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About the survey

- Survey form drafted by a *kitchen-table* group of interested residents:
Sue Murray, David Anthony, Sarah Leheny, Trish Sargeson, Sheelagh Noonan, John Beale, Sue Lyons, Janene Collins and John Tuckwell
- Open to all residents in 2622
- 9 questions were asked, mainly on residents' priority projects and issues
- On-line (SurveyMonkey) and hard copy survey
- On-line lists of projects / issues were randomised to minimise bias
- Survey conducted between 4 - 26 March 2021
- Still analysing the results

314 persons responded
~8% of the overall population and
~10% of the adult population

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The Results

Q1-3 Contacts, Residential status and location

- All the respondents entered their postcode as '2622'
- Only 9 responses did not provide their full name and contacts (ie anonymous)
- Full-time residents accounted for 92% of responses, with just 8% part-time
- 44% lived in Braidwood, 46% in rural areas and 13% in villages

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Q4. Rating projects for inclusion in the QPRC 2021-22 Operational Plan

Score	Very low Importance 1	Low Importance 2	Medium Importance 3	High Importance 4	Very high Importance 5	Total Respondents	Weighted Average
Drought-proof Braidwood's water supply	1.0% 3	3.2% 10	17.0% 53	27.0% 84	51.8% 161	311	4.25
More paths within Braidwood	6.2% 19	15.3% 47	27.0% 83	23.7% 73	27.9% 86	308	3.52
New 25m Swimming Pool	7.8% 24	15.3% 47	29.3% 90	19.9% 61	27.8% 85	307	3.44
Skate Park	20.1% 61	18.4% 56	22.7% 69	22.0% 67	16.8% 51	304	2.97

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Q5 Additional project ideas for inclusion in the QPRC 2021-22 Operational Plan

- 206 individuals put forward 305 ideas for projects
- **Roads and associated issues** (parking and paths) was dominant, with ~43% of suggestions on this topic, with 29% on roads, 11% on paths and 3% on parking
- **Environmental related issues**, accounted for ~15% of all suggestions, with renewable energy accounting for 2% of all ideas
- **Beautification ideas**, often linked to environmental suggestions with more tree plantings, accounted for 7% of all suggestions
- Residents requesting **more sporting facilities** accounted for 6% of ideas, within this a better pool (mainly a year round heated pool) accounted for nearly 4% of all suggestions
- Ideas for **better facilities for the youth** accounted for nearly 5% of the suggestions made
- Ideas for **improved tourism facilities** accounted for nearly 4% of suggestions overall

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Q6. Rating issues of importance to residents

Score	Very low Importance 1	Low Importance 2	Medium Importance 3	High Importance 4	Very High Importance 5	Total Respondents	Weighted Average
Reliable Communications (internet and phone)	0.0% 0	1.9% 6	9.7% 30	27.4% 85	61.0% 189	310	4.47
Reliable Water Supply	1.3% 4	2.3% 7	12.3% 38	28.1% 87	56.1% 174	310	4.35
Protection of the natural environment (including significant trees)	1.3% 4	3.6% 11	17.7% 55	30.3% 94	47.1% 146	310	4.18
Rural roads / bridges / grading	0.0% 0	2.6% 8	22.5% 70	34.1% 106	40.8% 127	311	4.13
Sustainable Community (including clean energy)	1.3% 4	5.5% 17	17.7% 55	30.3% 94	45.2% 140	310	4.13
Employment / Apprenticeships / town and agriculture	1.0% 3	5.5% 17	24.5% 76	36.8% 114	32.3% 100	310	3.94
Disability Access	1.6% 5	3.6% 11	27.2% 83	35.7% 109	31.8% 97	305	3.92
Plan for the future strategic development of Braidwood	3.3% 10	6.5% 20	24.4% 75	30.3% 93	35.5% 109	307	3.88
Braidwood roads / road safety / carpark / bypass- ring road	2.6% 8	8.0% 25	22.2% 69	33.8% 105	33.4% 104	311	3.87
Youth and Child activities	2.9% 9	6.5% 20	27.0% 83	31.2% 96	32.5% 100	308	3.84
Affordable Housing	4.2% 13	8.4% 26	22.7% 70	29.1% 90	35.6% 110	309	3.83
Heritage protection of Braidwood and curtilage	5.2% 16	7.4% 23	25.6% 79	26.8% 83	35.0% 108	309	3.79
Sporting Activities / Walking / Cycling activity spaces	2.9% 9	6.4% 20	35.1% 109	32.4% 101	23.2% 72	311	3.67
Business support	2.6% 8	10.5% 32	35.9% 109	30.4% 93	20.7% 63	304	3.56

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Q7 Additional suggestions for issues of concern

- 132 individuals put forward 154 ideas for issues
- Most ideas provided support or elaboration on issues already suggested or were projects (ie solutions to issues) not issues
- New suggestions for issues of concern included:
 - Medical services
 - Beautification of Braidwood
 - Storm water and flood mitigation
 - Respect for cultural and sexual diversity
 - Animal welfare

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Q8 Suggestions for new future projects over the life of the next Council

- 159 individuals put forward 217 ideas for new future projects
- Many of the ideas were supporting or elaborating on pre-existing project proposals, suggested existing facilities, were comments, were improved maintenance or better implementation of existing policy suggestions, or were not within QPRC's responsibility etc.
- Nevertheless, still around 60 ideas remain.

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Some key ideas for future projects over the life of the next Council

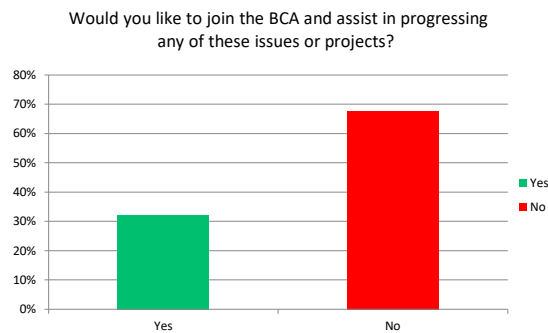
- Development of a shared path around the outskirts of Braidwood
- Performing Arts space
- Re-development of D&S Motors site and the Council Works Depot
- Resealing all of Majors Creek road
- Sealing of many dirt roads, notably Cooma Road
- Braidwood beautification (eg tree plantings, landscaping entries and exit to town ...)
- Traffic calming (eg speed humps) in side streets (eg Monkittee and Elrington streets)
- Improved street lighting
- Local clean energy generation (eg solar farm and pumped hydro)
- Enclosed heated swimming pool for all year use
- Develop camping and caravan as well as other facilities at showground (eg horse sand arena)
- Dog play park fully fenced in
- Cycling infrastructure to make the region a cycling destination (eg dirt bike trails, signage ...)
- Proper storm water system in Braidwood
- Completion of all priority paths in the Braidwood Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Plan

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Q9 Interest in joining the BCA and assisting in progressing any of the issues or projects

- Some 97 responses (32%) answered 'Yes' to this question
- 36 were already members so were **an** offers of assistance
- We are following the potential new members and offers of assistance



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Where to from here?

- Already **made** a Pre-QPRC Draft Operational Plan 2021-22 Submission which is at www.braidwoodcommunity.org.au
- Emphasis on timely completion of existing projects and addition of 4 projects from Q4
- Await Draft QPRC Operational Plan 2021-22 (adopted on 28 April?) will then review and comment on as necessary
- Continue to analyse the survey responses
- *Kitchen-table* group and committee to review the suggestions for future projects over the life of the next Council and draw up a shortlist of under 20 projects
- Follow-up survey with residents invited to rate (not rank) this shortlist of projects
- Results of this and other consultative mechanisms, including open meeting discussions, will lead to a final short list of new priority projects for the next Council
- BCA intends presenting this list to all candidates in the September QPRC elections and seek their public support and commitment to implementing these projects during the period of the new Council

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Questions?

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