



## *Office of the Mayor*

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Sally Pearce  
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Dear Sally

Council adopted its Community Development Strategy on 19 September 2019. This is an exciting and ambitious strategy that seeks to ensure our District offers a high quality of life for all residents.

Over the last year and a half the Community Development Strategy has been developed with lots of input from the community. Priorities, concerns and suggestions raised by those we engaged with (including you!) helped shape the final strategy in important ways.

The Community Development Strategy, which will come into effect on 1 January 2020, can be found on Council's website.

Thank you for the support for the strategy expressed in your submission. In response to your request that Council actively engages with ENM and the Source to Sea initiative, we have added that as a new action for 2020-2021 (page 19 of the adopted strategy) and look forward to strengthening that relationship. We also intend to involve you early in the development of the Environmental Sustainability Strategy.

Thank you for your involvement in the development of MDC's Community Development Strategy. Council is excited about the future of the District, and looks forward to partnering with you to help make these changes happen!

Yours sincerely

Helen Worboys  
**Mayor, JP**