IMAGINE URAIDLA

COMMUNITY FORUM OUTCOMES REPORT

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WHAT HAPPENED?

On Tuesday 25 June 2019 we gathered in the Uraidla Football Club to plan what's next for Imagine Uraidla (IU) and our district.

We were not sure what to expect and how many people might come, would it be 20 or would it be more... 84 of us warmed the room and filled it to the brim with ideas.

Before everyone arrived we briefed our table facilitators. Each table facilitator represented a local community orgainsation or group.

The evening started with a welcome by our volunteer facilitator Steve Dangerfield. Mellissa Bradley (IU Chair) stepped us back in time from when Imagine Uraidla first started and thanked businesses for how much they have done to help the main street. Ben Hopkins motivated us and fuelled the energy in the room with what we were here to do: create a thriving community.

Our evening unfolded rapidly. With no agenda set it was up to attendees to develop what they wanted to focus on. Each of the seven tables were tasked to come up with their top three themes. These were to be high level themes not the nitty gritty ideas. After a long list of themes (the blue notes) we narrowed them down or grouped them into eight categories .

THE PROCESS

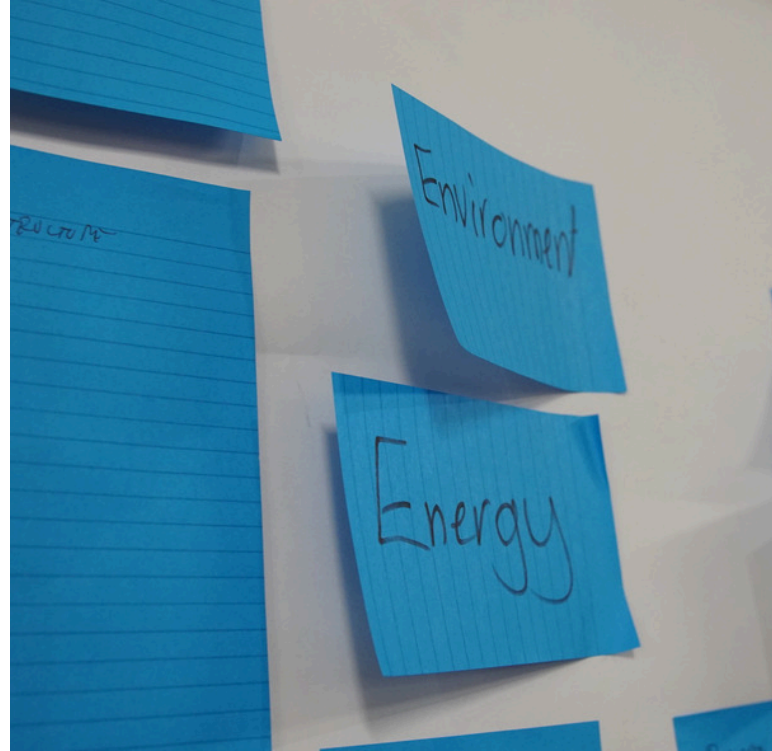### THEMES
Storyboard themes for agenda

IDEAS
Brainstorm ideas to bring to reality

PRIORITIES
Vote on top ideas to create a shortlist

KEY THEMES

The themes were:

1. Community engagement
2. Culture and arts
3. Environment
4. Infrastructure
5. Marketing and funding
6. Recreation and sport
7. Transport
8. Tourism / events / children

With our list in hand each table got a theme (one table got two) and we set to work.

Table facilitators introduced themselves and then their group had five minutes to brainstorm as many ideas under the theme they were given. After a loud whistle everyone got up and moved tables to a new theme. After five moves we took a breather.

8
themes

PRIORITISING

Before breaking for supper everyone received three voting dots. The dots were used to help prioritise what ideas were going to progress.

Participants chatted eagerly and studied the butchers paper filled with ideas on the walls the around the room. 219 votes were cast.

After supper and much connecting we took our seats and waited eagerly for the results from the dot voting. Top voted ideas won prizes.

The priority list shows those ideas which received the top five number of 'votes'. Some ideas received the same number of votes and have been categorised accordingly.

The last task was to assign names to ideas, so we could see them come to life.

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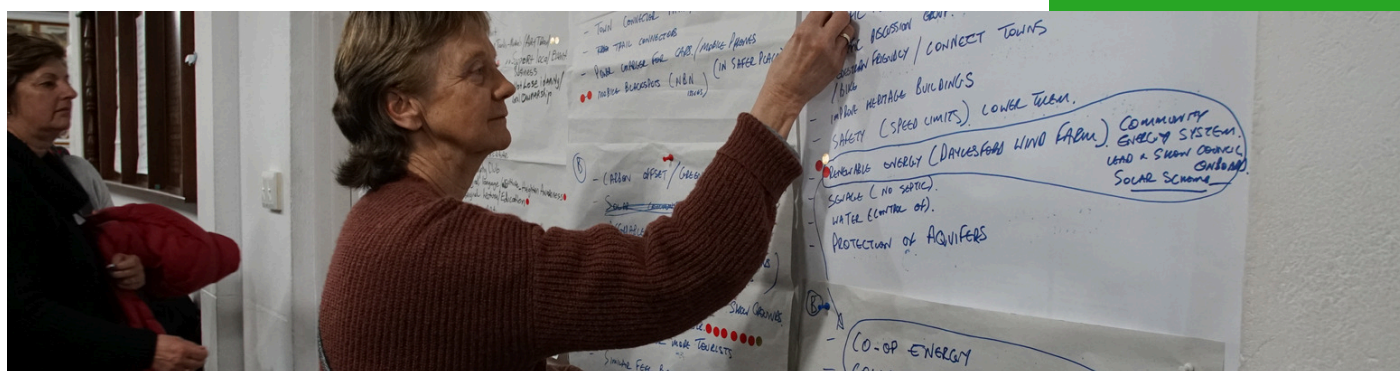
YOUR PRIORITIES

01
FOLK MUSIC FESTIVAL

02
IMPROVE HERITAGE BUILDINGS

BEAUTIFY RESTORE URAIDLA INSTITUTE

03
CYCLING CITY CONNECTER

RENEWABLE COMMUNITY ENERGY SYSTEM

CLIMATE CHANGE

04
COMMUNITY GARDEN - NATIVE FOODS/ FOOD FOREST

WASTE WATER DISPOSAL

BIKE PARK & PUMP TRACK

05
LANDCARE - 6TH CREEK, REVEGETATION, NATIVE PLANTING

MAP OF FEATURES / POINTS OF INTEREST

MAPS OF BUSHWALKS & TRAILS

WHAT'S NEXT?

Making ideas a reality

The next step is for you to grasp your idea and make it happen. Imagine Uraidla is here to support you with communicating and connecting with others. Making it happen is up to you.

REVIEW IDEAS
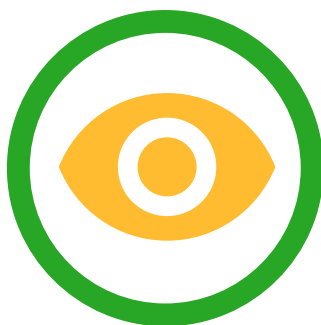
Read the list at the back of this report

JOIN A GROUP

Reach out to those in the ideas group via admin@uraidla.com

MAKE IT HAPPEN

Share your skills to make ideas happen

All ideas which received a vote

Here's a list of all ideas which received a vote by participants. The list is in alphabetical theme order and then in order of votes.

Key theme and idea	Number of votes
Community Engagement	
• Communication to new people	6
• Community Chest	6
• Inclusion- communication - register	6
• Historical Trail	1
• Identify community / social infrastructure	1
• Indoor Community Space	1
• Red Shed	1
• Volunteer opportunities	1
Culture & Arts	
• Folk Music Festival	13
• Historical trail Aboriginal Culture/Education & Awareness	5
• Paint Rain Water Tanks - Mural Arts Trail	3
• Sculpture in Uraidla	3
• Gallery	2
• Mural On the institute	2
• Community Arts Centre	1
• Community Choir	1
• Signs of local Places	1
• Volunteers Opportunities Awareness	1
Environment	
• Climate Change	8
• Community Garden - Native Foods/ Food Forest	8
• Waste Water Disposal	8
• Landcare - 6th Creek, Revegetation, Native Planting	7
• Wildlife Corridors	6
• Main Arterial Road Beatification	4
• Acknowledge the Big Tree on the show grounds	1
• Fire Safer Place	1
Infrastructure	
• Renewable community energy system	9
• Slow traffic down, roundabouts	6
• Pedestrian and bike friendly connections between towns	5
• Lighting for focal points	2
• Caravan / camping site	1

• Information point / map		1
• Mobile phone blackspots / NBN issues		1
• Nature playground in Uraidla near menus shed		1
• Similar feel between towns e.g. paving		1
• Traffic discussion group		1
Infrastructure - built form		
• Improve heritage buildings, beautify restore Uraidla Institute		11
• Community centre		1
Marketing & Funding		
• Map of features / points of interest		7
• Destination theme		3
• Business owners network / mentoring		2
• Geocaching Trail		2
• Entrance statement		1
• Media strategy plan		1
• Merchandise		1
• Regional name change / brand		1
Recreation & Sport		
• Bike Park & Pump Track		8
• Maps of bushwalks and trails		7
• Reds Shed Playground		6
• Local Media Noticeboard		3
• Right of Way like in the UK		2
Tourism/ Events / Children		
• Map of Points of Interest		7
• Trails- running, walking, bike		4
• Local Street Parties		3
• Music Concerts		2
• Organic Food Market		1
• Teddy Bear's Picnic		1
• Tourism Trails		1
Transport		
• Cycling City Connecter		9
• Town Connections Riding and Walking Trails		3
• Community Bus service - The Hut		2
• Off-road riding for Horses and Bikes Safely		2
• Weekend Bus Service		1
Urban planning		
• Affordable housing options		1

There were many more ideas. If you're passionate about an idea which didn't get a vote, don't hold back, make it happen. Maybe you couldn't come and your idea didn't make it to the table, that's ok, champion it and make it happen.

Are you an ideas group champion?

If your name is on this list we will be connecting you with others.

If you want to join an ideas group reach out to us so we can connect you admin@uraidla.com

The Ideas Group	People who are interested
Inclusion- communication - register	Stefan Wagner
Community Chest	Claire Bossley
Communication to new people	Peter Fisher
Indoor Community Space	Aaron Austin-Glen
Folk Music Festival	Aaron Austin-Glen, Alex Harris, Margie Sarre, Sarah Calgry
Historical trail Aboriginal Culture/Education & Awareness	Deanne Hanchant-Nichols
Paint Rain Water Tanks - Mural Arts Trail	Neil Wickens
Gallery	Socorro Wickens
Mural On the Institute	Carlo Russo
Community Choir	Chris Say, James Parkin, Jess Decampo
Waste Water Disposal	Richard Crabb, Mel Bradley, Tom Feinle-Bisset, Neil Mullard
Climate Change	Claire Obradovic, Paul Hill, Tina Wallace, Kerry Davies, Katrina Allen
Landcare - 6th Creek, Revegetation, Native Planting	Peter Geers, Rebecca Schulz
Wildlife Corridors	Rebecca Schulz
Main Arterial Road Beatification	Rebecca Schulz
Fire Safer Place	Tom Feinle-Bisset
Renewable community energy system	Alex Harris, Paul Hill, Sandy Edwards
Slow traffic down, roundabouts	Andrew Davidson, Sandy Edwards, Betty Bird
Improve heritage buildings, beautify restore Uraidla Institute	Tom Feinle-Bissett, Aaron Austin-Gen, Neil Mullard, Marg Lawrence, Steve Bottroff

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Map of features / points of interest	Katrina Baker, Kate Horton, Penny Henschke
Destination theme	Paul Hill
Geocaching Trail	Simon Harvey, Phil Lawrence
Merchandise	Alex Harris
Bike Park & Pump Track	Ian Tucker, Eliza Clark, Marc Richards, Alex Harris, Beau Griffiths
Maps of bushwalks and trails	Sarah Coudrey, Peter Fisher, Chris Badenoch
Local Media Noticeboard	Jon Richards
Map of Points of Interest	Marg Lawrence
Trails- running, walking, bike	Robert Trenorden, Carlo Russo
Local Street Parties	Betty Bird
Teddy Bear's Picnic	Simon Harvey
Cycling City Connecter	Steve Bottroff, Carlo Rosso, James Sadler, Sue Campbell
Town Connections Riding and Walking Trails	Brad Wilksch, Annie Fisher, B McGrath

Ideas in need of champions

These ideas received votes but there's not names yet of people that want to champion them, could it be you?

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The Ideas in need of a champion	People who are interested (could this be you?)
Volunteer opportunities	
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Affordable housing options	

Ideas become a reality when the right people, resources and time aligns.

Thank you

Thank you from the bottom of our Imagine Uraidla hearts to each and every one of you who came to an evening full of community spirit. The room was buzzing with ideas, collaboration, smiles, connection and "community magic"*.

Thanks to the volunteer table facilitators, food and tea makers and participants.

Thanks for sticking your necks out and coming on a whirlwind journey with us.

The hard work is yet to come and together we can do this.

From Hugh Mackay's Book – The Art of Belonging – It's not where you live, it's how you live

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