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TRURO TOWN MASTER PLAN CHANGES FOLLOWING COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Truro's future looks bright, with a plan to guide its ongoing development and enhancement endorsed by the Mid Murray Council this month.

The *Truro Township Master Plan* has been refined to take into account community feedback, following extensive consultation on the project.

The plan aims to revitalise Truro's town centre to support the town's economic future through its transition once the Truro Freight Route is constructed.

Following the latest round of community consultation, changes have been made to the plan to revise the plans for the town centre development, Moorundie streetscape, central main street crossing, camping grounds and future growth areas. These features will create a visitor-friendly space in the heart of Truro that will be complemented by the removal of heavy freight through the centre of town.

Mid Murray Council Mayor Simone Bailey has thanked the community for its involvement during the consultation process, which included online surveys, community drop-in sessions, door knocking and pamphlets.

"This marks a significant step in helping the community move towards a more promising future after the completion of the Truro freight route," Mayor Bailey said.

"It builds on Truro's reputation as a rest-stop to transition the town to become a standalone visitor destination, with a safer and more lively community hub."

Changes to the initial plans include removing the 'plastic playground' in the town centre development, replacing it with a nature and farm-based playground, reflective of Truro's heritage. Community members were also keen to see pavement along Moorundie Street completed, utilising the style near the Post Office, and removing the protrusions.

"The changes continue to reflect the community's visions for the town, making the heart of Truro a more attractive and vibrant place," Mayor Bailey said.

"These changes will also enhance the potential for future economic growth, and we expect this will be reflected by business and community reaction."

Key elements within the *Truro Township Master Plan* include:

- Enhancing the streetscape to increase greenery with an avenue of street trees and garden beds;
- Improving accessibility and connectivity for pedestrians and cyclists including safe crossing points and trail connections;
- Opportunity to establish a Town Square at the former Mogas site with potential visitor information facilities, community marketplace, performance space, playground, outdoor museum and public art;
- Upgrade reserve facilities at Heroes' Park to provide enhanced experiences for nature play, picnic facilities, and other recreational activities;
- Potential for a new RV camping area;

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- Upgrade the Truro oval with resurfacing and irrigation, changeroom upgrade, and new multi-use tennis courts and cricket nets.



The *Truro Township Master Plan* will provide a clear plan for township improvements that can be adapted over time. This will enable the outcomes of this work to guide future decision-making within Government and the private sector.

Subject to the Truro Freight Route project being confirmed by the Federal Government, \$1 million has been committed to by the State and Federal Governments to commence the delivery of priority projects from the Master Plan. The total cost estimate for the town centre is just over \$2 million, with Council seeking further funding streams.

The plan was created with input from the Truro Primary School, main street businesses, the Truro and District Community Association and the broader Truro community.

To view the plan, and for more information, visit: <https://www.mid-murray.sa.gov.au/development/truro-township-master-plan>.

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