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C25**MUNICIPAL STRATEGIC STATEMENT****21.01**18/08/2011  
C25**Introduction**

The Municipal Strategic Statement outlines strategies and policies affecting land use within Moyne Shire. The Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS) provides a vision for the future development of the Shire. The MSS seeks to support Council's corporate plan through objectives and strategies to achieve the desired future. Objectives, strategies and means of implementation are set out under the following headings:

Population and housing

Environment

Economic development

Infrastructure.

The purpose of the MSS is:

- To provide clear and positive direction for the future use and development of land in the Moyne Shire; and
- To form a basis for the local policies in Clause 22 and for the controls in the scheme.

As a strategic planning framework, the Statement provides Council with a basis for future decision-making, and has relevance not only to the planning scheme, but also to all areas of Council activity including service delivery, capital works, asset management and co-ordination with other government agencies.

The MSS contains:

- An overview of the Shire which addresses the location and features of the Shire, historical development and population characteristics. (21.02);
- Factors influencing future planning and development (21.03);
- a vision statement which provides the basis for the land use objectives and strategies and links to the corporate plan (21.04);
- Thematic objectives, strategies and means of implementation for land use in the Shire (21.05 to 21.08));
- Local level implementation of the objectives set out in Clauses 21.05 to 21.08 (21.09);
- Monitoring and review of the scheme (21.10);
- Reference documents (21.11).

The Municipal strategic statement has been developed in tandem with the Moyne Shire Land Use and development strategy 1997. The land use development strategy provides a guide to the future direction of land management and development in the Shire through various visions, goals and strategies. The strategy focuses on land use issues which confront the challenge of achieving a sustainable economy for the Shire. The strategy is holistic, integrated and coordinated with the needs of the relevant government agencies and their specific requirements and was developed in close consultation with the community.