

AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY PLAN



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is my great pleasure to present the Shire of Gingin's *Age Friendly Community Plan*. I am very excited to see this Plan produced, and look forward to seeing it enacted.

This plan was created to lay out the Shire's objectives to meet the needs of our ageing residents and our community as a whole. We formed the Plan after consultation with key community members to ascertain what could be done to create a more age-friendly environment. This plan is important as it will ensure we work towards a completely inclusive community and region.

It was wonderful to see so many residents involved in the consultation, both in the focus groups and the survey. We hope to achieve an age-friendly region which enables people to actively participate in community activities, where everyone has access to key services, and people treated with respect – regardless of their age. This plan will help us achieve that goal.

The Shire of Gingin is committed to doing our part in improving our community. I strongly believe our *Age Friendly Community Plan* will provide direction and assistance with future planning to keep Gingin a unique and exciting place in which to live and visit!

Cr David Roe

Shire President, Shire of Gingin

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

At the Shire of Gingin, we continually strive to identify opportunities for improvement – which is why it is fantastic to bring you the *Age Friendly Community Plan* for our Shire.

Health and well-being are determined not only by our genes and personal characteristics but also by the physical and social environments in which we live our lives. This plan was created with the aim of identifying key barriers that may prevent people of all ages being able to enjoy the quality of life that everyone deserves.

The 70+ age bracket in the Shire of Gingin is projected to increase to 1,082 people by 2027. With this in mind, we knew that there needed to be a better framework in place for planning for the elderly community. This plan is designed to allow Council to respond to changing needs and ensure support for the wellbeing of the Shire's ageing population.

The *Age Friendly Community Plan* was developed in consultation with residents and key stakeholders. The input from the community was vital in identifying the issues present that can affect people from all ages having the ability to be included and connected with others. I would like to personally thank everyone who was involved with the focus groups and provided feedback through the survey.

Seniors play an invaluable role in the community and I believe this plan will help to recognise and support them with their involvement in the region. I strongly endorse this plan and will continue to back the Shire of Gingin in being a great place to live regardless of age.

Mr Jeremy Edwards

Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Gingin

KEY POINTS OF THE PLAN

The engagement activities undertaken as part of the development of this Plan found that those who participated enjoy living in the Shire of Gingin. They value the open spaces and community facilities in the Shire, the close proximity to Perth and the respect they receive from other community members. The critical issues, as identified by the community are:

- There is no public and/or community transport services to Perth and other Regional Centres
- Lack of aged care accommodation and need to plan for diverse housing options
- Need for health and medical services, particularly for seniors to access in their homes
- Provision of safe and suitable roads and footpaths
- Need for improved communication by Shire, service providers and agencies

The Shire of Gingin is committed to developing an Age Friendly Community and this plan identifies a number of actions in response to the findings of the community engagement. The high priority actions identified include:

- Proactive approach to increase the availability of medical services across the Shire
- Well planned maintenance of infrastructure, roads and footpaths
- Improved quality of footpaths
- Research into options to bring more aged care accommodation into the Shire
- Facilitating improved communication from the Shire and other service providers

This plan sits under the Shire of Gingin Strategic Community Plan, and the Corporate Business Plan. It is not intended to directly reallocate resources in a significant manner. However, it will be used as an informing strategy, providing direction and a framework for assessing expenditure proposals in future strategic and corporate planning by Shire of Gingin.

A range of key indicators will be used to monitor the success of the Plan.

WHAT IS AN “AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY PLAN”?

Age Friendly Communities are those that encourage “active ageing by optimising opportunities for health, participation and security in order to enhance the quality of life as people age” (World Health Organisation)¹. An Age Friendly Community is one which:

- recognises the great diversity among older people;
- promotes their inclusion and contribution in all areas of community life;
- respects their decisions and lifestyle choices; and
- anticipates and responds to ageing-related needs and preferences.

A community that exhibits these qualities is not only a friendly community for older people but an Age Friendly Community can better cater for the whole population, where a wider range of abilities and needs are met.

The Shire of Gingin considers age-friendly community planning vital to undertake for the following reasons:

- By 2027, Wheatbelt population over 70 will have increased by 75.3%
- The proportion of people 70+ in the Wheatbelt will have increased from 10.4% in 2011 to 17% in 2027²
- The increase projected for Gingin is 104.9% to 1,082 people in 2027.

In addition to this, older adults generally prefer to remain in their own home and continue to be part of their community. Older adults feel safe, valued and respected in their own community and local governments have a key role in ensuring this can occur.

The Age Friendly Community Plan has been developed and structured using the Wheatbelt Development Commissions Age Friendly Community Planning Guide (based on the World Health Organisation Guide to Age-Friendly Cities and Communities). The WHO eight domains of an age friendly community have been configured to reflect Wheatbelt perspectives: health and community services; outdoor spaces and buildings; transport and movement; housing; sport and recreation; social participation; respect and social inclusion; and communication and information.

An Age Friendly Community Plan identifies the priorities and actions discovered in the resulting process. It identifies the age friendly barriers and areas for improvements that have been recognised by the community and council. An Age Friendly Community Plan is an Informing Strategy under the Integrated Planning and Reporting (IPR) Framework and needs to be resourced and prioritised in the Shire’s ongoing corporate planning process.

¹ Note that the Western Australia State Government has adopted the World Health Organisation’s model (see <http://www.communities.wa.gov.au/communities-in-focus/seniors/Pages/Age-Friendly-WA-.aspx>).

² Verso Consulting 2013, Wheatbelt Integrated Aged Care Plan.

REGIONAL CONTEXT

This section on the Central Coast and Central Midlands (CC&CM) sub-region has been extracted from the Wheatbelt Aged Support and Care Solutions (WASCS) Report³, with a focus on the following sub-sections.

Demographic Trends

The 70+ population in CC&CM is increasing at the second highest rate of any sub-region in the Wheatbelt (behind the Avon Region). There were 1,307 people aged 70+ in 2011, projected to rise to 2,417 by 2027, an increase of 84.9% or 1,110 people. The largest increases are projected to occur in Gingin (528 people 70+ in 2011 rising by 104.9% to 1,082 in 2027) and Dandaragan (356 people 70+ in 2011, rising by 94.1% to 691 in 2027).

Accessibility/Remoteness Index of Australia (ARIA) scores reflect 'Accessible' through to 'Moderately Accessible' areas for localities within the CC&CM sub-region. Gingin is the most accessible with a score of 2.4200. All other local government areas in the sub-region qualify for the viability supplement as they have an ARIA score of 3.52 or higher. Dementia needs are projected to increase in the CC&CM sub-region. In 2011 there were an estimated 107 people aged 70+ living with dementia, rising to 139 in 2017, and 207 in 2027. Both Dandaragan and Gingin are considered relatively disadvantaged according to Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) 2013 Index.

CC&CM Aged Care Support and Solutions Summary

Age Friendly Communities	Home Support and Care			Residential Care
	HACC	Home Care	Respite Care	
Dandaragan and Gingin to begin action per WA Seniors Planning Framework (SPF)	Research low service levels in Moore HACC sub-region. Plan to meet gaps in service types.	Discuss situation with providers to facilitate better coverage. Assist as needed. Plan for growth.	Coordinate service coverage of whole sub-region. WA Country Health Service (WACHS) to review staffing models.	Enter dialogue with Dept. Social Security re-entry of new provider. Open discussion with RSL Care and/or other operators.

³ <http://www.wheatbelt.wa.gov.au/our-projects/aged-care/>

Current CC&CM Service Levels and Provider Summary

HACC	Home Care	Residential Care	Respite Care	Providers
Fair but major local gaps	Poor	Major supply shortage against planning ratios	Major gap in several shires and key forms lacking.	WACHS with scale for not-for-profit (NFP)/private entry. Some NFP home care.

CC&CM Residential beds summary and growth estimate

Currently available	2011 planning ratio target	2027 planning ratio target
44	115	305

Transport

Transport issues were strongly identified in Community Forums, especially so at Jurien Bay and, by implication, those coastal population centres and other areas not serviced by public transport.

Significant variability and deficiencies were also evident when it came to older people being able to readily access services in all parts of the sub-region. If a friend or relative drives an older person anywhere for a medical appointment there is a distinct preference for north-south travel that is centred on Perth. There is little interest in travelling 'cross country' for services, limiting the potential use of central service locations in the sub-region.

There is evidence of shortfalls in how older people are assisted to move within their communities. Several communities did not have community buses and there were often limitations on use in others e.g. only HACC eligible, no driver available.

Older Persons Housing

All shires reported waiting lists for available older persons housing and population projections imply escalating demand for appropriately designed housing. Local housing associations may or may not be able to deal with increasing demand nor have plans, resources and space to do so.

Shires may often need to support housing organisations and will, in turn, need to be supported with new resourcing. State government agencies should play a positive role by working with the sub-region to develop innovative approaches. Varied ownership options need to be examined to meet the range of older people who may be seeking appropriate, well located housing.

Where shires are required to be involved they will be understandably reluctant to assume all the burden of assessing, planning and facilitating the building of required housing. A collusive approach will be needed, involving local housing organisations, shires, and state government.

Care at Home

Based on reported experiences and an examination of identifiable Home Care packages available in the sub-region, there is a current shortage of in-home/community support and care. There is currently an estimated shortfall of 15 or 16 Home Care places in the sub-region, while around 75 additional places should be provided by 2022 to meet older population growth and new planning ratios.

HACC service levels appear to be adequate in most areas although some support types are not universally available. Limitations also tend to arise from rigid employment arrangements when the service is provided from Multi Purpose Service (MPS) sites and from a shortage of available staff to provide home maintenance/repair.

Shortfalls in availability of Home Care combined with a major shortage in Residential Care beds in the sub-region mean that there is a very significant deficiency in care options within the sub-region. This situation needs to be placed to the fore when there are further allocations of aged care places by the Commonwealth.

There is a need to initiate discussions about service delivery and coordination with non-government Approved Providers who are funded for the bulk of Home Care packages in the Wheatbelt. Shires may be able to facilitate delivery in this process by providing a small level of support e.g. a work station/office space for provider coordinators/staff.

There is also a need for WACHS to consider measures to address inherent limitations in service delivery from MPS sites.

Residential Care

A very large current shortage of around 70 beds exists in respect of Residential Care when compared with Commonwealth planning ratios. This will dramatically increase in the planning period ahead unless quite radical steps are taken. The scale of the potential shortfall is very high. To meet planning ratios around 160 further operational beds would be needed by 2027 to cover current and future demand. MPS sites will need to be subject of major new investment if they are to provide high quality aged care in the future.

The scale of potential demand for Residential Care is such that it should be viable for non-government providers to consider investment in one or two new facilities.

The current and projected deficiency in beds in the Central Coast & Central Midlands sub-region is very severe. Looking to the future, predicted 70+ population growth to 2417 by 2027 yields a planning requirement for around 200 total beds to be available inside 15 years i.e. more than 150 additional beds will likely be needed over current capacity within a relatively short planning timeframe.

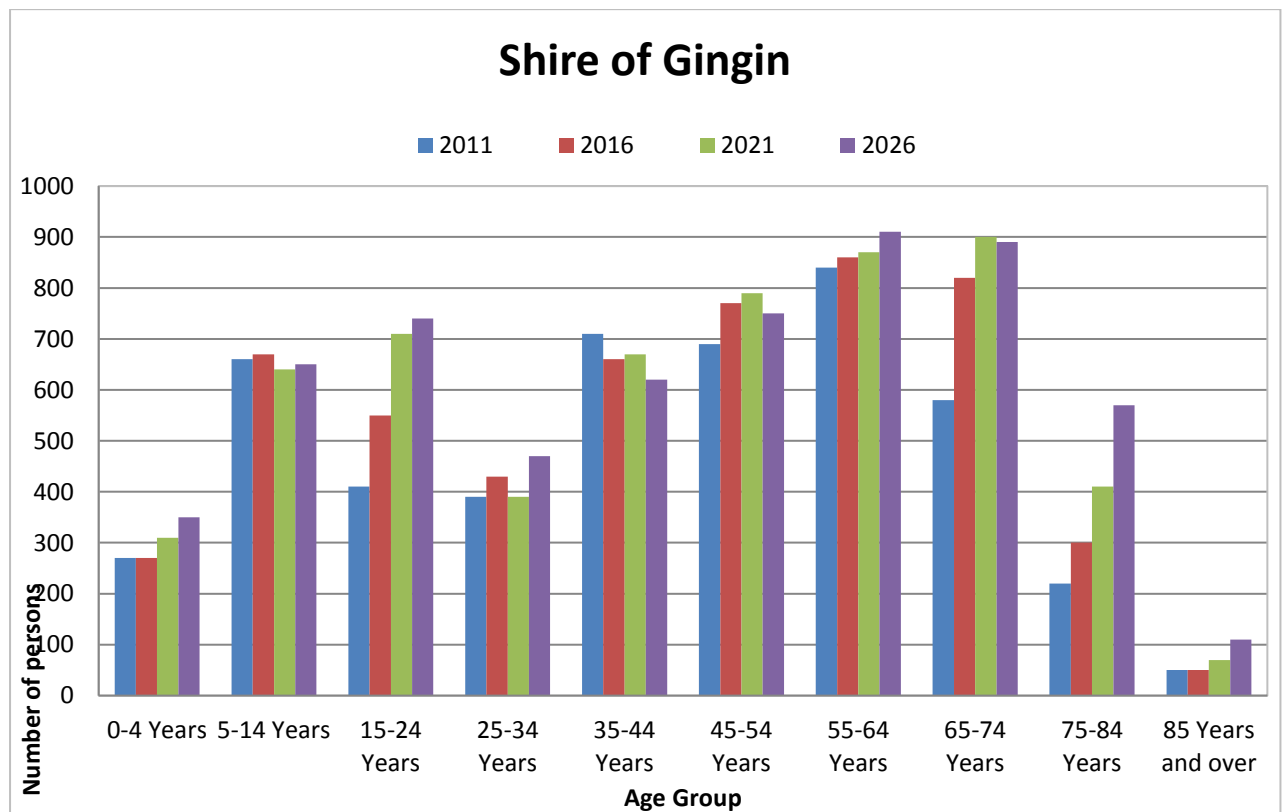
There is a need to engage the Commonwealth Department of Social Services (formerly DoHA) to consider the current and projected unmet demand situation in the sub-region, and to provide advice on the support mechanisms available to assist establishment of new residential aged care in the area. There is also a need to resolve any implied or explicit barriers to entry by new providers that result from the presence of MPS sites in the sub-region.

COMMUNITY PROFILE

The Shire of Gingin stretches from the coastline of the Swan Coastal Plain in the west to the hinterland and foothills of the Darling Scarp to the east. The Shire includes the inland town of Gingin, the four coastal towns of Guilderton, Seabird, Ledge Point and Lancelin. It also includes the six rural residential areas of Woodridge, Sovereign Hill, Moondah Ridge, Seaview Park, Redfield Park and Ocean Farm. It is located approximately 90 kilometres north of Perth, covers an area of 3,325 square kilometres and has an estimated population of 5,428 people.

Figure 1, below, is indicative of the Shire's projected age profiles from 2011 to 2026. The graph illustrates a noticeable increase in the age cohorts from 55 to 85 years of age and older. The largest difference is expected to occur in the cohort of 65 to 74 years of age. The number of persons in 2011 was recorded as 580 and this number is expected to rise to 890 in 2026. This accounts for a 53% increase in the amount of persons in this cohort. The amount of 75 to 84 year olds was 220 in 2011 and is projected to increase to 570 in 2026, or a 159% increase in population size. This ageing population will place a significant amount of pressure on existing services in the Shire of Gingin unless they are accounted for.

Figure 1: Projected age profiles for the Shire of Gingin from 2011 to 2026⁴



⁴ <http://www.planning.wa.gov.au/publications/6196.asp>

HOW THIS PLAN WAS DEVELOPED

Overview

The planning model used in this Plan consists of a four step solution-focused process. It has ultimately produced an Informing Strategy consistent with and complementary to the Shire of Gingin's Strategic Community Plan. The first step is to gain an understanding of each unique local community. A collaborative process involving service providers and seniors themselves is then used to develop a three to five-year plan. Each stage naturally progressed into the next, with the first three steps providing the essential information for understanding the current and longer term needs and preferences, as the basis for strategic planning and action.

Grant Funding

The Shire of Gingin applied for 2014 – 2015 Age-Friendly Communities Regional Local Government Strategic Planning Grants Program. This program, run by the Department of Local Government and Communities, seeks to “optimise opportunities for health, participation, and security by establishing policies, services and structures that improve the quality of life of community members as they age.” The grant funding itself is to assist local governments in regional Western Australia to collect and analyse given findings in respect of the Age-Friendly Communities Framework. Funding was awarded at up to a rate of \$10,000 per project.

Partnership with the Shire of Dandaragan

In order to reap the most benefit from the Age-Friendly Communities grants, Shires were encouraged to team up with another, similarly geographically located Shire in order to ensure funding of both projects. As the Shires of Dandaragan and Gingin are part of the Central Coast and Central Midlands Regional areas, they agreed to collaborate on completing their Age Friendly Community Plans, in order to take advantage of the regional perspective and economies of scale.

The two Shires decided to follow the Wheatbelt Development Commission's Age Friendly Community Planning Guide. They have a strong shared commitment to becoming age friendly communities and a common view of how the planning will benefit their communities, the approach, project outcomes and how the objectives will be met.

Audit

The Shire of Gingin undertook an Age Friendly Community Planning Audit in February 2015 and then again in November 2015. This audit was designed to capture information for the purposes of identifying whether the community is an Age Friendly Community across eight “domains” that are particularly relevant to the wellbeing of seniors. Each domain contains a number of components, sometimes divided into sub-domains. This information enables the Shire and the community to assess where improvements are needed and assist in informing the wider age friendly community planning that will guide future activities and investments. The Report was prepared using the Wheatbelt Development Commission's Age Friendly Community Planning Audit Tool.

Reference Group

As part of the conditions of fulfilment for the grant, the Shire of Gingin established a reference group that guided and supported the project, liaised with the Department of Local Government and Communities and reviewed the draft reports.

Consultation

The Shire conducted both focus groups and a survey in order to consult with community members. The Shire of Gingin's focus groups were aimed at both seniors and service providers. They were structured around the eight WHO AFC domains with participants involved in assessing these features in their own communities. A survey was developed and posed a standard set of questions structured around the eight WHO domains. It was promoted to persons within the Shire of Gingin in both electronic and hardcopy forms.

In addition to this, the council was consulted through an issues and options workshop. They were given the results of the Engagement Report and prioritised various community member concerns that were then used to inform the creation of this Plan.

LINKS TO OTHER PLANS AND POLICIES

Strategic Community Plan

The Shire of Gingin Strategic Community Plan (2015) describes the community priorities for the ten year period from 2015 - 2025 and the key strategies the Shire will focus on to achieve the community aspirations. The Strategic Community Plan presents five focus areas each with a series of objectives including “Objective 1 – to support the Shire of Gingin community to be inclusive, vibrant and healthy”.

Corporate Business Plan

The Shire of Gingin Corporate Business Plan (2013) translates the community aspirations outlined in the Strategic Community Plan into an implementable work program. The Corporate Business Plan identifies several aspects related to ensuring an age friendly community with a particular short term focus on housing and service provision.

Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP) 2012

The Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP) is required under The Disability Services Act 1993 with the aim of planning and implementing improvements across seven outcome areas. These plans benefit people with disability, older people, young parents and people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. The Shire of Gingin DAIP identifies a range of access improvement opportunities that will have a particular benefit to older people in the community. Some of these actions are very closely related or a duplicate of the priority actions identified within this Plan. This correlation reinforces the importance of this Plan and the broader community outcomes beyond older people.

FINDINGS

Summary of Audit Findings

Contained below is a summary of the extensive findings compiled in an Audit report. The complete Audit can be found in Annex 1.

Health and community services

- There are two GP medical centres in the Shire of Gingin located in Lancelin and Gingin. The nearest hospital is located in Joondalup and is within 60 minutes of the town. There is no hospital within the Shire of Gingin's local governance.
- Silver Chain offer medical/emergency services from the Lancelin Medical Centre. This service operates in conjunction with the GP and does offer an after hours service.
- There are dental and allied health services offered within the Gingin town site. A chiropractor and physio operate out of the dental service building. There are also two pharmacies located in Gingin and Lancelin.
- Disability access into the Gingin shopping precinct is not currently adequate, but the Lancelin and Guilderton shopping complexes do provide disability access.

Outdoor spaces

- There were many parks surveyed during the audit. They are all characterised by adequate disability access, well-shaded areas and adequate seating. The exception to this is the Seabird Recreation Grounds, for which there is no disability access.

Public buildings

- Surveyed public buildings included everything from public toilets to community centres and administrative buildings. The results for individual buildings can be found in the full audit, but there is a clear mix of accessible and non-accessible entryways, non-slip and slip floors, as well as clear and navigational signage.

Transport and movement

- There are limited formal crossings in main town sites, citing the potential for improvement including signage and line markings at major access points. Areas of priority are identified within the audit.
- The provision of signage across the Shire is inconsistent and requires review. Whilst navigational signage exists for some facilities others are not signed at all. Generally, parks are not signed and toilet facilities are not well signed.
- There is no community transport available in the Shire.

Housing

- There is not currently sufficient suitable housing to meet the needs of the ageing population in the future.

- There are currently four independent living units (ILUs) in Gingin and 11 units in Lancelin at the Seniors Housing Precinct.

Information regarding the following areas is available in the Engagement Report, found in Annex 2:

- Sport and recreation
- Social participation
- Respect and social inclusion
- Communication and information

Summary of Engagement Report

It is clear from the results of the engagement activities that both survey respondents and focus group participants enjoy living in the Shire of Gingin. However, the research also shows that the community feel that there are some opportunities for improvement regarding the provision of key services in order to create an age friendly community.

The key findings are:

- A total of 33 individuals participated in the focus group and 149 individuals participated in the surveys.
- Of those seniors who participated, 58% of survey respondents and 70% of focus group participants are retired.
- The majority of both survey and focus group respondents believe that improved provision of health and community services and maintenance of road and footpaths will lead to a more fulfilling experience for seniors in the Shire of Gingin.
- Focus group participants believe the most important issues for aged persons in the Shire of Gingin are:
 - Footpaths
 - Retirement village
 - Aged care facilities
 - Co-ordinated community
 - Transport
 - High speed broadband
 - Home care help.
- Survey respondents believe the most important issues for aged persons in the Shire of Gingin are:
 - Aged care accommodation
 - Communication of available services
 - Access to home care
 - Health care & medical services
 - Condition of footpaths and roads
 - Provision of public transport.

THE PLAN

The Plan is based on the eight domains of an age friendly community (two of which have been combined based on community feedback), each with a number of associated actions as listed in the following table. These are designed to allow Council to respond to changing needs and ensure support for the wellbeing of the Shire of Gingin ageing population. Many of the actions outlined are able to be implemented within existing resources however any new or expanded activity will be considered through the Shires standard corporate planning processes.

Health and Community Services					
Objective	Actions	Priority	Within existing resources?	Timeframe	Partners
Ensure older people have access to quality and reliable health and community services allowing them to age in place and keep travel to a minimum.	Actively seek opportunities to increase the availability of medical services across the Shire.	High	Yes	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Local medical Services (existing and potential providers) ▪ Department of Health ▪ WA Country Health Service
	Facilitate and advocate for support services for seniors in their own home.	Medium	Yes	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Service Providers ▪ State Government
	Facilitate improved communication from all service providers to ensure older people are aware of available health and community services.	Medium	Yes	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Service Providers

Outdoor Spaces and Buildings					
Objective	Actions	Priority	Within existing resources?	Timeframe	Partners
Create outdoor spaces and buildings that promote mobility, independence and quality of life for older people.	Continue to undertake well planned maintenance of Council infrastructure (infrastructure, roads and footpaths) that contributes to safe access for all.	High	Yes	Ongoing	
	Investigate opportunities to reduce hire costs of Shire owned buildings	Low	No	Short term	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community groups

Transport and Movement					
Objective	Actions	Priority	Within existing resources?	Timeframe	Partners
Ensure seniors have access to safe and consistent transport options.	Improve the quality and increase the provision of footpaths across the Shire.	High	No	Medium term	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private developers (developer contribution) Other potential funding bodies
	Continue to investigate and advocate on regional transport issues that impact on the ability of people to age in place.	Medium	Yes	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wheatbelt Development Commission Neighbouring Local Government Authorities Department of Transport Department of Health
	Investigate options to introduce assisted transport services for older people.	Medium	No	Short term	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Service Providers

Housing					
Objective	Actions	Priority	Within existing resources?	Timeframe	Partners
Investigate and advocate for accessible, affordable and diverse housing options that contribute to the ability of people to stay in their community.	Investigate options to attract and develop aged care accommodation in the Shire of Gingin.	Medium	No	Medium term	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Not for profits ▪ Private developers ▪ State Government ▪ Federal Government
	Investigate options to develop Independent aged care units and/or a Retirement Village in the Shire of Gingin.	High	No	Medium term	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Not for profits ▪ Private developers
	Facilitate improved communication from all parties around housing options that are available and how to apply.	High	Yes	Ongoing	

Sport and Recreation					
Objective	Actions	Priority	Within existing resources?	Timeframe	Partners
Provide facilities and recreation services that contribute to the social and physical wellbeing of older community members.	Ensure sport and recreation activities are advertised and promoted in a way that is effective and suitable for older people.	Low	Yes	Ongoing	
	Increase the provision of sport and recreation activities for people with disability.	Medium	No	Medium term	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Department of Sport and Recreation

Social Participation/ Respect and Social Inclusion					
Objective	Actions	Priority	Within existing resources?	Timeframe	Partners
Facilitate opportunities for community members to engage with each other and ensure respect for our older community members is encouraged.	Support collaboration activities between seniors and schools.	Medium	No	Medium term	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Local schools ▪ Seniors groups
	Ensure that senior-specific events are provided for across the Shire.	Medium	No	Medium term	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Other potential funding bodies
	Facilitate coordination of volunteers across the Shire to maximise community benefit.	Low	No	Medium term	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Community groups

Communication and Information					
Objective	Actions	Priority	Within existing resources?	Timeframe	Partners
Ensure high quality, reliable and up to date information is made available to older people in the community.	Seek opportunities to improve all aspects of Shire communication.	Medium	Yes	Ongoing	

IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING

Implementation of this plan will occur through ongoing corporate planning. Resourcing of any new or expanded initiatives will need to be considered through the due process of the Shire's Integrated Planning and Reporting.

This Age Friendly Community Plan reflects the Shire's strong commitment to optimising opportunities for health, participation and security for ageing community members. This commitment is aligned to the Western Australia State Government an Age Friendly WA: The Seniors Strategic Planning Framework. The Shire is not the only agency with responsibility for ensuring an age friendly community and the exact contribution it makes is difficult to measure. A large number of other factors influence how the ageing population experience community life across the eight domains of an Age Friendly Community. However, the Shire will monitor a set of key indicators as outlined below to track the progress of the sector in terms of the overall goal of the Plan.

Indicators
Health and Community Services
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community satisfaction with availability and access to health and medical services
Outdoor Spaces and Buildings
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community satisfaction with footpaths and roads Community satisfaction with Shire owned buildings
Transport and Movement
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community satisfaction with footpaths and roads
Housing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase in the aged housing available Communication strategy implemented around housing options in the Shire
Sport and Recreation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community satisfaction with the provision and communication of sport and recreation activities
Social Participation/Respect and Social Inclusion
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of intergenerational events and activities conducted
Communication and Information
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community satisfaction with the provision of Shire information

ANNEX 1: AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY AUDIT REPORT



Shire of Gingin

Age Friendly Community Audit

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INTRODUCTION

Introduction

The Age Friendly Community Audit Report is designed to capture information for the purposes of identifying whether the community is an Age Friendly Community across eight “domains” that are particularly relevant to the wellbeing of seniors. Each domain contains a number of components, sometimes divided into sub-domains.


This information enables the Shire and the community to assess where improvements are needed and assist in informing the wider age friendly community planning that will guide future activities and investments.




The Report has been prepared using the Wheatbelt Development Commission’s Age Friendly Community Planning Audit Tool.


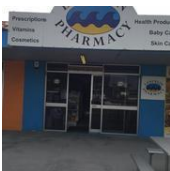
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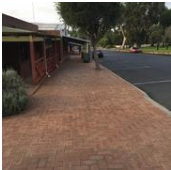





- Version 2.0 is a comprehensive version of the document. All effort has been made to fill existing gaps left in Version 1.0. Completed 21/11/2016 1:05 pm by Jen Perry.
- Version 1.0 is a preliminary version, focusing on the physical site audit, existing knowledge and seniors’ feedback where available to robustly identify small improvement projects that can make a difference to seniors’ wellbeing in the short term. A shortlist of suitable projects will be prioritised through the Wheatbelt Development Commission’s prioritisation tool, and the highest ranking projects will be submitted for grant funding. Completed 26/02/2015 6:06 am by Tiffany Tonkin and Linda Fidge.

HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Question	Response	Details
GP/Health Centre		
Name of GP	Gingin Medical Centre	
What is the address of the GP?	1 Lily King Place, Gingin	
		
Appendix 1		
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	Yes	Two marked parallel bays
Is the GP accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Are people with seniors cards bulk billed or provided with a discount?	Yes	Bulk billing practice - Medicare discounts
Are at home visits available?	No	
When is the GP open?	Five to seven days per week	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	Yes	Split counter

Question	Response	Details
 <p>Appendix 2</p>		
Name of GP	Lancelin Health Centre	
What is the address of the GP?	61 Gingin Road, Lancelin	
 <p>Appendix 3</p>		
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	Yes	
Is the GP accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Are people with seniors cards bulk billed or provided with a discount?	Bulk billing available for those with pensioner card	
Are at home visits available?	Not routinely available	
When is the GP open?	8:30-3:30 M-F, closed between 12:30-1 for lunch, not open Saturdays or Sundays	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	Yes	
Hospital		
Is there a hospital within 60 minutes from the town?	Yes	Joondalup Hospital
Does the hospital have an Emergency service?	Yes	
Is the hospital in your local government area?	No	
Dental		
Is there a dental service within 60 minutes from the town?	Yes	LGA served by Joondalup and surrounds as well as Gingin dentist
Is the dental service in your local government area?	Yes	Gingin Dental Clinic
What is the address of the dental service?	4a Brockman Street, Gingin	
 <p>Appendix 4</p>		
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	Yes	



Question	Response	Details
Is the dental service accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Allied Health Services		
Are there allied health services (physiotherapy, occupational therapy, podiatry, physiologist, dietitian etc.) within 60 minutes from the town or visiting services available?	Yes	Chiro and Physio Operate out of Dentist building & Gingin Business Centre
Pharmacy		
Name of pharmacy	Gingin Pharmacy	
Insert address of pharmacy.	2/8 Brockman Street, Gingin WA 6503, Australia	
		
Appendix 5		
Is there disability access into the building?	No	Step up
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the service accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Are people with a seniors card provided with a discount?	No	
Does the pharmacy offer a delivery service?	No	Not unless there is an emergency
Name of pharmacy	Lancelin Pharmacy	
Insert address of pharmacy.	Gingin Road, Lancelin	
		
Appendix 6		
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	Yes	
Is the service accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Are people with a seniors card provided with a discount?	Yes	Concession card discount, not senior specific
Does the pharmacy offer a delivery service?	Yes	Can post products if necessary
Shopping		
Name of shopping complex/precinct:	Gingin	
Insert address of shopping complex or precinct.	Gingin	





Question	Response	Details
  <p>Appendix 7 Appendix 8</p>		
Is there disability access into the shops?	No	Mostly steps up, main street is a pretty steep hill.
Is disability parking available?	Yes	1 marked at supermarket. No others marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the shopping complex or precinct accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Name of shopping complex/precinct:	Lancelin	
Insert address of shopping complex or precinct.	Town Centre, Gingin Road, Lancelin	
   <p>Appendix 9 Appendix 10 Appendix 11</p>		
Is there disability access into the shops?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	Yes	
Is the shopping complex or precinct accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Name of shopping complex/precinct:	Guilderton	
Insert address of shopping complex or precinct.	Edwards Street, Guilderton	
 <p>Appendix 12</p>		
Is there disability access into the shops?	Yes	Narrow ramp up to General Store
 <p>Appendix 13</p>		
Is disability parking available?	Yes	
Is the shopping complex or precinct accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Name of shopping complex/precinct:	Seabird	






Question	Response	Details
Insert address of shopping complex or precinct.	McCormick Street, Seabird	
Is there disability access into the shops?	No	Step up into entrance
Is disability parking available?	Yes	
Is the shopping complex or precinct accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Name of shopping complex/precinct:	Ledge Point	
Insert address of shopping complex or precinct.	Prince Street, Ledge Point	
Is there disability access into the shops?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	Yes	
Is the shopping complex or precinct accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Health and Community Care Services (HACC)		
Is a Home and Community Care (HACC) service provided?	Yes	
Which HACC services are provided?	Home help, garden care, help with exercises – not sure who the providers are however ie Silverchain plus other regional providers.	
Are at home assessments available?	Yes	
Are there any critical gaps in the HACC services provided?	Yes	Transport providers
Home Care		
Are there any critical gaps in the home care services provided?	Yes	Number of packages available
If respite care has been identified as a critical gap, identify which type/s of respite care are not available.		
Is palliative care available in the home?		Unsure as to what extent
Residential Aged Care/Multi-purpose Service		
Is there a Residential Aged Care/Multi-purpose Service?	No	
Other Seniors Care Services		
Is there any other seniors care services? (e.g. community health clinics, day care centre etc.)	No	

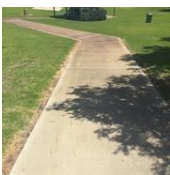

PUBLIC SPACES AND PARKS





Question	Response	Details
Wangaree Park		
Address	Cnr Walker Ave and Gingin Road, Lancelin	


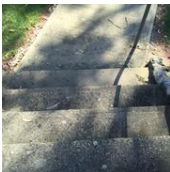

Question	Response	Details
 <p>Appendix 14</p>		
Is there disability access?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the park accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the park well shaded?	Yes	Large rotundas
Are there well scattered benches or seating?	Yes	
Is the park well lit?	Yes	Some lighting
Are there footpaths within the park?	Yes	
Is the footpath wide enough for wheelchairs/gophers/walking frames?	Adequate for one wheelchair/gopher (1.0m - 1.49m)	
Are pedestrian and cycle access separated?	No	
Are footpaths well maintained and free of obstructions?	Yes	
Pioneer Memorial Park		
Address	Cnr Miragliotta Street and Gingin Road, Lancelin	
 <p>Appendix 15</p>		
Is there disability access?	Yes	Limited
Is disability parking available?	Yes	
Is the park accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the park well shaded?	Yes	
Are there well scattered benches or seating?	Yes	
Is the park well lit?	No	No lighting
Are there footpaths within the park?	Yes	
Is the footpath wide enough for wheelchairs/gophers/walking frames?	Adequate for one wheelchair/gopher (1.0m - 1.49m)	
Are pedestrian and cycle access separated?	No	
Are footpaths well maintained and free of obstructions?	Yes	
Harold Park		
Address	Gingin Road, Lancelin	



Question	Response	Details
 <p>Appendix 16</p>		
Is there disability access?	Yes	Limited - narrow paths, big step and tight ramp
Is disability parking available?	Yes	
Is the park accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the park well shaded?	Yes	
Are there well scattered benches or seating?	Yes	
Is the park well lit?	No	
Are there footpaths within the park?	Yes	
Is the footpath wide enough for wheelchairs/gophers/walking frames?	Adequate for one wheelchair/gopher (1.0m - 1.49m)	
Are pedestrian and cycle access separated?	No	
Are footpaths well maintained and free of obstructions?	Yes	
Grace Darling Park		
Address	Hopkins Street, Lancelin	
 <p>Appendix 17</p>		
Is there disability access?	Yes	However, ramp is steep and bitumen need upgrading
  <p>Appendix 18 Appendix 19</p>		
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the park accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the park well shaded?	Yes	
Are there well scattered benches or seating?	Yes	
Is the park well lit?	No	No lighting
Are there footpaths within the park?	Yes	
Is the footpath wide enough for wheelchairs/gophers/walking frames?	Adequate for one wheelchair/gopher (1.0m - 1.49m)	
Are pedestrian and cycle access separated?	No	





Question	Response	Details
Are footpaths well maintained and free of obstructions?	Yes	
Ledge Point Recreation Ground		
Address	Turner Street, Ledge Point (at Country Club)	
		
Appendix 20		
Is there disability access?	No	
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the park accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the park well shaded?	Yes	
Are there well scattered benches or seating?	Yes	Only one seating area but it appears adequate
Is the park well lit?	No	Not required
Are there footpaths within the park?	No	
Key Biscayne Park		
Address	Prince Street/Robertson Road, Ledge Point	
 		
Appendix 21 Appendix 22		
Is there disability access?	Yes	Only to seating. To access toilets and BBQ facilities there is a lengthy walk on sloped grass that would be difficult to navigate for some
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the park accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the park well shaded?	No	Only one rotunda, the benches are very exposed
Are there well scattered benches or seating?	Yes	
Is the park well lit?	No	No lighting
Are there footpaths within the park?	No	Very poor connections. BBQ/public toilet with no access.
 		
Appendix 23 Appendix 24		

Question	Response	Details
Douglas Park		
Address	McCormick Street, Seabird	
 <p>Appendix 25</p>		
Is there disability access?	Yes	Path is very steep
Is disability parking available?	No	No formal parking - verge parking or at Seabird Hall across the road
Is the park accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the park well shaded?	Yes	There is one rotunda within the park so there is room for enhanced shading
Are there well scattered benches or seating?	No	One rotunda, could be more scattered benches throughout park
Is the park well lit?	Yes	
Are there footpaths within the park?	Yes	The footpaths are relatively steep and without any railing, may be difficult for some to navigate
 <p>Appendix 26</p>		
Is the footpath wide enough for wheelchairs/gophers/walking frames?	Adequate for two wheelchairs/gophers (1.5m or above)	
Are pedestrian and cycle access separated?	No	
Are footpaths well maintained and free of obstructions?	Yes	
Seabird Recreation Grounds		
Address	Chalon Ave, Seabird	
 <p>Appendix 27</p>		
Is there disability access?	No	Stair access only down to main oval
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the park accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the park well shaded?	No	Almost no shade
Are there well scattered benches or seating?	No	



Question	Response	Details
Is the park well lit?	No	
Are there footpaths within the park?	No	
Gabbadah Park		
Address	Mullins Street, Guilderton	
Is there disability access?	Yes	The park is at a lower level than the street level making it difficult to access. There is a ramp at the corner of Brandis and Mullins Street that provides access down the main parkland however the path from the ramp stops abruptly leaving only opened grass area.
 		
Appendix 28	Appendix 29	
Is disability parking available?	No	Parking only on street verge
Is the park accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the park well shaded?	Yes	
Are there well scattered benches or seating?	No	Very limited seating apart from retaining walls which are located a fair distance from the street access
		
Appendix 30		
Is the park well lit?	No	Minimal lighting
Are there footpaths within the park?	Yes	Limited footpath access - footpath entry into park and at opposite end around public toilets but no connection between the two
Is the footpath wide enough for wheelchairs/gophers/walking frames?	Adequate for two wheelchairs/gophers (1.5m or above)	
Are pedestrian and cycle access separated?	No	
Are footpaths well maintained and free of obstructions?	Yes	
Guilderton Foreshore		
Address	Edwards Street, Guilderton	
		
Appendix 31		

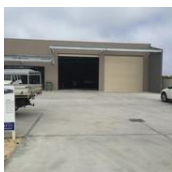

Question	Response	Details
Is there disability access?	No	
Is disability parking available?	Yes	Marked bays directly outside General Store and plenty of general parking
Is the park accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the park well shaded?	No	Only under small BBQ structures, all seating and walking areas are very exposed
Are there well scattered benches or seating?	Yes	Yes but they are not shaded
Is the park well lit?	Yes	Walking path to lookout and BBQ areas are well serviced
Are there footpaths within the park?	Yes	
Is the footpath wide enough for wheelchairs/gophers/walking frames?	Adequate for one wheelchair/gopher (1.0m - 1.49m)	
Are pedestrian and cycle access separated?	No	
Are footpaths well maintained and free of obstructions?	Yes	
Woodridge Park		
Address	King Drive, Woodridge	
 <p>Appendix 32</p>		
Is there disability access?	No	Access to main park from car park area is by stairs only. Access from street level at the other side of the park (from Woolly Bush Loop) is an informal sandy path that would be difficult to navigate
  <p>Appendix 33 Appendix 34</p>		
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the park accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the park well shaded?	Yes	
Are there well scattered benches or seating?	Yes	
Is the park well lit?	No	No lighting apart from tennis court
Are there footpaths within the park?	Yes	
Is the footpath wide enough for wheelchairs/gophers/walking frames?	Adequate for one wheelchair/gopher (1.0m - 1.49m)	
Are pedestrian and cycle access separated?	No	




Question	Response	Details
Are footpaths well maintained and free of obstructions?	Yes	Steep access from tennis court to toilets - public toilets right at the back of the park, difficult to access
Granville Park		
Address	Weld Street, Gingin	
		
Appendix 35		
Is there disability access?	Yes	Only one point of access
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the park accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the park well shaded?	Yes	
Are there well scattered benches or seating?	Yes	
Is the park well lit?	No	
Are there footpaths within the park?	Yes	
Is the footpath wide enough for wheelchairs/gophers/walking frames?	Adequate for one wheelchair/gopher (1.0m - 1.49m)	
Are pedestrian and cycle access separated?	No	
Are footpaths well maintained and free of obstructions?	Yes	
Constable Street Park		
Address	Constable Street, Gingin	
		
Appendix 36		
Is there disability access?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the park accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the park well shaded?	Yes	
Are there well scattered benches or seating?	Yes	One bench but it is a small park
Is the park well lit?	No	No lighting
Are there footpaths within the park?	Yes	
Is the footpath wide enough for wheelchairs/gophers/walking frames?	Adequate for one wheelchair/gopher (1.0m - 1.49m)	
Are pedestrian and cycle access separated?	No	
Are footpaths well maintained and free of obstructions?	Yes	



Question	Response	Details
Gingin Recreation Ground		
Address	Weld Street, Gingin	
 		
Appendix 37	Appendix 38	
Is there disability access?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the park accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the park well shaded?	No	
Are there well scattered benches or seating?	No	
Is the park well lit?	Yes	Event lighting only
Are there footpaths within the park?	Yes	
Gingin Pioneer Pavilion and surrounding parkland		
Address	Weld Street, Gingin	
		
Appendix 39		
Is there disability access?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking on other side of Weld Street however there is no marked crossing and it is a busy street
Is the park accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the park well shaded?	Yes	
Are there well scattered benches or seating?	Yes	
Is the park well lit?	No	No lighting
Are there footpaths within the park?	Yes	
		
Appendix 40		
Is the footpath wide enough for wheelchairs/gophers/walking frames?	Adequate for two wheelchairs/gophers (1.5m or above)	
Are pedestrian and cycle access separated?	No	
Are footpaths well maintained and free of obstructions?	Yes	Walkway was closed at time of Audit


PUBLIC BUILDINGS



Question	Response	Details
Rock Way Public Toilet		
Address	Rock Way, Wangaree Park, Lancelin	
 <p>Appendix 41</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	Yes	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	Whilst there is adequate disability access into the building, there is no formal street crossing from main shopping precinct
Is disability parking available?	Yes	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	
Wangaree Community Centre		
Address	Corner Walker Ave and Gingin Road, Lancelin	
 <p>Appendix 42</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	No	Not required only one main room
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	Needs additional path to connect car park and main entrance - this has already been identified by the Shire. The building is only very recently completed so there are some minor issues like this that have been identified by the Shire and will be rectified.


Question	Response	Details
Is disability parking available?	Yes	
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	Yes	DADAA picks up clients
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	Yes	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	
Lancelin Volunteer Sea Rescue		
Address	Atkinson Street, Lancelin	
		
Appendix 43		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	N/A	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked but plenty general
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	Toilets recently completed
Playgroup Building - Lancelin		
Address	Constable Street, Lancelin	
		
Appendix 44		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	



Question	Response	Details
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	N/A	Only one main room
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	Yes	
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	No	The internal floor treatment is uneven presenting trip hazards throughout
 <p>Appendix 45</p>		
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	Non slip material (lino and carpet) however the flooring requires repair in several areas where it is peeling away
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	
Old Sea Rescue Building		
Address	Hopkins Street, Lancelin	
 <p>Appendix 46</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	Signage is on the side of the building, would benefit from having signage at the street frontage as well
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	N/A	
Is there disability access into the building?	No	Access to the building entrance is via a steep ramp and small step
 <p>Appendix 47</p>		
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	



Question	Response	Details
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	No	
Are the floors non-slip?	No	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	
Gingin Shire - Lancelin		
Address	Lancelin	
 <p>Appendix 48</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	Yes	
Is there disability access into the building?	No	Step up, gravel entry
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	No	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	No	Not a level entry point into building. Old building retro-fitted as a Shire office.
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	
Arts & Crafts Building/CWA		
Address	Constable Street, Gingin	
 <p>Appendix 49</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	No	Temporary signs
Is there disability access into the building?	No	Steps down from the street
Is disability parking available?	No	Only minimal street parking



Question	Response	Details
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	No	Stairs
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	
Granville Civic Centre		
Address	Weld Street, Gingin	
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	N/A	Not required
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	Heavy pull doors
Is disability parking available?	Yes	Two marked disability bays and plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	There are disability toilets in both the Male and Female toilets that are accessed through two narrow doors
Lancelin Community Sporting Club		
Address	Lancelin Road, Lancelin	
		
Appendix 50		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	No	
Is there disability access into the building?	No	
Is disability parking available?	Yes	
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	



Question	Response	Details
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	No	No - stairs/split level, uneven ground
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	
New Men's Shed		
Address	Horan Street	
 <p>Appendix 51</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	No	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	N/A	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	Gravel car park/entry
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	N/A	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	Building is currently under construction - The toilets are not yet complete
Gazebo, Cemetery		
Address	7 Brockman St, Gingin	
 <p>Appendix 52</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	No	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	N/A	



Question	Response	Details
Is there disability access into the building?	No	The gazebo is located within the cemetery and access from the car park is significantly restricted. There are no bitumen pathways and surface is loose gravel which present trip hazards and would be very difficult for some to navigate.
Is disability parking available?	No	
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	
Gingin Aquatic Centre		
Address	Off Weld Street, Gingin 6503	
		
Appendix 53		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	Yes	From gravel
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	Yes	Marked and plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	No	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	
Recreation Centre		
Address	Off Weld Street, Gingin 6503	



Question	Response	Details
 <p>Appendix 54</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	Yes	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	Yes	Two marked and plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	Pool toilets accessed on other side
Bendigo Bank complex		
Address	Off Weld Street, Gingin 6503	
 <p>Appendix 55</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	Yes	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	Yes	Two marked and plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	Ramp access to tennis courts is far
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	Precinct is all gravel and sloped
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	


Question	Response	Details
Post Office		
Address	Gingin	
 <p>Appendix 56</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	N/A	
Is there disability access into the building?	No	Stairs
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking - could do with lines/structure and signage
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	No	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	
Playgroup - Gingin		
Address	6 Constable Street, Gingin	
 <p>Appendix 57</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	N/A	Not required
Is there disability access into the building?	No	Entrance up/down hills
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	

Question	Response	Details
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	Although the floor is coming up - trip hazard
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	
Ocean Farm Community Hall		
Address	Nilgen	
 <p>Appendix 58</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	No	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	At rear
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	No counter/reception desk
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	No	Old building with steps up into building
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	At rear
Seaview Park Hall		
Address	269 Seaview Drive, Seaview Park, Karakin WA.	
 <p>Appendix 59</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	However there is a gravel car park that is difficult to navigate
Is disability parking available?	Yes	
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	



Question	Response	Details
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	
Ledge Point Country Club		
Address	381 Turner St, Ledge Point	
 <p>Appendix 60</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	No	Not required
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	New automatic door but not that close to disability parking
Is disability parking available?	Yes	However it is not easy to park
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	No	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	No	Internally it is easy. There is a very long and steep ramp to bowling green which could be dangerous.
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	Only accessible outside up a step and through heavy doors from inside
Ledge Point Toilets at Recreation Ground		
Address	381 Turner St, Ledge Point 6043	
 <p>Appendix 61</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	No	Hidden behind Country Club, would be very difficult to find unless you knew about them
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	N/A	
Is there disability access into the building?	No	Very difficult to get to on uneven surfaces
Is disability parking available?	No	

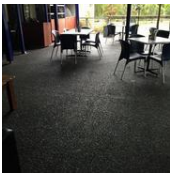


Question	Response	Details
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	
Ledge Point Public Toilets		
Address	Robertson St, Ledge Point	
 <p>Appendix 62</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	No	No disability sign
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	N/A	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	Both Male and Female have disability friendly toilets but there are no signs to indicate
Seabird Public Toilets		
Address	Edwards Street, Seabird	
 <p>Appendix 63</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	



Question	Response	Details
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	N/A	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	Yes	Two marked bays
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	
Seabird Hall		
Address	Chalon Avenue	
 <p>Appendix 64</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	Could be improved
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	N/A	One room
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	
Foreshore Public Toilets, Guilderton		
Address	Edwards Street, Guilderton	
 <p>Appendix 65</p>		




Question	Response	Details
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	N/A	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	
Redfield Park Hall		
Address	Guilderton	
		
Appendix 66		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	No	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	No	Very small building
Is there disability access into the building?	No	Steps up and step in. Gravel car park.
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	No counter/reception desk
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	No	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	Access toilets in fire shed
Guilderton Country Club and Hall		
Address	Guilderton	


Question	Response	Details
 <p>Appendix 67</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	Yes	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	Stairs down to bowling green - no ramp access
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	No	Bar/kitchen
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	
Sovereign Hill Community Centre		
Address	Sovereign Hill Drive	
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	No	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	No	Very small building
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	No counter/reception desk
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	No	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	External to building
Weld Street Public Toilets		
Address	Gingin	



Question	Response	Details
 <p>Appendix 68</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	No	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	N/A	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	
Woodridge Hall		
Address	King Drive	
 <p>Appendix 69</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	Yes	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	Small step up
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	



Question	Response	Details
C U @ Park Café		
Address	Weld Street, Gingin	
 <p>Appendix 70</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	No	No toilet signage
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	However there is a step into the main building and front counter
 <p>Appendix 71</p>		
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but plenty of general parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	No	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	No	Step up into main building
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	However they are in the park - fair distance and ramp access out front is a big walk
Shire Office Gingin		
Address	7 Brockman Street, Gingin	
 <p>Appendix 72</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	Could be improved
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	Yes	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	Electric entry doors are pretty narrow

Question	Response	Details
 <p>Appendix 73</p>		
Is disability parking available?	Yes	One marked bay
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	No	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	Only disability toilet is in Female toilet
Harold Park Public Toilets		
Address	Gingin Road, Lancelin	
 <p>Appendix 74</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	Yes	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	Yes	
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	
Gabbadah Park Public Toilets		
Address	Mullins Street, Guilderton	



Question	Response	Details
 <p>Appendix 75</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	No	Toilets located in far back corner of park and signage is not visible until right up close and located on sides of building. Did not appear to be any street navigational signage indicating toilet facilities were located in park.
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	Yes	
Is there disability access into the building?	No	There is no footpath to connect path entrance (ramp) to toilet block. To get to the toilet facilities one has to navigate a considerable distance of uneven grass and some steps.
Is disability parking available?	No	
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	
Key Biscayne Park Toilets		
Address	Robertson Road, Ledge Point	
 <p>Appendix 76</p>	 <p>Appendix 77</p>	
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	No	There is a "Public Toilets" sign at Robertson Road however it is not clear where the toilets are as they are located down a hill and cannot be seen from the road. Sign can be misinterpreted to mean toilets located at DeBurgh Street approx. 300m away.
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	Yes	
Is there disability access into the building?	No	In order to get to the building there is considerable sloped and uneven grass surfaces to navigate.


Question	Response	Details
Is disability parking available?	No	No marked bays but plenty general
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	
Woodridge Public Toilets		
Address	King Drive, Woodridge	
		
Appendix 78		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	No	Toilets are located at far back corner of park/recreation precinct. There is no signage apart from on the building.
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	Yes	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	There is a footpath connection from the car park to the toilet block however one would have to navigate a small set of stairs down and sections of the path are very narrow.
Is disability parking available?	No	No marked but plenty general parking at Woodridge Hall
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	
Racecourse Public Toilets		
Address	Racecourse Road, Gingin	

Question	Response	Details
 <p>Appendix 79</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	No	Toilet block is located at Racecourse which is "off the beaten track" and a fair drive from town centre and main roads. The building is marked with painted murals indicating male/female toilets.
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	Yes	
Is there disability access into the building?	No	Very difficult and uneven ground surrounds toilet block - is difficult for an able bodied person to navigate and would be very challenging to access in a wheelchair
Is disability parking available?	No	No formal parking but plenty of space for parking
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	
Grace Darling Park Toilets		
Address	Corner Hopkins and Cuncliffe Street, Lancelin	
 <p>Appendix 80</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	Yes	
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	Yes	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	Footpath access from parking area to toilets however some of the bitumen areas are uneven and require maintenance
Is disability parking available?	No	
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	

Question	Response	Details
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	No	
Fisher Street Public Toilets		
Address	Fisher Street, Lancelin	
 <p>Appendix 81</p>		
Is there clearly visible directional and identification signage?	No	Street navigational signage could be improved, toilets are located at a large car park and you wouldn't know toilets were there until you get to the area. The toilet block itself however is well signed.
Is there clearly visible navigational signage within the building?	Yes	
Is there disability access into the building?	Yes	Car park surface may be an issue for some people due to loose stones/rough surface
 <p>Appendix 82</p>		
Is disability parking available?	No	No marked bays but plenty of general parking available
Is the building accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the front counter/reception desk no higher than 870mm with 800mm knee and toe plate clearances?	N/A	
Is it easy to get around the public areas of the building? (This may include lift access, ramps, wheelchair access doors etc.)	Yes	
Are the floors non-slip?	Yes	
Are there unisex disability accessible toilets?	Yes	




TRANSPORT AND MOVEMENT


Question	Response	Details
Pedestrian Movement		
Are pedestrian crossings adequately provided generally?	No	Limited formal crossings in main town sites. Potential for improvement including signage and line markings at major access points.
Are there pedestrian crossings on key access routes? (e.g. To community services and public facilities)	No	
 <p>Appendix 83</p>		
Are there accessible, sloping curbs at pedestrian crossings?	Yes	Room for improvement, particularly in coastal towns.
 <p>Appendix 84</p>		
Are there any pedestrian crossings that require attention?	Yes	
Identify the location/s and describe the issue/s	<p>There are some high traffic pedestrian crossings that have no formal infrastructure. In some instances the footpaths do not connect or are in poor condition. Some high priority areas identified included:</p> <p>Wangaree Community Centre, Lancelin Shopping precinct, Rock Way, Lancelin Tennis Courts, Ledge Point Possible upgrades at Guilderton town centre (Edwards Street) Between Frank Douglas Park and Hall, Seabird Guilderton Country Club Weld Street crossing to CBD, Gingin</p>	
Are the footpaths wide enough for wheelchairs/gophers/walking frames generally?	Not adequate (less than 1.0m)	
Are pedestrian and cycle access separated generally?	No	
Are footpaths well maintained and free of obstructions generally?	Yes	
Are footpaths well lit generally?	No	Some main routes have lighting however footpath network is inconsistent
Is there adequate seating along major pedestrian routes?	No	

Question	Response	Details
Are there adequate footpaths provided on key access routes generally (e.g. Residential to facilities etc.)	No	
Are there any footpaths that require attention?	Yes	Some images attached to demonstrate the issues that are generally consistent across the Shire
		
<p>Appendix 85 Appendix 86 Appendix 87 Appendix 88 Appendix 89</p>		
Identify the location/s and describe the issue/s	The footpaths vary across the Shire and within the town sites themselves. Generally where footpaths are provided they are very narrow or do not connect to key facilities. There are also some footpaths across the Shire that are uneven and require upgrading. Some facilities, particularly toilets or other facilities located within parks, do not have footpath connections.	
Road Signage		
Are traffic signs visible and well placed generally?	No	
Identify any critical gaps.	The provision of signage across the Shire is inconsistent and requires review. Whilst navigational signage exists for some facilities others are not signed at all. Generally, parks are not signed and toilet facilities are not well signed.	
Public and Community Transport		
Is public transport available?	No	
Is there any other form of community transportation available? (e.g. Community bus, HACC transport)	Yes	Community bus in Gingin and Lancelin. Wheatbelt Development Commission to trial coastal transport from Jurien bay to Perth – pickup along the coast.
Is a taxi service available?	No	

HOUSING

Question	Response	Details
Housing Stock		
Is there sufficient suitable housing to meet the needs of the ageing population in the future? (e.g. Smaller homes, 2-3 bedroom, single story, wider entrances, located close to services)	No	
Retirement Village/Seniors Housing		
Name of Retirement Village/Seniors Housing	Gingin 4 x ILUs	

Question	Response	Details
Insert address of Retirement Village/Seniors Housing precinct.	14 Barlee St, Gingin	
 <p>Appendix 90</p>		
Is there disability access into the village/precinct?	Yes	Poor condition bitumen
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked, but adequate general parking
Is the village/precinct accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the village/precinct close to services and the community?	Yes	About 450m to town centre however surrounding footpath network has some connections missing and sections of path that are narrow and/or uneven
 <p>Appendix 91</p>		
Name of Retirement Village/Seniors Housing	Lancelin Seniors Housing Precinct (11 units)	
Insert address of Retirement Village/Seniors Housing precinct.	2 Atkinson Way, Lancelin	
 <p>Appendix 92</p>		
Is there disability access into the village/precinct?	Yes	
Is disability parking available?	No	Not marked but adequate general parking and street parking available
Is the village/precinct accessible by public or community transport?	No	
Is the village/precinct close to services and the community?	Yes	Footpath access surrounding the housing precinct is poor and there are some significant connections either missing entirely or too narrow and uneven

Question	Response	Details
 <p>Appendix 93</p>		

SPORT AND RECREATION

Question	Response	Details
Facilities		
Is there an adequate range of sporting and recreation facilities that cater for people across a range of abilities?	Yes	
Are the sport and recreation facilities accessible?	Yes and no	Depending on the area and sport involved. All bowling greens seem to have accessibility issues i.e. club house that overlooks bowling green with no ramp to green
Are seniors satisfied with the provision of sport and recreation facilities?	See <i>Engagement Report: Towards an Age Friendly Community Plan (2015)</i>	
Clubs		
Are seniors satisfied with the provision of sport and recreation facilities?	See <i>Engagement Report: Towards an Age Friendly Community Plan (2015)</i>	

SOCIAL PARTICIPATION

Question	Response	Details
Volunteering		
Are senior volunteers recognised through awards and special events?	Yes	Volunteer event, Premier's Active Citizenship Awards
Are seniors satisfied with provision of volunteering opportunities?	See <i>Engagement Report: Towards an Age Friendly Community Plan (2015)</i>	
Community Events and Activities		
Are activities free or low cost?	Yes	
Are activities accessible by community or public transport?	No	
Are activities at night well lit?	N/A	Events are held during the day

RESPECT AND SOCIAL INCLUSION

Question	Response	Details
Respect and Social Inclusion		
Do seniors feel respected by the community?	See <i>Engagement Report: Towards an Age Friendly Community Plan (2015)</i>	
Do seniors feel included in the community?	See <i>Engagement Report: Towards an Age Friendly Community Plan (2015)</i>	

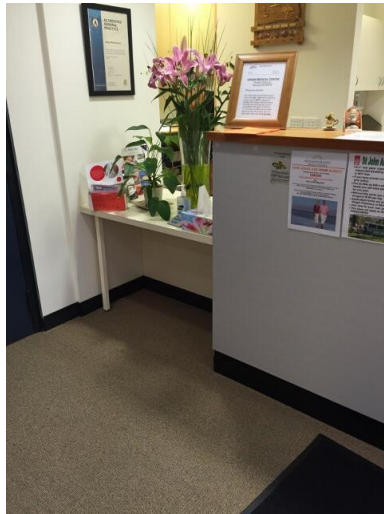
COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

Question	Response	Details
Communication and Information		
Are seniors satisfied with the provision of information about services and activities in their community?	See <i>Engagement Report: Towards an Age Friendly Community Plan (2015)</i>	
Computers and Internet		
Do seniors have home computers?	Yes	Not sure of the extent
Do seniors have access to the internet?	Yes	At the Community Resource Centre (Gingin and Lancelin) if no access at home
Can seniors obtain assistance to access computers and the internet?	Yes	At the Community Resource Centre (Gingin and Lancelin) if no access at home
Health Promotion		
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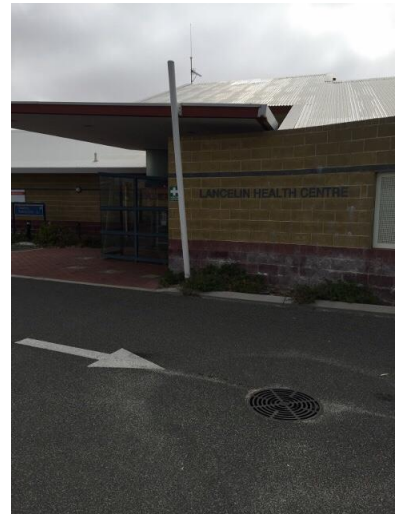
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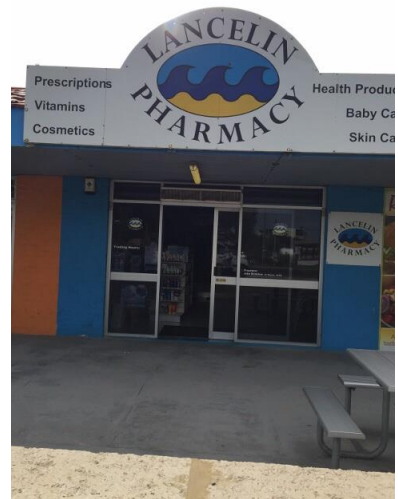
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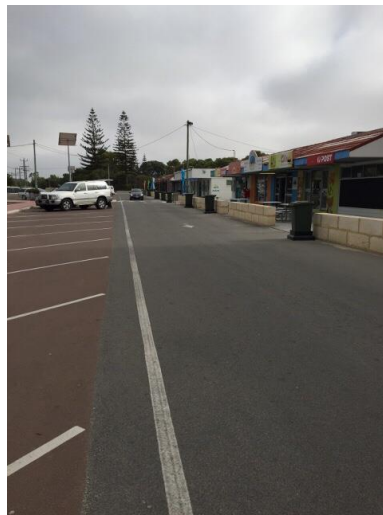
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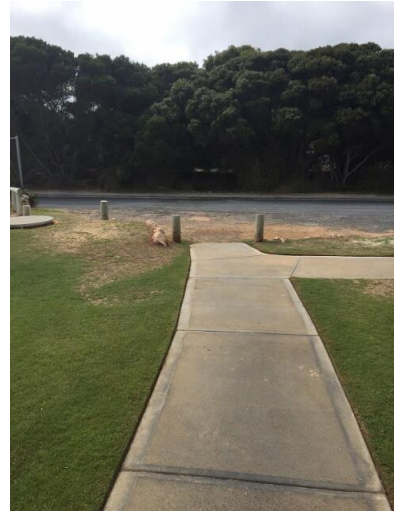
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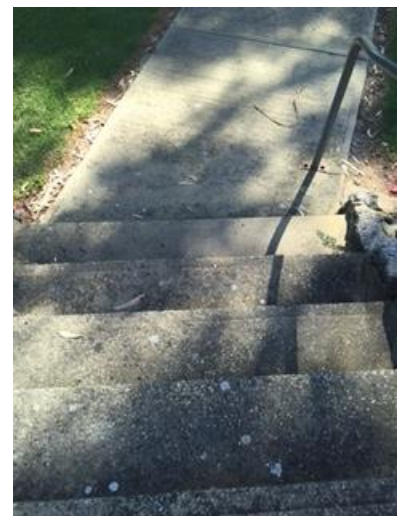
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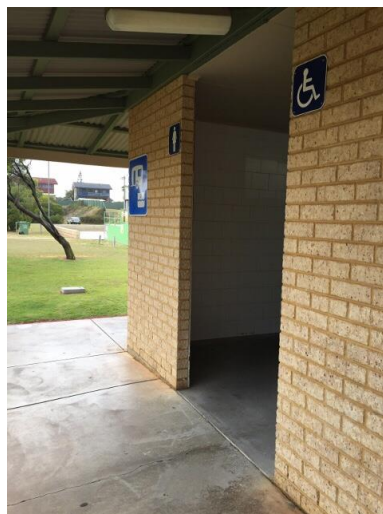
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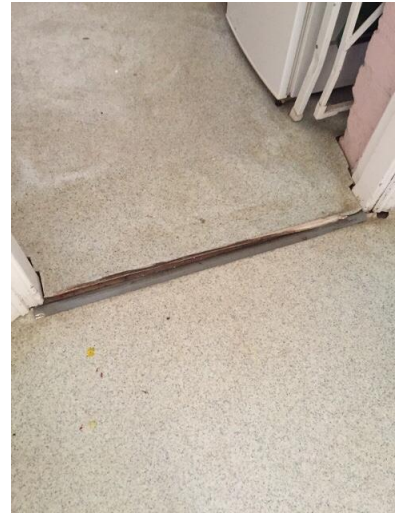
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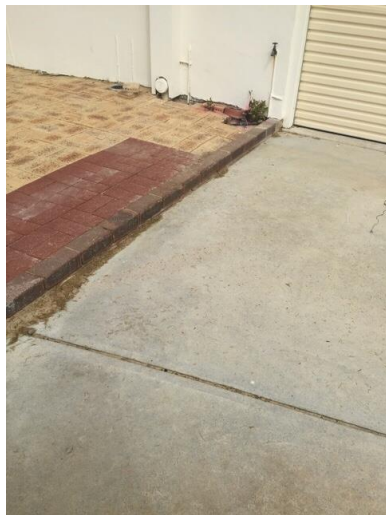
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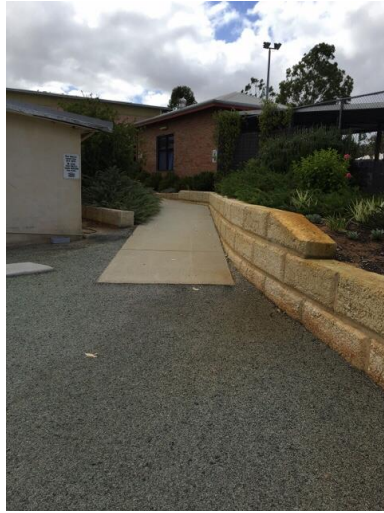
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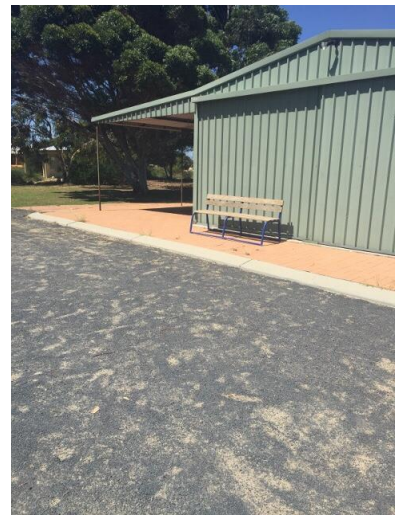
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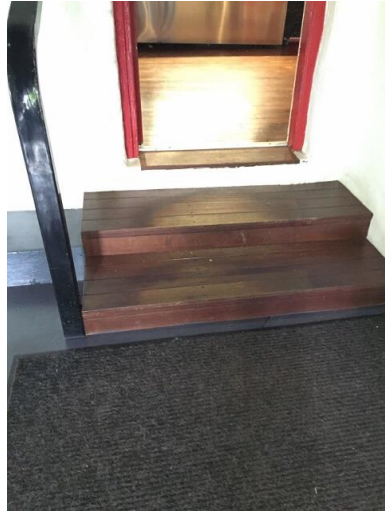
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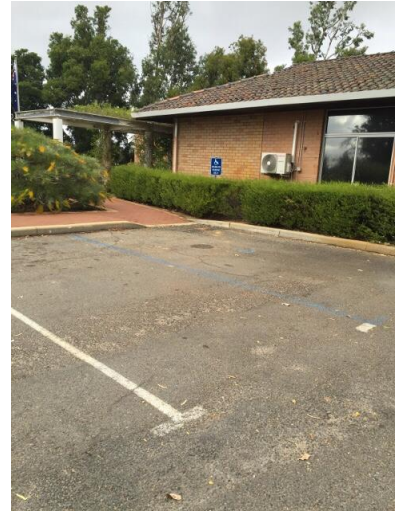
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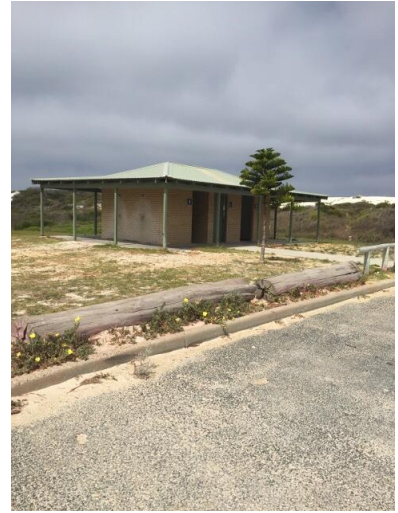
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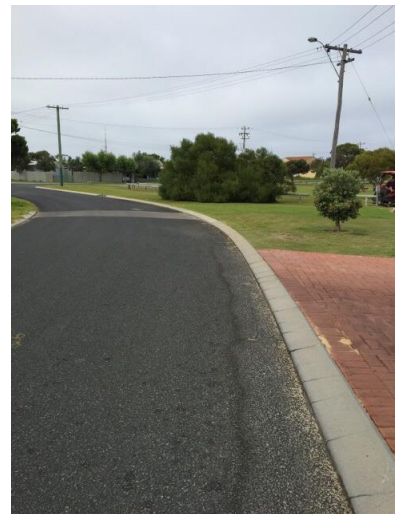
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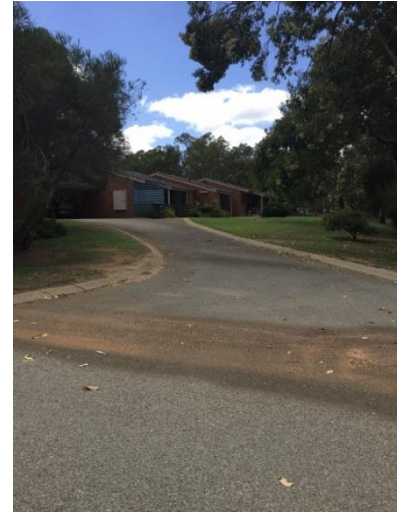
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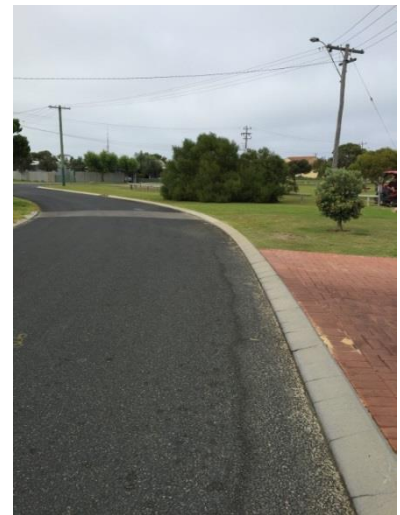
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KEY FINDINGS

It is clear from the results of the engagement activities that both survey respondents and focus group participants enjoy living in the Shire of Gingin. However, the research also shows that the community feel that there are some opportunities for improvement regarding the provision of key services in order to create an age friendly community.

The key findings are:

- A total of 33 individuals participated in the focus group and 149 individuals participated in the surveys.
- Of those seniors who participated, 58% of survey respondents and 70% of focus group participants are retired.
- The majority of both survey and focus group respondents believe that improved provision of health and community services and maintenance of road and footpaths will lead to a more fulfilling experience for seniors in the Shire of Gingin.
- Focus group participants believe the most important issues for aged persons in the Shire of Gingin are:
 - Footpaths
 - Retirement village
 - Aged care facilities
 - Co-ordinated community
 - Transport
 - High speed broadband
 - Home care help.
- Survey respondents believe the most important issues for aged persons in the Shire of Gingin are:
 - Aged care accommodation
 - Communication of available services
 - Access to home care
 - Health care & medical services
 - Condition of footpaths and roads
 - Provision of public transport.

INTRODUCTION

Background

Age-friendly communities are those that encourage “active aging by optimizing opportunities for health, participation and security in order to enhance the quality of life as people age” (World Health Org). An Age Friendly Community is one which:

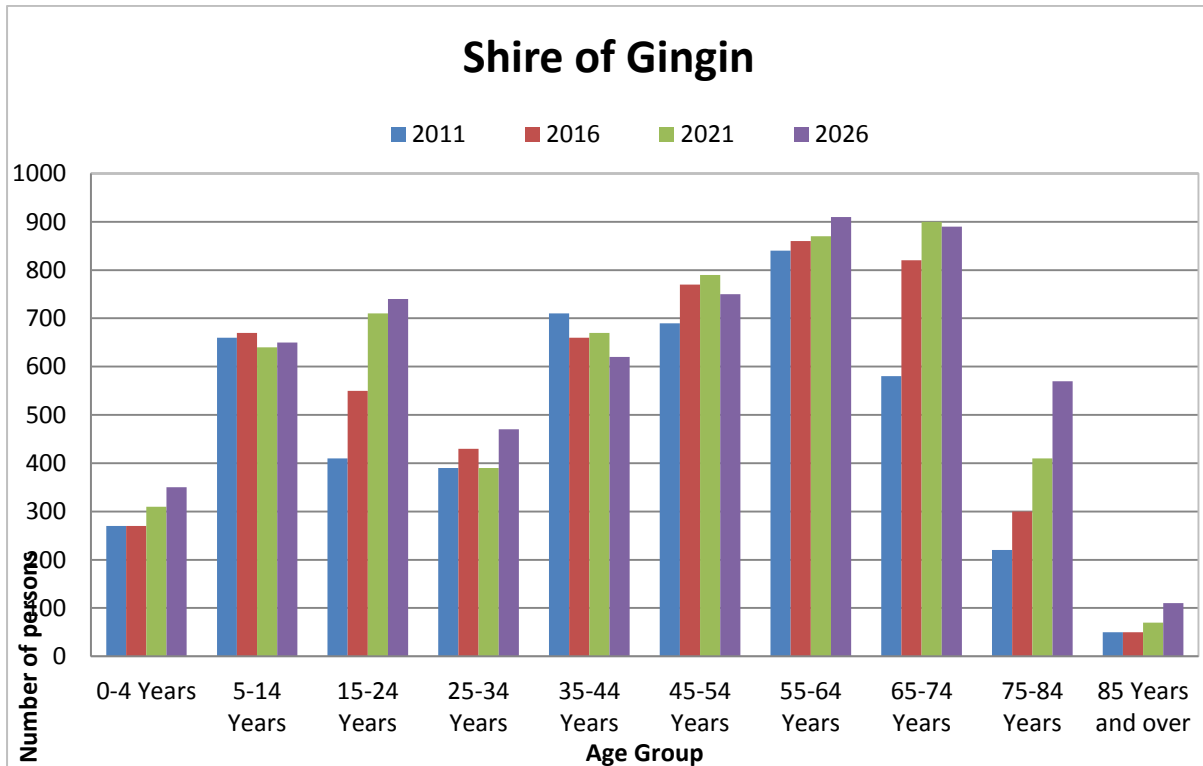
- recognises the great diversity among older people;
- promotes their inclusion and contribution in all areas of community life;
- respects their decisions and lifestyle choices; and
- anticipates and responds to ageing-related needs and preference.

The Shire of Gingin considers age-friendly community planning vital to undertake for the following reasons:

- By 2027, Wheatbelt population over 70 will have increased by 75.3%
- The proportion of people 70+ will have increased from 10.4% in 2011 to 17% in 2027
- The increase projected for Gingin is 104.9% to 1082 people in 2027).

In addition to this, older adults generally prefer to remain in their own home and continue to be part of their community. Older adults feel safe, valued and respected in their own community and local governments have a key role in ensuring this can occur.

Figure 1: Projected age profiles for the Shire of Gingin from 2011 to 2026



<http://www.planning.wa.gov.au/publications/6196.asp>

Age-friendly community planning is also a state and regional issue. In 2012 the State Government adopted “An Age-friendly WA: The Seniors Strategic Planning Framework 2012-17.” The following actions have also been undertaken:

- 2013 the Wheatbelt Integrated Aged Care Plan was published
- 2014 the Wheatbelt Development Commission (WDC) published its Planning Guide for Age Friendly Community Planning and Audit Tool
- 2015 WDC provided a small grants program for minor improvement works (Gingin was successful in getting funding for a number of pathway improvements)
- 2015 Department of Local Government and Communities Grant program to prepare plans (Gingin again successful)

Community Engagement Methodology

The broad approach adopted by the Shire of Gingin in preparing an Age Friendly Community Plan consists of a four step solution-focused process to produce a strategy that will be consistent with and complementary to the Strategic Community Plan:

Figure 2: Age friendly planning community process



The third step of the process concerns engagement. As part of the Age Friendly Planning process, and to obtain the knowledge and views of seniors and those who care for them, a Community Reference Group has been established. This group guides and supports the project, liaises with the Department of Local Government and Communities, reviews draft reports and will endorse the final plan. In addition to this, the group has provided input into the design of a community survey and focus

groups. Both the survey and the focus group sessions were structured around the eight WHO domains with participants involved in assessing these features in their own communities.

The Shire of Gingin conducted one Focus Group that surveyed community members. The Shire advertised the Focus Group using the following channels:

- Facebook
- Direct emails to community groups
- Print ads in the Bullsbrook-Gingin Advocate, North Coast Times and Sun City News

The survey was available electronically on the Shire's website and hard copies made available at these locations:

- Post Office (Gingin, Guilderton, Woodridge, Ledge Point, Seabird, Lancelin, Ocean Farm)
- Gingin and Lancelin Community Resource Centre
- Road Side Mail Boxes attached to the Gingin Post Office
- Shire offices in Lancelin and Gingin.

Surveys were also given out at the Gingin Pensioner Group meeting and Gingin Men's Shed day.

See Annex 1 for a copy of the Focus Group promotional notice. Annex 2 contains a copy of the Community Survey.

Purpose

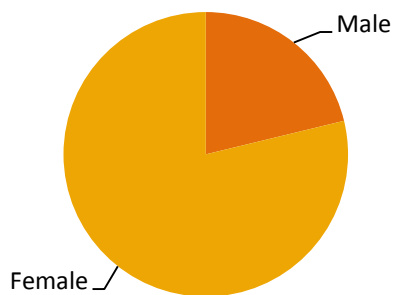
The purpose of the Engagement Report is to present the results of the Focus Groups and Community Survey. It will be used to inform and guide the next steps in the development of the Shire's Age Friendly Community Plan.

FOCUS GROUP RESPONDENTS

The Shire of Gingin conducted one Focus Group as part of the development of the Age Friendly Community Plan. The Focus Group was designed and conducted in line with the Department for Communities Age Friendly Toolkit and the Wheatbelt Development Commissions Age Friendly Community Plan Guide. See Annex 3 for a copy of the Participant Information Form used to collect the data presented below.

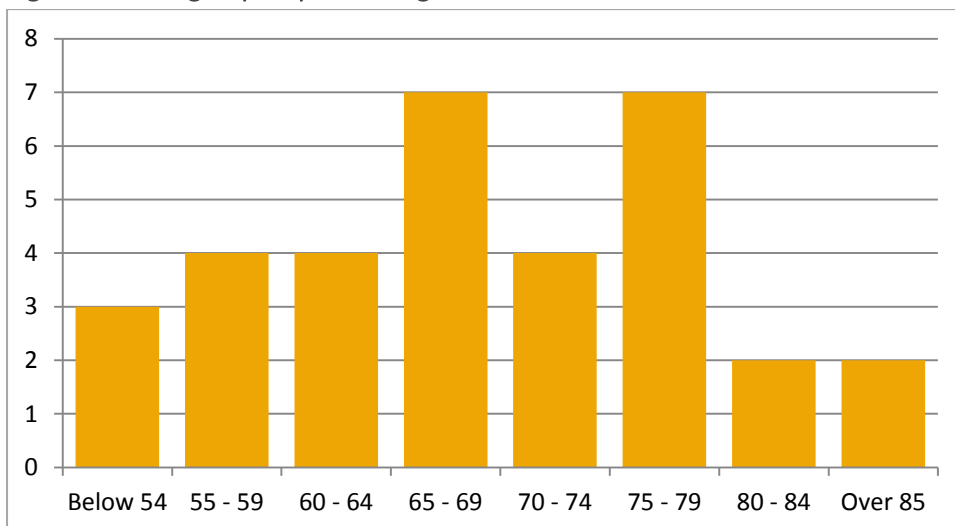
33 people attended the community focus group in the Shire of Gingin. Of participants in attendance, 79% are female and 21% are male (refer to Figure 3).

Figure 3: Focus group respondent sex



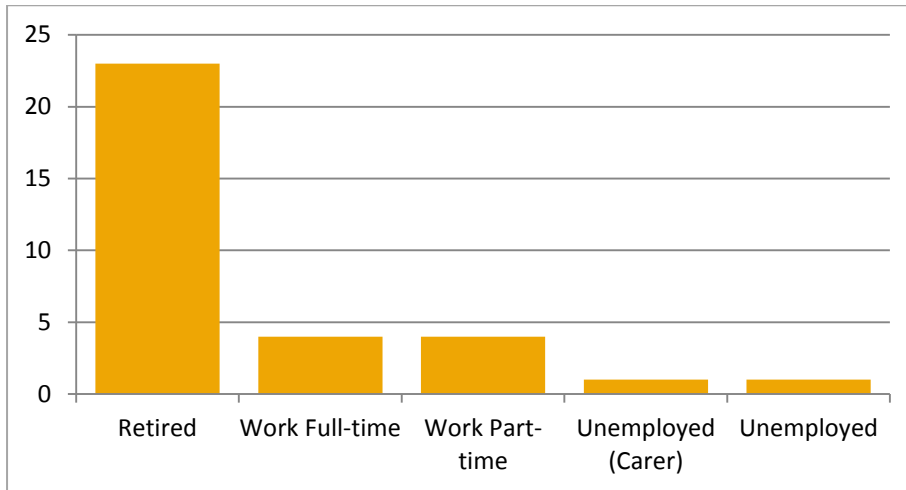
Respondents range from below 54 to over 85 years of age. The largest proportion of participants range from between 65 to 79 years of age (refer to Figure 4).

Figure 4: Focus group respondent age



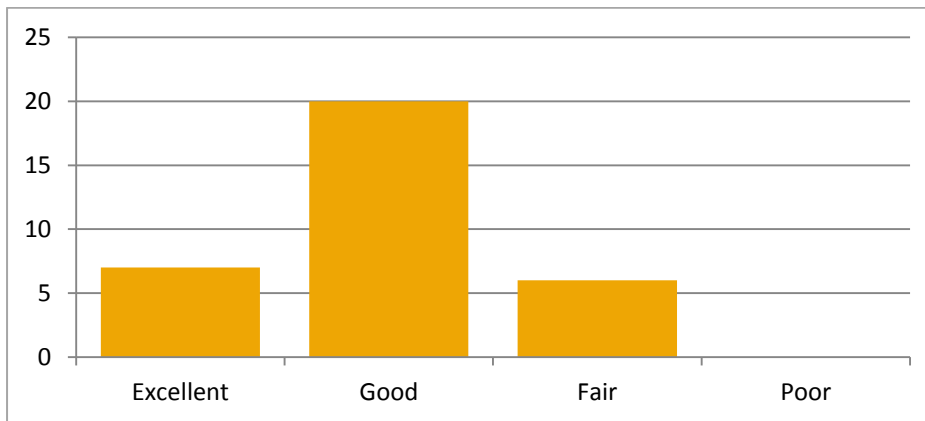
70% of respondents are retired and 24% work either full or part time. 6% of participants have cited they are unemployed.

Figure 5: Focus group respondent present employment status



While 61% of participants indicated their current health is good, 21% indicated their health is excellent. 18% have represented their health as fair.

Figure 6: Focus group respondent current health



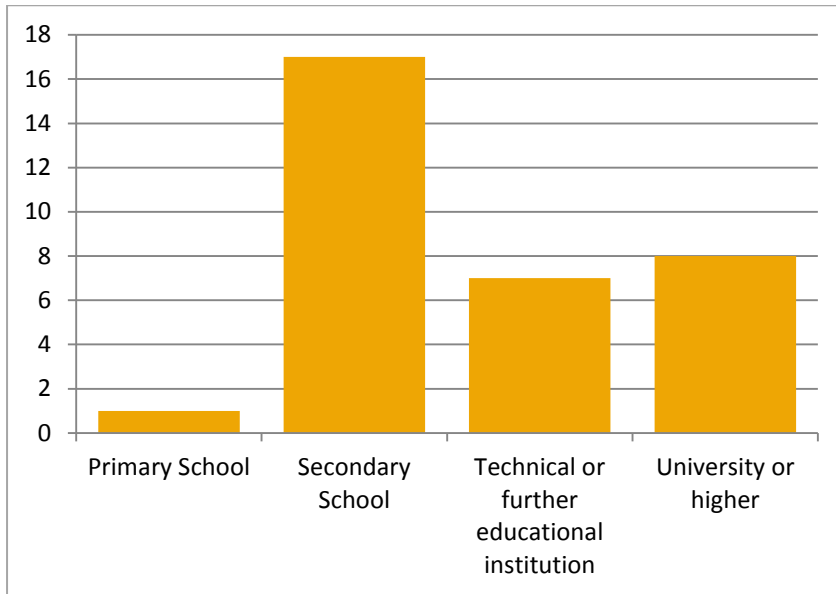
70% of participants indicated that they do not currently have health problems that limit their ability to perform normal daily activities. Conversely, 30% have indicated they do have limiting health problems.

Table 1: Focus group respondent limiting health problems

Answer Options	Response Count	Response Percent
Yes	10	30%
No	23	70%
Total	33	100%

17 respondents have completed secondary school, seven have completed technical or further education and eight have completed university or higher.

Figure 7: Focus group respondent highest schooling level



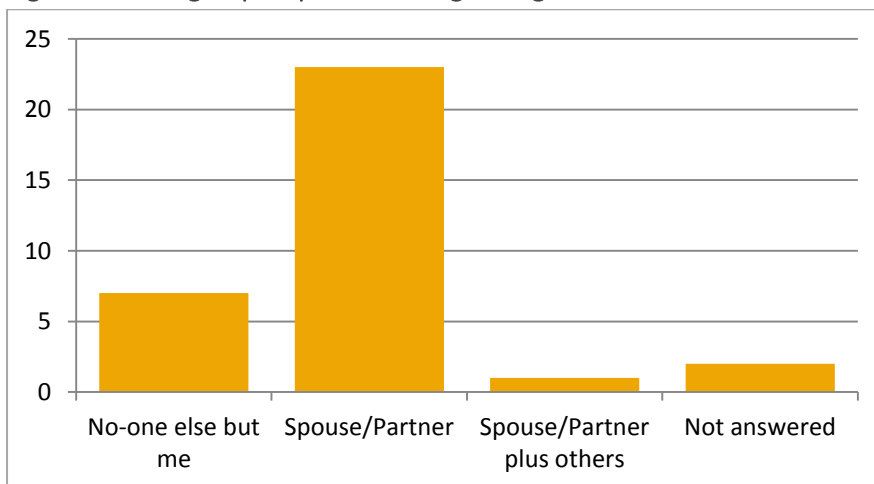
91% of respondents are home owners and 6% are renters. 3% have not answered.

Table 2: Focus group respondent home ownership

Answer Options	Response Count	Response Percent
Home Owner	30	91%
Renter	2	6%
Not answered	1	3%
Total	33	100%

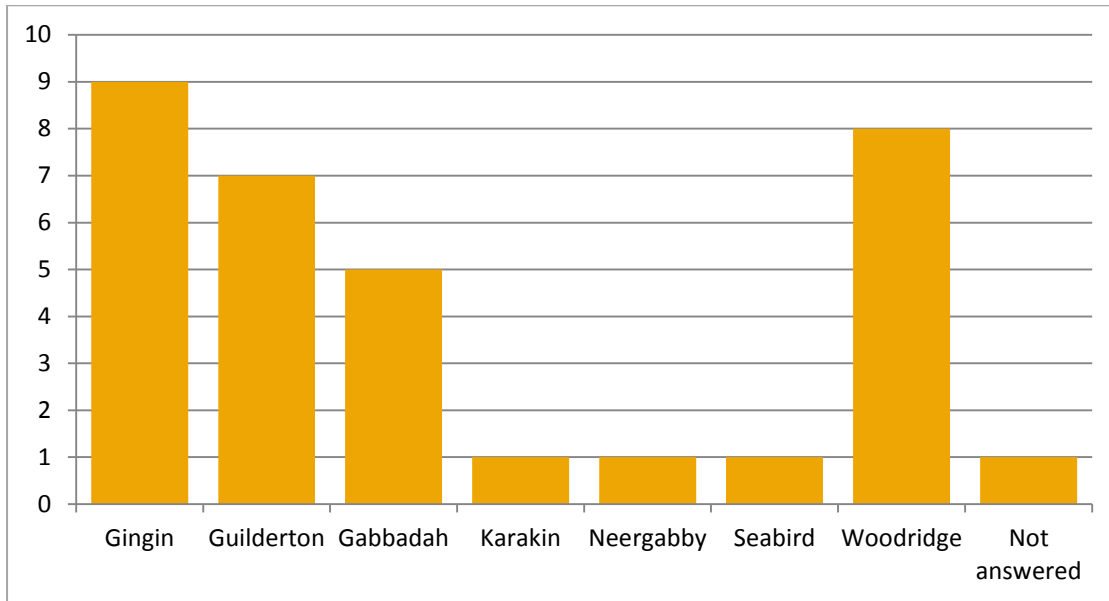
21% of respondents live alone and 70% live with their spouse or partner.

Figure 8: Focus group respondent living arrangements



A majority of residents (27%) indicate they live in Gingin. A further 21% live in Guilderton and 15% live in Gabbadah. 24% of participants also live in Woodridge. An equal 3% of respondents also live in Karakin, Neergabby and Seabird. 3% did not answer the question.

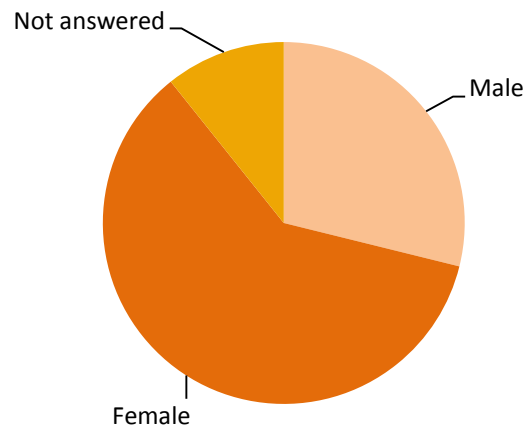
Figure 9: Focus group residence by suburb



SURVEY RESPONDENTS

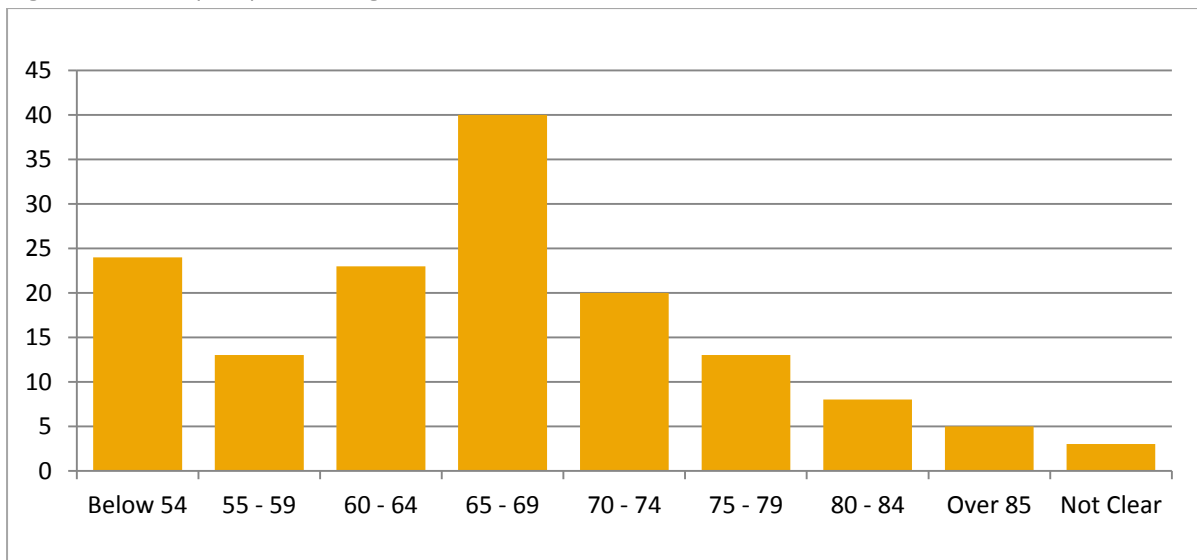
149 respondents in the Shire of Gingin completed the Age Friendly Community Plan Survey. Approximately 60% of the respondents are female and 29% are male. 11% have not answered.

Figure 10: Survey respondent sex



Respondents are between below 54 and over 85 years of age. The largest cohort of respondents is between 65 to 69 years old (see Figure 11).

Figure 11: Survey respondent age



A majority of respondents are retired. 15% of respondents work full-time and 18% work part time. Only 4% have indicated they are unemployed and 5% did not answer.

Table 3: Survey respondent present employment status

Answer Options	Response Count	Response Percent
Retired	86	58%
Work Full-time	22	15%
Work Part-time	27	18%
Unemployed	6	4%
Not Answered	8	5%
Total	149	100%

FOCUS GROUP RESULTS

Health and Community Services

Focus group respondents noted several areas in which health and community services are lacking in the Shire of Gingin. Participants relayed that aged care facilities as well as health services are a dissatisfying component of overall health and wellbeing in the Shire. They suggested that Silver Chain conduct more home visits and doctor availability be increase to combat these perceptions.

In addition, participants discussed the need for graduated aged care facilities, from low care to high care and dementia services. Investment in home care and provided medical assistance was also noted as a high priority. Participants were also concerned that current volunteer services such as the fire services do not have enough volunteers and suggested that professional paid staff be employed to fill this gap. Participants were satisfied by the mobile area bus service for eyes, hearing tests and breast screenings. It was noted, however, that this service needs to feature more prominently and frequently across the Shire.

Outdoor Spaces and Buildings

Focus group participants are satisfied with community centres, many open spaces and pool in the Shire of Gingin. They noted dissatisfaction with the hiring cost and use of community spaces. In addition to this, there is also dissatisfaction with public buildings, participants noting that they generally need to be upgraded. Respondents also desire upgrading of public toilets and increase of disabled access in these spaces.

Focus group participants have also suggested that a seniors meeting hall would be beneficial to the community. Public exercise facilities are desired for those who do not have access to professional equipment. In addition, respondents would like to see an increase in walking trails and paths around town.

Transport and Movement

Participants are quite concerned with the present condition of footpaths in the Shire of Gingin, predominantly citing Seabird and Guilderton. They have commented on both the lack of footpaths as well as the condition of present footpaths. They have also cited the need for footpaths due to peoples' increased use of gophers to travel.

Public transport was also cited as a point of concern. Several participants suggested a roster of volunteer drivers to fill the gap left by the lack of public transport. It was further suggested that this might entail Shire or volunteer coordination of a driver roster for the whole of the Shire.

Housing

Respondents have several concerns regarding the Shire's provision of residential aged housing. They wanted small-management homes in rural settings as well as provision of public or government subsidised housing. Participants also desire aged support with maintaining homes and properties.

Respondents noted the following suggestions for improving aged care housing:

- Specific aged care facilities for dementia
- Lifestyle villages for each community
- Smaller residential blocks.

Sport and Recreation

Participants have noted that the advertising of sports and recreation in the Shire of Gingin is not currently adequate. In addition, respondents would like more control over and provision of current four wheel drive access and camping.

Respondents desire more people to use the “wonderful facilities” on offer in the Shire. There is also commentary on an increase in facilities for disabled people to participate in sports and recreation. Overall, respondents noted that “we are very fortunate in Gingin for sporting and recreational activities are excellent.”

Social Participation

Respondents would like to see more social inclusion at the schools. In addition to this, increased recognition of volunteers was also noted. Participants suggested encouraging participation in social activities including disabled focused and school events.

Respect and Social Inclusion

Focus group participants generally agreed there was great respect in the area for the elderly and this is an underlying reason why people enjoy living in the Shire of the Gingin. They have noted that there are several elements of social inclusion missing. These include a lack of enthusiasm and interest in participating in events, clear communication of events and activities on offer and invitations to participate in said events.

Communication and Information

Respondents are concerned about the lack of information from the Shire. Broadband and internet access is not readily available for all and mobile phone access is also an issue. Participants desire better signage to facilities for visitors especially those for camping and accommodation. Respondents would also like the visitor’s boards to be updated regularly.

Respondents noted that community sponsored radio, seniors page on the Shire website and senior-specific computer training are all lacking in the Shire. They indicated that they would like to see these initiatives go ahead.

Priorities

Respondents have indicated the following areas as priorities:

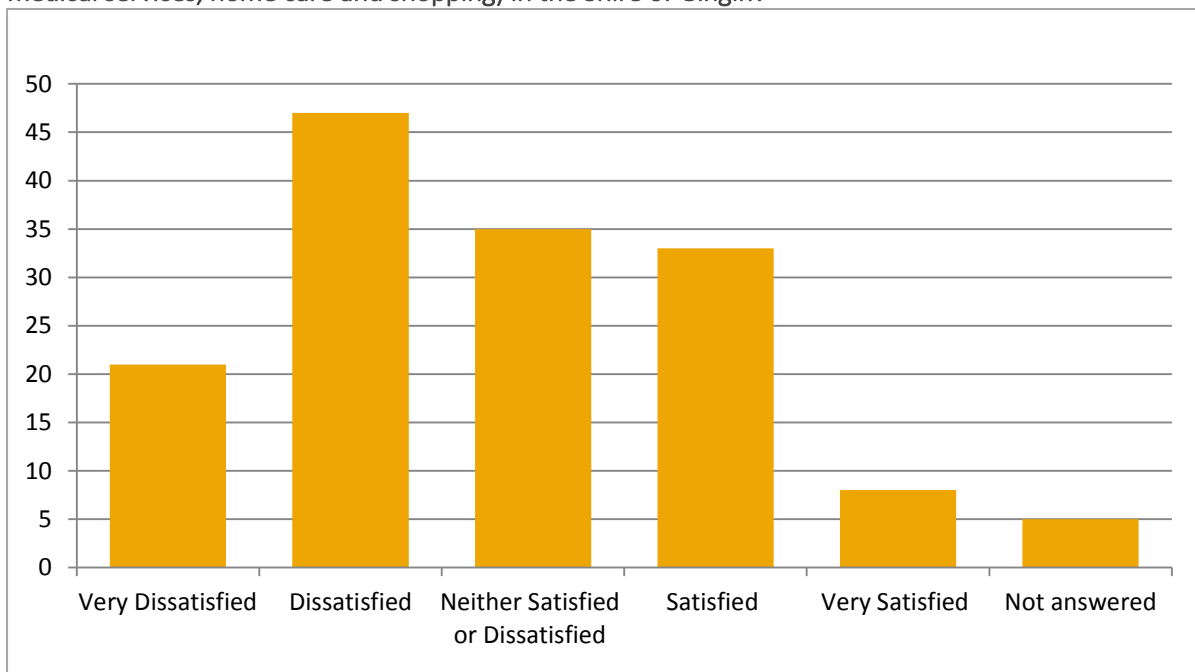
- Footpaths
- Retirement village
- Aged care facilities
- Co-ordinated community
- Transport
- High speed broadband
- Home care help.

SURVEY RESULTS

Health and Community Services

Approximately 46% of survey respondents indicated that they are either very dissatisfied or dissatisfied with the provision of health and community services in the Shire of Gingin. 23% of respondents indicated they were neither satisfied nor dissatisfied with the Shire's provision of services and 27% indicated they were satisfied or very satisfied (see Figure 12). 3% did not answer.

Figure 12: How satisfied are you with the provision of Health and Community Services (including GP, medical services, home care and shopping) in the Shire of Gingin?



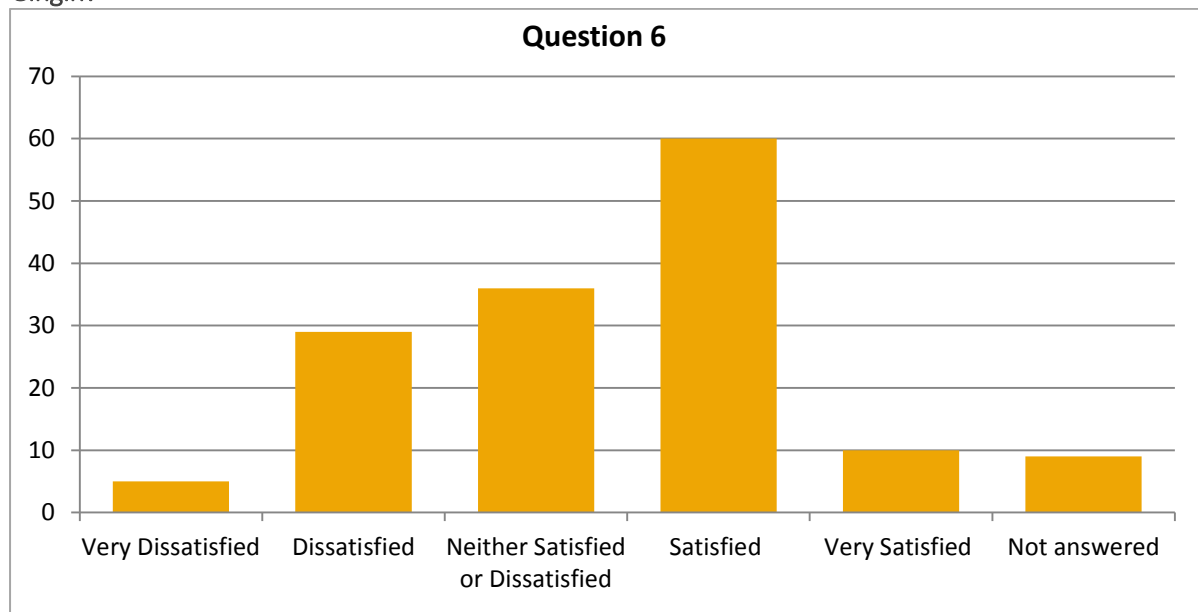
Respondents were particularly concerned with medical availability and care provided in the Shire of Gingin. It was noted by several individuals that “access to essential services need to improve” as do distances to access said services. Others found it “difficult to see doctor,” nothing appointment times of up to two weeks. There was an acknowledgement that GP services are “great” when able to be accessed. Another person commented that “after hours medical services are extremely lacking and unreliable.” While some noted “ancillary services (physio, podiatry etc.) are well provided for,” others commented they were unaware of any allied health services. A respondent suggested the employment of a “Registered Trained Nurse to provide minor medical procedures” in order to relieve pressure on the current medical services. Others were dismayed that “Silver Chain keeps cutting services.”

Respondents were also concerned with the provision of home care in the community. Several individuals commented that “home help would be great” if it were provided. It was also noted that “lack of services is one of the reasons people end up having to move” out of the Shire. In addition to this, many people are unaware of HACC services in Lancelin and other parts of the Shire. In general, respondents feel they are “not fully informed as to services provided.”

Outdoor Spaces and Buildings

47% of survey respondents have indicated that they are either very satisfied or satisfied with the Shire’s provision of outdoor spaces and buildings. 22% of respondents are currently very dissatisfied or dissatisfied. Approximately 24% or 36 respondents are neither satisfied nor dissatisfied with outdoor spaces and buildings and 6% have provided no answer at all (see Figure 13).

Figure 13: How satisfied are you with the provision of Outdoor Spaces and Buildings in the Shire of Gingin?



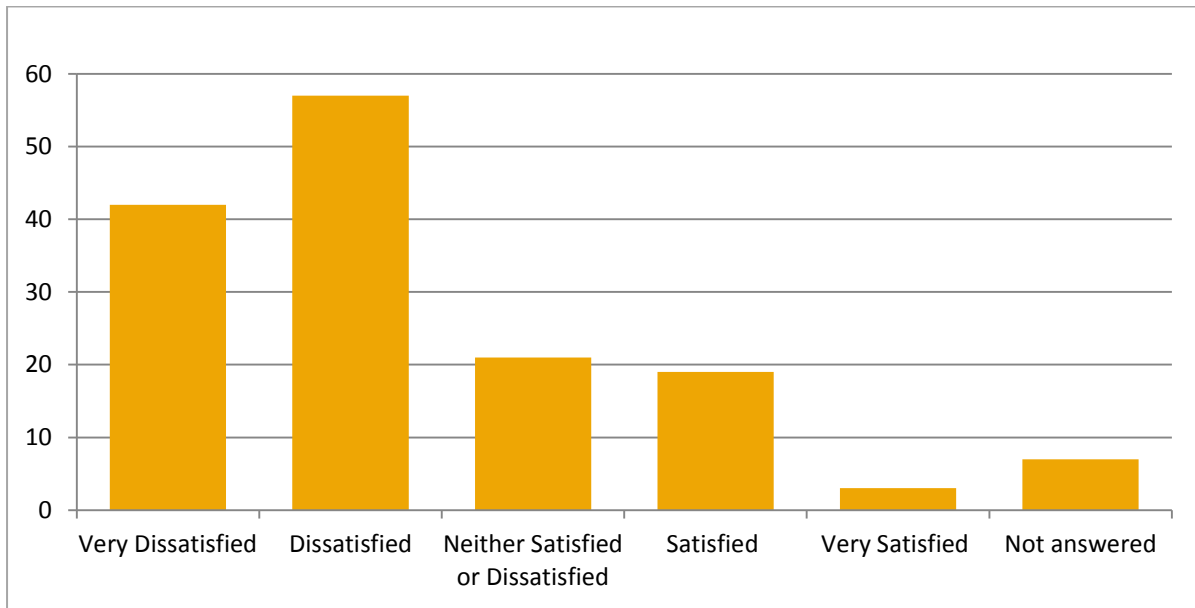
While one respondent wrote that “Guilderton is well blessed with well-maintained buildings,” another person wrote that “buildings have no continuity” and lack “basic design structure.” Others feel that toilets “could be upgraded in most of these centres.” Additional infrastructure upgrades mentioned by respondents include public toilets and footpaths. Some respondents would like to see an increase in public toilets around town. Other individuals note the “great lack of footpaths that go to [a] dead end in [the] middle of nowhere.” Footpaths are also requested to be large enough for gopher use.

Several people commented that the “Parks and Rec Centres area [are a] credit to the Shire” and are “well maintained and a delight to visitors.” There are, however, some suggestions for improvement. Several individuals would “like to see a playground/picnic area that meets family needs.” Another person would “like exercise equipment at the park.”

Transport and Movement

66% of respondents answered they were either very dissatisfied or dissatisfied with transport and movement in the Shire (see Figure 14). 14% of respondents were neither satisfied nor dissatisfied and 15% were satisfied or very satisfied. 5% of respondents did not answer.

Figure 14: How satisfied are you with Transport and Movement (including roads, footpaths and public/community transport) in the Shire of Gingin?



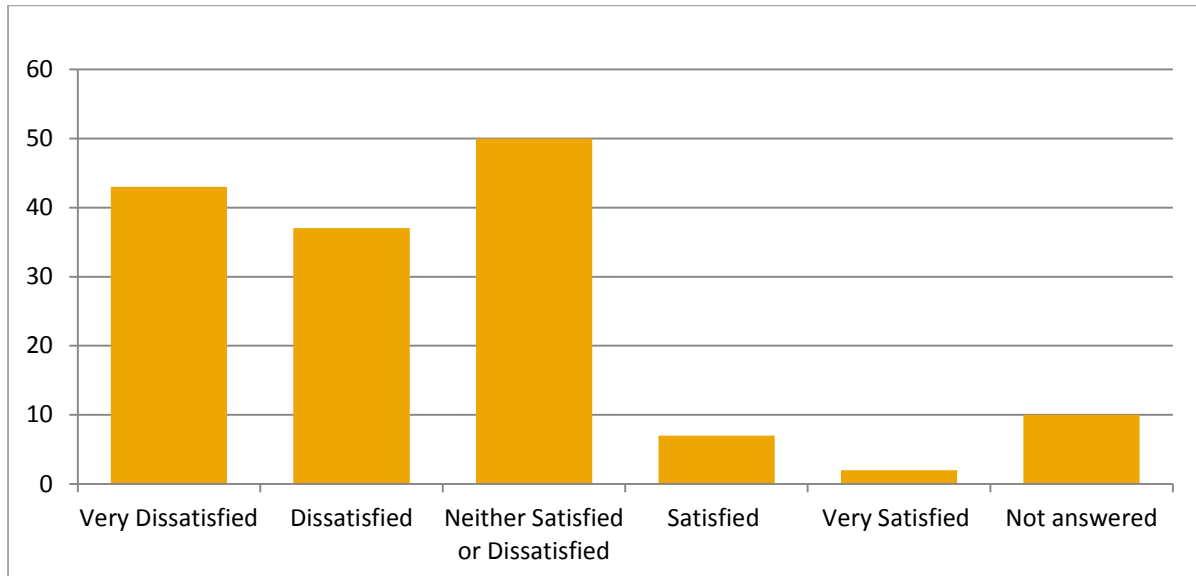
Roads and footpaths constitute a major area of dissatisfaction for survey respondents. Issues range from footpath availability to their condition. One respondent wrote “considering that Lancelin is a tourist destination – there are not enough footpaths, added to which the existing paths are either not maintained or finished!” Other people noted that “footpaths are terrible” and that they “need attention for the use of seniors on gophers.” Increased street lighting for visibility during the night time was also commented upon. Roads are also noted as “falling apart” and having been maintained in patched sections only. Another respondent noted that “littering of roadsides” is getting worse and suggested the erection of appropriate signage to combat this.

Survey respondents noted there is little assisted transport for seniors. There was also the discussion of the lack of community transport and the detriment this has for seniors in the Shire of Gingin. One respondent commented that “if you can’t drive or [are] physically unable to walk – then you are stuck at home – isolated!” It was referenced by another individual that while there is a community bus for hire, this service is “inaccessible for most in the community due to either ability to access without hassle” or the “cost of usage” being too high.

Housing

34% of respondents noted they were neither satisfied nor dissatisfied with the provision of housing in the Shire, as indicated in Figure 15. While 54% were dissatisfied or very dissatisfied, 6% were either satisfied or very satisfied. 7% of respondents did not answer.

Figure 15: How satisfied are you with the provision of Housing in the Shire of Gingin?



The general discussion regarding aged care facilities features the lack of available housing currently provided in the Shire of Gingin. Respondents noted that “further care and living options” are needed. Suggestions for improved housing provisions include:

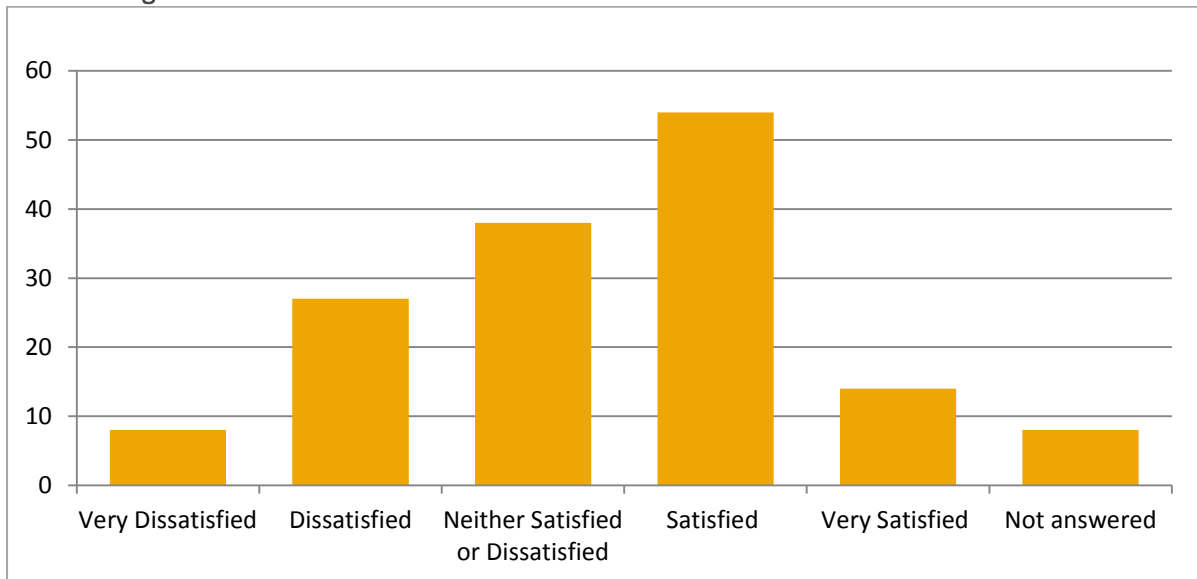
- Retirement village
- Disability housing
- Elderly accommodation
- Respite housing/care
- Smaller lot housing
- Independent living units.

Several respondents mentioned Lancelin’s lack of current “nursing home type facilities” that are needed “so families can have the care they require to enable the aged and unwell to stay closer to their loves ones.” Several respondents did note, however, that existing aged care units are themselves “very good.”

Sport and Recreation

45% of respondents are satisfied or very satisfied with the Shire’s provision of sport and recreation facilities, and 23% are either dissatisfied or very dissatisfied (refer to Figure 16). While 26% of respondents are neither satisfied nor dissatisfied, 5% of respondents did not answer.

Figure 16: How satisfied are you with the provision of Sport and Recreation facilities and services in the Shire of Gingin?

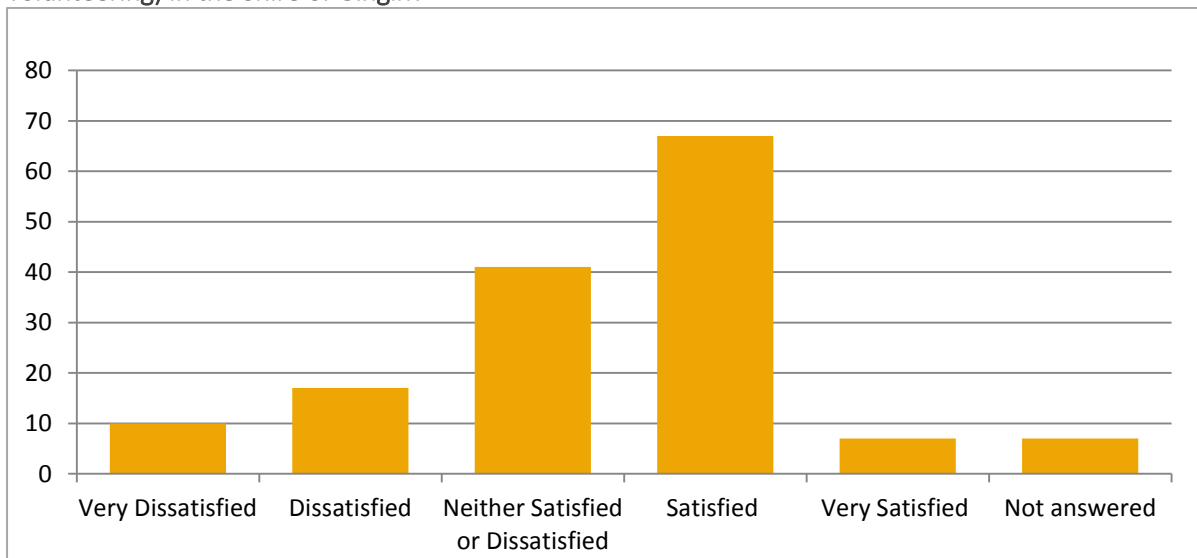


Respondents are generally satisfied with the Shire’s provision of sport and recreation. Comments range from commendations that the “sporting facilities are excellent” to the fact they are “well maintained.” One respondent asked that consideration be “given to a Public Swimming Pool Facility in Lancelin.” Several comments made note of the need for boat launching facilities in or near Lancelin. Another person mentioned that the “hourly cost of community hall hire is beyond the reach of some clubs” and should be waived. It was also noted that “the recreation centre is old and dilapidated with not enough facilities.”

Social Participation

Approximately 50% of respondents are satisfied or very satisfied with the social participation opportunities available in the Shire. Only 18% of respondents cited they were dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with provision of social participation opportunities. 28% were neither satisfied nor dissatisfied and 5% did not answer.

Figure 17: How satisfied are you with Social Participation opportunities (including events, activities and volunteering) in the Shire of Gingin?

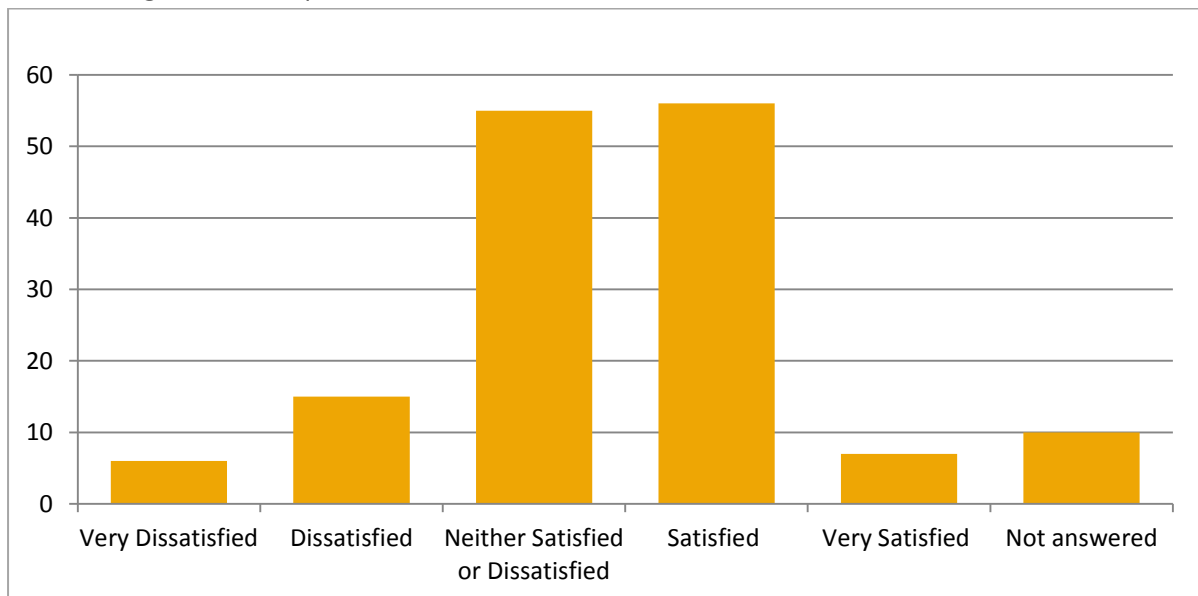


Respondents noted there is a “lack of social participation from the Gingin public when events are held” and are hoping “this will improve.” It is cited that “events are usually poorly advertised” and too few in number. Comments regarding volunteering are concerned with the possibility that “volunteers are overloaded” and there aren’t enough. One comment noted that there are “plenty of organisations to join in” if one is looking to participate. Another respondent suggested that “there needs to be a coordinated approach to communicating for newcomers to towns as [to] what is available” replete with “a fact booklet or periodic meeting” to maintain communication of opportunities. A respondent noted that while social activities in Gingin are “relatively full and adequate,” more variety would be appreciated, citing the Library and associated events as an example.

Respect and Social Inclusion

43% of respondents indicated their satisfaction with the level of respect and social inclusion seniors experience in the Shire. 37% indicated they were neither satisfied nor dissatisfied and 14% noted they were either very dissatisfied or dissatisfied (see Figure 18). 7% of respondents did not answer.

Figure 18: How satisfied are you with the level of Respect and Social Inclusion seniors experience in the Shire of Gingin community?

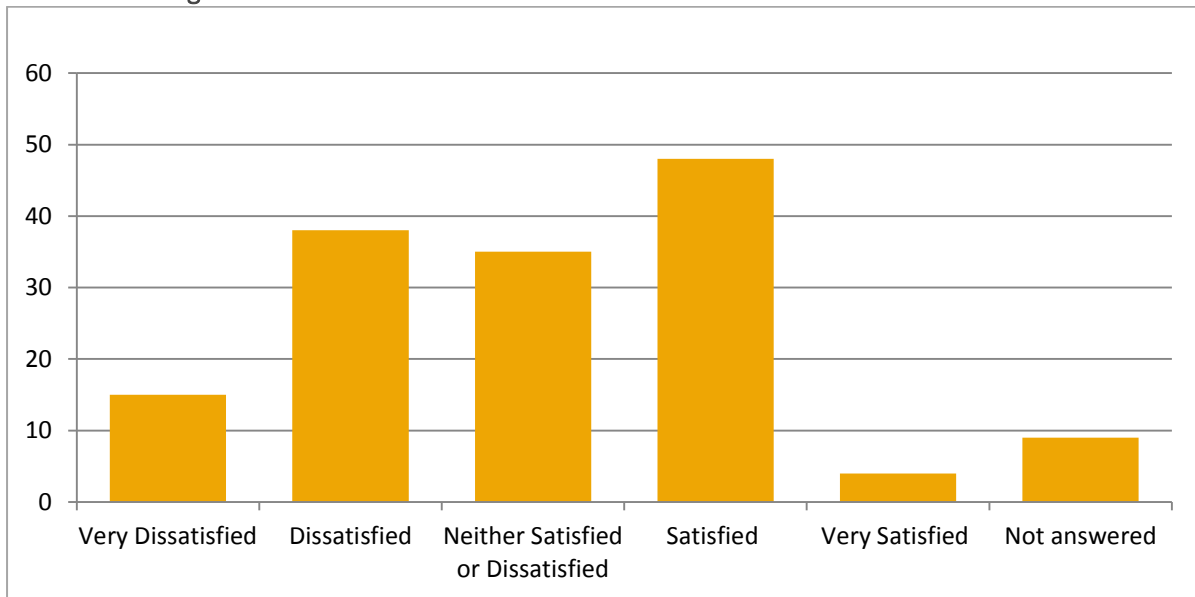


Respondents have indicated that they feel a sense of respect and opportunity for social inclusion when they wish. One individual commented that they have “no feelings of knowledge of any anti respect” in the community and others noted specific incidents of lack of respect from community members. Another person noted that while “lots of seniors are viewed as being ‘past it’...many have wonderful skills and knowledge that [are] being underutilised and tapped.” An individual suggested this could result in more “social inclusion” for seniors in the community.

Communication and Information

35% of respondents are satisfied or very satisfied with the communication and information about services and activities in the Shire. 36% of respondents indicated they are either very dissatisfied or dissatisfied and 23% are neither dissatisfied nor satisfied. 6% did not answer.

Figure 19: How satisfied are you with Communication and Information (about services and activities) in the Shire of Gingin?



Respondents who are satisfied with the Shire’s communication and information cite several successful examples. One person noted that while they have only recently started visiting the Shire website, there is “lots of information” on the website that is useful. Another individual “love[s] the email we receive” to provide information. Still others prefer the local newsletters and newspapers for receiving important Shire communications. One respondent commented that they rely on the Gingin Community Information Booklet but believes “over the years this is becoming less informative.”

Other respondents note their desire to receive “more notice of things and events happening all over the Shire.” There is also dissatisfaction among several respondents regarding the necessity and lack of provision of reliable Internet connection to members of the community. There are calls for more local advertising of Shire happenings as well as continual updating of the Shire website.

Priorities

Respondents were asked to comment on the following question: “In light of all of the previous questions, what would you say is the single most important issue for aged persons in your community?” Respondents indicated the following as being the most important:

- Aged care accommodation
- Communication of available services
- Access to home care
- Health care & medical services
- Condition of footpaths and roads
- Provision of public transport

General Comments

Respondents were also asked to comment on the following: “Do you have any other general comments that may assist the Shire of Gingin in the preparation of the Age Friendly Community Plan?” A survey respondent simply noted there should be “more interaction with seniors.” Another commented that the Shire should focus on “arranging activities to include all ages” resulting in bringing the community together. Still others reiterated it is important “to be able to stay in our own home[s] as long as possible” and any assistance to facilitate that will be appreciated.

NEXT STEPS

The Engagement Report will inform the development of the Shire of Gingin Age Friendly Community Plan. The development of the plan will involve:

- Ongoing liaison with and input from the Community Reference Group
- An “Issues and Options” Workshop with Council to identify:
 - possible quick wins
 - strategic fit and resource implications of larger scale improvements in light of the Integrated Planning and Reporting Suite
 - potential gains from targeted advocacy and partnerships
 - regional and sub-regional implications
- Preparation of a Draft Age Friendly Community Plan to be made available for public comment period
- Council adoption.

The process and output has been designed to dovetail into the Shire’s Integrated Planning and Reporting processes on an ongoing basis. It is intended to build the Shire’s capacity (and the capacity of our seniors) and embed seniors’ engagement and age friendly community considerations as a vital part of strategic and corporate planning.

ANNEX 1: FOCUS GROUP PROMOTIONAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE



PUBLIC NOTICE
Age Friendly Community Plan
Focus Group Invitation

Are you interested in helping the Shire of Gingin develop its Age Friendly Community Plan?

The Shire of Gingin has been successful in obtaining funding from the Department of Local Government and Communities to assist us in the preparation of an Age Friendly Community Plan.

The Shire wishes to be a place where opportunities for health, participation and security is ensured by establishing policies, services and structures that improve the quality of life for community members as they age.

The Shire is therefore looking for seniors, carers and service providers to attend a Focus Group Meeting and provide input on the future needs of seniors living in the Shire of Gingin.

The Focus Group Meeting will be held on **Thursday 1 October 2015**.

To register your interest, and for details of time and venue, please RSVP Linda Fidge, Coordinator Community Services, on either 9575 5119 or ccs@gingin.wa.gov.au by 4.00pm on Tuesday 29 September.

Jeremy Edwards
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

ANNEX 2: COMMUNITY SURVEY

Shire of Gingin Age Friendly Community Plan Seniors Survey

The Shire of Gingin is preparing an Age Friendly Community Plan that will identify the age-friendly features, barriers, and suggestions for improvement. We would appreciate your input on the future needs of seniors living in the Shire of Gingin.

Please select your age category:

- | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Below 54 | <input type="checkbox"/> 55 - 59 | <input type="checkbox"/> 60 - 64 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 65 - 69 | <input type="checkbox"/> 70 - 74 | <input type="checkbox"/> 75 - 79 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 80 - 84 | <input type="checkbox"/> 85 and over | |

Sex: Male Female

Present employment status:

- Retired Work Full-time Work Part-time Unemployed

1. **Health and Community Services**

How satisfied are you with the provision of Health and Community Services (including GP, medical services, home care, home help such as gardening and shopping) in the Shire of Gingin?

- 1 – Very Dissatisfied
- 2 – Dissatisfied
- 3 – Neither Satisfied or Dissatisfied
- 4 – Satisfied
- 5 – Very Satisfied

Comments about Health and Community Services (including GP, medical services, home care, home help such as gardening and shopping) in the Shire of Gingin:

2. Outdoor Spaces and Buildings

How satisfied are you with the provision of Outdoor Spaces and Buildings in the Shire of Gingin?

- 1 – Very Dissatisfied
- 2 – Dissatisfied
- 3 – Neither Satisfied or Dissatisfied
- 4 – Satisfied
- 5 – Very Satisfied

Comments about Outdoor Spaces and Buildings in the Shire of Gingin:

3. Transport and Movement

How satisfied are you with Transport and Movement (including roads, footpaths and public/community transport) in the Shire of Gingin?

- 1 – Very Dissatisfied
- 2 – Dissatisfied
- 3 – Neither Satisfied or Dissatisfied
- 4 – Satisfied
- 5 – Very Satisfied

Comments about Transport and Movement (including roads, footpaths and public/community transport) in the Shire of Gingin:

4. Housing

How satisfied are you with the provision of Seniors Housing in the Shire of Gingin?

- 1 – Very Dissatisfied
- 2 – Dissatisfied
- 3 – Neither Satisfied or Dissatisfied
- 4 – Satisfied
- 5 – Very Satisfied

Comments about Seniors Housing in the Shire of Gingin:

5. Sport and Recreation

How satisfied are you with the provision of Sport and Recreation facilities and services in the Shire of Gingin?

- 1 – Very Dissatisfied
- 2 – Dissatisfied
- 3 – Neither Satisfied or Dissatisfied
- 4 – Satisfied
- 5 – Very Satisfied

Comments about Sport and Recreation facilities and services in the Shire of Gingin:

6. Social Participation

How satisfied are you with Social Participation opportunities (including events, activities and volunteering) in the Shire of Gingin?

- 1 – Very Dissatisfied
- 2 – Dissatisfied
- 3 – Neither Satisfied or Dissatisfied
- 4 – Satisfied
- 5 – Very Satisfied

Comments about Social Participation opportunities (including events, activities and volunteering) in the Shire of Gingin:

7. Respect and Social Inclusion

How satisfied are you with the level of Respect and Social Inclusion seniors experience in the Shire of Gingin community?

- 1 – Very Dissatisfied
- 2 – Dissatisfied
- 3 – Neither Satisfied or Dissatisfied
- 4 – Satisfied
- 5 – Very Satisfied

Comments about Respect and Social Inclusion in the Shire of Gingin:

8. Communication and Information

How satisfied are you with Communication and Information (about services and activities) in the Shire of Gingin?

- 1 – Very Dissatisfied
- 2 – Dissatisfied
- 3 – Neither Satisfied or Dissatisfied
- 4 – Satisfied
- 5 – Very Satisfied

Comments about Communication and Information in the Shire of Gingin:

In light of all of the previous questions, what would you say is the single most critical issue for aged persons in your community?

Do you have any other general comments that may assist the Shire of Gingin in the preparation of the Age Friendly Community Plan?

Thank you for taking the time to fill in this survey, the information collected will guide the Shire of Gingin in identifying the age-friendly features, barriers, and suggestions for improvement.

If you would like to be kept informed about the Age Friendly Community Plan please provide your preferred contact details below:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Postal Address: _____

Email: _____

ANNEX 3: PARTICIPANT INFORMATION FORMS

Age Friendly Communities
Participant Information Form

Older People

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Postcode: _____

Please complete this Information Sheet by ticking the appropriate box or writing in your answer. We need this information so we can describe the characteristics of the people who took part in this age friendly planning consultation.

1. Age at last birthday: _____
2. Sex: Male Female
3. Present employment status:
 Retired Work Full-time Work Part-time Unemployed
4. Present occupation or last major occupation: _____
5. How would you describe your current health?
 Excellent Good Fair Poor
6. Do you have any health problem that limits your ability to do your normal daily activities?
 Yes No
7. What is the highest level of schooling you completed?
 Primary School Secondary School Technical or further educational institution (e.g. TAFE) University or higher
8. Do you rent, or own the home where you live?
 Renter Home owner

9. Who lives in your home with you? (Tick all that apply)

- No-one else but me Other relatives (Number _____)
- Spouse/partner Non-relatives (Number _____)
- Children (Number _____)

10. What suburb do you live in? _____

Please return this form to a Shire representative before the end of the focus group.

Age Friendly Communities Participant Information Form

Carers of Older People

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Postcode: _____

Please complete this Information Sheet by ticking the appropriate box or writing in your answer. We need this information so we can describe the characteristics of the people who took part in this age friendly planning consultation.

1. Sex: Male Female

2. Present employment status:

Retired Work Full-time Work Part-time Unemployed (looking for work)

3. Present occupation or last major occupation: _____

4. What is the highest level of schooling you completed?

Primary School Secondary School Technical or further educational institution (e.g. TAFE) University or higher

5. Are you currently providing support or care to an older person(s) who (check all that apply):

Is physically disabled Is visually impaired

Has difficulty moving or walking Has dementia

Is hearing impaired

6. What is your relationship to the older person(s) you care for?

Parent/Parent in-law Other relative Non-relative

7. Does the person(s) you care for live in your home?

Yes No

8. In which suburb does the older person you care for live? _____

Please return this form to a Shire representative before the end of the focus group.

Age Friendly Communities Participant Information Form

Service Providers

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Postcode: _____

Please complete this Information Sheet by ticking the appropriate box or writing in your answer. We need this information so we can describe the characteristics of the people who took part in this age friendly planning consultation.

1. Sex: Male Female

2. Present occupation: _____

3. In what sector of the community are you employed?

Public sector (e.g. local government)

Private sector

Voluntary sector (non-profit)

4. How long have you been employed in this occupation in the local community?

Less than 2 years

2 to 5 years

Over 5 years

5. How much experience do you have with older people in your work?

A lot

A moderate amount

A little

None

Please return this form to a Shire representative before the end of the focus group.