

South Geelong Station Area Community Workshops

CONNECTING People and Destinations

COMBINED OUTPUTS

INTRODUCTION

Three community workshops were held on July 31st, August 6th and 10th attracting over 100 participants. The purpose of the workshops was to gain understanding and input into the lived experience of the present issues of the study area; design the preferred future together and nominate the things about the study area that are most valued.

Set out below are the:

- Summary of the present situation and
- Summary of preferred future around safety, look and feel of the area and what people do in the area.
- An outline of the things most important to participants about the study area
- And the unedited outputs.

These outputs, along with the on-line survey results will be used to shape the vision and values to guide and inform the development of the Urban Design Framework and associated details.

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SUMMARY: Present Situation

Issue	Working well	Not Working well	Comment
Traffic, parking and pedestrian safety	7	53	Biggest area of concern
Railway Station	4	20	
Community facilities and activities	32	23	Have a lot of facilities
Character, heritage and convenience	39	21	Great place to live and convenient location
Green spaces and trees	9	6	
Safety and lighting	3	8	

SUMMARY: Preferred Future Around Themes

Theme	Area	No comments	Includes
Look and feel	Development/buildings and housing	48	Barwon Water site: mixed use development, green, community space, some retail, nightingale type development, medium density housing; well-designed developments, mixed housing including social housing
	Character and atmosphere	29	Leafy, residential, heritage
	Open space and trees	27	Trees – more evergreens – not paper barks, parks, ovals
	Connections	20	Links to river, rail trail, safe to move around the area, pedestrian bridge over railway, link both sides of station
	Transport and parking	18	More walking and riding. Less cars
	Social infrastructure	7	Street furniture, places to meet, art, park facilities, signage, way-finding
	Lighting and noise	5	Street lighting, covered walkways, sound proofing railway line
	Compliance	3	Planning requirements
	Utilities	1	Drainage around Richmond Oval

Theme	Area	No comments	Includes
Safety in the area	Pedestrian and cycle network	55	Complete bike network, pedestrian connection between station and Kardinia Park, more pedestrian crossings, access to Moorabool businesses
	Traffic and parking control	35	Traffic control mechanisms, access in/out of station, enforcement on weekends, Mundy, Carr/Bellerine, intersections Verner/Carr/Railway, Carr/Swanston, Carr as one-way street
	Social infrastructure	13	Public toilets Richmond Oval, supermarket, Yarra Street green spine into CBD, Station, vibrant night life
	Lighting	13	Street lighting, Foster Reserve, clever and creative pedestrian lighting
	Transport corridors and network	12	Keep vehicles out of neighbourhood streets, Intersections Carr/Swanston/Verner and Yarra/Verner, one-way street around South Geelong Primary School
	Developments	3	Mixed use, energy safety, housing safety – make use of laneways
	Changing area	2	Demographics
	Hazards	1	Poor drainage around oval
	Food	1	Community gardens and orchards
	Responsibilities	1	Everyone has a role to play
What people do in the area	Social infrastructure	35	Access Kardinia Park facilities by public, playgrounds and BBQ areas, swimming all year round, respond to climate change, early childhood centres locally
	Retail and businesses	20	Shop locally, people work in area and from home, commercial use near station, more food options, supermarket
	Living and activities	14	Cinema, cafes, restaurants, community gardens, local social hubs, markets, events
	Walking and cycling tracks	10	Along rail corridor, connect to Bellarine Rail Trail, crossing Moorabool Street, connecting, Station to Kardinia Park, everyone walks and rides around the area
	Transport	10	Public transport, fast trains to Melbourne, lighter rail into Geelong, autonomous bus, electric car charging stations
	Physical activities	8	Wellbeing and fitness, walking, playing
	Access	1	Access to river and trails

SUMMARY: Preferred Future

X Factor: *What we want the South Geelong Station Precinct to be like in the future*

- A great place to live, where the community thrives, and people want to stay
- We are a friendly, welcoming, heritage, unique village accessible to everything we need, and people want to visit
- Great place to live; Great place to live in; STAR: Safety, Transport, Amenity, Residential – the STAR above South Geelong
- We value an accessible, safe and vibrant community that respects the area’s heritage and is a connected community
- We are an inviting, residential community that is prestigious, creative, artistic and sustainable
- It’s a great place to live, work, rest and play – (*Mars Bar!*)
- It’s where you want to be! (safe, accessible, inviting, green, sense of community, neighbourly /connected)
- Our community embraces heritage, green spaces, connectiveness, vibrancy and the lifestyle! (vibrant, connected, community, market, shopping, maintain heritage, green spaces, wide streets, sporting facilities, lifestyle)
- We value the character of the area and have a thriving/vibrant area where people want to come and feel safe
- It’s a great place to live because of the character of the area
- Bold, physical statements of commitments to our values, which makes South Geelong a destination: connected, amazing, progressive, clever, green, kind and compassionate, people want to live here and visit, it’s different.
- This is the best part of Geelong: best community; best facilities.
- This railway facility remains an important asset and not a parking burden
- The people who live here want to be able to walk, socialise and shop in the area

UNEDITED OUTPUTS

Present Situation

Working Well	Not Working Well
TRAFFIC PARKING & PEDESTRIAN SAFETY	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic flows • Good divide lanes • Lanes • Traffic calming on Carr Street • Moorabool Street closures on game days • Active transport can be used • Generally, traffic easy to navigate 	<p>PARKING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of parking now and in future – station, stadium • Parking; not enough parking • Car parking generally • On-street parking: 4 hours for visitors • Permit parking for residents • All day parking should be removed and introduce permit parking • Parking: on street, around station, Verner Street; Policing parking; permit parking for residents; cinema (not specific parking); new residential developments with not enough parking • Parking • Unattractive parking • Too much undefined parking – parking on grass and mud • Huge area of great land used for parking - put it underground and use the land • Car park demand

Working Well	Not Working Well
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parking implications of businesses on Moorabool • Parking for residents on Swanston Street • Verner Street used as a thoroughfare - very dangerous intersection • Crossing Yarra Street – Foster Street, Kilgour Street. Cars going wrong way on Carr Street • Parking – crowded crescent on sports day – for CBD; around station; difficult to cross roads – bike riders • Station car parking – overflow; risk of increasing numbers • All day parking occupied • Station car park – surface • Football parking <p>PEDESTRIAN SAFETY & BICYCLES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pedestrian environment and safety • Pedestrian safety • Safe movement for pedestrians and bikes • Not enough pedestrian crossings • Conflict: cars/pedestrians • Swanston Street lacks pedestrian crossings; bad access to station • Traffic coming out of Richmond to Swanston Streets – not safe for pedestrians • Pedestrian safety on Moorabool Street • Only one pedestrian crossing over rail – need more – Bellerine Street • Pedestrian access Kilgour/Swanston and Kilgour/Yarra Streets • Bike lanes – combined with parking – cars backing in bike lanes • Bike safety – even as an adult, bike access could be better – room for improvement • Separate bike lanes • No footpath on Foster Street near Richmond Oval • Inconsistency in bike park treatment <p>TRAFFIC VOLUME & SPEED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic speed (Carr Street and Swanston Street and Yarra Street) • Volume of traffic exiting station onto Yarra • Buses – accessing Verner Street • Traffic management now calming options • Verner/Carr/Swanston intersection • Speed and road network - traffic • Traffic around the oval • Traffic management and parking • Kilgour Street = ‘Rat Run’ – drivers speeding, not safe • Transport and traffic: Lack of connectivity of bike lanes; parking round the school; traffic Mundy Street – Yarra Street at school times; traffic management; Game day traffic and parking • High speed traffic

Working Well	Not Working Well
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High use of private car use despite good public transport • Corner of Carr and Swanston Streets – difficult for cars and pedestrians • Problem crossing Moorabool at south end • ‘Hoon’ traffic on Bellerine Street and Verner Street • Have speed limit -not safe for kids alone to school • Opportunities for sequencing lights better
RAILWAY STATION ISSUES	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good station – staffed • Proximity to Central Geelong, Station • Close to station and Geelong CBD • Plenty of trains and trains on time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single line trains – stationary trains waiting • Safety on Railway interface • Level crossings are unsafe • Pedestrian access around train station • Vehicle access around train station • Public transport is bad • Station – crowded; no permeability for people taking the train; scheduling, not enough • Swanston – barriers and gates • Station rail crossing is dangerous • Getting across the train line; long wait due to ‘overshoot’ at Swanston Street • Lack of connection across station • Dispersion of people from the station • Gheringchap Street – congestion during train times • Volume of traffic accessing station via Verner Street • Back lane along railway line • Spilling of parking from station • Connectivity – station to North over railway line • Level crossing – traffic/pedestrian delay • Nature strip on rail side at Carr Street
COMMUNITY FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children’s playground • Play equipment for children • Playgrounds • Sporting ovals/courts • Sports Club/Oval • Public open space • Kardinia Park • Richmond oval • Foster Reserve great to have • Foster Street Reserve – major opportunity for quality green space – community garden • Local schools • Primary school • School • Kardinia Park sports offering • Richmond Oval sports activities • Bluebird House • Convenient school • Richmond Oval good place for people to meet • Hopetown Park gets used very regularly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foster Reserve needs to be upgraded due to more people in area • Foster Street Reserve is neglected – people go past, don’t stop • Foster Street – railways reserve in poor condition and loss of space in reserve to proposed development • Foster Park could be better – footpath access and \$\$ for irrigation • Lack of infrastructure in park – Fosters Reserve e.g. BBQs/picnic area/basketball • Local playground and parks – Foster Street and Bellarine Street • Development of Foster Street • Access to Kardinia Park • Notification to residents about when the fireworks are on at Kardinia Park • Kardinia Park, Local area, First Nation’s people • No direct way and well signed way to get to Kardinia Park • No outdoor seating around Kardinia Park and generally all public areas

Working Well	Not Working Well
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lots of community amenity, parks, shops, school, community feel • Bigger open spaces around Kardinia Park – spacious • Keep dog oval outside sporting hours • Open spaces – Kardinia Park • Richmond Oval – houses facing into it • Foster Street playground (to be updated – just adequate at present) • Pivotonian Cinema • Cafes • Nice cafes • Things to do cafes (more coming), cinema, pubs • Sunday market • Good for dog walking / exercise • Activities (sports) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kardinia Park turns back to area • Off-leash dog areas – free bags Richmond Oval • No dog disposal bags • Dog poo/bags/bins • Dog poo in public areas /footpaths (poor access bags) • Enclosed oval – for dogs • Richmond ground bright lights • Grass surfaces of sporting ovals is poor • Not enough public open space and community facilities • Football/cricket Club exclusive use of the club rooms – should be opened up to everyone to use • More active public spaces in the area
CHARACTER, HERITAGE & CONVENIENCE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It's a village • Feels like a community • Neighbourhood character • Community • Low density – buildings; heights • Atmosphere • Unique area • Walkable – to station, city, water • Ease of access to the whole area – everywhere is easy to walk around • Whole area is very convenient • Love that you can walk everywhere. Have got rid of the car! • Proximity to City (services) • Close to town • Proximity – close to everything • Existing quality of housing • Good design of house in the area • Wide streets • Wide streets • Lovely wide streets • Wider streets • Access • Not overcrowded • Convenience and access • Walkability • Well-connected footpath system • Proximity to areas of interest – walkability • Easy access to city; footy; station • Close to facilities – good location • Great for walking kids to school • Generally good footpaths • Access to oval is good – contributes to positive community feel • Heritage • Heritage 'feel' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-compliance between industry and residential (could work well if Council enforced) • Two story/multi building high diversity • Poor new housing development • Too many B/B • Signs adjacent to railway line and roads – blocking views (should be reviewed) • Poor quality infrastructure – footpaths, roads, pedestrian crossings • Street furniture • Support/engagement between retail/businesses and residents • The amenity of the area is attracting lots of people to the area – parking pressure on infrastructure and amenity, housing • Unsympathetic development • Need for public realm improvement / clean up • Development not fitting into the character of the area – review planning controls. Issues with multi-story developments • Losing heritage buildings • Heritage overlay reviews – should happen to expand • New development that doesn't respect heritage • Heritage properties replace with ugly modern units • > unit development /non-heritage • Higher density • Unit development near station – under development? Poor design • No visual connection between the spaces • Pockets of lands that are under-developed

Working Well	Not Working Well
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bluestone curbs • Heritage building / streetscapes • Support new houses outside heritage areas when in-keeping with scale • Look and feel – heritage housing • Diversity of housing – modern and heritage • Heritage building near station 	
GREEN SPACE & TREES	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urban plantings • Trees • Mature trees in Verner Street – tree lined streets • Share water and grow trees • Wide open streets and trees • Lot of green spaces and playgrounds and street trees • Street trees • Great trees – canopy • Wildlife 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not enough trees – more green needed • Street trees • Move trees in areas where they are lacking – Carr Street • More green space • Paperbark trees – end of life? • Wasted space that could be used for parking or trees
SAFETY & STREET LIGHTING	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe area now • Feels reasonably safe 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More lighting • Safety after dark • Lack of street lights • Dark at night – isolated • Lack of lighting – safety • Feel on Carr Street (S.E. end) opposite big shed austere, at times unsafe • Dark at night – Richmond Crescent; between Moorabool Street and Station • Lack of street lighting near station.
GENERAL	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rubbish left by football spectators • Graffiti not good • Overhead electricity lines • Over-population • Noise • Lack of signage – Rail Tail for visitors about;

Preferred Future

Theme	Content
THEME: LOOK AND FEEL	
Character and atmosphere	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Village atmosphere: safe, relaxed, respect for space • A village character • Highton Village amenity – streets around Barwon Water – Moorabool Street • Community activity and social cohesion • Pride in place – people look after the area • Quiet feel • Older houses are still here • Heritage buildings still there • Heritage values respected • Still have heritage qualities

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respect the heritage of the area – new developments • Heritage is retained • Heritage character of the area retained • Heritage celebrated – interpretative signage, walks, plaques • Keep green parks and oval • Pockets of greenery on the street • Larger leafy lots to remain • Keep distinct character of each precinct • Retain character – review overlays • Lots of traditional. Single-storey houses in groups – character • Leadlight glass windows retained • Predominately a residential area with low-scale development • Low rise character and development • Artwork (public) – murals that are graffiti deterrent; along railway line • Acknowledgement of First Nations in ‘public realm’ • Underground electricity lines and telephone • Pet friendly but conscious pet ownership – more bag stations and bins • Wide streets and wide nature strips • Don’t want it to be like Geelong West
<p>Developments / businesses and housing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barwon site – some retail – fruit and vegetables • Barwon – green and community space be included • Barwon water site – café, shops, community, supermarket – not all residential • Barwon Water site no high density • Barwon Water – quality design – not ‘box’ • Barwon Water – townhouse style – shops fronting Carr • Mixed use hub (Barwon site) • More cafes – local destinations – Barwon Water site • A ‘hub’ – market, food, mixed shops (Barwon Water site) • More conveniences within walking – Barwon Water site – mixed uses • The train station will have a ‘buzz and vibe’ • Build on station proximity • Screening of train corridors with walking path • Drop the station - underground • Big shed site to respect residential nature of areas and heritage • No blank wall in new development – keep character • New development sustainable and respect character • Not high-rise – ½ storeys • Mix of medium and low-scale housing (appropriate to the area) • Developments with communal areas and low site coverage • Second station at Kardinia Park for game day with great pedestrian connections • Site coverage in new development is low • Smaller lot/house sizes – environmentally friendly • Medium-scale developments – like Nightingale Project • Beautiful buildings • Keeping with heritage feel • New building should be appropriately designed to reflect heritage area and green space – leafy heritage suburb • Moorabool Street would be the commercial heart • All developments are sustainable <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mix of businesses on Moorabool Street due to benefit of street upgrade • ‘Nightingale’ type developments – similar sustainable developments

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More medium development housing • Overlooking/sun angles managed – problem <3 storey development • More medium/higher density – grouped in clusters • Modernised interiors and ‘mod cons’ in houses • Smaller shops / IGA-sized supermarket • Active street frontages in vicinity of station and Moorabool Street (selective mixed-use areas) • Diversity of housing/residents – socio-ethnic?? • Bit more increased density • More a satellite city with mixed use (residential, commercial, retail) • No development over four storeys • More attractive Moorabool frontage opposite Kardinia Park – possible better uses, hospitality, cafes, etc. • Medium-scale developments – like Nightingale Project • Beautiful buildings • Keeping with heritage feel • New building should be appropriately designed to reflect heritage area and green space – leafy heritage suburb • Moorabool Street would be the commercial heart • All developments are sustainable
<p>Open space and trees</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lots of trees to bring birdlife • Parks and ovals still here • Garden spaces not just grass – opportunity near railway house • Kids play space, seating, tress, walking paths • More trees and green and better quality and multi-purpose and community gathering space and community garden • Wide streets – creative planning in the centre • Paperbarks not preferred • More evergreen trees that keep out streets clean • Maintaining green spaces (lush and green) • Use the oval space more efficiently • Public space and trees (particularly around the Station) • Many more trees and greenery • More and well-maintained public open space • Appropriate trees that keep area clean • More trees everywhere <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More trees on Moorabool Street • Open space / on sewer and Bellerine Street – Green Spine • A lot of green spaces – not less • Well-maintained green spaces • Park on public green space on roof of underground car park (connect existing car park) • No more paperbark trees (Melaleuca/Paperbarks) • Green corridors and public open spaces/parks • Tree coverage – better than melaleuca (paperbarks) <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greener – more trees and vegetation • More trees and green space – replace and maintain • Very green, lots of trees and street width maintained/centre medians • Very green because storm water reuse has occurred
<p>Transport and parking</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More parking spaces = more cars not less • Keep cars off green space next to oval • No cars! Everyone walking and riding

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autonomous buses with routes that take you to key destinations • New businesses provide appropriate car parking • Our streets are not car parks • Appropriate traffic planning – no funnels • Cars separated from people using other forms of transport <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce demand on this station – Waurm Ponds and Marshall • Decrease in reliance on cars • Underground car park on Barwon Water site • Underground/basement parking (multi-storey) • Automated trams to beach and city • Better bicycle infrastructure <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cycle parks instead of car parks • More bike parking at the station • Buses bring people to the station from broader area • Compact station parking at current at-grade off-street car park
Connections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People waking, riding, public transport to get around locally and to station • Pedestrian link over ail at Bellerine for mid-block connection • Links to river • Easy and comfortable to walk where you want to go (Kardinia Park to Station); river and walking; rail trail • Comfortable walking environment with street furniture • Connected with walking paths • People can find what they need without having to go too far • Easy and safe to move around (all transport) • Good safe connections (moving around) • Safe for kids to ride their bikes in the area <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pavement upgrades – Moorabool Street – increase quality • Connections from Kardinia Park to East • Pedestrian walk along railway line • Linking both sides of station • Bridge (pedestrian) over railway • Improved pedestrian crossing especially near school (Swanston) and Yarra and Kilgour roundabout • More pedestrian friendly – crossovers; lesser speed limits • More people on street and shared spaces – walking, cycling, events/activity • Railway pedestrian crossing / bridge / underpass <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are places for people to socialize – facilities such as revamped Richmond Oval, parks etc.
Compliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compliance with planning requirements • Access for all (universal access) in parks <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarity of what are commercial vs what are residential
Utilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better drainage around oval
Social infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More schools and other community facilities (Neighbourhood House) • More places to meet <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More public art – murals, sculptures etc. <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Street furniture (benches) and places for people to sit and socialize • George Tricky Reserve – improved facilities • Maintained and new open space • Signage and way-finding (from station) – it’s easy to work out where you are going; what things the area has and points of interest
Lighting / Noise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good street lighting

Theme	Content
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covered walkways and lights • Sound proofing for railway line • Noise management for railway and screening – trees/barriers • Lighting that is carefully considered and directed

THEME: SAFETY IN THE AREA	
Transport corridors / network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designated transport/road corridors – keep vehicles off neighbourhood streets • Improve intersections for pedestrians and vehicles: Carr/Swanston/Verner and Yarra/Verner • Bus route off residential areas – use main roads
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Street closures on weekend (one day) to encourage active transport into Geelong • ‘Thomas train’ (adult version) to move you through the area • Promote better use of public transport • Separation of cars and train lines • Buffer areas between cars, pedestrians and cyclists
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One-way streets • Changing names of East/West Verner and Lonsdale Streets • One way around South Geelong Primary School • More efficient /regular public transport to circulate people around the area
Pedestrians /cycle network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signalised pedestrian crossing • Elevate pedestrians link from station to Kardinia Park • Incomplete/inadequate pedestrian/cycle network • Improve pedestrian/cycle network infrastructure • Pedestrian refuge islands for crossing wide streets • Improve pedestrian access with connectivity by signalized crossings; traffic/pedestrian refuge islands • Crossing streets to catch bus • No safe pedestrian/cycle access to the Foster Street playground • Crossing train tracks • Laneways being used by pedestrians accessing station (no lighting, path etc.) • Kilgour Street – more pedestrian islands • New clear paths connecting key activity areas • Pedestrian connection into the station from Carr Street – pedestrian overpass • Two pedestrian overpasses over Moorabool Street – would help during foot matches • Better crossing on Moorabool Street – pedestrian overpasses • Separate bicycle lanes (Copenhagen for education) as in Lonsdale Street • Walking school bus • Improve footpath condition/width/connections • Yarra Street /Rail – improve intersections for pedestrians • Connection between Kardinia – Station – with good pedestrian/cycle connectivity • Pedestrian safety needs ‘priority’ • Install pedestrian crossing infrastructure in public areas • Kardinia Park – Station – improve pedestrian connectivity • Improve pedestrian accessibility around Kardinia Park • Wider footpaths between Station and Kardinia – on roads • Bicycle lanes in Moorabool Street not good
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe pedestrian crossings – Kilgour/Yarra intersection; Swanston/Kilgour; Swanston/Carr Street; railway crossing at Swanston/Car • Safe footpaths

THEME: SAFETY IN THE AREA	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safer bike paths • Crossing Kilgour Street as a pedestrian • Improved pedestrian facilities • Children being safe to walk and ride to school • Separated cycling infrastructure / motor vehicles • Assistance for pedestrians/cyclists to cross roads • Bike lanes incorporated into roundabouts • Pedestrian access improved to get to the station – not a level crossing • Safe walking corridors • Better pedestrian crossing • Crossing at intersections and being safe • More pedestrian refuge • Maintenance of pavement and walkways • Access to the businesses on Moorabool Street – improved crossing from the parking areas • More covered/all-weather walkways • Particular routes for pedestrians – people in numbers • Overpasses/get rid of level crossings
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pedestrian and cyclists are the priorities • Easy and safe to cross the rail line • Dedicated cycle lane • More people on the streets walking • Local community walks everywhere • Laneways become safe walking zone to get people around the area particularly to school • Community bikes and cars so people don't need to own their own car or bike (rental/share) • Pedestrian upgrades to Verner/Garden Streets; Kilgour/Yarra roundabout; Swanston/Kilgour roundabout; traffic calming needed • The area will be developed with pedestrian priority in mind
Traffic/parking control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic control measures • Control care access in and out of station • Traffic control measures to slow vehicles • Open gate at rear of station car park • Vehicles exiting laneways • Car parking spaces too close to laneways • No Council car parking enforcement on weekends • Vehicle speed generally • Mundy/Bellerine and Carr/Bellerine encourage hoon driving • Need traffic control measures to reduce speed due to wide streets • Kardinia Park footy traffic – better traffic management • Carr Street, improve the use of Carr Street for active transport • Carr Street one way • Slow moving traffic • Yarra/Kilgour – replace roundabout with traffic signals • Verner/Carr/Railway – better intersection treatment • Reduce the speed limits • LATM measures to reduce 'through traffic' via local streets • Parking 'short-term' should be given to improve safety to residents (2P – 1P and Permits)

THEME: SAFETY IN THE AREA	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create one-way streets to improve safety • Review Carr Street one way again • Moorabool Street buffer zone in side-streets to proven access and provide safety to residents • Entry/exit from station car park needs improving • Car park exit near railway – to Swanston Street
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speed and volume of traffic • Reduce car use; less car use • Planning conditions on parking • Driving speeds in the area • Infrastructure improvements to slow cars • Carr/Swanston very busy / dangerous – future improvements • Road conditions/pot holes – therefore improve safety • Local roads/residential pinch points to slow traffic and green them • Blocking off Carr Street
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Car is lowest priority • No more car and parking priority • Traffic calming of streets
Lighting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve street lighting (2) • Kardinia Park lighting • More lighting in the area • Street lighting – increase the luminance of the globes • Increase street lighting
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More street lights • Street lighting • Forster Reserve improve lighting, fencing, vegetation • Lighting throughout the streets • More lighting
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key area lighting that's clever – pedestrian crossings • Audit of street lighting and come up with a solution that doesn't cause light pollution – what are the key pedestrian paths including the station?
Hazards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poor drainage/blocked drains create hazards
Social infrastructure / facilities and issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richmond Oval public toilets below acceptable standards • Taxi rank needs upgrading • Need supermarket within the precinct
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less drug use • Upgrade public toilets on Richmond Oval – make them safe • Maternal child health park (near Elephant and Castle) need bins • Richmond Oval facilities open to general public not just clubs • Vibrant night life in the area to aid feeling of safety; extended hours of activity / business so it's alive after hours • Yarra Street – green spine into town/CBD/Station • Keep its heritage as it is • More parks for the area
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People know their neighbours • There is a sense of connectiveness in the area to make it feel safe
Station and Railway line	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fencing on the railway line • Station car park – need more trees – urban planning • Level crossing renewal within the precinct • Station platform locations??

THEME: SAFETY IN THE AREA	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rail duplication should improve rail crossings • Rail crossing removed and not driving • Improved access to station from Verner Street • Getting off the platform to the surrounding streets carefully • Pedestrian overpass over railway line
Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mixed use development in the area • Energy safety – new house designed with ESD Principles • Housing safety – laneways give potential for ‘tiny house’ development; laneway studios
Changing area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More people in area; more urbanized • Safe for children in the area – freedom of movement
Food	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community orchards and tree planning; people growing their own food and maintaining their own food waste
Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rights and responsibilities of everyone

THEME: WHAT PEOPLE DO IN THE AREA	
Physical activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walking (2) (safety and lighting) • More walking, cycling (not driving) to school, train, recreation • Running along the river • Kids playing outside again – less reliant on technology • Using spaces for wellbeing and fitness – Council investing in public open space – needs more than just a playground • People involved • Exercise stations – ‘loops’ with progress signage
Walking and cycling tracks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walking and cycling tracks should be built along rail corridor (duplication) connecting to Bellerine Rail Trail and beyond • Able to cross Moorabool Street via pedestrian overpass and Latrobe Terrace • We will be able to easily walk to schools, kinder, day care park (Family Services) • Walking between train station and Kardinia Park • Being flexible to adapt to new technology – ‘e-bikes’ • Bike riding and walking: locals, people from Belmont and outer space! • People walking to the station can pick up a coffee on the way • Walking and cycling – children walk to school • Dedicated cycle lane to station and Rail Trail • People can do everything by walking or riding
Social infrastructure /open spaces and amenity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preserve and develop Kardinia Park • Everyone should be able to access Kardinia Park facilities • New playground and BBQ and tables at foster Reserve and Richmond Oval – more socializing opportunities • Public transport • Be able to take pets off lead – Pet Park – separate to where kids play • Still using sporting clubs • People are swimming all year round in heated swimming pool (Kardinia Park) • Still have two primary school – St Mary’s and South Geelong • Have a new school if population has grown • There are more childcare facilities • More opportunities to watch sports at Kardinia Park at ovals (not in Stadium) • Master Plan for Kardinia Park is finalised and delivered

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community gardens – shared gardens • Green • Fosters Reserve is a meeting place for casual gatherings e.g. BBQs (need irrigation) • Schools? • Climate change will impact open space and street trees • Kardinia Park – events/footy/regional uses motocross / big bash • Community hub – rooms, classrooms, education • Better year round use of Kardinia Park pool • Community use / community access to heritage sites e.g. Austin Cottages former convent • Added facilities at Kardinia Park e.g. yoga studio • Street appeal critical • Shared access to community buildings – multi-use • More green space: gardens, lush, ribbons/spines • Community garden – Barwon Water site with open space; use of roof space • Outdoor gyms/fun/playground – Chinese example • Outdoor basketball • Green area on Carr Street • Retained games at Kardinia Park – bigger stadium? • Pay for infrastructure you use – car parking? • Using better public transport
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kardinia Pool offered all year round • More community events at Kardinia Park • Early Childhood centres locally
Retail and business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Want to be able to ‘shop locally’ – possible café and supermarket • Shopping locally • More people working in the area • Moorabool Street will become more developed, office, retail
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shopping locally – markets and shops • Smaller shops like bakery • More shops and amenities close to home e.g. coffee shops and bakeries • Potential to create a cluster of commercial uses with easy access • Commercial use near station • Shopping: independent, local, sustainable, international, market, food • Café use at oval • Pizza + retain bars and pubs + family friendly + no pokies!
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People work locally/co-working spaces • Everything you need is accessible locally • Moorabool Street as commercial area with residential on top • More food options around the cinema • Boutique shops • Farmers market • Moorabool Street mixed use precinct so people can live and work locally • More shopping in the area
Transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public transport • Fast trains to Melbourne every 20 mins • Light rail to catch into Geelong • Explorer bus to specific spots (Museum and Waterfront) • Using an autonomous bus to get to key destination

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We're moving around with more pedestrian and bike travel – 'e-bikes' • Link to Avalon Airport from South Geelong • More public transport • Charging electric car
Living – activities and housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Living peacefully – less traffic – less noise (trains and cars) • Entertain visitors – able to park near home (change to visitor parking permits and rules) • Still going to Elephant and Commo for a parm • Still going to the cinema • Living in new houses and apartments • Character of the areas will be maintained through planning controls
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some higher density housing • People working from home – not always in centralised offices • Tuition for school kids • Heritage – retain
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents grow and share their own food; community garden • In community groups and activity – yoga, art, exercise • they live here – residential predominantly with boutique shops and hubs • Local social hubs • Events
Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-designed developments including car parking (hidden) • All new developments will have provision for bicycle parking
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barwon Water site as 'community hub' • Mixed social housing in new developments • Outdoor amphitheater space for events, markets at Foster Park or Richmond Oval • Community hub with café that could be used all year round (meeting space)
Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better access to river and trails

Preferred Future

X Factor: What we want the South Geelong Station Precinct to be like in the future

- A great place to live, where the community thrives, and people want to stay
- We are a friendly heritage, welcoming, unique village accessible to everything we need, and people want to visit
- Great place to live; Great place to live in; STAR: Safety, Transport, Amenity, Residential – the STAR above South Geelong
- We value an accessible, safe and vibrant community that respects the area's heritage and is a connected community
- We are an inviting residential community that is prestigious, creative, artistic and sustainable
- It's a great place to live, work, rest and play – (*Mars Bar!*)
- It's where you want to be! (safe, accessible, inviting, green, sense of community, neighbourly /connected)
- Our community embraces heritage, green spaces, connectiveness, vibrancy and the lifestyle! (vibrant, connected, community, market, shopping, maintain heritage, green spaces, wide streets, sporting facilities, lifestyle)

- We value the character of the area and have a thriving/vibrant area where people want to come and feel safe
- It's a great place to live because of the character of the area
- Bold, physical statements of commitments to our values, which makes South Geelong a destination: connected, amazing place, progressive, clever, green, kind and compassionate, people want to live here and visit, different.
- This is the best part of Geelong: best community; best facilities.
- This railway facility remains an important asset and not a parking burden
- The people who live here want to be able to walk, socialise and shop in the area

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