

Baw Baw Shire Council invites community feedback about the

Draft Baw Baw Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017-21





Project Summary

The Baw Baw Public Health and Wellbeing Plan focuses on protecting, promoting and improving health to reduce or better still, avoid poor health outcomes across the Baw Baw population in the short and long term. It is a municipal plan and is a required project under the Health and Wellbeing Act 2008.

Council would like to hear from people in Baw Baw to understand if the *Draft Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017-21* meets the expectations of the community.

Council has worked with the community to develop this municipal plan. An extensive community engagement phase was undertaken in July 2017. The ideas and priorities of the community formed the starting point for what is contained in the plan.

The final document is expected to be presented to Council late in 2017 for adoption.

Please read through the *Draft Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017-21*, and have your say on this important municipal document.

Included in this pack

- Project information
- Frequently asked questions
- Feedback form

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Timeline

Submissions and comment on this draft proposal will be considered if received by 5:00 PM, 9 November 2017.

Submissions

Online

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Have YourSayMPHWP

Visit a Service Centre

• <u>Drouin</u>: 33 Young Street

 Warragul: Annex Building, 90 Smith Street.

Email to

bawbaw@bawbawshire.vic.gov.au

Written submissions should be addressed to:

Social and Community Planner Baw Baw Shire Council PO Box 304, Warragul, VIC 3820



Purpose

To gather feedback from the community about the *Draft Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017-21.*

To meet Council's statutory requirement to engage with the community in developing and delivering its Public Health and Wellbeing Plan.

To comply with Council's Community Engagement Policy.

Background

Your feedback will help Council develop the *Baw Baw Public Health* and *Wellbeing Plan 2017-21*.

This plan is about promoting good long-term health for everyone, and lowering the risk of poor health outcomes. It sets out what Council and other partners will do to make our environments, and the systems that we use, healthier and better for us.

It is important to hear what you think about protecting, promoting and improving public health in Baw Baw.

Benefits of the project

If a good plan is developed with lots of community input, we will build a good four-year roadmap to improving public health in Baw Baw and be confident that there is widespread community support.

How do I know my feedback has been received?

All forms, submissions or correspondence will be acknowledged either by email or letter so that you know your comments have been received.

What happens to my ideas and feedback?

Council will consolidate comments and feedback and consider all submissions. A decision will be made on the final details.

Those who have taken part in the community engagement process will be informed of the final outcomes, which will also be available on the Baw Baw Shire Council website.



Frequently Asked Questions

To whom does the draft plan apply?

The draft plan applies to all individuals and businesses or organisations who reside, work or operate in Baw Baw.

What does the draft plan include?

Items covered in this Plan include:

- an overview of Baw Baw Shire demographics
- an overview of the Community Engagement process undertaken in July 2017
- opportunities to protect, promote and improve health and wellbeing in Baw Baw
- Populations and settings of interest
- Objectives and Strategies
- Tracking progress
- How to get involved

Why did Council develop a plan?

Under Section 26 of the Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008, every council must prepare a Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan every four years. An Action Plan will accompany the plan, which is reviewed and developed annually.

When will the draft plan take effect?

Once the consultation period has ended, Council will consider the responses received and may make amendments as necessary.

The plan will come into effect once adopted by Council, and submitted to the Secretary of the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services.

What are the Project Impacts?

The objectives of the Baw Baw Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017-21 will be in place for four years. It is essential to the success of the plan that voices of people and partnering organisations are represented. We want to work together for positive changes that improve public health.

After consultation closes

The *Draft Baw Baw Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017-21* will be reviewed to consider the feedback provided. A final version of the plan will be presented to Council for adoption.



Feedback Form

Submissions and comment on this draft proposal will be considered if received by 5:00 PM, 9 November 2017.	'Opportunities to improve our health and wellbeing' section
Name	
Preferred contact:	
• Email	'Populations and setting' section
• Phone	
• Postal	
'About Baw Baw Shire' section	'Improving Mental Health' objective and strategies
'Having Your Say' section	'Preventing Violence and Injury' objective and strategies



'Healthy eating and active living' objective and strategies	
'Reducing harm from gambling, tobacco, alcohol and other drugs' objective and strategies	
'Leadership for a healthy Baw Baw' objective and strategies	
'Tracking progress' and ''How to get involved' section	
Other comments	Thank you for your feedback