

RESILIENT WYNDHAM

2021-2025

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Resilient Wyndham looks at Wyndham's long-term resilience and will help to guide and manage the way Wyndham bounces back from the COVID-19 pandemic to adapt, survive and thrive in the face of future events such as climate change, extreme weather, natural disasters, pandemics, cyber-security attacks and economic downturn. Resilience is about being prepared for the unexpected.

Providing a four-year vision to 2025, Resilient Wyndham includes targets along with a yearly action plan to help strengthen Wyndham's resilience and ability to better prepare for future shocks and stresses. The Strategy captures what is already being done as well as identifying where we can do more

WHAT WE HEARD

A four-week consultation period commenced Wednesday 28 April 2021 and closed on Wednesday 26 May 2021, thank you to all stakeholders and residents who provided feedback.



85.71% believe Wyndham is currently 'somewhat resilient'



Storms / flooding / intense rainfall were identified as the priority shock for Wyndham



Level of support averaged 4 across all focus areas (**1 for no support, 5 strong support**)



71% of respondents provided comment on opportunities for actions



Engagement reach was **172,629** people, with **46** formal contributions were made via the Loop



Need for better representation of our **CALD, Ageing, Youth and Agriculture** sectors



Strong support for **food growing and swaps, mental health initiatives, greening activities and electric vehicles**

HOW WE LISTENED

Based on what we heard during the consultation period, the following Targets and Year 1 Actions have been added to the Strategy.

TARGETS

- By 2030 all Council fleet passenger vehicles will be low or zero emission (where a fit for purpose option is available).
- By 2030 all Council vehicle purchases will meet best practice emissions standards and use carbon neutral power source (where a fit for purpose option is available)

ACTIONS

- Extension of the H3 Alliance funding to reduce homelessness by increasing access to housing supply, providing outreach, transitional, legal and health support, building capacity and addressing issues that lead to housing vulnerability.
- In conjunction with Victorian Farmers Federation develop a community taskforce/committee to advance the needs of primary producers and agricultural businesses within Wyndham.
- Develop a communications and marketing campaign promoting key regional agricultural precincts such as Werribee South Market Gardens.
- In conjunction with key stakeholders develop a business development, information exchange and employment pathway program which promotes and advances agriculture for existing and emerging business.
- Council to continue to work with other agencies in delivering greening projects (trees, vegetation) that are passively irrigated by stormwater, such as Greening the Pipeline.
- Development of single dwelling guide to reduce local heat.
- Review of the Beautification of Nature Strips Policy to consider urban heat and encourage greenery over artificial surfaces.
- Community and Council staff are educated on indigenous knowledge systems through a series of workshops as part of Council's Green Living Series.
- Review Open Space Strategy documents highlighting Wyndham's resilience and sustainable principles.
- Joint Emergency Management exercise in Manor Lakes led by Victoria Police, in partnership with Council, Country Fire Authority, Fire Rescue Victoria, Department of Health, Ambulance Victoria and Emergency Management Victoria. Exercise Walkaway will help prepare the community and emergency services for the upcoming summer bushfire / grassfire season.
- Produce an Electric Vehicle Transition Plan to determine the benefits and opportunities in fleet asset replacement with electric vehicles and any associated infrastructure requirements.
- Review the Motor Vehicle and Plant Policy for the inclusion of emissions standard.

HIGHLIGHTS

The Strategy has been broken up into five focus areas being:



By 2030 all residents have knowledge and **access to fresh food** within their neighbourhood (growing or purchasing)



Increase in the number of people who **know their neighbours**



At least 25% potential canopy cover within streets across Wyndham by 2030 (moved forward from 2040)



Wyndham City residents are aware of and know **how to respond** to unexpected shocks



Wyndham City Council operations are **carbon neutral** by 2023 (excluding the RDF)



Halve household food waste to landfill by 2030



100 businesses participate in Wyndham Connect and feel more informed about future challenges and are able to put in place strategies to be better prepared

GET IN CONTACT

We can all play a part in building resilience. We invite you to work with us to achieve a resilient Wyndham – after all, we are stronger together.

To view the full Resilient Wyndham Strategy please visit www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/resilientwyndham or scan the QR code



If you would like to share your resilience story or learn about how you can get involved to help build Wyndham's resilience email Council's Climate Futures Office green.living@wyndham.vic.gov.au