

About the City of Whitehorse



THE STATE OF WHITEHORSE 2019

WHO WE ARE AS A CITY



More than 1/3 of residents are born overseas



98%

of residents rate the community as a pleasant environment



25-34 YR OLDS

largest population growth

+3,146 persons between 2011 and 2016 – young workforce - .id, 2020



3.1%

of the population are aged OVER 85

(.id, 2020)

40.6%

of residents report their health as excellent or very good

Vic Pop Health Survey 2017



Median house price:

\$1,150,000

(DELWP, 2018)

The State of Whitehorse 2019 is a snapshot of key demographic indicators which assesses the quality of life, health and wellbeing of residents in the municipality and provides a summary of current and emerging community issues based on the most recent available data.

The indicators identified are not all the direct responsibility of local government; however local government often has a vital role to play through its focus on strengthening the health and wellbeing of the municipality.

For more in-depth demographic data, including further comparisons with metropolitan and state averages, refer to the suite of factsheets available on Council's website: www.whitehorse.vic.gov.au/about-council/about-whitehorse

- ▶ Whitehorse is a vibrant city with an estimated 178,734 residents
- ▶ Our median age is 38
- ▶ Between 2020 and 2040, the projected population growth in Whitehorse is 25%; lower than the metropolitan average of 42%
- ▶ 23% of adults spend 8 or more hours a day sitting (on weekdays)
- ▶ 70% of residents participate in arts and cultural activities
- ▶ 54% of 18–24 year olds attend a tertiary institution
- ▶ Our ageing population is increasing with more than 22% of people over the age of 60
- ▶ 5.4% of the population are babies and preschoolers
- ▶ 85% of the population stated they could definitely access community services and resources
- ▶ Whitehorse has the sixth lowest average rates per assessment across Metropolitan Melbourne. (Know Your Council, 2018–2019 period)
- ▶ Combined Aqualink attendances in 2018/19 – 1,663,693
- ▶ Whitehorse is placed among the least disadvantaged 15% of municipalities across the state
- ▶ Morack Golf Course saw 4,124,654 balls hit at its driving range in 2018/19

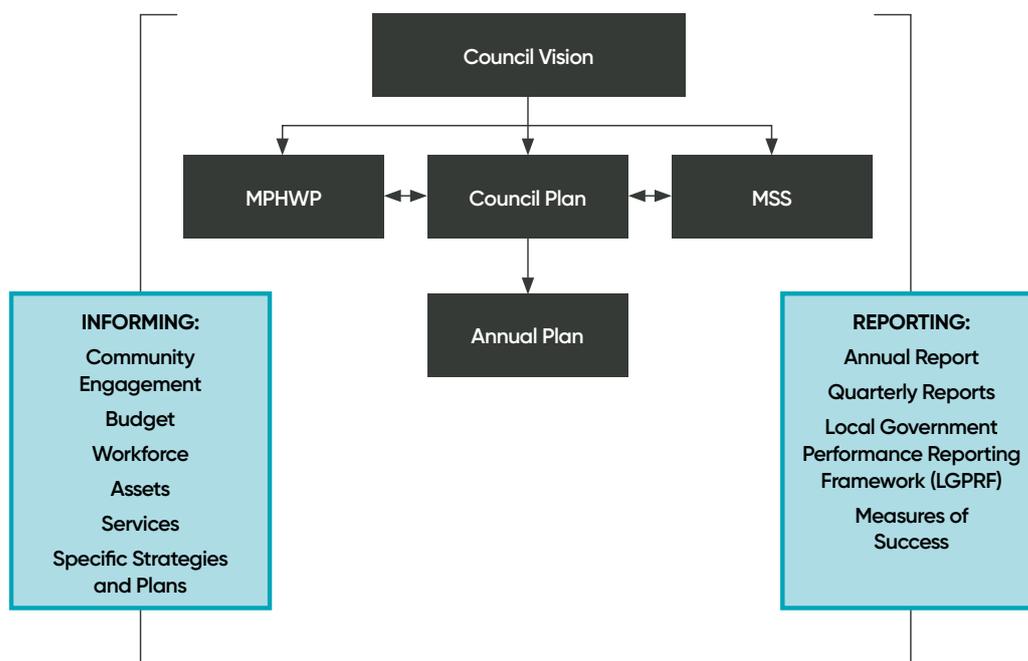
Council's integrated planning and reporting framework

Council's integrated planning and reporting framework guides Council in identifying community needs and aspirations over the long term (*Council Vision*), medium term (*Council Plan*) and short term (*Annual Budget*, incorporating the *Annual Plan*), and then holding itself accountable (*Annual Report and Audited Statements*).

The purpose of integrated planning and reporting is:

- to determine the priorities for the municipality in terms of its future outlook, how our community want to live and the city we desire to be
- to consider what is changing in Whitehorse, and how these changes present an opportunity to shape our future
- to establish clear strategic direction for responding to change
- to prioritise Council business to identify projects and services which will deliver the best return on investment
- to inform Council's long-term financial planning and budgeting
- to inform annual Council planning and business planning across Council departments; and
- to provide a line of sight for employees to see how their individual work tasks contribute to the overall strategic direction of Council and community.

The following illustration demonstrates Council's integrated planning and reporting framework.



MPHWP – Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan
MSS – Municipal Strategic Statement