Victor Harbor Coastcare has achieved designation of correct routes through the Hindmarsh Estuary very effectively, without fencing, by just using pine posts with a yellow painted top.</i>	Managing foot traffic will require site specific methods. Some will require fencing; others will not.

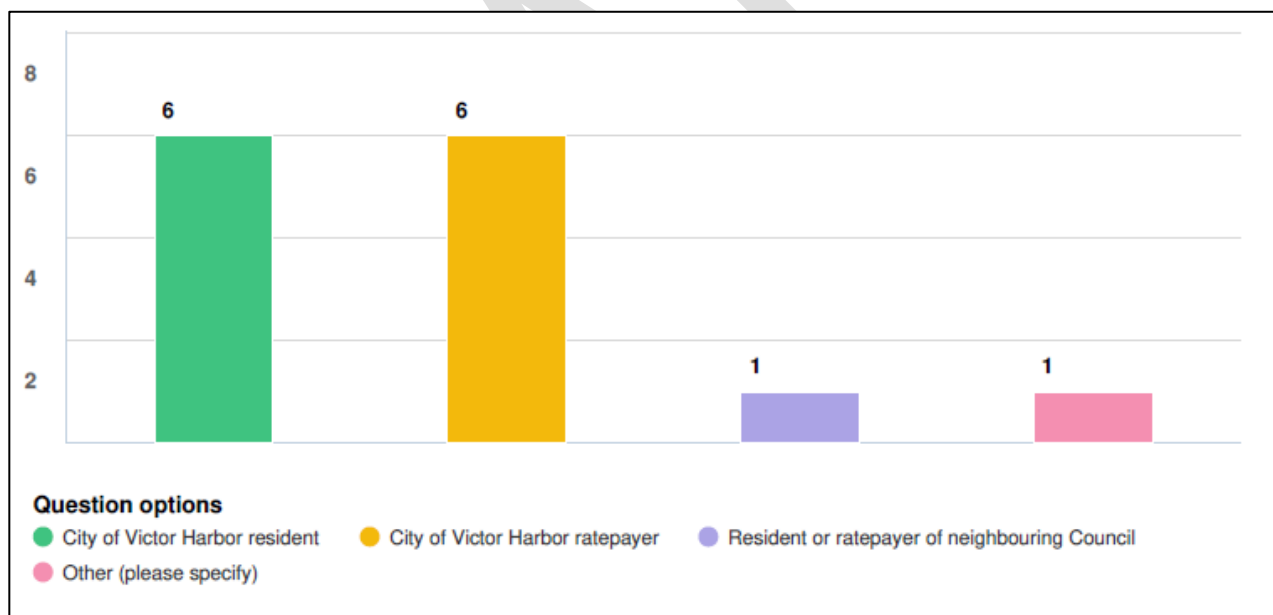
<i>Pg 45. why do this? There is already such a booklet available from Landscapes hills and Fleurieu.</i>	Council will continue investigating opportunities to update or contribute to native garden booklets.
<i>Pg 57 why aren't any of the coastal roads in this list?</i>	Council continues updating RVMS and, with capacity, could include coastal roads where identified. Previously, coastal roads were seen as minimal risk for disturbance.
<i>Pg 65 The title of the section id that it is declared weeds. But what about other weeds is it that they are not declared weeds?</i>	The 'other' identified vegetation species are not currently declared weeds.

A copy of these written submissions is provided at Appendix 1.

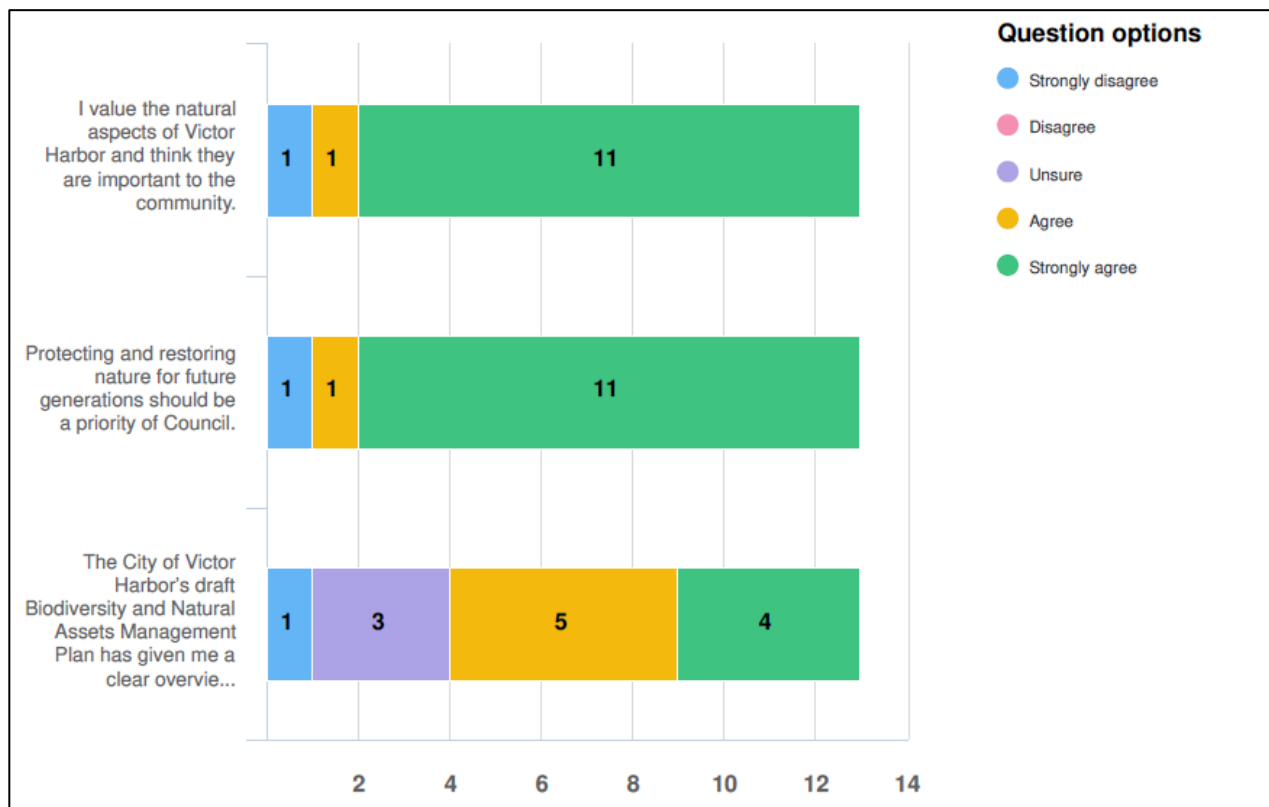
Survey responses

A total of **13** surveys were formally completed and submitted online. All responses are presented in Appendix 2. The following provides an overview of the responses.

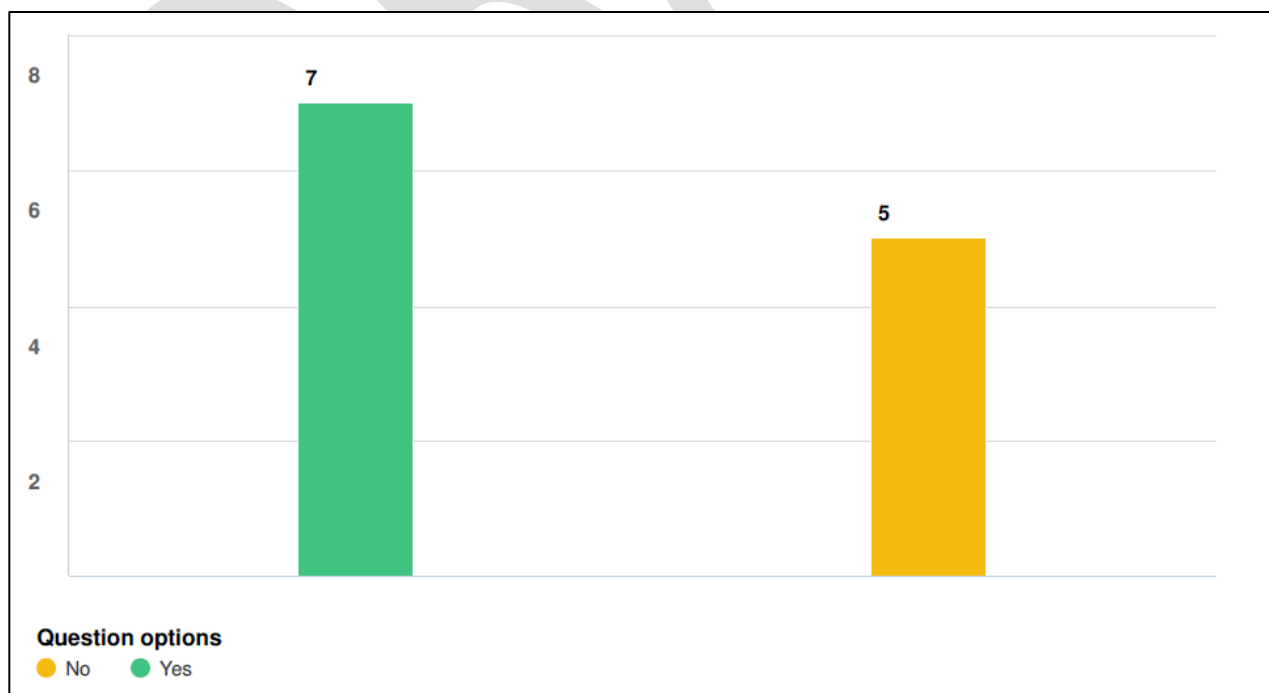
Q. What best describes you?



Q. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.



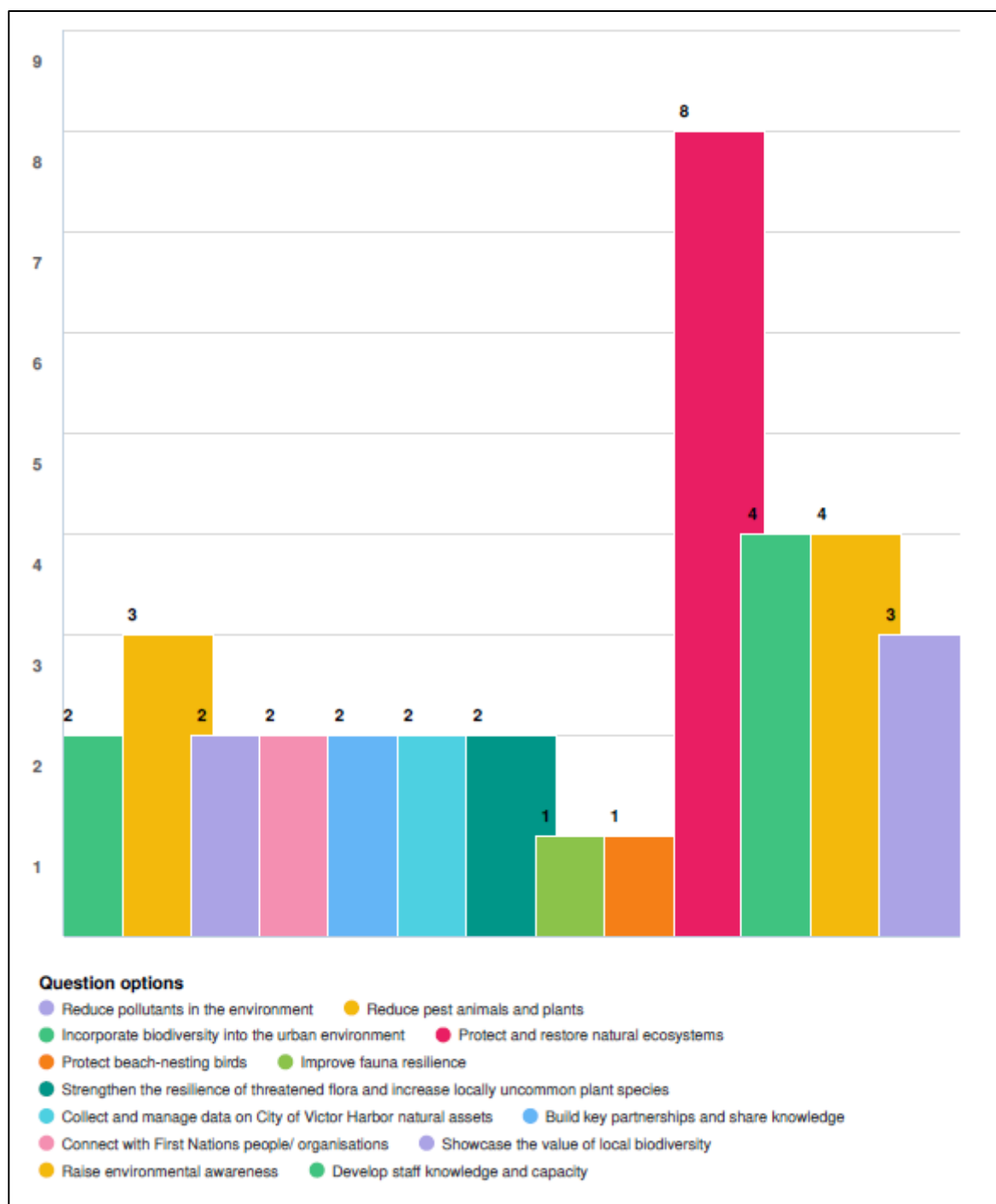
Q. Do you think there is anything missing in the City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan?



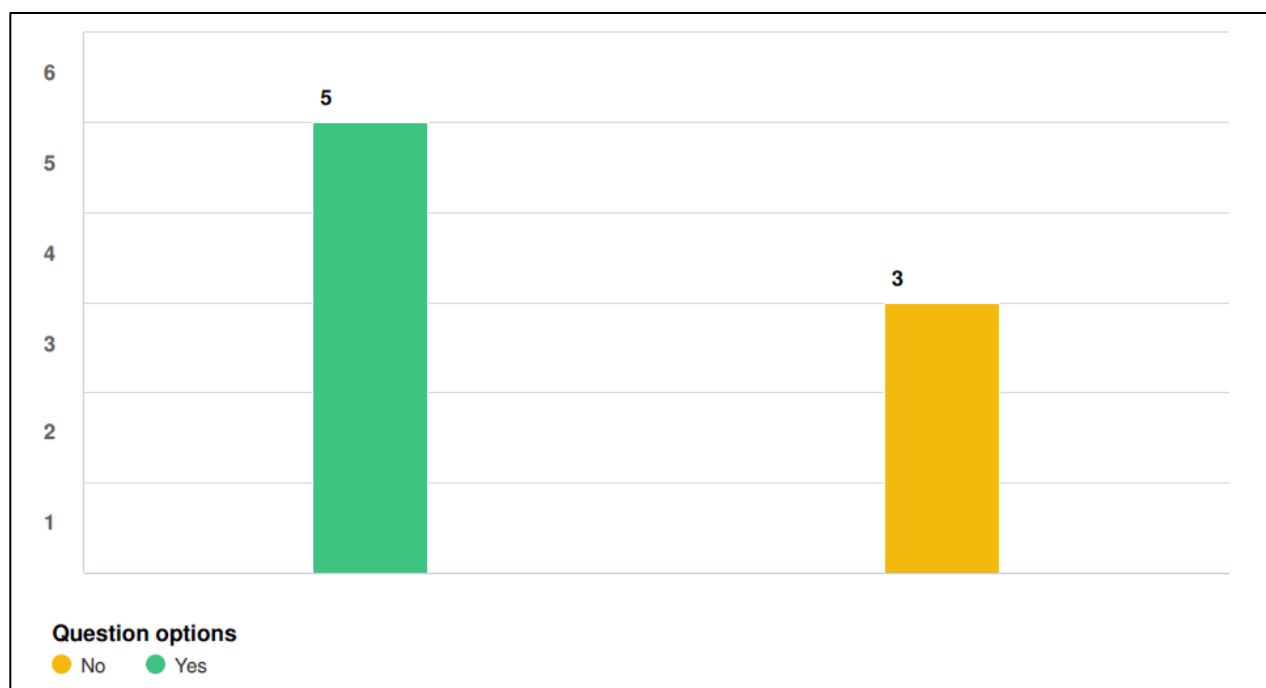
Q. If yes, what is missing?

Community Member Commentary	Administration Response (if Required)
<i>A comprehensive but short description of the biodiversity situation across the Mt Lofty Ranges and Fleurieu Peninsula - to give context to the plan</i>	This plan touches on the Mt Lofty Ranges and Fleurieu Peninsula region but is more locally focused. A more detailed description on biodiversity throughout Mt Lofty Ranges and Fleurieu Peninsula can be sourced through other regional plans as highlighted in the strategic context section of the Plan.
<i>The valuable resource of markets. Introducing a roving stall throughout the various markets would spread knowledge, sell important plants, increase volunteering for people that may otherwise be lost to us and increase awareness.</i>	For council members' consideration
<i>More constructive ideas on how to prevent predators, human and animal, from accessing the penguins on Granite Island at night. Urgent action is needed.</i>	For council members' consideration
<i>A bit over the top. It's volunteers that do all the work</i>	The plan acknowledges the great work that volunteers continue to undertake on behalf of community.
<i>The docs a bit long and doesnt have a one page ""plan""/ gantt chart. This would be handy to see what is going to be delivered by when and what the measure is.</i>	The plan has key actions and timeframes from Pg 39.
<i>Are you comparing yourself to some kind of standard?? ie the UN? or some other standard. Subjectiveness = self assessment. Thanks.</i>	The Plan sets a standard for our Council area, which reflects guidelines, actions and strategies from state government agencies and supported by our Council surveys and ratings of our key site reserves.
<i>You are continuing to allow the development of the natural habitat of fauna for housing, how is this helping the natural habitat</i>	For council members' consideration
<i>The importance of ensuring all aspects of the plan are First Nations-led and guided. The importance of biodiversity as well as knowledge of and activities for biodiversity to individual and community health.</i>	Council continues to engage and consult with First Nations' representatives, and this is highlighted in <i>Objective 4.0 - Connect with first nations peoples/organisations</i>

Q. On page 38 of the draft plan, thirteen key objectives are outlined. Please tick the three objectives that you think are most important.



Q. On pages 39-46 of the draft plan, a number of actions are outlined. Are there any actions you think should be added or removed?



Q. Explain what actions you think should be added or removed?

Community Member Commentary	Administration Response (if Required)
<i>Always more ways of improving local flora and fauna protection, enough not being done.</i>	This Plan is developed to improve local flora and fauna which includes protection, restoring and connecting. This has been acknowledged throughout the Plan and more directly in <i>Objective 10. Protect and restore natural ecosystems</i>
<i>Education for Council workers on our native Swamp Rats that often inhabit reserves. These are protected and need to be worked around.</i>	Council continues to educate staff and liaise with Hills and Fleurieu Landscape Board and other fauna experts to better understand the requirements of local threatened fauna as acknowledged in <i>Objective 8 – Improve fauna resilience</i> .
<i>Paid employees and 'meetings' can cost a lot of money.</i>	For council members' consideration
<i>Preparation of a specific endemic plant list for various 'areas' within the Council boundaries i.e. Coastal/Rural. Make these updated lists readily available (website) and particularly for any development application requiring a landscaping plan. Council to negotiate with developers for the landscaping plan to reflect the endemic plant list. One of our members has street plantings of Turkey Oak in his recent Victor Harbor development. These</i>	Council has created endemic plant lists which are site specific and intend to create a list for CVH website in future as part of action 2.10 <i>Enhance environmental information and messaging on council website</i>. Council continues to use these endemic plant lists with developers and community throughout applications and communications.



<i>plantings should no longer be happening within our community, we are more advanced than that and it should be reflected within these areas.</i>	In urbanised development areas Council considers endemic species as part of its present and future program but also considers plant diversity.
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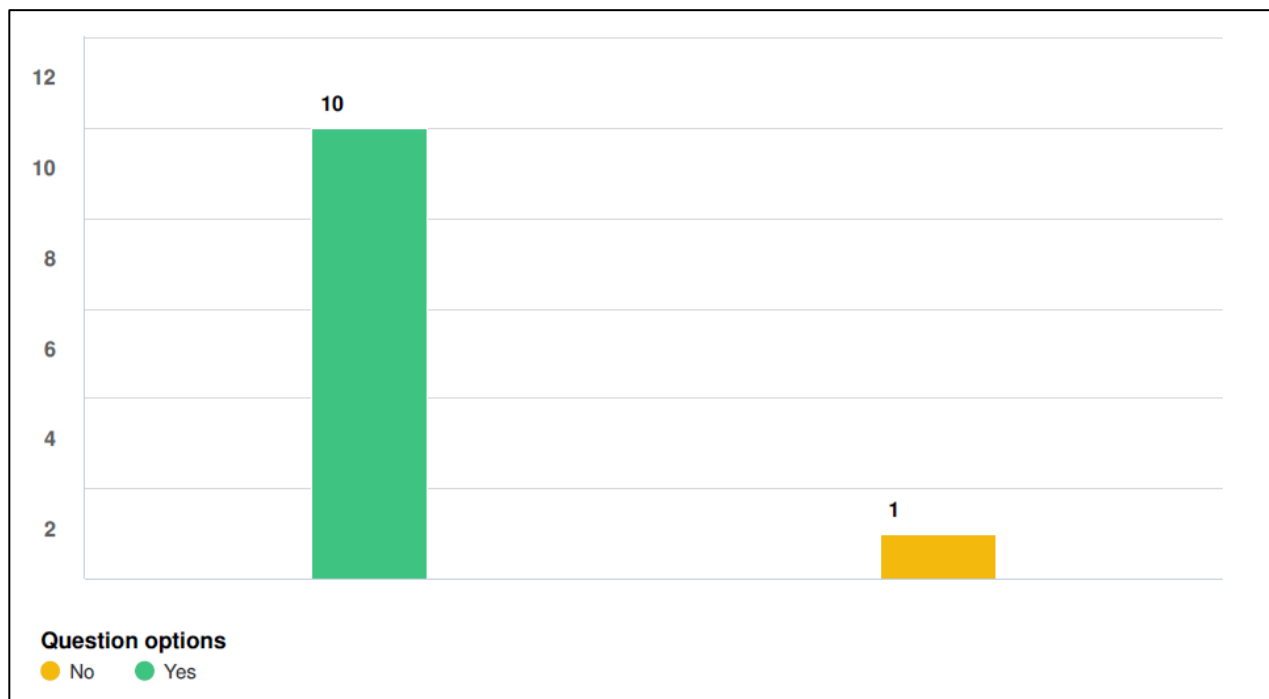
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Q. If you have any more feedback on the draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan, please share it below.

Community Member Commentary	Administration Response (if Required)
<i>page 20: 265 kms of roads in VHC area and 66 RVMS; it would be useful to know what percentage of the 265 kms have an RVM - this could then be followed through time, with increases/decreases in biodiversity value.</i>	Acknowledged. Council will investigate this as an action - as stated in <i>Objective 6.8 - Investigate ways to track total RVMS to monitor expansion overtime</i>
<i>page 25 spelling error: it is Enneapogon nigricans not nigrans</i>	Amended in Plan
<i>It is a well put together paper, and congratulations to all who were involved in putting it together. Thank you.</i>	Acknowledged
<i>The Plan is very comprehensive but does not cover urban sprawl which is increasing in the Victor Harbor. I see this as a threat to the biodiversity of the area. Just the clearing of land and removal of trees is worrying. I hope Victor Harbor doesn't end up like Mt Barker with housing estates with no trees in sight.</i>	For council members' consideration
<i>It's ironic that 400 trees (some 200yrs old) will be cut down for a proposed overtaking lane when Council is Blah Blahing about environmental protection.</i>	For council members' consideration
<i>cat plan: inside only (i see them roaming al round the place especially when driving to surf early)</i>	The Plan reflects this in <i>Objective 12.10 - Investigate options for managing feral cats in City of Victor Harbor reserves and incorporate into the updated Dog and Cat Management Plan 2024- 2029, subject to relevant Council by-laws</i>
<i>2) plan mentions "" very small infestations"" page 31. target 0% infestations</i>	CVH plans to eradicate pest plants, but a target of 0% infestations may not be achievable within this biodiversity management plan period
<i>3) setting target for ""1 million new trees"" likewise for bushes, likewise for animal species etc. have some solid targets and KPI your team accordingly.</i>	For council members' consideration
<i>I believe VH has the potential to be a true eco leader in SA / AU/ Globally and why shouldn't we? I would put ENVIRONMENT and SUSTAINABILITY front and centre on the website home page; not tucked away>> and open it up to an interactive live map so you can readily see the area, projects happening and ""Get Involved:"" button for people who want to help out, not go hunting down 48 burrows trying to find a coordinators coordinator friends cousins former room mate.</i>	For council members' consideration

<i>Engage with groups like Trees for Life. There are that many corporates global;y (including ASX etc) that are wanting ti plant trees, create ecosystems, nurture and regorw nature; vcapitalise on this.</i>	Council continues to engage with multiple environmental groups, community, schools and volunteers to deliver environmental outcomes as acknowledged in Objective 5.1- Provide support, technical advice and direction for community volunteers and groups working to enhance and protect the local natural environment. 10.4- Partner with DEW, LHF, Birdlife Australia, SA Seed Conservation Centre and other external agencies to deliver ongoing biodiversity projects
<i>Nature trails: Set up series of nature trails so pleple can learn (I'll answer the other survey); these arnet mutually exclusive; they feed off one another and help to drive the eduaction/ecosystem/action etc.</i>	Council continues to maintain and provide new nature trails throughout CVH area through many of our strategic and master plans.
<i>People are wanting a cleaner, greener, more natural place to live, breathe, see (this is a global movement) so i think VH should aspire to be a global leader.</i>	For council members' consideration
<i>Street trees are essential, not only within new subdivision where allotments are small and not viable for canopy, but as older residential areas are being subdivided, tree loss has an impact for all. Heat island effect is a documented phenomenon that could be helped with street tree audits.</i> <i>Without even factoring in private tree loss, street trees fail and need to be monitored for replacement.</i> <i>Our street (central area with 40 houses) was replanted approx. 30 years ago and potentially 10 trees could be put in immediately. So many large trees have disappeared from horizon just standing in our backyard. We borrow canopy from our surrounding environment and birds have definitely been impacted.</i>	Council continues its street tree planting program along with strategic street tree plantings at key locations to provide canopy to decrease heat. For council members' consideration
<i>The adaptation of a specific Community Biodiversity Nursery would be advantageous to this plan enabling the creation of a steady and reliable supply of plant tube stock available to all.</i>	This is an action in the Plan under <i>Objective 5.7 Consider support for the establishment of a community led native plant nursery.</i>

Q. Are you an environmental volunteer?





Conclusion

While the number of submissions received as part of community consultation only represents a small portion of our community, the detail and depth of submissions demonstrates a clear interest in this body of work being undertaken by Council.

Majority of submissions received as part of community consultation were from local environmental groups/volunteers, who showed overwhelming agreement that protecting and restoring Victor Harbor's natural elements should be a priority of Council.

Some of the common themes to emerge through the consultation include:

- Appreciation for Council in developing this strategic document
- The need for a specific endemic plant list, and use of endemic plants in Council projects
- Support for creating a community biodiversity nursery
- Desire for more street trees/ concerns about loss of trees
- The importance of biodiversity in our region and desire for Victor Harbor to be a leader in conservation initiatives.

These themes, in addition to other suggestions provided as part of community feedback, will be considered in the development of the final Biodiversity and Natural Assets Plan.

Community consultation has proven to be a fruitful exercise and great opportunity to formally hear from a range of key stakeholders.

Appendix 1

Victoria McKirdy
CEO City of Victor Harbor

cc: Dr Moira Jenkins, Mayor
David Kemp, Deputy Mayor



Dear Victoria,

Re: Submission – Draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan

Victor Harbor Coastcare wish to convey our congratulations on a very well put together document and agree with the main concept of maintaining and improving the Victor Harbor Biodiversity and its Natural Assets.

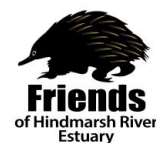
It was noted that perhaps there should be specific endemic plant lists made readily available for various areas within the Council boundaries be it coastal or rural. These lists could then be used by developers, landscapers, businesses and even those in the community who wish their garden to reflect the true nature of our environment.

Case in point – one of our own members has as a street tree in front of his home in a recent development a 'Turkey Oak'. Now, he has been requesting its removal and replacement with a tree that is indigenous to the area, but to no avail. This type of incident is not uncommon and may I say a little 'out of date' with today's environmental thinking. Perhaps a stronger stance from Council regarding all new development landscaping plans would set a great example of how seriously Council takes the Biodiversity and Natural Environment of Victor Harbor and its surrounding area.

To embrace the Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management plan in its full capacity, and include the community as a whole, businesses, developers, households etc., the concept of a Victor Harbor Biodiversity Nursery that is community operated with Victor Harbor Council at its helm as stated in the Biodiversity plan would be a good beginning to further the drive in enhancing and restoring the natural environment within and surrounding Victor Harbor.

All in all, a job well done and again, congratulations to all those very dedicated and hard-working individuals who conceived and completed what must have been quite a daunting task.

Kind regards
Loreto Cameron
Chair
Victor Harbor Coastcare
[Redacted Signature]



Victoria McKirdy
CEO - City of Victor Harbor

Cc Dr Moria Jenkins Mayor & David Kemp Deputy Mayor

Re: Submission regarding draft Biodiversity & Natural Assets Management Plan

Hi Victoria,

Congratulations to your staff for the research and preparation of a comprehensive document.

We concur and reflect on elements of the plan's preamble of the community consultation process which states:

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We feel the plan as articulated, whilst covering certain areas extremely well may possibly miss the opportunity to:

- incorporate all of the area within the council boundaries (some 350km²) &
 - include the broader community whether residential, rural &/or business.
- which we feel provides more scope for a broader community foundation document.

The council commissioned report 'Environmental Management Plan – State of the Environment' (Healthy Environs 2019) provided some particularly scary data:

- A mere 0.08% of vegetation within the CVH is formally protected for conservation,
- We have lost nearly 83% of our native vegetation

We believe the draft plan in its present format, does not have the capacity to reverse the issues above, nor deliver significant deliverables against the City of Victor Harbor's:

- Environment Plan or the
- Community Plan 2030 Aspiration 4 – We protect the Environment, in particular 'Enhance the health & biodiversity of our natural environment'.

We feel the following actions should be incorporated within the plan.

Recommendation 1 'Victor Harbor Biodiversity'

Support and partnership of council with the business, environmental groups & local broader community in the formulation of an independent incorporated group – 'Victor Harbor Biodiversity'.

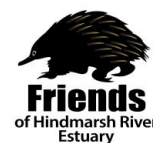
This group adopting elements of an enhanced plan and other matters as they see appropriate bringing the community together in partnership with council and other government agencies to focus on protecting the Environment - 'Enhance the health & biodiversity of our natural environment'.

Council would have representation within the group, perhaps by a nominated elected member &/or other mechanism council may recommend.

An example of how this group might work:

Business Victor Harbor:

- engage in conversation / lobby developers, builders, real estate agents, landscapers & property



maintenance businesses to adopt endemic plant species guidelines (to be developed by council) – refer to the excellent example of such lists by Surf Coast Shire Victoria (surfcoast.vic.gov.au).

-create an environment which encourages businesses to participate in environmental programs directly / indirectly through market communications and or resource allocation (funding projects)

Environmental groups:

- combining resources to undertake joint projects i.e., submissions for grant funding, combined tree planting days etc.

Rural: (includes hobby farm, agricultural, tourism)

- perhaps similar to both business & environmental groups – with focus on rural properties (i.e. planting of shelter belts, entering into heritage agreements etc.)

Recommendation 2 'Endemic plant requirements'

City of Victor Harbor

Replicating a similar model as the Surf Coast Shire Victoria (surfcoast.vic.gov.au) CVH using data from the draft plan would prepare specific endemic plant lists for the various 'areas' within the council boundaries i.e. Coastal / Rural.

Make these updated lists readily available (i.e., website) and particularly for any development application requiring a landscaping plan. Council to negotiate with developers for the landscaping plan to reflect the endemic plant list.

(The recently completed and opened high profile Wohlers store is landscaped with South African species plants).

Council to shift ornamental / high visibility public domain areas vegetation to reflect 'endemic plant list'.

Recommendation 3 'Community Biodiversity Nursery'

Supply chain management of endemic species plant tube stock is critical for any of the draft plan programs to be successful. Creating demand without supply is folly. Bunnings, Mire 10 & Morgan Park nurseries sell non endemic native species.

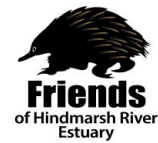
Whilst it is envisaged CVH will have an important role with the nursery and receive its seedling requirements via the nursery, the nursery itself to be successful would be an activity of the Victor Harbor Biodiversity group. There are 3 excellent models of not-for-profit community nurseries at Hindmarsh Island, Goolwa & Normanville. The Alexandrina & Normanville nurseries are on council supplied / supported land.

We have visited and undertaken discussions with Ben Simon of the Alexandrina Community Nursery, Corey Jackson (Green Adelaide) & Caroline Taylor (Landscapes Hills & Fleurieu) who both have been extensively involved in the development and operation of the Normanville (Fleurieu Coast Nursery) to its current capacity of 50,000 seedlings per annum. These discussions have been extensive and covered the financial and operational details of the Nursery.

It is our belief based on these discussions and commitment of Corey & Caroline to assist with guidance for the development of the Victor Harbor Biodiversity Nursery that it:

- be designed to be scalable to 50,000 seedlings within 5 years.
- be a community operated Nursery with CVH being involved

We further believe this model will attract a good body of community volunteers (as evident @ the



Normanville Nursery), provide flexibility in funding resource models (i.e. donations/grants etc). We feel the model will have a strong appeal for philanthropic support from large business & individuals, particularly those with a connection to the South Coast.

It should be noted the draft plan does allude to the creation of Community native plant nursery.

We conclude this submission by again referencing the draft plan preamble of the community consultation process which states:

By working alongside stakeholders in the local community and the wider region, local governments are well placed to play a key role in protecting and restoring natural ecosystems in their area.

We look forward to the opportunity of being further involved in the plan and implementation of these recommendations.

Kind regards

Mark Richards
Co-convenor
for & on behalf of the Friends of Hindmarsh River Estuary
22nd June 2023

Friday, 23 June 2023

Public Consultation: Draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan

Letter of Support for Friends of Hindmarsh River Estuary's Recommendations

Business Victor Harbor expresses our support for the recommendations put forth by the *Friends of Hindmarsh River Estuary* in relation to the "Draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan."

The City of Victor Harbor is a thriving ecological community, home to diverse habitats, native plants, and animals. Our council area is situated within one of fifteen biodiversity hotspots in Australia. The natural environment provides our region with significant social, economic, and recreational benefits. However, concerning data from the 'Environmental Management Plan – State of the Environment' (Healthy Environs 2019) report indicates that urgent action must be taken to address the decline in our native vegetation and biodiversity.

Business Victor Harbor, in principle, agrees with the recommendations made by the Friends of Hindmarsh River Estuary, which include:

1. Forming an independent incorporated group – 'Victor Harbor Biodiversity,' that works in partnership with the council, businesses, environmental groups, and the local community.
2. Implementing endemic plant requirements similar to the model used by *Surf Coast Shire Victoria*, with updated lists readily available for development applications and landscaping plans.
3. Establishing a scalable, community-operated 'Community Biodiversity Nursery' that can supply endemic species plant tube stock for the various projects and programs outlined in the draft plan.

By encouraging collaboration of stakeholders in the local community, we can to preserving our natural ecosystems for generations to come.

We encourage the City of Victor Harbor to consider these recommendations and incorporate them into the final Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan.



Sincerely,

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Comments from Richard House

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P 39 I strongly support

'Action 1.6 Recommend expansion of Environmental Project Officer role to 1.0 FTE'

P 40 The garden that is looked after by Victor Harbor Coastcare at Bridge Point is already along these lines. What more could be done there? There ways are whereby it can be improved.

'Action 3.2 Establish a garden to showcase local native plants for urban gardens' and

'Action 3.3 Maintain the local native showcase garden (3.2)'

P 41 This item is very important and already appreciated by Victor Harbor Coastcare. It is essential that this co-operation should be continued.

'Action 5.1 Provide support, technical advice and direction for community volunteers and groups working to enhance and protect the local natural environment.'

P43 to 46

The main number and sub numbers are out of sync. Chaotic. E.g. the main heading on P 43 is 8.0 but the sub headings are numbered 12.1, 12.2 etc. They should be 8.1, 8.2 etc.

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11.10 Manage foot traffic through dunes using revegetation and fencing where necessary.

And

11.12 Assess and establish the location of beach accesses to mitigate the risk of damage from informal paths and trampling

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9.4 Create a booklet for the community on urban biodiversity and using local native plants in the garden.

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P 57 Why aren't any of the coastal roads in this list?

P 57 Line 9. Spelling error? Should this be Thompson?

P 65 The title of the section is that it is declared weeds. But what about these other weeds – is it that they are not declared weeds?

Acacia cyclops,	lachenalia bulbifera,	agave americana,
cakile americana,	scabiosa atropurpurea	

Appendix 2



Respondent No: 1

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jun 04, 2023 07:52:47 am

Last Seen: Jun 04, 2023 07:52:47 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your Name?	[REDACTED]
Q2. Address	[REDACTED]
Q3. Your Email?	[REDACTED]
Q4. Add your email address to Council's monthly email newsletter, Victor Viewpoint?	not answered
Q5. What best describes you?	City of Victor Harbor ratepayer
Q6. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.	
I value the natural aspects of Victor Harbor and think they are important to the community.	Strongly agree
Protecting and restoring nature for future generations should be a priority of Council.	Strongly agree
The City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan has given me a clear overview of Council's biodiversity and natural assets.	Agree
Q7. Do you think there is anything missing in the City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan?	Yes
Q8. If yes, what is missing	
a comprehensive but short description of the biodiversity situation across the Mt Lofty Ranges and Fleurieu Peninsula - to give context to the plan	
Q9. On page 38 of the draft plan, thirteen key objectives are outlined. Please tick three objectives that you think are most important (highest priority) for Council.	☐ Develop staff knowledge and capacity ☐ Build key partnerships and share knowledge ☐ Protect and restore natural ecosystems
Q10. On pages 39 - 46 of the draft plan, a number of actions are outlined. Are there any actions you think should be added or removed?	No
Q11. Explain what actions you think should be changed:	
not answered	



Q12. If you have any more feedback on the draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan, please share it below.

page 20: 265 kms of roads in VHC area and 66 RVMs; it would be useful to know what percentage of the 265 kms have an RVM - this could then be followed through time, with increases/decreases in biodiversity value. page 25 spelling error: it is Enneapogon nigricans not nigrans

Q13. Are you an environmental volunteer?

Yes

Q14. If you are interested in environmental volunteering, please provide your best contact number below and a Council staff member will be in touch to discuss current opportunities.

I am a volunteer but not in the VHC area



Respondent No: 2

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jun 04, 2023 14:23:10 pm

Last Seen: Jun 04, 2023 14:23:10 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your Name?	
Q2. Address	
Q3. Your Email?	
Q4. Add your email address to Council's monthly email newsletter, Victor Viewpoint?	Yes
Q5. What best describes you?	City of Victor Harbor resident
Q6. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.	
I value the natural aspects of Victor Harbor and think they are important to the community.	Strongly agree
Protecting and restoring nature for future generations should be a priority of Council.	Strongly agree
The City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan has given me a clear overview of Council's biodiversity and natural assets.	Strongly agree
Q7. Do you think there is anything missing in the City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan?	No
Q8. If yes, what is missing	
not answered	
Q9. On page 38 of the draft plan, thirteen key objectives are outlined. Please tick three objectives that you think are most important (highest priority) for Council.	Protect and restore natural ecosystems Reduce pest animals and plants Reduce pollutants in the environment
Q10. On pages 39 - 46 of the draft plan, a number of actions are outlined. Are there any actions you think should be added or removed?	No
Q11. Explain what actions you think should be changed:	
not answered	
Q12. If you have any more feedback on the draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan, please share it below.	
It is a well put together paper, and congratulations to all who were involved in putting it together. Thank you.	
Q13. Are you an environmental volunteer?	Yes



Q14. If you are interested in environmental volunteering, please provide your best contact number below and a Council staff member will be in touch to discuss current opportunities.

not answered



Respondent No: 3

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jun 04, 2023 18:16:37 pm

Last Seen: Jun 04, 2023 18:16:37 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your Name?	
Q2. Address	
Q3. Your Email?	
Q4. Add your email address to Council's monthly email newsletter, Victor Viewpoint?	not answered
Q5. What best describes you?	City of Victor Harbor resident City of Victor Harbor ratepayer
Q6. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.	
I value the natural aspects of Victor Harbor and think they are important to the community.	Strongly disagree
Protecting and restoring nature for future generations should be a priority of Council.	Strongly disagree
The City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan has given me a clear overview of Council's biodiversity and natural assets.	Strongly disagree
Q7. Do you think there is anything missing in the City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan?	No
Q8. If yes, what is missing	not answered
Q9. On page 38 of the draft plan, thirteen key objectives are outlined. Please tick three objectives that you think are most important (highest priority) for Council.	Raise environmental awareness Connect with First Nations people/ organisations Incorporate biodiversity into the urban environment
Q10. On pages 39 - 46 of the draft plan, a number of actions are outlined. Are there any actions you think should be added or removed?	No
Q11. Explain what actions you think should be changed:	not answered



Q12. If you have any more feedback on the draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan, please share it below.

The Plan is very comprehensive but does not cover urban sprawl which is increasing in the Victor Harbor. I see this as a threat to the biodiversity of the area. Just the clearing of land and removal of trees is worrying. I hope Victor Harbor doesn't end up like Mt Barker with housing estates with no trees in sight.

Q13. Are you an environmental volunteer?

Yes

Q14. If you are interested in environmental volunteering, please provide your best contact number below and a Council staff member will be in touch to discuss current opportunities.

not answered



Respondent No: 4

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jun 05, 2023 17:41:29 pm

Last Seen: Jun 05, 2023 17:41:29 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your Name?	
Q2. Address	
Q3. Your Email?	
Q4. Add your email address to Council's monthly email newsletter, Victor Viewpoint?	not answered
Q5. What best describes you?	City of Victor Harbor resident City of Victor Harbor ratepayer
Q6. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.	
I value the natural aspects of Victor Harbor and think they are important to the community.	Strongly agree
Protecting and restoring nature for future generations should be a priority of Council.	Strongly agree
The City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan has given me a clear overview of Council's biodiversity and natural assets.	Agree
Q7. Do you think there is anything missing in the City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan?	No
Q8. If yes, what is missing	not answered
Q9. On page 38 of the draft plan, thirteen key objectives are outlined. Please tick three objectives that you think are most important (highest priority) for Council.	Protect beach-nesting birds Protect and restore natural ecosystems Reduce pollutants in the environment
Q10. On pages 39 - 46 of the draft plan, a number of actions are outlined. Are there any actions you think should be added or removed?	Yes
Q11. Explain what actions you think should be changed:	Always more ways of improving local flora and fauna protection, enough not being done.
Q12. If you have any more feedback on the draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan, please share it below.	not answered



Q13. Are you an environmental volunteer?

Yes

Q14. If you are interested in environmental volunteering, please provide your best contact number below and a Council staff member will be in touch to discuss current opportunities.

not answered



Respondent No: 5

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jun 10, 2023 10:36:32 am

Last Seen: Jun 10, 2023 10:36:32 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your Name?	
Q2. Address	
Q3. Your Email?	
Q4. Add your email address to Council's monthly email newsletter, Victor Viewpoint?	Yes
Q5. What best describes you?	City of Victor Harbor resident
Q6. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.	
I value the natural aspects of Victor Harbor and think they are important to the community.	Strongly agree
Protecting and restoring nature for future generations should be a priority of Council.	Strongly agree
The City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan has given me a clear overview of Council's biodiversity and natural assets.	Unsure
Q7. Do you think there is anything missing in the City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan?	Yes
Q8. If yes, what is missing	
The valuable resource of markets. Introducing a roving stall throughout the various markets would spread knowledge, sell important plants, increase volunteering for people that may otherwise be lost to us and increase awareness.	
Q9. On page 38 of the draft plan, thirteen key objectives are outlined. Please tick three objectives that you think are most important (highest priority) for Council.	Showcase the value of local biodiversity Incorporate biodiversity into the urban environment Reduce pest animals and plants
Q10. On pages 39 - 46 of the draft plan, a number of actions are outlined. Are there any actions you think should be added or removed?	not answered
Q11. Explain what actions you think should be changed:	
not answered	
Q12. If you have any more feedback on the draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan, please share it below.	
not answered	



Q13. Are you an environmental volunteer?

Yes

Q14. If you are interested in environmental volunteering, please provide your best contact number below and a Council staff member will be in touch to discuss current opportunities.

not answered



Respondent No: 6

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jun 10, 2023 22:00:30 pm

Last Seen: Jun 10, 2023 22:00:30 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your Name?	
Q2. Address	
Q3. Your Email?	
Q4. Add your email address to Council's monthly email newsletter, Victor Viewpoint?	Yes
Q5. What best describes you?	City of Victor Harbor ratepayer
Q6. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.	
I value the natural aspects of Victor Harbor and think they are important to the community.	Strongly agree
Protecting and restoring nature for future generations should be a priority of Council.	Strongly agree
The City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan has given me a clear overview of Council's biodiversity and natural assets.	Strongly agree
Q7. Do you think there is anything missing in the City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan?	Yes
Q8. If yes, what is missing	
More constructive ideas on how to prevent predators, human and animal, from accessing the penguins on Granite Island at night. Urgent action is needed.	
Q9. On page 38 of the draft plan, thirteen key objectives are outlined. Please tick three objectives that you think are most important (highest priority) for Council.	☐ Develop staff knowledge and capacity ☐ Build key partnerships and share knowledge ☐ Incorporate biodiversity into the urban environment
Q10. On pages 39 - 46 of the draft plan, a number of actions are outlined. Are there any actions you think should be added or removed?	Yes
Q11. Explain what actions you think should be changed:	
Education for Council workers on our native Swamp Rats that often inhabit reserves. These are protected and need to be worked around.	



Q12. If you have any more feedback on the draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan, please share it below.

It's ironic that 400 trees (some 200yrs old) will be cut down for a proposed overtaking lane when Council is Blah Blahing about environmental protection.

Q13. Are you an environmental volunteer?

No

Q14. If you are interested in environmental volunteering, please provide your best contact number below and a Council staff member will be in touch to discuss current opportunities.

not answered



Respondent No: 7

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jun 11, 2023 15:20:47 pm

Last Seen: Jun 11, 2023 15:20:47 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your Name?	
Q2. Address	
Q3. Your Email?	
Q4. Add your email address to Council's monthly email newsletter, Victor Viewpoint?	not answered
Q5. What best describes you?	City of Victor Harbor ratepayer
Q6. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.	
I value the natural aspects of Victor Harbor and think they are important to the community.	Agree
Protecting and restoring nature for future generations should be a priority of Council.	Agree
The City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan has given me a clear overview of Council's biodiversity and natural assets.	Agree
Q7. Do you think there is anything missing in the City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan?	Yes
Q8. If yes, what is missing	
Abit over the top. It's volunteers that do all the work	
Q9. On page 38 of the draft plan, thirteen key objectives are outlined. Please tick three objectives that you think are most important (highest priority) for Council.	Showcase the value of local biodiversity Collect and manage data on City of Victor Harbor natural assets Protect and restore natural ecosystems
Q10. On pages 39 - 46 of the draft plan, a number of actions are outlined. Are there any actions you think should be added or removed?	Yes
Q11. Explain what actions you think should be changed:	
Paid employees and 'meetings' can cost a lot of money.	
Q12. If you have any more feedback on the draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan, please share it below.	
not answered	
Q13. Are you an environmental volunteer?	Yes



Q14. If you are interested in environmental volunteering, please provide your best contact number below and a Council staff member will be in touch to discuss current opportunities.

not answered



Respondent No: 8

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jun 11, 2023 16:21:56 pm

Last Seen: Jun 11, 2023 16:21:56 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your Name?	
Q2. Address	
Q3. Your Email?	
Q4. Add your email address to Council's monthly email newsletter, Victor Viewpoint?	Yes
Q5. What best describes you?	City of Victor Harbor resident
Q6. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.	
I value the natural aspects of Victor Harbor and think they are important to the community.	Strongly agree
Protecting and restoring nature for future generations should be a priority of Council.	Strongly agree
The City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan has given me a clear overview of Council's biodiversity and natural assets.	Agree
Q7. Do you think there is anything missing in the City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan?	Yes
Q8. If yes, what is missing	
The docs a bit long and doesnt have a one page "plan"/ gannt chart. This would be handy to see what is going to be delivered by when and what the measure is. Are you comparing yourself to some kind of standard?? ie the UN? or some other standard. Subjectiveness = self assessment. Thanks.	
Q9. On page 38 of the draft plan, thirteen key objectives are outlined. Please tick three objectives that you think are most important (highest priority) for Council.	Collect and manage data on City of Victor Harbor natural assets Protect and restore natural ecosystems Reduce pest animals and plants
Q10. On pages 39 - 46 of the draft plan, a number of actions are outlined. Are there any actions you think should be added or removed?	not answered
Q11. Explain what actions you think should be changed:	
not answered	

Q12. If you have any more feedback on the draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan, please share it below.

I would get a bit more progressive on things like: 1) cat plan: inside only (i see them roaming al round the place especially when driving to surf early) 2) plan mentions " very small infestations" page 31. target 0% infestations 3) setting target for "1 million new trees" likewise for bushes, likewise for animal species etc. have some solid targets and KPI your team accordingly. I believe VH has the potential to be a true eco leader in SA / AU/ Gkobaly and why shouldn't we? I would put ENVIRONMENT and SUSTAINABILITY front and centre on the website home page; not tucked away>> and open it up to an interactive live map so you can readily see the area, projects happening and "Get Involved:" button for people who want to help out, not go hunting down 48 burrows trying to find a coordinators coordinator friends cousins former room mate, etc :) Engage with groups like Trees for Life. There are that many corporates globaly (including ASX etc) that are wanting ti plant trees, create ecosystems, nurture and regorw nature; vcapitalise on this. Nature trails: Set up series of nature trails so pleple can learn (I'll answer the other survey); these arnet mutually exclusive; they feed off one another and help to drive the eduaction/ecosystem/action etc. People are wanting a cleaner, greener, more natural place to live, breathe, see (this is a global movement) so i think VH should aspire to be a global leader.

Q13. Are you an environmental volunteer?

Yes

Q14. If you are interested in environmental volunteering, please provide your best contact number below and a Council staff member will be in touch to discuss current opportunities.





Respondent No: 9

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jun 12, 2023 10:03:38 am

Last Seen: Jun 12, 2023 10:03:38 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your Name?	not answered
Q2. Address	not answered
Q3. Your Email?	not answered
Q4. Add your email address to Council's monthly email newsletter, Victor Viewpoint?	not answered
Q5. What best describes you?	City of Victor Harbor ratepayer
Q6. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.	
I value the natural aspects of Victor Harbor and think they are important to the community.	Strongly agree
Protecting and restoring nature for future generations should be a priority of Council.	Strongly agree
The City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan has given me a clear overview of Council's biodiversity and natural assets.	Agree
Q7. Do you think there is anything missing in the City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan?	Yes
Q8. If yes, what is missing	
You are continuing to allow the development of the natural habitat of fauna for housing, how is this helping the natural habitat	
Q9. On page 38 of the draft plan, thirteen key objectives are outlined. Please tick three objectives that you think are most important (highest priority) for Council.	☐ Raise environmental awareness ☐ Improve fauna resilience ☐ Protect and restore natural ecosystems
Q10. On pages 39 - 46 of the draft plan, a number of actions are outlined. Are there any actions you think should be added or removed?	not answered
Q11. Explain what actions you think should be changed:	not answered
Q12. If you have any more feedback on the draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan, please share it below.	not answered



Q13. **Are you an environmental volunteer?**

not answered

Q14. **If you are interested in environmental volunteering, please provide your best contact number below and a Council staff member will be in touch to discuss current opportunities.**

not answered



Respondent No: 10

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jun 15, 2023 13:04:41 pm

Last Seen: Jun 15, 2023 13:04:41 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your Name?	not answered
Q2. Address	not answered
Q3. Your Email?	not answered
Q4. Add your email address to Council's monthly email newsletter, Victor Viewpoint?	not answered
Q5. What best describes you?	not answered
Q6. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.	
I value the natural aspects of Victor Harbor and think they are important to the community.	Strongly agree
Protecting and restoring nature for future generations should be a priority of Council.	Strongly agree
The City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan has given me a clear overview of Council's biodiversity and natural assets.	Unsure
Q7. Do you think there is anything missing in the City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan?	not answered
Q8. If yes, what is missing	not answered
Q9. On page 38 of the draft plan, thirteen key objectives are outlined. Please tick three objectives that you think are most important (highest priority) for Council.	not answered
Q10. On pages 39 - 46 of the draft plan, a number of actions are outlined. Are there any actions you think should be added or removed?	not answered
Q11. Explain what actions you think should be changed:	not answered



Q12. If you have any more feedback on the draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan, please share it below.

Street trees are essential, not only within new subdivision where allotments are small and not viable for canopy, but as older residential areas are being subdivided, tree loss has an impact for all. Heat island effect is a documented phenomenon that could be helped with street tree audits. Without even factoring in private tree loss, street trees fail and need to be monitored for replacement. Our street (central area with 40 houses) was replanted approx. 30 years ago and potentially 10 trees could be put in immediately. So many large trees have disappeared from horizon just standing in our backyard. We borrow canopy from our surrounding environment and birds have definitely been impacted.

Q13. Are you an environmental volunteer? not answered

Q14. If you are interested in environmental volunteering, please provide your best contact number below and a Council staff member will be in touch to discuss current opportunities. not answered



Respondent No: 11

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jun 20, 2023 15:49:24 pm

Last Seen: Jun 20, 2023 15:49:24 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your Name?	
Q2. Address	
Q3. Your Email?	
Q4. Add your email address to Council's monthly email newsletter, Victor Viewpoint?	not answered
Q5. What best describes you?	City of Victor Harbor resident
Q6. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.	
I value the natural aspects of Victor Harbor and think they are important to the community.	Strongly agree
Protecting and restoring nature for future generations should be a priority of Council.	Strongly agree
The City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan has given me a clear overview of Council's biodiversity and natural assets.	Strongly agree
Q7. Do you think there is anything missing in the City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan?	No
Q8. If yes, what is missing	not answered
Q9. On page 38 of the draft plan, thirteen key objectives are outlined. Please tick three objectives that you think are most important (highest priority) for Council.	Strengthen the resilience of threatened flora and increase locally uncommon plant species Protect and restore natural ecosystems Reduce pollutants in the environment
Q10. On pages 39 - 46 of the draft plan, a number of actions are outlined. Are there any actions you think should be added or removed?	Yes

Q11. Explain what actions you think should be changed:

Draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan 2023 to 2028 Comments from Richard House P 13 The length of Franklin Parade between Yilki and the boat ramp should have a priority allocated. This is a length of dune that is suffering huge destruction as seen at Yilki. Nature can help in the protection. Allocation should be at least yellow moderate but part of the length is much higher than that. P 17 The statement re the Hindmarsh River Estuary is very significant and should be taken into strong account when any further decisions re the proposed bikeway are being considered. A bikeway must not be allowed through this pristine area. Many of the items described for the Inman Estuary should also be inserted here. Especially re the swamp paperbarks. There are far more of those in the Hindmarsh Estuary than at the Inman Estuary. Why does the Inman get such a lot written about it when the Hindmarsh doesn't? P 39 I strongly support 'Action 1.6 Recommend expansion of Environmental Project Officer role to 1.0 FTE' P 40 The garden that is looked after by Victor Harbor Coastcare at Bridge Point is already along these lines. What more could be done there? There ways are whereby it can be improved. 'Action 3.2 Establish a garden to showcase local native plants for urban gardens' and 'Action 3.3 Maintain the local native showcase garden (3.2)' P 41 This item is very important and already appreciated by Victor Harbor Coastcare. It is essential that this co-operation should be continued. 'Action 5.1 Provide support, technical advice and direction for community volunteers and groups working to enhance and protect the local natural environment.' P43 to 46 The main number and sub numbers are out of sync. Chaotic. E.g. the main heading on P 43 is 8.0 but the sub headings are numbered 12.1, 12.2 etc. They should be 8.1, 8.2 etc. P 43 This is a pipe dream and not worth the effort and cost! '13.5 Control Sea Wheat-grass and replace with Rolling Spinifex in key locations to sustain habitat for Hooded Plovers'. P 43 If there is to be an area with enforced dog on leash criteria there should also be a designated beach where dogs off leash is allowed all year round. I have seen this in at Sandy Bay south of Hobart Tasmania. '13.8 Create a dog on-leash or exclusion zone around the Hindmarsh River mouth and incorporate into updated Dog and Cat Management Plan 2024- 2029, subject to relevant by-law review.' P 44 Brilliant! 11.8 Seek opportunities to partner in, and support, the 'Seeds for Snapper' program P 44 Victor Harbor Coastcare has achieved designation of correct routes through the Hindmarsh Estuary very effectively, without fencing, by just using pine posts with a yellow painted top. 11.10 Manage foot traffic through dunes using revegetation and fencing where necessary. And 11.12 Assess and establish the location of beach accesses to mitigate the risk of damage from informal paths and trampling P 45 Why do this? There is already such a booklet available from Landscapes Hills and Fleurieu (or which organisation is it?). 9.4 Create a booklet for the community on urban biodiversity and using local native plants in the garden. P 51 etc Some locations are in this Reserves List more than once. Does this mean something to someone? P 57 Why aren't any of the coastal roads in this list? P 57 Line 9. Spelling error? Should this be Thompson? P 65 The title of the section is that it is declared weeds. But what about these other weeds – is it that they are not declared weeds? Acacia cyclops, lachenalia bulbifera, agave americana, cakile americana, scabiosa atropurpurea

Q12. If you have any more feedback on the draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan, please share it below.

not answered

Q13. Are you an environmental volunteer?

Yes

Q14. If you are interested in environmental volunteering, please provide your best contact number below and a Council staff member will be in touch to discuss current opportunities.





Respondent No: 12

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jun 22, 2023 13:21:29 pm

Last Seen: Jun 22, 2023 13:21:29 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your Name?	
Q2. Address	
Q3. Your Email?	
Q4. Add your email address to Council's monthly email newsletter, Victor Viewpoint?	Yes
Q5. What best describes you?	Resident or ratepayer of neighbouring Council
Q6. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.	
I value the natural aspects of Victor Harbor and think they are important to the community.	Strongly agree
Protecting and restoring nature for future generations should be a priority of Council.	Strongly agree
The City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan has given me a clear overview of Council's biodiversity and natural assets.	Unsure
Q7. Do you think there is anything missing in the City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan?	Yes
Q8. If yes, what is missing	
The importance of ensuring all aspects of the plan are First Nations-led and guided. The importance of biodiversity as well as knowledge of and activities for biodiversity to individual and community health.	
Q9. On page 38 of the draft plan, thirteen key objectives are outlined. Please tick three objectives that you think are most important (highest priority) for Council.	☐ Connect with First Nations people/ organisations ☐ Strengthen the resilience of threatened flora and increase locally uncommon plant species ☐ Reduce pest animals and plants
Q10. On pages 39 - 46 of the draft plan, a number of actions are outlined. Are there any actions you think should be added or removed?	not answered
Q11. Explain what actions you think should be changed:	
not answered	
Q12. If you have any more feedback on the draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan, please share it below.	
not answered	



Q13. Are you an environmental volunteer?

Yes

Q14. If you are interested in environmental volunteering, please provide your best contact number below and a Council staff member will be in touch to discuss current opportunities.





Respondent No: 13

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jun 22, 2023 13:50:23 pm

Last Seen: Jun 22, 2023 13:50:23 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your Name?	
Q2. Address	
Q3. Your Email?	
Q4. Add your email address to Council's monthly email newsletter, Victor Viewpoint?	Yes
Q5. What best describes you?	Other (please specify) Volunteer group working in the dune system between The Bluff and Hayborough
Q6. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.	
I value the natural aspects of Victor Harbor and think they are important to the community.	Strongly agree
Protecting and restoring nature for future generations should be a priority of Council.	Strongly agree
The City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan has given me a clear overview of Council's biodiversity and natural assets.	Strongly agree
Q7. Do you think there is anything missing in the City of Victor Harbor's draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan?	No
Q8. If yes, what is missing	not answered
Q9. On page 38 of the draft plan, thirteen key objectives are outlined. Please tick three objectives that you think are most important (highest priority) for Council.	☐ Raise environmental awareness ☐ Protect and restore natural ecosystems ☐ Incorporate biodiversity into the urban environment
Q10. On pages 39 - 46 of the draft plan, a number of actions are outlined. Are there any actions you think should be added or removed?	Yes
Q11. Explain what actions you think should be changed:	
Preparation of a specific endemic plant list for various 'areas' within the Council boundaries i.e. Coastal/Rural. Make these updated lists readily available (website) and particularly for any development application requiring a landscaping plan. Council to negotiate with developers for the landscaping plan to reflect the endemic plant list. One of our members has street plantings of Turkey Oak in his recent Victor Harbor development. These plantings should no longer be happening within our community, we are more advanced than that and it should be reflected within these areas.	



Q12. If you have any more feedback on the draft Biodiversity and Natural Assets Management Plan, please share it below.

The adaptation of a specific Community Biodiversity Nursery would be advantageous to this plan enabling the creation of a steady and reliable supply of plant tube stock available to all.

Q13. Are you an environmental volunteer?

Yes

Q14. If you are interested in environmental volunteering, please provide your best contact number below and a Council staff member will be in touch to discuss current opportunities.

not answered