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### **STANHOPE HAS BIG PLANS**

Campaspe Shire Council has endorsed a plan for Stanhope that will guide future community projects and activities.

Mayor, Cr Adrian Weston said the plan has been developed in partnership with the community through surveys, pop up sessions, presentations and workshops.

“Some of the groups that assisted with the plan include the Stanhope Development Group, local retailers, Recreation Reserve Committee of Management, Stanhope Primary School, police, Stanhope Health, Fonterra, Stanhope Men’s Shed and the CFA,” Cr Weston said.

“Council worked with the community to capture its aspirations to develop a vision for the town and develop priorities and future opportunities to meet modern challenges.”

“As part of the planning process, the vision of ‘Stanhope is a thriving and innovative rural community ready to embrace the future’, was developed and will be the base for the entire plan.”

The plan outlines four key principles;

- Strong community connections
- Recreation and lifestyles
- Modern rural identity
- Investment and industry

The principles will help form the basis to develop and prioritise projects, along with how to measure their success.

The plan has identified 15 projects made up of short term (completed within six months), medium term (six months to three years) and long term (three to ten years).

Some of the projects in the plan include the beautification of the town, continued development of the Community Recreation Precinct Masterplan, festivals and events, development of the open art space, the relocation of the kindergarten and a wetlands passive recreation area.

This will be council’s second place based plan, following on from Rochester’s finalised plan in May 2018.

The plan can be downloaded on council’s website.

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