



MAY 2023

BEULAH

# COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN

# OUR TOWN

## Yarriambiack Shire Hopetoun Ward



Population of 312



Median age of 56



Median weekly household income of \$1062



Wide Open Spaces event, murals, 'The Dry' movie, Yarriambiack Creek, Squatter Coffey trail rides.

The town of Beulah is at the heart of the Mallee-Wimmera region of northwest Victoria, in the Shire of Yarriambiack.

Beulah is the closest town to the netting fence. The Victorian Government built the fence in the forlorn hope of containing the hordes of wild dogs. The erection of the fence commenced in 1885, and it was constructed to control the wild dogs (dingoes) and foxes from the north and rabbits from the south. A portion of this fence still exists at Galaquil, which is 7.1 kilometres south of Beulah.

With the introduction of the pipeline, Yarriambiack Creek has become the showpiece of the community. Savings from the Wimmera Mallee Pipeline allows a permanent water supply to fill the creek.

Fresh groceries, fruit and vegetables and meat products are available in town. Beulah Medical Supplies can supply pharmacy products, and the Café can provide cold drinks and dine-in or takeaway meals.

Beulah is 395 kilometres northwest of Melbourne, with a population of approximately 300.

# COMMUNITY VISION

*"Proud of our past and committed to our future.  
Enhancing the skills and lifestyle of our local  
residents and visitors to the region"*

Our Community Action Plan:

- ✓ Enables our community to have a voice
- ✓ Demonstrates community planning
- ✓ Demonstrates opportunities for funding partners
- ✓ Helps develop project plans
- ✓ Connects us with stakeholders
- ✓ Informs local government of proposed projects

This plan has been prepared by Beulah Historical Learning & Progress Association following consultation with the Beulah community.



# PRIORITY PROJECTS

By inclusively representing the needs of the wider community, Beulah Historical Learning & Progress Association has identified a list of priority projects for action.

Projects have been categorised according to project type while identifying their alignment with the strategic objectives of the Yarriambiack Shire Council:

- Red projects represent A Vibrant and Diverse Economy
- Yellow projects represent A Health and Inclusive Community
- Green projects represent A Robust and Thriving Environment



Health & Essential Services



Sport & Recreation



Economic Development



Environment & Sustainability



Education & Training



Tourism & Camping

# PRIORITY PROJECTS

## Beulah Supermarket



A community-led initiative to bring a supermarket back to town after fire destroyed the only supermarket in town.

*Timeframe: 2023-2025*

---

## Wide Open Spaces



Beulah's Wide Open Spaces annual weekend events have something for everyone to enjoy! Beginning on Saturday with a Creekside market, classic cars and miniature working truck exhibition. A very popular event. Adding to the town's social cohesion and visitor experience.

*Timeframe: Ongoing, held yearly*

---

## Beulah Creekside Walking Track



A new creekside walking track will add to the health, social and tourism outcomes for the town.

*Timeframe: 2023-2024*

---

# PRIORITY PROJECTS

## Beulah Creekside Cabins



Adding 2 cabins to the existing creekside cabins will address short-term accommodation shortages for tourists and travelling workers.

*Timeframe: 2024-2025*

---

## Beulah Streetscape



Ongoing works are required to improve the amenity and functionality of Phillips Street to improve social, tourism and economic outcomes for the town.

*Timeframe: Ongoing*

---

## Beulah Round Hospital



Preservation of the Beulah Round Hospital is required to retain a unique piece of architectural history and assure the long-term future of the Post Office.

*Timeframe: 2023-2024*

---

# PRIORITY PROJECTS

## Beulah Railway Station



Works are required to address safety and functionality issues for the Patchwork group who use the station and tourists visiting the area.

*Timeframe: 2023-2024*

---

## Beulah Street Art



Adding to the already impressive murals in town will drive further visitation to the area, capitalising on the Silo Art Trail and boosting the economic outcomes for the town.

*Timeframe: Ongoing*

---

## Memorial Hall door upgrades



Essential repairs are required to the Memorial Hall doors to ensure appropriate security and access to an essential community asset.

*Timeframe: ASAP*

---

# PRIORITY PROJECTS

## Hoof & Harvest



Beulah's Hoof & Harvest Music Festival at Squatter Bush Trail Rides. Lots of great music, pony rides, games for the kids, ice cream and food.

*Timeframe: Ongoing, held yearly*

---

## Delivering Recreation Reserve master plan



Delivering social and health outcomes for residents through upgrades to key infrastructure at the Beulah Recreation Reserve sporting precinct.

*Timeframe: 2024-2026*

---