

## THE FUTURE OF LEIGH CREEK

#### **YOUR VISION**

Create a town that has the momentum to reach its full potential

Growing together, embracing diversity, and showcasing our heritage, fostering vibrancy and wellness, as we move towards a shared future.

Leigh Creek is a vibrant, selfsustaining community and hub of the Far North, that acknowledges its past, and actively seeks new opportunities for the future.

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## **YOUR SERVICE PRIORITIES**

Supermarket Medical & Health services

Waste management

Post office

Fuel station

Retail services

Public Library

Reliable power and communications

Water & sewage

Wellbeing, nutrition, drug & alcohol services

Aged care services e.g., in home care Parks and gardens maintenance

Visitor information & management

Education & training

Sporting & Youth activities

Improved freight services

#### KEEP

Oval (reduced size) Outside courts BBQs near oval including VIO Church building

(interim community space)

**Public toilets** 

Pump track Business/retail hub Old caravan park (transformed into Light industrial area)

Town depot Golf Course

#### BUILD

COMMUNITY

**ASSETS** 

Multi-function Community Centre Smaller swimming pool

Signage

Visitor infrastructure - picnic

tables/shelters

Bike/walking trails

Housing

Existing swimming pool Current stadium/theatre complex

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Golf club house



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# COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS

People are accepting of the need for community contributions to be made by property owners i.e. rates.

The rate calculation process needs to be transparent and shared with the community.

Accountability around the expenditure of rates revenue is essential.

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## FUTURE GOVERNANCE

There was consensus that the community currently lacks the capacity and skills to take on the sole governance and management of Leigh Creek township.

There are aspirations for the community to be self-sustaining and managing in the future however it is recognised that this will be an ongoing transition process.

Whilst the Progress Association in its current form is limited in its capacity it was felt that it could play a key role in the future in amplifying community voice and taking a lead role as a Community Advisory Body.

Information sharing and communication with the community is a critical success factor in delivering sound governance.

# NEXT STEPS

Many ideas were generated and discussed with some consistently being supported. These actions reflect those ideas.

- Leadership and governance capacity building across the community
- Development of an overarching Town Strategy to guide action and investment
- Development of Tourism Strategy & associated Infrastructure Plan