Towards a More Sustainable Blue Mountains
Towards a More Sustainable Blue Mountains 2000–2025

The 25 year strategy for the City of Blue Mountains is presented in the following three documents:

Towards a More Sustainable Blue Mountains - A 25 Year Vision for the City describes the community-endorsed vision for the City of Blue Mountains.

Towards a More Sustainable Blue Mountains - A Map for Action - 2000-2025, (this document) sets a course of action to shape the City over the next 25 years. This Map for Action is offered to all Blue Mountains stakeholders – residents and visitors, community organisations, other government agencies and Council – as a map for achieving the results that will lead to a more sustainable City in a World Heritage environment.

The background document Blue Mountains - Our Future - How We Did It! outlines the extensive community consultation process used to develop the Vision and Map for Action. The background document also presents the challenges facing the Blue Mountains and communities worldwide, often brought about by action that has led to unsustainable outcomes.

The community, Council and other Government and non-government agencies all have an important role to play in making decisions, building partnerships and enhancing the assets that support quality of life in the Blue Mountains. Successfully implementing this 25 year strategy will require a commitment from all stakeholders to pool their efforts and resources and work together to achieve common goals.

Towards a More Sustainable Blue Mountains - A Map for Action - 2000-2025 was endorsed by community and adopted by Blue Mountains City Council in July 2003.
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How To Use This Document

The aim of this Map for Action is to provide a common purpose and long term framework for all stakeholders as they commit to action now and in the future, recognising that each stakeholder contribution is unique and powerful in achieving the Vision for a More Sustainable Blue Mountains.

A Guide for Blue Mountains residents and local organisations

A significant contribution to achieving a sustainable Blue Mountains is through individual, household and local organisation action.

Blue Mountains residents have already been responding to action for a more sustainable Blue Mountains through partnerships that care for the environment and build social bonds in time of need. The people of Blue Mountains are encouraged to build on this good work by living more sustainably i.e. by making decisions to look after their natural, built, social and cultural assets on which their quality of life depends.

Local organisations are encouraged to refer to this Map for Action when making decisions about what action they are planning to take that will contribute to a more sustainable Blue Mountains. Many local organisations have already made a significant contribution through their involvement in building the Vision and developing the outcomes endorsed by the community.

A Guide for Government agencies

Government agencies are encouraged to refer to this Map for Action when making decisions about what action they are planning to take that will contribute to a more sustainable Blue Mountains. The Themes for Targeting Action Now and the Priority Action Areas are intended to be particularly useful for allocating resources in the short term to create synergies that can most effectively achieve the outcomes for Blue Mountains people.

This Map for Action does not provide “a wish list” of actions. Rather it is a vehicle that all levels of Government can use to listen to and learn from the voice of the Blue Mountains community speaking about the kind of place they want the Blue Mountains to be.

A Guide for Council

In presenting this 25 year strategy, Blue Mountains City Council acknowledges its role as leader, steward and advocate on behalf of Blue Mountains people.

Council is committed to using this Map to respond to the call for action for a more sustainable Blue Mountains. This response will be communicated in its four year Management Plan. Council’s mission is focusing on becoming a more sustainable organisation and on achieving the outcomes endorsed by Blue Mountains people through its decision making, asset management, partnership building and service delivery.

Council has also committed to monitoring the State of the City so that not only stakeholder achievements are recognised but also the impact of their actions is better understood, thereby informing the next steps that are taken towards a more sustainable Blue Mountains. Council intends strengthening partnerships with other government agencies, local organisations and residents so that all action, over time, is aligned with achieving the Vision and Outcomes for a More Sustainable Blue Mountains.
Challenges and Opportunities

things to think about now

“I think of the Mountains as a place I leave. I leave to go to Uni, I leave to go out at night, I leave to go shopping, I’ll have to leave to get a job and I will probably have to leave to buy a house. What I would hope for the younger people of 2025 is a place where they can stay in to do more things.”

YOUNG BLUE MOUNTAINS RESIDENT
The City of Blue Mountains shares many challenges with mountain communities throughout the world.

“Mountains are an important source of water, energy and biological diversity. Furthermore, they are a source of such key resources as minerals, forest products and agricultural products and of recreation. As a major ecosystem representing the complex and interrelated ecology of our planet, mountain environments are essential to the survival of the global ecosystem.”

AGENDA 21, CHAPTER 13, “MANAGING FRAGILE ECOSYSTEMS: SUSTAINABLE MOUNTAIN DEVELOPMENT”

Mountains provide globally significant natural and cultural diversity:

- 60% to 80% of the world’s fresh surface water
- Nearly half of the world’s biodiversity “hot spots”
- Forest products, minerals, and hydroelectric power
- Unique and diverse cultures
- Spiritual, religious, and sacred significance for many cultures and
- Tourism and recreational opportunities for increasingly crowded cities
Key Challenge

Fostering social and economic well being while protecting and enhancing the Blue Mountains World Heritage environment

Key Opportunity

To use World Heritage listing as a catalyst for becoming a leader and model in living more sustainably

City for Visitors

The Blue Mountains is justly regarded as a special place. The spectacular natural beauty of the Blue Mountains contributes immeasurably to the cultural setting and economy of the area. Being a tourist destination of national and international significance, the Blue Mountains is a City for visitors. Although tourism continues to constitute a major sector of the local economy, it also places development pressure on ecosystems, infrastructure, resources and local amenity.

Challenges

Managing the impact of visitation to the Blue Mountains on natural areas and local communities

Reducing increased traffic congestion from tourism on the Great Western Highway and in towns and villages

Meeting World Heritage Listing requirements that all people have an opportunity to learn about the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage values through experience, interpretation and education

Addressing over reliance of the local economy on the tourism industry

Expanding Blue Mountains tourism beyond a nature based industry

Opportunities

To use the World Heritage Listing for becoming a leader and model in sustainable tourism

To strengthen partnerships with State government to promote train travel as a more sustainable transport option for tourists

To optimise World Heritage funding opportunities for environmental and cultural learning and interpretation

To diversify the local economy through the development of businesses and industries appropriate to a World Heritage environment

To build on local talents and skills to create a range of stimulating cultural experiences, activities and entertainment options for visitors and locals to enjoy

City on the Edge

The Blue Mountains is a City on the edge of Australia’s largest Metropolitan Region. Retaining and reinforcing a Blue Mountains sense of place and identity, is perhaps the biggest challenge for the City on the Edge.

Challenges

Retaining a Blue Mountains identity and not being subsumed by Sydney

Reducing the pressure of suburbanisation from Western Sydney’s sprawling urban growth

Reducing the social and environmental impacts of large numbers of people commuting to work in Sydney

Protecting catchments in the Blue Mountains area that provide Sydney’s drinking water

Addressing impacts from large numbers of Sydney based visitors attracted to their adjacent World Heritage Area

Opportunities

To maximise social and economic opportunities presented through proximity to the largest city in Australia

To develop and enhance distinctive Blue Mountains towns and villages through good urban design and effective development controls

To encourage and support the emerging homebased business sector so that more people can work in the Blue Mountains rather than commute to Sydney

To build on the growing awareness of the importance of caring for water catchments as part of living more sustainably

To boost local economic development through being adjacent to a large market
## City in a World Heritage National Park

The City’s location within a spectacular World Heritage National Park not only places limits on the land available for living, but also places responsibilities on the community, Council and other agencies to ensure that impacts of urban development are carefully managed and that the internationally recognised values of this natural environment are protected.

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## City at Risk

The Blue Mountains is exposed to a range of emergency risks. In particular, the City is highly bush fire prone with settlement located on exposed ridges in close proximity to a combustible natural ecosystem. This poses threats to life and property, and creates a range of challenges in balancing the competing objectives of bush fire management and maintaining the environmental values of the Blue Mountains. In addition, with the linear settlement pattern access is restricted to a single rail and road corridor, which poses constraints in the event of evacuation or when the corridor is blocked by either natural or man-made hazards.

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City as a Bridge

The Blue Mountains provides the land for a nationally significant transport corridor bridging the metropolitan and coastal east with the rural central western hinterland of New South Wales. The transport corridor continues to play a vital role for transferring goods and people across the State.

However, the Great Western Highway and the Railway also provide the means for local travel between towns and villages dispersed along 100 kilometres of narrow mountainous ridgeline.

**Challenges**

- Being a thoroughfare for the transport of goods and people across New South Wales as well as a key local road
- Reducing the impact on safety and amenity from freight trucks travelling through the Blue Mountains
- Reducing the social economic and environmental impacts of upgrades to the Great Western Highway as a Road of National Importance
- Providing local access across and along the Transport Corridor

**Opportunities**

- To maximise funding opportunities to improve a significant “local” road
- To contribute to current federal, state and regional initiatives aimed at developing sustainable solutions for transporting goods and people across New South Wales
- To use the beauty and attractions of the Blue Mountains to promote the area as a place to be in rather than pass through
- To use the existing transport corridor as a central spine that supports linkages across the City provided by improved public transport and walking and cycling opportunities

City Divided

The City is divided physically, economically and socially. The dispersed population is clustered in 27 separate settlements along a 100 kilometre ridgeline, posing challenges for the allocation of resources. Access between and across townships is limited by the Great Western Highway and the Western Railway line. This reduces connectivity and creates obstacles to movement within most towns. On a range of indicators including income, health status and educational levels, the Upper Mountains remains disadvantaged compared to the Lower Mountains.

**Challenges**

- Providing opportunities for all Blue Mountains residents to access services and facilities in a City divided into 27 scattered towns and villages
- Addressing the significant differences in socio-economic well-being and health status between the Upper and Lower Mountains
- Maintaining affordable and accessible housing choice
- Addressing the health and service needs of those without access to transport
- Improving transport connections between and within Blue Mountains towns and villages
- Managing the increasing division of towns and villages brought about by upgrades of the Great Western Highway
- Maintaining a diverse population in the Blue Mountains with a healthy mix of different age groups

**Opportunities**

- To maximise effective and fair allocation of resources through initiatives such as place based planning
- To build on emerging initiatives for improving personal health and lifestyle choices
- To use centralised service centres for providing a range of affordable and accessible housing options
- To build on emerging services that connect those without access to transport to services
- To build on the existing infrastructure of roads, cycleways, public transport and walking tracks to connect Blue Mountains people by an integrated transport network
- To use design and landscape initiatives to develop the Transport Corridor as a connecting symbol of Blue Mountains identity
- To improve local employment and education options particularly in the Upper Mountains to attract a healthier balance of young and old in our communities
“A city with a Vision, this long term goal is most important. A Vision of sustainability. A city of open doors and open minds. One that manages its own affairs, its own waste, its own food supply, its own health system and its own Councillors and cooperatives. A city that protects its natural features and preserves its cultural heritage. A city that fosters community and neglects neither the young nor the old, the sick or the poor but represents and supports all. A place where doors need not be locked nor windows barred, where education and home are a right. A city that makes decisions thoughtfully and with long term interest rather than short term gain. A city where policies reflect the community, a home. A city of art and expression and shared prosperity.”

RESIDENT (25-49 AGE GROUP)

A Vision for the Future
where we want to be in 25 years
Vision for a More Sustainable Blue Mountains

In 2025 we live in vibrant, healthy communities. Our towns and villages are distinctive and contained.

We have maintained the bush between our settlements and protected the World Heritage environment that surrounds us.

Our local economy is strong and diversified, providing employment and educational opportunities appropriate to our location in a World Heritage area.

We promote safe accessible and environmentally responsible ways for people to get where they need to go.

Caring for each other, we sustain our communities. We recognise all Blue Mountains people especially our children and young people in whom we inspire the values that create a more sustainable future.

We use our available resources wisely, ensuring their fair distribution.

We celebrate the rich creativity, culture and heritage of the Blue Mountains.

People of all cultures and backgrounds are respected and enjoy equal rights. We acknowledge the Aboriginal presence in the Blue Mountains.

We have enhanced our Blue Mountains identity while forging strong regional partnerships. Our civic and community leadership and governance are inspirational at one with community.

The Blue Mountains is recognised nationally and internationally as a centre of excellence for learning about sustainable living and sustainable communities.
LOOKING AFTER ENVIRONMENT

We value our surrounding bushland and the World Heritage National Park. Recognising that the Blue Mountains natural environment is dynamic and changing, we look after and enjoy the healthy creeks and waterways, diverse flora and fauna and clean air. Living in harmony with the environment, we care for the ecosystems and habitats that support life in the bush and in our backyards. We conserve energy and the natural resources we use and reduce environmental impacts by living sustainably.

LOOKING AFTER PEOPLE

We value our strong connected communities that support people throughout their lives from childhood to old age. We have safe, healthy environments in which people can live, work and play. Blue Mountains people have access to an appropriate range of services and facilities. Housing that is relevant to our population is available. Young people in the Blue Mountains have hope for the future. We nurture our sense of community through interacting and helping each other.

USING LAND FOR LIVING

We use our land to live in harmony with the environment. We have created vibrant liveable places and spaces for people of all ages and abilities to meet and play. We value the distinct identities of our villages and towns and the bushland between them. Our cultural and built heritage is important. Within the capacity of our natural and built environments, we have encouraged development in larger town centres where there is access to public transport. Through innovative urban design and planning, the Blue Mountains has become a place renowned for its liveable and beautiful spaces.

MOVING AROUND

We value safe and accessible pathways of travel that improve our connections with our destinations and each other. We have choices for safe and environmentally friendly transport, including networks of walkways and cycleways integrated with reliable and accessible public transport. Through better management and creative urban design, the Great Western Highway is a safe and beautiful space that adds to our amenity and World Heritage identity.

WORKING AND LEARNING

We value business and industries that are in harmony with our World Heritage environment. We are recognised as a centre of excellence for sustainability that creates significant employment and educational opportunities. Through responsible economic development we have strengthened our local economy. We are a leader in sustainable tourism practices. Young people are attracted to work, live and study in the Blue Mountains. Building on our rich cultural landscape and inspirational natural environment, we are an exciting centre of culture and creativity.
Outcomes for a More Sustainable Blue Mountains

LOOKING AFTER ENVIRONMENT
- The Blue Mountains natural environment is protected and conserved
- The impact of existing and new development on the environment is managed
- Blue Mountains people live sustainably in harmony with the environment

LOOKING AFTER PEOPLE
- The health and well being of Blue Mountains people are improved
- Services and facilities are accessible and fairly distributed
- Blue Mountains communities are safe, caring and inclusive

USING LAND FOR LIVING
- A strong sense of local identity and place is created
- Well managed infrastructure supports sustainable living
- The liveability and vibrancy of our towns and villages are strengthened

SUSTAINABILITY OUTCOME
- Blue Mountains people living sustainably in a City within a World Heritage environment

WORKING AND LEARNING
- The local economy is strengthened and diversified
- The Blue Mountains is a model for sustainable business and industry
- A culture of life long learning is nurtured in the Blue Mountains

MOVING AROUND
- Safe environmentally friendly transport choices promote healthy lifestyles
- The main Transport Corridor is a safe and beautiful space that adds to our local amenity and World Heritage identity
- The ability of people to connect with each other and access services is improved
“In 2025 the City of Blue Mountains will offer people from all over the world – residents and visitors – a unique window into how a community, based on environmental education, learning, wisdom and respect, can continuously renew itself and its people.”

RESIDENT (OVER 50 YEARS)

A Sustainable Society

learning as we go
A Sustainable Society

The framework for a more sustainable Blue Mountains presents as its central integrating core the view that all forms of life, including humans, operate within one dynamic system and that within this system there are core components supporting wellbeing and quality of life. If we are to improve quality of life and the health of our communities then we need to understand the condition of those core elements – the natural, cultural, social and built assets that support us – and ensure that the action we take as individuals, communities, organisations and cities improves, not erodes the very things on which our quality of life depends.

“A sustainable society is one that can persist over generations, one that is farseeing enough, flexible enough, and wise enough not to undermine either its physical or its social systems of support.”

DONELLA MEADOWS, 1992, BEYOND THE LIMITS.

Improving our decision-making processes to support the achievement of a more sustainable Blue Mountains

If we are to achieve a more sustainable Blue Mountains then our decision making and action at every level – individual, household, town, city, regional, global – needs to promote sustainability. Improving decision-making processes is therefore a key driver for achieving more sustainable action.

But how can we improve our decision making processes? Many different tools and checklists have been developed to assist and improve decision making. Such aids have generally been tailored to meet the specific needs of particular stakeholders.

This Map for Action offers some general points of reference [see next page] that all stakeholders – from an individual resident to the Council – can consider as they review their decision making processes and develop tools to achieve more sustainable outcomes.

Understanding the condition of those things that support us

A key component of the Blue Mountains Sustainability Framework outlined in the background document Blue Mountains – Our Future – How We Did It! is that there are core components – natural, built, cultural and social assets – which working together support quality of life.

Understanding the condition or state of these assets within the broader system is an important consideration when making decisions. It is important that action taken protects the assets that support our quality of life. A priority therefore needs to be given to building an information capability so that action taken will be informed and will protect, not erode the assets that support us.

Building partnerships

Taking action in partnership with other stakeholders is critical to the achievement of a more sustainable Blue Mountains. Not only do such partnerships achieve shared visions and goals, they also enable shared and more effective and efficient use of limited resources and provide a means of distributing the burden of costs involved in taking action.
Points of Reference to Guide Decision Making for Sustainability

Strive to understand the broader context of which a proposed action is a part. Sometimes this understanding of the wider system can be more important than the problem or decision to hand. For example, long-term interests of sawmills require the long-term health of forests.

Understanding the broader context also means looking downstream to understand the issues that have led to a particular decision and looking upstream to understand what the impacts and consequences of it will be. Often the impact of a decision might be considered at a town or city level – but the decision may have a significant regional impact. This approach makes the decision maker think more dynamically rather than statically – so the focus is not only on what’s wrong but also on how did we get to this point in the first place and where should we be heading and how does the impact flow through the wider system.

Making decisions based on a consistent framework or set of values is far more likely to result in action that will achieve common goals.

By making the underlying values that drive decisions transparent, a broader understanding, commitment and ownership of choices and decisions can be achieved.

The better information is, the more the full impacts and consequences arising from decisions will be understood. Avoid information overload. Establishing a relevant and usable information management approach is important for more sustainable decision making.

Pay attention to what is important – not just to what is quantifiable. Some of the most important things – justice, democracy, freedom, love – cannot be easily measured.

Use targeting in decision making to maximise use of limited resources and effort where they will have the most benefit – socially, economically and environmentally. In making decisions look for solutions that achieve economic, environmental and social objectives simultaneously. As an example, instead of deciding first that there is a need for more housing, and then later examining proposals to see how they conform to environmental and social objectives, it is more effective to specify the need for the development of affordable energy efficient housing.

Evaluate the decision making process and tools used in line with the impact of the action taken and learn from this evaluation to improve future decisions and actions.

These guidelines have been drawn largely from the work of Donella Meadows.
Monitoring Progress

Having created a Vision for the future of the Blue Mountains and having identified key milestones and priority action areas, it is important to establish in consultation with all stakeholders a means of monitoring and checking progress. How will we know that we are on track and heading in the right direction? What means will we have to take stock of our progress and if necessary reset the course or make the adjustments that might be required to stay on course towards a more sustainable future?

State of the City

It is proposed that ongoing information on the State of the City is gathered and made available with the purpose of monitoring the extent to which progress has been achieved in moving the Blue Mountains towards a more sustainable future.

“I see a conscious community of people who appreciate the need to balance all elements of our home in the Blue Mountains. The commitment of the majority of the community to environmentally friendly sustainable growth and development that aims to benefit all sections of our community, not just the wealthy. I see a city that is proud of its local Council and shares a common vision with its people, a Council that is reflecting the wishes of its residents in all decisions made. I am proud to take my place as a conscious member of the Mountains community and join with others to pass on to our young ones a home that is better in 2025 than 2000.”

RESIDENT (25-49 AGE GROUP)
"I think we are learning lots of ways to live differently and more closely with our surroundings. Living in the Mountains in 2025 many things will be important. Houses will have mud brick or tin so they can stay warm in winter and cool in summer. Sky lights will help with bringing light into houses saving lights being turned on and off. We will need to have water tanks to collect water and we will need to save water in the way we do our cleaning, washing and cooking….For energy we could have wind farms using big windmills to make power. We could have solar powered cars, trucks, buses even trains. …I believe that living in 2025 will be better than today because we will be working closer with our environment to help one and other."

BLUE MOUNTAINS CHILD AGED 8 YEARS
We especially acknowledge and thank the people of the Blue Mountains who have significantly shaped the 25-year Vision and Map for Action through their involvement in the Blue Mountains - Our Future project.
Outcome 1.1 The Blue Mountains natural environment is protected and conserved

Themes for Targeting Action Now

Ensuring environmental safety and health
Blue Mountains residents and visitors becoming aware of their responsibility and understanding the need for the community to work in partnership to protect environment.

Outcome 1.2 The impact of existing and new development on the environment is reduced

Creating sustainable local employment
Providing Blue Mountains residents with opportunities to work locally in a range of industries and sectors, and businesses that are sustainable.

Outcome 1.3 Blue Mountains people have sustainability in harmony with the environment

Better managing the urban/rural interface
Balancing population growth with a sustainable environment to protect the unique landscape, natural features and biodiversity.

Towards a More Sustainable Blue Mountains

The Map for Action

Achieving the Vision

Key Directions

Looking after Environment

Using Land for Living

Moving Around

Working and Learning

Sustainability Outcome

Blue Mountains people living sustainably in a City within a World Heritage environment

For each Key Direction of the Vision, this Map for Action provides:

25 Year Outcomes to be achieved by 2025
10 to 15 Year Strategic Objectives to aim for along the way
5 to 10 Year Priority Action Areas for achieving the 25 year and 10 year Objectives

Sustainability Benefits (Environmental, Social and Economic)

For full details of the City Sustainability Strategy and City of Blue Mountains plan call 02 4780 5616.

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Sustainability Outcome – Key Directions 1 – Looking After the Environment

Outcome 1.1 The Blue Mountains natural environment is protected and conserved

- Critical - blue waters (eg. Hawkesbury, Grose, Nepean Rivers)
- High Importance - bushland, wetlands, farmland
- Regional Importance - national parks, heritage sites, rare flora and fauna

Sustainability Benefits -
- Critical - reductions in greenhouse gases
- High Importance - increased bio-diversity
- Regional Importance - improved water quality

Themes for Targeting Action Now:
1. Protect and manage critical blue water areas.
2. Foster plants and animals.
3. Protect nation parks and heritage sites.

Outcome 1.2 The impact of existing and new development on the environment is reduced

- Critical - clear bush for roads, housing and industries
- High Importance - clearing of roads and industries
- Regional Importance - clearing of bush for housing

Sustainability Benefits -
- Critical - improved air quality
- High Importance - improved water quality
- Regional Importance - reduced impacts on wildlife

Themes for Targeting Action Now:
1. Reduce the demand to clear bush for roads and industries.
2. Promote sustainable development.
3. Ensure land use planning is consistent with future land use.

Outcome 1.3 Blue Mountains people live sustainably in harmony with the environment

- Critical - live sustainably.
- High Importance - develop and maintain local sustainable living programs.
- Regional Importance - promote and manage land use.

Sustainability Benefits -
- Critical - improved community well-being
- High Importance - improved environmental protection
- Regional Importance - improved community harmony

Themes for Targeting Action Now:
1. Support existing and new sustainable living programs.
2. Provide opportunities for learning about sustainable living.
3. Promote sustainable living through existing programs.

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For each Key Direction of the Vision, this map for Action provides:
- 25 Year Outcomes that can be achieved by 2025
- 10 to 15 Year Strategic Objectives
- 5 to 10 Year Priority Action Areas
- Themes for Targeting Action Now
- Sustainability Benefits (Environmental, Social and Economic)
**Themes for Targeting Action Now**

**Outcome 1.1** The Blue Mountains natural environment is protected and conserved.

- **STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES**
  - Outcome 1.1 The Blue Mountains natural environment is protected and conserved.
  - 1.1.1 Increase the recognition of and care for water catchments.
  - 1.1.2 Increased recognition of and care for water catchments.
  - 1.1.3 Increase the recognition of and care for water catchments.

**Outcome 2.1** Blue Mountains residents enjoy more land in its natural state.

- **Outcomes and Strategic Objectives and deliver multiple sustainability benefits.**
  - 2.1.1 Fast-tracking the key actions required to protect and enhance water catchments.
  - 2.1.2 Encouraging re-wilding of significant environmental, social and economic benefits.

**Outcome 3.1** Blue Mountains residents are better prepared to manage bushfires.

- **Outcomes and Strategic Objectives and deliver multiple sustainability benefits.**
  - 3.1.1 Developing a community education program.
  - 3.1.2 Developing a community education program.
  - 3.1.3 Developing a community education program.

**Outcome 4.1** The Blue Mountains economy is diversified and growing.

- **Outcomes and Strategic Objectives and deliver multiple sustainability benefits.**
  - 4.1.1 Diversifying the Blue Mountains economy through the operation of businesses appropriate to our World Heritage area.
  - 4.1.2 Diversifying the Blue Mountains economy through the operation of businesses appropriate to our World Heritage area.
  - 4.1.3 Diversifying the Blue Mountains economy through the operation of businesses appropriate to our World Heritage area.

**Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment**

**Outcome**

- **Towards a More Sustainable Blue Mountains**
  - The Map for Action
  - Achieving the Vision

**Key Directions**

- **Looking after Environment**
  - Looking after People
  - Using Land for Living
  - Moving Around
  - Working and Learning

**Sustainability Benefits**

- **Environment, Social and Economic**
  - **25 Year Outcomes**
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**Sustainability Outcome**

- Blue Mountains people living sustainably in a City within a World Heritage environment.

For each Key Direction of the Vision, this Map for Action provides:

- 10 to 15 Year Strategic Objectives
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- 25 Year Outcomes

**Themes for Targeting Action Now**

- Focusing on bushfire management and reducing unsustainable living works to meet the costs to service the built up areas.
- Managing the urban/bush interface.
- Diversifying the Blue Mountains economy through the operation of businesses appropriate to our World Heritage area.

**Themes for Targeting Action Now**

- Sustainable development around larger town centres.
- Encouraging environmentally friendly lifestyles.
- Raising expectations on our responsibility to protect and enhance water catchments.

**Themes for Targeting Action Now**

- Bushland between towns.
- New development on the urban footprint and the bushland between towns.
- New development on the urban footprint and the bushland between towns.

**Themes for Targeting Action Now**

- People are located nearer to their work centres which have the necessary infrastructure to support sustainable living.
- Encouraging people to move the same number of people around the Blue Mountains.
- Encouraging population growth in larger centres removes the need to use cars to service the built up areas.

**Themes for Targeting Action Now**

- A stable demographic which involves encouraging a balance of young, middle aged and older people in the community.
- Helping to move the same number of people around the Blue Mountains.
- Encouraging population growth in larger centres removes the need to use cars to service the built up areas.

**Themes for Targeting Action Now**

- Reaping the benefits of a more stable population.
- Stemming the flow of young people out of the Blue Mountains.
- Reaping the benefits of a more stable population.

**Themes for Targeting Action Now**

- Ensuring that certain age groups are not precluded or excluded from accessing activities or opportunities.
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**Themes for Targeting Action Now**

- Using ecological and aesthetic design principles.
- Better urban design.
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**Themes for Targeting Action Now**

- Using ecological and aesthetic design principles.
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- screenshot of the city map.
### Key Direction 2 – Looking After People

**Outcome 2.1** The health and well-being of Blue Mountains people are improved

- Encourage and support emission reduction and energy efficiency, with a focus on reducing energy consumption and increasing energy efficiency in homes.
- Promote and support the development of sustainable transport options and alternative modes of transport.

**Outcome 2.2** Services and facilities are accessible and fairly distributed

- Build on existing and develop appropriate levels of service provision that maximise access to services which meet the needs of all Blue Mountains residents.
- Develop service centres with particularly those most in need.

**Outcome 2.3** Blue Mountains communities are safe, caring and inclusive

- Increase residents' access to services that meet their needs, particularly those most in need.
- Increase residents' access to services that meet their needs, particularly those most in need.

### Key Direction 3 – Using Land for Living

**Outcome 3.1** A strong sense of local identity and place is created

- Encourage and support the development of sustainable transport options and alternative modes of transport.
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**Outcome 3.2** Well managed infrastructure supports sustainable living

- Increase residents' access to services that meet their needs, particularly those most in need.
- Increase residents' access to services that meet their needs, particularly those most in need.

**Outcome 3.3** Vibrant town and village centres are well maintained

- Increase residents' access to services that meet their needs, particularly those most in need.
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### Key Direction 4 – Moving Around

**Outcome 4.1** Safe, environmentally friendly transport choices promote healthy lifestyles

- Increase residents' access to services that meet their needs, particularly those most in need.
- Increase residents' access to services that meet their needs, particularly those most in need.

**Outcome 4.2** The main transport corridor is a safe and beautiful space that serves to attract and support learning and life.

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**Outcome 4.3** The ability of people to connect with each other and access services is improved

- Increase residents' access to services that meet their needs, particularly those most in need.
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### Key Direction 5 – Working and Learning

**Outcome 5.1** The local economy is strengthened and diversified

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**Outcome 5.2** The Blue Mountains is a model for sustainable business and industry

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**Outcome 5.3** A culture of lifelong learning is nurtured in the Blue Mountains

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**Blue Mountains people living sustainably in a City within a World Heritage environment**
# Key Direction 2 – Looking After People

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**The health and well-being of Blue Mountains people are improved**

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<td>People in the Blue Mountains have positive health outcomes</td>
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## Key Direction 2.2

**Services and facilities are accessible and fairly distributed**

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## Key Direction 2.3

**Blue Mountains communities are safe, caring and inclusive**

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<td>The Blue Mountains community is caring</td>
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# Key Direction 3 – Using Land for Living

## Key Direction 3.1

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<td>People can connect with each other and access services</td>
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**Well-managed infrastructure supports sustainable living**

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## Key Direction 3.3

**The liveability and vibrancy of our towns and villages are strengthened**

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<td>Incentives and industries are developed and become marketable assets</td>
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<td>Blue Mountains people living sustainably in a City within a World Heritage environment</td>
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# Key Direction 4 – Moving Around

## Key Direction 4.1

**Self-sufficient and sustainable transport choices promote healthy lifestyles**

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<td>People can choose to walk and cycle more</td>
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<td>Accessibility is improved through better social and environmental design</td>
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## Key Direction 4.2

**The main transport corridor is a safe and beautiful space**

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<td>Local access and design of the corridor strategy to Blue Mountains towns</td>
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## Key Direction 4.3

**The ability of people to connect with each other and access services is improved**

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**The local economy is strengthened and diversified**

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<td>Individual skills and talents are developed and become marketable assets</td>
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## Key Direction 5.2

**The Blue Mountains is a model for sustainable business and industry**

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<td>Promote existing and support new industries</td>
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## Key Direction 5.3

**A culture of lifelong learning is nurtured in the Blue Mountains**

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Key Direction 4 – Moving Around

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**Outcome 4.2** The main Transport Corridor is a safe and beautiful space that serves our local amenity and World Heritage identity

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Key Direction 5 – Working and Learning

**Outcome 5.1** The local economy is strengthened and diversified

**Outcome 5.2** The Blue Mountains is a model for sustainable business and industry

**Outcome 5.3** A culture of lifelong learning is nurtured in the Blue Mountains
Themes for Targeting Action Now

1.1 The Blue Mountains natural environment is protected and conserved

- Outcome 1.1: The Blue Mountains natural environment is protected and conserved
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
  - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
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      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.
        - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
          - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
            - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
              - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
                - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.2 The impact of existing and new development on the environment is reduced

- Outcome 1.2: The impact of existing and new development on the environment is reduced
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.3 Bus/Train access and provision is improved

- Outcome 1.3: Bus/Train access and provision is improved
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.4 A diverse natural environment is retained

- Outcome 1.4: A diverse natural environment is retained
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.5 The Blue Mountains people have access to quality healthcare

- Outcome 1.5: The Blue Mountains people have access to quality healthcare
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.6 The Blue Mountains models sustainability

- Outcome 1.6: The Blue Mountains models sustainability
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.7 People are located nearer to community and industry where possible

- Outcome 1.7: People are located nearer to community and industry where possible
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.8 People in the area are employed in jobs appropriate to our World Heritage environment

- Outcome 1.8: People in the area are employed in jobs appropriate to our World Heritage environment
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.9 Greater numbers of people benefit from community interaction

- Outcome 1.9: Greater numbers of people benefit from community interaction
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.10 People are able to enjoy community interaction.

- Outcome 1.10: People are able to enjoy community interaction.
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.11 The Blue Mountains economy is balanced and diversified

- Outcome 1.11: The Blue Mountains economy is balanced and diversified
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.12 The Blue Mountains residents and visitors are more environmentally aware

- Outcome 1.12: The Blue Mountains residents and visitors are more environmentally aware
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.13 People everywhere in terms of how they are living.

- Outcome 1.13: People everywhere in terms of how they are living.
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.14 The Blue Mountains residents and visitors become aware of and care for water catchments

- Outcome 1.14: The Blue Mountains residents and visitors become aware of and care for water catchments
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.15 The diversity of native flora and fauna is retained and enhanced

- Outcome 1.15: The diversity of native flora and fauna is retained and enhanced
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.16 People are able to enjoy the natural beauty of the Blue Mountains

- Outcome 1.16: People are able to enjoy the natural beauty of the Blue Mountains
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
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1.17 People are able to enjoy the natural beauty of the Blue Mountains

- Outcome 1.17: People are able to enjoy the natural beauty of the Blue Mountains
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      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
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1.18 People are able to enjoy the natural beauty of the Blue Mountains

- Outcome 1.18: People are able to enjoy the natural beauty of the Blue Mountains
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      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
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1.19 People are able to enjoy the natural beauty of the Blue Mountains

- Outcome 1.19: People are able to enjoy the natural beauty of the Blue Mountains
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
    - STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES
      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
          - “Best practice” in emergency services is retained.

1.20 People are able to enjoy the natural beauty of the Blue Mountains

- Outcome 1.20: People are able to enjoy the natural beauty of the Blue Mountains
  - Key Direction 1 – Looking After the Environment
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      - TAKING ACTION SUSTAINABILITY BENEFITS
        - Supporting existing and “best practice” in emergency services.
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- Outcome 1.21: People are able to enjoy the natural beauty of the Blue Mountains
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- Outcome 1.22: People are able to enjoy the natural beauty of the Blue Mountains
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