

**APPENDIX A**

**SHIRE OF DENMARK**  
**2012/13 COMMUNITY NEEDS**  
**AND**  
**CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY**  
**SUMMARY OF COMMENTS RECEIVED**

## RESULTS – SUMMARY OF COMMENTS RECEIVED

### (A) CURRENT ISSUES.

#### 1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM

It is Council's stated preference to remain a strong vibrant Council with its own unique identity and has previously rejected any potential amalgamation with neighboring local authorities. That said, the Minister for Local Government is actively pursuing amalgamation in the metropolitan area and the same predicted focus on regional areas after the next State Election.

##### Percentage of Results:

1.1 Would you support the Shire of Denmark amalgamating with one of our neighbours?

Yes	No	Unsure
145	421	108
21.50%	62.50%	16.00%

1.2 If Council was to amalgamate, who would be your preferred "amalgamation partner"?

Albany	Manjimup	Plantagenet
26.40%	15.60%	58.00%

#### 2. RATING POLICY REFORM

The Shire of Denmark has identified several anomalies and/or opportunities for improved equity in the Rating System and will be undertaking a Review of its current rating policies in 2012/13 for likely implementation in the 2013/14 year.

2.1 Do you think those properties who have approval to operate home holiday accommodation should pay more rates than a residential household?

Yes	No	Unsure
62.30%	31.30%	6.40%

2.2 Do you think rural properties that are used for non-rural purposes (e.g. cellar door wine sales or a restaurant) should pay more than a property used solely for agricultural purposes?

Yes	No	Unsure
55.30%	36.80%	7.90%

2.3 In order to encourage development and discourage land speculation, should vacant land in the town site pay more than a constructed house?

Yes	No	Unsure
25.60%	63.30%	11.10%

#### 3. WASTE SERVICES

The Shire of Denmark transports all its putrescible waste to the City of Albany. This comes at a huge cost to the Council and Council is looking at the possibility of purchasing land for a suitable long term landfill facility in this Shire. Council's research indicates that this will be more economical into the future and can be managed in an environmentally sound manner. The current McIntosh Road facility cannot be used for putrescible waste. With this issue in mind please consider the following question:

## 3.1 Do you support Council looking for a suitable site in the Shire of Denmark for Local landfill?

Yes	No	Unsure
84.60%	6.40%	9.00%

**(B) FUTURE DIRECTION**

	1	2	3	4	5	Total Answered	%	Ranking 2012/13	Ranking 2010/11	Ranking 2008/09
Arts & Cultural Development	21	15	20	16	38	110	3.33%	13	14	14
Bush Fire Protection	247	87	37	53	52	476	14.42%	1	1	3
Climate Change Impacts and Policy Development	38	30	16	22	27	133	4.03%	11	12	10
Effective Water Management and Waterway Preservation	109	91	90	49	47	386	11.70%	3	3	1
Facilitate Economic / Tourism Development	37	33	33	29	34	166	5.03%	10	11	11
Facilitate the Development of Infrastructure in Denmark Such as Sewerage, Water, Power and Telecommunications	143	101	77	62	41	424	12.85%	2	2	2
Natural Environment	74	41	41	35	37	228	6.91%	6	7	4
Parks and Gardens Development/Maintenance	21	17	21	26	30	115	3.48%	12	10	8
Provision of Indoor/Outdoor Sporting Facilities	51	31	35	30	32	179	5.42%	9	9	12
Provision of Seniors Facilities and Services	60	25	30	46	46	207	6.27%	7	6	9
Provision of Youth Leisure Facilities	7	16	13	18	19	73	2.21%	14	13	13
Road Upgrading and Maintenance	90	58	60	52	57	317	9.61%	4	4	5
Stricter Control on Land Development	58	32	32	31	44	197	5.97%	8	5	6
Take an Increasing Role in Welfare Type issues	2	8	7	9	11	37	1.13%	15	15	15
Waste Management/Recycling	29	29	46	67	81	252	7.64%	5	8	7
Other Issues	~ 144 ~					n/a	n/a			
<b>responses:</b>						3,300	100%			

Indications, by numbering **1 to 5** (1 being the highest) were asked for, as respondents' priority of importance for the future planning of Council direction.

**Comments:**

- *Road upgrading does not mean sealing and widening all roads but ensuring proper maintenance. Where necessary, traffic calming needs to be employed in order to keep many rural roads narrow, winding and tree lined.*
- *Public transport to and from Albany*
- *Swimming pool for Denmark*
- *Transport to Albany and return*
- *pool would be great*
- *A swimming pool will be of great assistance to all age groups, from seniors to babies and school children in between. A town this size deserves a pool.*
- *Open up the NATURAL opening between the inlet and the ocean next year to see if there will be a difference. Just let's try it once and for all - maybe us residence can actually have a non stinking inlet in summer.*
- *Look at the possibility of restricting the use of plastic shopping bags by placing a levy on each bag used, e.g. as in Esperance.*
- *Indoor swimming pool facilities*
- *swimming Pool*
- *Many of these choices are very important.*
- *Stronger incentives/encouragement for individuals, businesses to serve the community, maybe in the form of awards and other forms of recognition.*
- *none*
- *Understanding tourist expectations, town and surrounds, and planning on these expectations.*
- *With good long term tourist planning revenue from rates will automatically increase in line with the town's prosperity.*
- *Very difficult to limit choice*
- *swimming pool*
- *no comment*
- *Swimming pool, Transport to ALBANY PROPER age care facility!!!Not a geriatric ward*
- *would like to see a swimming pool in Denmark*
- *Increasing footpaths around Denmark and maintaining old footpaths.*
- *Swimming Pool*
- *\*\* 0-8 children's services maintaining the integrity of 'Denmark' - people come here because of the natural environment, please be positively aware of this when planning.*
- *Hostel care facility for senior's better support for school education develops alternative farming ideas develop alternative healing ideas. \*clients notes on page\* WHAT ABOUT HERITAGE! 6. URGENT 10. Action not talk! 12. Farming area 14. Poverty and abuse*
- *Stop the stupid parking restrictions as we are not city people. This is a small country town not the Fremantle Coffee strip. Don't block of the Co-Operative drive through access.*
- *Hardy Street Supermarket. The present Super I.G.A. has inappropriate and inadequate parking and is both difficult and dangerous with heavy trolleys. 2. Swimming pool for both young and old very important. 3. Maintaining Denmark's identity and not making it like every other small country town. 4. Eradication of weeds in the district.*
- *Upgrade Hospital to include Hydro Pool for medical needs, Better public toilets, more street lighting and pavements & am transport to Albany & pm return, even if it's only for one or two days a week and special events.*
- *NO swimming pool if it means higher rates*
- *Specific facility investment - swimming pool*
- *Public Transport*
- *making rates as equitable as possible*
- *swimming pool*
- *Weed control - Watsonia, Arum Lily, Blackberry, etc in and around town and within Shire road reserves*
- *A "bulk Refuse" kerbside collection.*

- *Bicycle lanes and footpaths. You still cannot walk the whole distance, on a sealed footpaths, to the Denmark Health Service and Senior who live at Amaroo cannot walk to the Highway or the Podiatrist/Optometrlist on a sealed footpath without crossing busy roads. I would like to challenge our councilors to get in a wheel chair and try to get to the hospital or the Podiatrist. This topic is my number one!!!!*
- *Modernise library facilities. Support a weekly food market. Strickland Street: should be a pedestrian zone. Regular bus service - Albany Stricter guidelines for noisy behavior. Reduce speed limit from 110 to 100 max. In Community Park: Install large chess game, table tennis, water playground, advent. Playground.*
- *Replace East River Bridge. Heave vehicle bypass southern side of town (see map) Roundabout Strickland street and Barnett street intersection.*
- *Leave the co-op alone, it has been a part of the town centre for nearly one hundred years. Ether the shire likes it or not we can't just rely on tourism, we are farming and winery community the co-op caters for these businesses.*
- *All the above are important and should not be neglected while prioritising the top 5.*
- *An indoor pool would not only provide indoor sporting facilities but would also provide seniors facilities via non stressful exercise for people with mobility problems etc.*
- *cycle and walking paths, restriction of spread of town, stopping residential sprawl, encouraging high density residential in centre to town*
- *need for a swimming pool 2. Need for additional respite and long term care facilities for the aged and disabled. A recent response to this problem was conducted. The details/submission will be sent to you separately.*
- *Re-use of waste water from sewerage treatment plant on land i.e. ovals, golf course.*
- *Deep sewerage should be No1 priority.*
- *Noise Pollution*
- *Shire and DEC Rangers and NRM bodies need to work closer on dog/cat/invasive weeds control especially in the planning of new developments*
- *Swimming pool*
- *Aquatic Centre*
- *reduce spending on all of the above*
- *Denmark Dog Park getting built very soon...this will help tourism and the town's local dog population.*
- *\*Rubbish Waste: Rubbish vouchers for people who live outside town, cant dig holes, can't get collection, huge cost at Rubbish tip. \*Have lived here for 48 years and this town has got worse with the litter around the town sites and roads, roads not maintained. The Elderly not catered for. The Rates being one of the highest in the state. People in council thinking they are in federal government.*
- *Network pedestrian paving would be good, e.g. a dual use path to the new hospital.*
- *Facilitate other industry that brings economic benefit to the community and help retain youth in the town. This industry is education, take what was offered at the CSL to a higher level. Sustainable alternative lifestyle is not a fad but an emerging future industry to that people want*
- *We need an Aquatic Facility for learn to swim and recreational swimmers. It needs to be suitable for school swimming programs (i.e. min 6 lanes) and big enough to cater for sporting groups and training.*
- *We need a swimming pool in Denmark. We need a second post box near Super IGA. We must avoid turning areas of Denmark into Perth-like suburbs with ugly fencing etc*
- *Denmark needs an Aquatic Facility*
- *Health and education*
- *This is the first time in this survey I've had a chance to mention the dodgy correlation between question 2 and 3. Regarding amalgamation. Will you be claiming that those who answered "No" in Q2 are in favor of the amalgamating Shire they were forced to put in Q3 so that they could continue with this survey?*
- *TAKE MORE INTEREST IN THE HEALTH AND WELL BEING OF WILSON INLET.*
- *Are we the only town in Western Australia without a local swimming pool? If so why?*

- *Monitor wind farm for adverse effect on bird life.*
- *Facilities and support for children aged 0-8 years and their families. Investment in this group provides a huge pay off for the Shire in many areas.*
- *Lack of, street lighting, footpaths, general maintenance and street clean up on a regular basis in my area.*
- *None*
- *Swimming pool complex would serve all members of community*
- *Improve the water quality of Wilson Inlet by ensuring better water exchange. Bitumise local tourist roads i.e. Wilson Head-McGeary, Lights Beach; dust and corrugations a major problem ensures safe fishing access to Wilson Inlet shoreline. Minimise degradation of access tracks to Wilson Inlet i.e. Poison Point by ensuring that funding is available ensure that Water Corp. ceases dumping their waste effluent into Wilson Inlet and future alternate waste effluent use to be funded by Water Corp.*
- *1) Support the rural people of the shire and respect the value and vista that they bring to the shire. Although the regional agriculture only borders on viability at best, it is very productive and probably the most sustainable industry here. 2) Leave the co-op to continue operating in town. 3) Maintain the rural nature of the town, namely allowing development on the main roads in/out of town will kill the town's rural feel and attractiveness. Even considering (flagging) the Ag School for future urban development shows the shire has no confidence in agriculture and doesn't value at all the best "entry statement" a rural town can have... 4) Referendum for swimming pool. Make it user pays rather than jumping up our rates again.nfo to the farms (the adverts in the bulletin do not get to RMBs i.e. very little farmer input to LPS as no-one knew it was happening). 5) Better community consultation processes, include ways of getting information to the region (the bulletin does not get delivered to RMBs) that is why there were not many farmers to protest during the LPS consultations.*
- *The number one issue should be the construction of an indoor 8 lane heated swimming pool. Even with a hefty rate increase it would still save my family money from travelling to Albany for swimming lessons and fitness swimming*
- *Indoor Sporting should be a swimming pool to improve public health and make Denmark more attractive to a stable residential population*
- *All of the issues such as arts, youth, welfare, seniors, infrastructure, are very important to me, but I believe these go hand in hand with waterway/inlet cleanliness and good bushfire management, that in the end makes our town a better place to live and come to and be here.*
- *Swimming Pool has to happen*
- *Swimming pool*
- *Aquatic centre is my key priority under "provision of indoor/outdoor sporting facilities"*
- *Hasten the construction of a local swimming pool*
- *Engage with State and/or Comm. Govts to buy-back low lying land on the Inlet; take such measures as are possible to increase river flow into the Inlet; allow the Inlet to breach naturally. The foregoing is the only long term solution to the otherwise increasing degradation of the "jewel in the crown".*
- *No other issues*
- *Stop opening up more land for subdivision when there are already so many vacant blocks around the shire.*
- *Fire fuel reduction on shire reserves*
- *Cooperation with satellite communities*
- *Historical Sights better managed/preserved.*
- *Swimming pool for Denmark*
- *I do not support a public swimming pool.*
- *\*\*The following issues in order of presentation represent priorities 1 through 3. Therefore the priorities listed above follow from them. -Road upgrading & maintenance specifically applies to the areas outside of the town site. Many families have increased vehicle costs and high risk of injury due to the poor condition and maintenance of the gravel roads throughout the Shire. With an increasing population base outside of the town this should be a major priority. -Dog control,*

*training, and development of dog and family areas. Denmark has potential to raise its revenue base by millions annually by becoming a "model" dog friendly town. This can be successful if rangers apply the dog act, and encourage responsible ownership. -Encourage Youth education and employment options and opportunities. This far outweighs any benefits achieved through youth leisure facilities.*

- *The town needs a swimming pool as an urgent priority*
- *Indoor swimming and therapeutic pool which will cater for babies to the elderly. Less drowning if all children are taught to swim.*
- *It is essential that our town can care for all ages with a fully serviced swimming pool and hydrotherapy pool. All Australian children need to learn to swim for their survival. Older residents' quality of life can be enhanced greatly with access to a pool in Denmark. This should have top priority over other sporting activities*
- *Freehold or Strata Title, Deep Sewerage and provision of water at Peaceful Bay (Leases)*
- *Provision of a dog exercise and training area.*
- *Strengthen representation by Council Members from non-town wards by providing support to effective members. (The recent consolidation of Wards has enlarged individual Wards, overstretched Members and weakened the representation of out-lying areas of the Shire. The appalling disinterest shown by the Council (including staff) in ensuring effective relations and consultations with Peaceful Bay Leaseholders affords an excellent example of the consequences of the leaseholders' diminished influence!)*
- *Wallery type development for the over 50s*
- *Weed management is becoming an increasing problem that should have a high priority.*
- *More consideration for senior citizens who live in Denmark. Keep in mind the high percentage of the population.*
- *Indoor Heated Swimming Pool*
- *General maintenance of footpaths and road verges*
- *A transport facility to Albany on a regular basis, for people who are unable to drive for one reason or another.*
- *The Denmark CO-OP should be protected as the first farmers co-op in Denmark which was grown by the farmers for the farmers. This is a heritage building.*
- *build a hydro pool urgently many residents need it daily and cannot be traveling to Albany also support the hospital to get more physio and OT staff on a full time basis, improve the public toilets in the town cbd a/ more of them b/ clean them more often, switch Denmark TV tower to digital TV*
- *no pool*
- *Keep costs under control. I believe shire costs are increasing too quickly.*
- *There is no reference to heritage in these questions. It would also be good to be able to answer all of them!*
- *Parking*
- *Swimming Pool*
- *Vehicle access to the beaches, a motocross park, wind farm and swimming pool are more urgent than all the other issues above.*
- *nil*
- *What does stricter mean?*
- *More parking areas needed in town centre. The two Op shop locations would be a prime position. (The town has to move forward and be socially acceptable to Tourists and Travelers and now would be the time to implement planning and cost for it.) 2. Better planning for considering dedicated long parking bays for caravaners pulling in for emergency supplies. 3. Hire a decent dredge for dredging a good size and depth channels linking Struggnells Channel and Poddy Shot and the channel past the caravan park to the Western end Inlet opening. 3.1 Also the ocean end of the Prawn Rock Swimming and picnic area be excavated to link it with the other channel at the mouth of the bar opening channel.*
- *Provision of an Indoor Aquatic Centre is a high priority and included under third preference*
- *swimming pool*
- *Schooling and education resources*

- *So much money is spent on gardens in the CBD - yet very little is allocated to the Cemetery and Other parks (such as Tidy Town Park & Annie Harrison)*
- *All items listed are important*
- *Why do we have to choose only five? We would like to have rated them all!*
- *I would like to see more regular maintenance on long grass on sides of road along Minsterly Rd not every 3 years tiger snakes are everywhere also regular checks on non native plants removal from verges*
- *Please NO heated pool*
- *Denmark needs and can afford a heated indoor swimming pool*
- *1. in town parking.*
- *Safe recreational areas to exercise our beloved dogs please!*
- *Maintenance of existing walkways along both sides of the river down to River mouth Caravan Park. 2. Cleanup and regular maintenance of verges approaching township, especially from the Shire offices to the bridge - a real fire hazard if ever there was one.*
- *Community Engagement*
- *Cat ownership control registration and sterilisation control of 4wd vehicles on beaches and dunes.*
- *Let's have a public swimming pool please*
- *More areas for dog walking, both on and off lead*
- *Need to set up basic infrastructure in all areas (including rural) i.e. Roads and developing thriving businesses before starting on beautification projects*
- *I am concerned about a future aquatic facility which will increase our rates and given my observation of the Manjimup facility which is not frequented in the winter months and the cost of heating a pool would be astronomical.... Perhaps it would have been far more beneficial to have incorporated a hydrotherapy pool in the new hospital for those disabled persons like myself.... I had to provide my own hydrotherapy and will not be using an aquatic facility and with beautiful beaches close by (mind you access is something to be addressed) there is no need for such a facility as Manjimup who have no beaches.*
- *Where is the strategic vision from Council? If the Shire of Denmark is to be a competitive local government and public authority, it needs to embark on regular strategic planning, asset and resource management, and establishing a long term vision for the town.*
- *Many of these issues rank equal in importance to those I have ticked. I believe a balanced approach to all should prevail, thanks.*
- *Postal facilities*
- *Swimming pool.*
- *I believe some of the above i.e.; road upgrading and maintenance should be a standard ongoing issue that is included already within the rating system*
- *Stricter policing of compliance with fire regulations in residential areas at risk of bushfire e.g. Weedon Hill. Officers need to go onto properties and inspect - not just drive past as some sneaky absentee owners just do what can be seen from the road and leave a potential disaster area against neighboring properties. Noncompliance notices also need to be followed up on. We need more rangers as there is too much area for the present number of rangers to police efficiently.*
- *Protection of a Class reserves from any development. I.e. NO MORE windmills on Raime Head 2Rates between rural and town properties more equal i.e. the same.*
- *A Swimming pool .Please*
- *Facility for the effective disposal of electronic waste.*
- *High and Low Care Facilities for the high proportion of aged & infirm in the community.*
- *swimming pool is of the utmost importance for the wellbeing of the elderly in the community as well as the youngsters learning to swim*
- *Discuss and educate (via local Bulletin) the responsibilities of residents to control their cats. The Blue Wren is our symbol; unless cats are controlled they (Blue wrens) will eventually become as rare as they are in Perth. Between clearing bush and pet cats one doesn't see Wrens in Perth anymore...don't let this happen in beautiful Denmark.*
- *MAINTAINING A VILLAGE TYPE ATMOSPHERE AND RESISTING THE "CITIFICATION" BY NEW ARRIVALS FROM PERTH WHO WISH TO MAKE DENMARK JUST LIKE PERTH*

- *A community swimming pool; this is a facility that will meet the sporting, health, education and welfare of the entire community of the Denmark shire. The refusal of the council to provide active support for this facility is a disgrace. There have been multiple studies and unnecessary delays. The council seems to believe that only unbridled commercial development should be its prime area of interest. A swimming pool will meet the needs ALL people in the community, not just a chosen few. Denmark is probably the only town of its size in WA not to have a swimming pool*
- *Indoor swimming pool*
- *Biodiversity conservation*
- *Ensure PRIVATE developments (including wind-farms) are not allowed to be developed upon PUBLIC land, which by definition, is dedicated for the use, benefit & enjoyment of the public, NOT for the benefit of private developers.*
- *5 Priorities from this extensive list are insufficient.*
- *Better mobile phone coverage in the environs are important in this day and age for safety reasons*
- *no*
- *Address smoke pollution by banning garden waste burning and monitoring smoke from poorly maintained solid fuel heaters. Provide green waste pick up.*
- *Swimming pool, Wind farm and developing the local beaches(huts, driving access,...) before any of the lesser issues listed above*
- *Open 24 hour Police Station*
- *Please build the pool; it is great for young and old.*
- *Swimming pool for Denmark*
- *A pool to allow the aged and infirmed remedial therapy and public recreational access availability!*
- *Improve amenity of Wilson inlet, reduce pollution.*

**2. In order to assist frame Council's long term planning, in 25 words or less please describe your vision for the Shire:**

- *A place where all ages can enjoy the modern facilities and natural beauty that is Denmark*
- *preserve the natural environment*
- *I don't have a vision*
- *To preserve its unique natural environment and rural lifestyle for the enjoyment of ratepayers and all Western Australians*
- *A place where - a). Number of population kept to allow for efficiency and accord. b). people able to participate in governance c). Adequate facilities for education, health, mommense, recreation for all ages. d). protection of environment.*
- *To be a safe clean shire with growth potential in areas that will attract tourists and development*
- *Keep Denmark as a country town. No subdivision with small land sizes*
- *The Shire needs to retain its rural nature, including the small town visual impact of the town site. Finding a balance for tourism, especially holiday letting is important.*
- *Central Township surrounded by rural (farming) properties but not developed in any way resembling such places as Margaret River.*
- *It will grow naturally, Guide it in the right direction*
- *Don't rate normal people out of the shire! Be careful of what you will end up with.*
- *Maintaining the natural beauty and less sub-divisions*
- *A financial sustainable organisation that embraces change and is inclusive in its decision making.*
- *To look after ratepayers..Less money wasted such as Strickland St. nonsense.*
- *Learn from Margaret River and avoid making the mistakes they have made.*
- *To support appropriate development, ensure good infrastructure and services and maintain public spaces*

- *Promote and foster a community which operates with the following key values at its core - protection of environment - sustainability of resources - inclusive community for all ages groups - welcoming to visitors and tourists - promotes arts and culture*
- *To be a clean green shire with adequate outdoor living on shires grounds. E.g. bbqs, seating etc.*
- *A happy and less divisive shire*
- *N/A*
- *We live in paradise, it would be sad to have it ruined by becoming another Margaret River.*
- *Denmark's main attraction is its scenic appearance together with a more equitable climate for tourists. Greater priority should be given to parking,, parks and fire protection for all.*
- *Become a sustainable unit in which a high proportion of our needs are met internally in the shire while maintaining the unique environment and also providing opportunities for community development and business.*
- *To maintain the leisurely lifestyle of Denmark whilst still promoting it as a tourism attraction.*
- *Healthy vibrant community using natural environment i.e. ocean pool*
- *Forward thinking, with regard to community and business needs, particularly in the business precinct e.g. shopping area and commercial premises into the future, with regard to convenience and accessibility for all.*
- *Denmark, an un-spoilt place where nature and man live in harmony, where sustaining the environment is the priority.*
- *Maintain a healthy environment, caution re over development, nurture the population and engender self responsibility re environmental and community issues.*
- *Friendly, welcoming all newcomers, growing with the future*
- *Vision for shire is to go forward and not back*
- *I support the provision of indoor pool/hydrotherapy for Denmark. As we are aging we definitely need more exercise and a swimming/heating pool situation would assist with this.*
- *I would love to see Denmark get a pool. This would benefit the old, the young, and everyone in between.*
- *Be Visionary to meet and sustain the evolving needs of the people in regards to population growth, agriculture and tourism. We can combine it all with a good plan.*
- *To not become a suburb of Albany to maintain the community as jointly person and environment oriented local small business, cottage industries*
- *A vibrant, dynamic intergenerational Shire, known not only for its beauty but good food and great arts. The Denmark 'brand' more famous than Margaret River.*
- *To see Denmark as a leading example of sustainability practices including recycled solid waste and water, development of renewable energy sources and conservation of natural values*
- *The flow on from successfully dealing with core issues will result in the resolution of minor problems associated with the bigger picture.*
- *Maintaining the current smaller country town ambience that is special to Denmark*
- *To keep Denmark the little country town as it is. To improve lifestyles for Seniors, i.e. outings, bus excursions etc.*
- *A resilient, cohesive community of people who love and value this very special place, and who share ideas and resources and work together in a vibrant, low-carbon, local economy.*
- *Retain the natural beauty while encouraging tourism to sustain the Shire.*
- *To be affordable to live in with sufficient infrastructure.*
- *Not to be caught out like other small towns in Australia and plan now to make the town bush fireproof.*

- *Preserve the town and stop changing everything to accommodate tourists. More should be done for the actual residents who live here all year round.*
- *N/A*
- *Sustainable development centered on promoting Denmark as an Environmental showpiece for SW WA. Effective controls on the rate of developmental change in the shire.*
- *Swimming Pool and permanent opening of inlet*
- *Improvement and continued development of community facilities and services and planning for future growth / events*
- *A showcase of community arts, sustainability and protection of our natural environment. To continue to be a close knit supportive community with great schools (including GSIT Music and Art programs) and great sporting opportunities including an aquatic centre.*
- *Maintain and develop a small town environment minus the pollution that has overtaken other small towns. We like Denmark as it is. Restrict "large" developments.*
- *Clean air, water, soil and food must be priorities. Fast food outlets should not be allowed. New buildings (or renovations) should be in keeping with the character of the town.*
- *A safe and beautiful Shire, with great facilities for the elderly and young citizens*
- *Council does not seem to appreciate how important the health of our inlet is to both locals and visitors. CLEAN IT UP!!!*
- *A diverse business community, greater youth facilities,*
- *Implement a strategy in respect to our unsealed roads to avoid the roads becoming rivers where the water and road material is washed away. Excess flow should be diverted gently onto paddocks.*
- *Economic planning based on tourist expectations. Events planning, not just food events, for tourists and locals. Prosperity through tourism will bring long term increased revenue.*
- *N/A*
- *The shire should enhance the opportunities for local and regional tourism for all age groups in co-ordination with Manjimup, Walpole, Albany and Mt Barker to encourage tourist to travel the coastal route from Bunbury-Margret River and then back to Perth. The increase in tourism will energise the business sector and in turn the wider community. So in a word Tourism.*
- *Maintain a small beautiful town & provide another access bridge.*
- *Progress through better management of natural resources*
- *To sort out the lease's in Peaceful Bay with Freehold or strata title. This should be a long term plan of the Shire*
- *Consistence in town planning rules for residential building / transparency/ encourage and support arts and health.*
- *Transport system for residents who cannot drive. Less dense housing in the town area. Better road system and increase road maintenance.*
- *I hope the shire can help maintain Denmark as the peaceful and beautiful town it is.*
- *A vibrant country town growing slowly and well with a council who will listen to the needs of the ratepayers*
- *Retain village style town centre*
- *To have a nice clean town where our children have a safe place to grow up.*
- *Sustainable development.*
- *I would like Denmark to stay as a quiet beautiful country town and not become another Margaret River*
- *Sustainable development with emphasis on protecting and enhancing existing environment and lifestyle. restricted rural subdivision, supporting alternative energy solutions*

- *Keep rate increases to the CPI & reduce debt*
- *A controlled, developing shire based on the growing community needs of the retirement and holiday industries.*
- *A safe, healthy and environmentally maintained town. Preferably without large trucks going through the centre of town. We have a good Arts council. . A swimming pool for young, old and in-betweens to help with health*
- *Try to maintain our village lifestyle*
- *To provide adequate facilities in a shire that is the fastest growing, has the oldest and longest lived population in WA. Be more responsive to the needs to the residents.*
- *Provide safe and healthy environment for all residents of all ages. An attractive destination for visitors. Well maintained infrastructure including existing leisure facilities. Well supported local business.*
- *I am new in town however I am impressed by the reasonable state of the town and the park by the river and the amount of seating dotted around town however I would like to see and walk on footpaths and also see more rubbish bins around town.*
- *To preserve the history and its buildings of Denmark and not let development destroy it.*
- *Royalties for Region Grants money to be put to better use. For example road upgrades and maintenance instead of paving the main streets in town.*
- *Maintain and improve existing services and infrastructure including the proposed swimming pool. Denmark has a large population of children who must learn to swim.*
- *Proper prescribed burning every year...*
- *Improving road, water, fire plans, a swimming pool and the inlet*
- *Maintain Denmark's rural environment and continue to enhance parks and gardens around town. Actively monitor and control the land to protect against bush-fires. As the population increases there will be the need to improve and expand parking facilities.*
- *POS is essential in all housing developments to allow children playing safely and blocks large enough to have no over shadowing of neighbors*
- *Commitment to diversity and individuality*
- *To ensure we continue to look after our beautiful town and improve the health of the inlet*
- *Stable, sustainable, providing a good living environment for all who live here, inclusive, balanced, not aggressively materialistic*
- *Maintain 'village' feel Avoid large scale corporate developments Designs in keeping with the town heritage Participatory, community-based decision making*
- *The coastline around Denmark is unique - to allow high profile industrial wind turbines to be built near Ocean Beach is a bloody disgrace! NO MORE!!*
- *Farming changing to Organic - Biodynamic, area producing its own food supply. Education for all on healthy living/ Bitumen roads to all farms. A costal road and beach homes. Replacement of land minerals from ocean. More sources at Beached and beach. Walk trails through forest communities. Health clinics and farms for caravans, Holiday stays. Natural swimming areas upgraded!*
- *To work with the people of this town for the mutual benefit of everyone in this town not just a few people*
- *Cultivate an environment that encourages small business establishment in the town*
- *To maintain the town's present atmosphere and not become a Margaret River*
- *To preserve the environmental assets in the Shire, maintain a sustainable population and development footprint, work cooperatively with our neighbors for practical synergistic actions for sustainability and tackling future pressures*

- *Have consideration for parking in Denmark for the locals and for pensioners who have to park in the street and not put to a time limit. Leave Denmark as a country town*
- *Priorities residents need before development / tourism needs.*
- *A community that care for and protects the environment, honors its past, plans carefully its future, provides healthy opportunities for everyone to recreate themselves.*
- *A creative, diverse, inclusive community, the state's leader for Community Wellbeing through it's healthy waterways, organic local food, wellbeing practitioners, community arts, volunteer involvement and facilities (like a pool)*
- *Upgrading of Hospital facilities, requiring landlords of shops/cafes to include indoor toilets, air conditioning/heating & landlords of rented houses to insulate their houses.*
- *Reduce tourism until facilities have been improved sufficiently to cope. Get a better planning committee - leave the nursery and the coop where they are.*
- *Quiet, low key, definitely NOT Margaret River style*
- *Retain rural/village environment without over development and growth for the sake of it.*
- *Limiting development to achieve sustainability - not necessarily growth.*
- *Art & cultural development, working with and strengthening the strong sense of local community with an emphasis on the natural sustainable environment issues. Be in the forefront with response to climate change*
- *Surrounding districts should be considered as important as Denmark Township.*
- *A shire which practices sustainable living. Produces its own electricity, collects/recycles its water, supports growers markets and protects the regions natural beauty.*
- *To put in a swimming pool.....*
- *To maintain a uniqueness in town development- low key visual impact (e.g. restricted signage size)*
- *Coordinated planning of infrastructure well into the future, respecting & celebrating the natural environment we have here*
- *A safe pleasant environment where Shire rates do not become a huge burden.*
- *More van parking in town ,better road surface's neater town ,old hospital gone*
- *The Shires main asset is its climate and natural beauty, therefore I think providing lifestyle opportunities to attract people is the answer to Denmark's future growth.*
- *A safe and vibrant working community able to meet visitors needs yet at the same time retaining the country atmosphere*
- *To serve the community not themselves*
- *The inlet and river to be pollution free and maintained.*
- *Progress, but without becoming the next Margaret River!*
- *Sustainable growth in balance with the natural environment. Develop incentives for home owners to acquire solar panels to generate electricity therefore reducing reliance on the main grid.*
- *Do not allow Denmark to spread out too far.*
- *Keep Denmark's environment and unique identity intact and not turn the town into "another Margaret River" and avoid already perceived suspicions of vested interests.*
- *A clean, green and happy town surrounded by bush and water.*
- *To listen and be more responsive to the community's needs and perception of what is appropriate for Denmark, rather than following the Shire's own agenda.*
- *Continue to make Denmark a family friendly place, construct more cycle paths, discourage speculative developers*
- *To efficiently maintain the excellent facilities we currently have. This may be achieved through amalgamation, but not at expense of Denmark's interest. To have a public pool will be fantastic development.*

- N/A
- *A desirable place to live and visit - a bustling and interesting tourist destination. Better use of inlet for water sports and leisure*
- *New land developments to stop (or be restricted) until infrastructure (power, sewerage, roads, etc) is suitability appropriate for current landholders*
- *Ideally, more facilities to accommodate the youth of our town to keep them here and create job opportunities for them. Like a swimming pool!*
- *Less shire workers visibly doing nothing, i.e.; 5 men standing around to put up one Christmas sign on a post.*
- *Complete a strategic plan and then upgrade your existing dated town planning scheme*
- *I don't have visions. This is a nonsense question.*
- *By instigating things that both the aging and youth of the town can benefit from, savings could be made.*
- *I would like to see the shire continue to plan for community groups and preservation of our environment*
- *To help develop a sustainable Tourism industry that maintains the integrity of the local environment and culture.*
- *That Denmark retains its beautiful, natural environment for the benefit of the flora and fauna as much as for the people.*
- *More cultural events care and maintenance of the natural environment, Council should be more open and less secretive.*
- *To develop infrastructure and promote the economic growth of the area while preserving the natural beauty of the Shire.*
- *Conservation is seen as a priority over development, arts and culture are promoted and resident and tourists will seek it out because of these values.*
- *Work together, balance between protecting what Denmark has and a future development.*
- *Working towards a sustainable environment*
- *Cycle paths and foot paths taking greater priority than streets and roads. Denmark shire and council working towards improving the towns people opinion of them. No swimming pool please. It would have too great a cost for our little town.*
- *n/a*
- *Maintain and improve local facilities and service infrastructures that meet the needs of the changing community. To preserve the natural environment, assist community groups and develop tourist industry.*
- *Retention of a low key village atmosphere and avoidance of high density subdivisions.*
- *More emphasis on eco-tourism. Encouraging higher density, affordable, but architecturally creative community dwellings. There should be a modern central space available for concerts, theatre, lectures, conventions, films, exhibitions etc., which would attract visitors from outside Denmark and help support local business and community at large. Safer pedestrian- friendly crossings should be created. Also, I'd like to see more public art displayed.*
- N/A
- *Dynamic and progressive with inspired community involvement*
- *THE SHIRE SHOULD BE LOOKING AT THE BIG PICTURE,HAVING THE CO-OP IN THE CENTRE OF TOWN ENCOURAGES PEOPLE TO BE IN THE TOWN CENTRE SPENDING THEIR MONEY AT A RANGE OF DIFFERENT PLACES.*
- *Maintain vision of a diverse, environmentally and culturally conscious community that is expanding and developing with the times at a sustainable rate.*

- *Encourage a community which is energy and water self sufficient. Maintain the balance between development and the "village" feel about Denmark.*
- *To ensure that the needs of residents are met in all areas of daily living, in a way that responsibly manages the environment.*
- *Keep rates to an affordable level, increases should closely follow inflation, slash budgets to suit, this year's 8.95% increase is unacceptable*
- *Work at increasing the permanent population such that further facilities are made available in the shire due to increased revenue generated by this rise in population but not at the detriment of current services. A balance needs to be reached whereby Denmark is able to provide for its above-average aged population whilst at the same time keeping a younger population here to provide much needed services.*
- *No comment*
- *More communication with ratepayers on upcoming proposals. More open and honest accountability for decisions that go wrong. Less in-house petty bickering and blame-shifting.*
- *Council doing a good job. Please stay as Denmark shire.*
- *Maintain the natural beauty and clean shire of Denmark ask youth and retired bodies for regular clean up assistance get back "tidy rural town" title.*
- *Be a robust independent steward & guardian of Denmark's special environmental, cultural and social identity - by encouraging & facilitating ratepayers' positive participation in their future.*
- *I would like to see the Shire Budget to reduce its debt position and to eventually balance the books. It is my view that the shire should NOT be considering a swimming pool complex as this will increase debt and increase rates. This is, I think, A major issue to rate payers and should be settled with all those on the roll in the shire having a say by means of REFERENDUM. I believe issues such as the swimming pool are too important to be simply settled by councilors voting at council. "My comment here on a referendum on swimming pool superseded by announcement by the shire in 'the weekender' dated January 3rd!"*
- *Provide infrastructure e.g. therapy pool for the elderly. Infrastructure which does not impact on the historical and/or village atmosphere which erodes the historical assets tourists come to see.*
- *That council will not destroy historical assets of the town which will retain a village atmosphere that tourists obviously enjoy. Broome is an example of the destruction of so much of its history, the tourism originally valued and attracted.*
- *Clean & green.*
- *Not allow the town to become over commercialised and over developed like Margaret River or Busselton.*
- *The shire should grow but be sustainable at the same time and accommodate all age groups for facilities.*
- *A shire that supports development in order for our town to grow and give opportunity for our children to stay in town rather than move on.*
- *Better leadership at CEO and Council level. Better communication with ratepayers and locals. Stop spending money on cosmetic face of the town and more on appropriate and much needed services which benefit people*
- *People-centric, well serviced, happy community where people of all ages have access to natural and user friendly built environments, opportunities to learn, be employed and conduct business and other interests for the good of, and within, the community. Develop a more inclusive system for community decision-making. Council meetings need to be more welcoming and citizens invited to debate and present in a less formalised way. Council could do with an 'operational make-over' to change it from an older style structure, into a truly interactive organisation, which encourages*

*better discussion and participation by ratepayers over matters of business and community concern.*

- *A commitment to clean energy*
- *A sustainable diverse organic agricultural shire protecting, preserving and detoxifying its environmental assets, especially waterways, Supporting Art, music, home and cottage industries. Upholding design excellence.*
- *Denmark's long term planning should incorporate the unique diverse living options that are available. One should not override the other. i.e.; Farming,/ rural, town, retirement, coastal and communal*
- *Would like to see better management at peaceful bay re leases and houses.*
- *For shire to retain its natural beauty and keep population growth sustainable*
- *Continuing footpaths, street lighting and lack of parking to be ongoing works, look after locals first and the tourists will still come to town.*
- *maintain the favorable image Denmark presents to outsiders*
- *Do not allow Denmark to grow too fast, keep our small community feeling. Look after tourists and the facilities but not in a too commercial way.*
- *NO COMMENT*
- *A dense walk able town to reduce the number of vehicle movements in town - move Shire offices back into town!!!??? Cycle and walking tracks everywhere with separation from the road.*
- *Re build East River Road Bridge so heavy traffic can bypass the centre of town. The new bridge would give better access in case of bush fires.*
- *Not to lose sight of the clean, green and quiet atmosphere that we all moved here for.*
- *To keep Denmark beautiful but with the ability to grow also*
- *Concentrating on supporting local residents and holiday makers whilst reducing reliance on tourism*
- *A Shire which grows the community, increasing our ability to have leisure (pool), health (larger role for hospital, private care facilities, visiting specialists) & employment needs met locally.*
- *Build on recent survey data - low crime, happy residents, live longer to encourage more residents and tourists.*
- *Protect the existing character of Denmark and the region's wonderful natural assets from commercial over-development and growth.*
- *A welcoming area of country with a vibrant supporting town at its centre that caters for locals and visitors equally.*
- *Sensible infrastructure, equal priority given to matters of rural and tourism businesses. Seniors will benefit from both. Keep debt to a manageable level.*
- *To be a safe, fair and cohesive community that respects its history and heritage. Our beautiful environment should be responsibly managed and safeguarded for future generations.*
- *Keep delivering a great place for families both local and tourist.*
- *Continue to develop as a tourist town and to encourage people to live in Denmark.*
- *An area that maintains its beauty whilst caring for residents' needs such as transport, health facilities and recreation.*
- *To be environmentally conscious with view to sustainable and eco friendly development.*
- *n/a*
- *Denmark will automatically grow. Control with common sense, Visualise the future and try to make the right decisions.*
- *Providing a place that people want to come to visit.*

- *A beautiful green town with green energy, lots of trees and development in conjunction with environmental issues.*
- *As retirees moving to this town have brought considerable wealth to it, the Shire should concentrate a lot more on provision of facilities for seniors, particularly frail aged persons.*
- *Sustainability, focus on excellence rather than mediocrity, nurturing pristine environment, artistic, clean, healthy, inclusive, displaying alternatives to mainstream attitudes and lifestyles.*
- *Ensure that the town maintains and protects the features that make it such a unique and wonderful place to live. Please not another Margaret River!*
- *Recognise and care for natural assets while developing a safe and supportive community*
- *Deep sewerage for the whole of Denmark which will create larger population and subdivision of properties.*
- *A lifestyle destination build around nature's attributes including the coastline and inlet free from high density development and supported by an attractive town centre.*
- *Development Denmark as both an ideal tourist destination whilst retaining its character, and a calm haven to inhabit on a permanent basis for residents.*
- *For Denmark to have a best practice development policy sensitive to the needs of the environment, while recognising the realities of bushfires.*
- *Population expansion to be accommodated within the town area and not the rural area.*
- *Appropriately sited multiple storey developments not out of the question.*
- *To protect the surrounding environment, which is so important to many residents. Manage the Wilson Inlet from an environmental point of view rather than tourism/business point of view*
- *To have business being encouraged & supported. More doctors, vets etc and genuine tourism ventures. Tree Top walk needs to be owned and promoted for Denmark. Mt Lindesay is extremely underrated.*
- *Upgrade and widen gravel roads in the shire some are in terrible state some have no gravel left on them and they are too narrow .dangerous!*
- *A community sharing the benefits and responsibilities of caring for our environment, working together in keeping a clean, fair and functional shire for all.*
- *To maintain a safe, healthy, natural environment whilst the population increases*
- *N/A*
- *Denmark should be a satisfying place: 1st: To live - Comfortable 2nd: To make a living - Productive 3rd: To visit - Attractive*
- *Aquatic centre to be established*
- *SHIRE TO BE MORE FORCEFUL IN BURNING UNDERGROWTH*
- *n/a*
- *To enable a balance of tourism and development to coexist with protection of the natural environment and the enviro-friendly lifestyle we all value.*
- *Less is better and the council is out of control and needs to trim. Governments don't provide vision people and businesses do.*
- *The Shire will assist resident, families and individuals to achieve in a self-funded sustainable life style while respecting their rights, their maximum potential.*
- *Preservation of natural resources and waterways, thus securing tourism and jobs.*
- *maintain delightful unspoiled characteristics of the town.*
- *What Denmark has to offer now should be kept in mind for the future, as well as looking to the health and well being of the residents.*
- *A vibrant, connected community that supports and celebrates the diversity found in the shire (environment, people, lifestyle and built environment) in a sustainable and well considered way.*

- *Self-sufficient, well-managed, agricultural and bush land surrounds with vibrant town nodes and quality tourism operations (food/wine/chalets).*
- *To be a friendly, clean and attractive town with a Shire that listens to the people*
- *N/A*
- *n/a*
- *The shire should be fair and reasonable to all rate payers with an open mind to the mainstay of tourism and its impact to the environment*
- *It is important to preserve Denmark's unique character, peaceful and natural environment, and visual beauty.*
- *Leave our town with a country feel as they were the reasons we moved here in the first place.*
- *To be a voice for residents and listen to all views expressed. Dogs are part of families and the residents too!*
- *mmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmm*
- *A shire which cares for its inhabitants and surroundings and has far seeing vision for a sustainable future.*
- *Ensure facilities are provided to sustain population growth focusing more on families with growing children rather than seniors*
- *Look after current residents to ensure Denmark remains a desirable peaceful town to live*
- *Maintain an environmentally friendly Denmark that is sustainable for our children and grandchildren. To consider the changing needs of Denmark's population with clear 5 year plans.*
- *A town that fosters a feeling of community, where there is respect for the young and old and different points of view*
- *My vision for the Shire is to encourage living, business and commerce, and community development in ways which are environmentally sustainable.*
- *A balance between conservation and sustainable development. A healthy environment that nurtures its people. A town that is a home to diversity and culture, inclusive and respectful.*
- *Appropriate local facilities to support the aging and growing community*
- *KEEP GOING!*
- *Environmentally sustainable, independent, financially viable and administratively flexible to meet the needs of future growth in the Shire.*
- *To provide a sustainable, healthy community orientated service that meets the needs of the diverse local community*
- *The shire is doing the right thing with this survey and should heed general opinion.*
- *To provide up-to-date facilities whilst maintaining the natural and relaxed environment.*
- *As one of the shires tourist assets, more interest and attention for a healthier Inlet is required by councilors.*
- *Remain a small country town with a good natural environment.*
- *One who would support the needs of the community - that is a POOL? I am prepared to support a rate rise that would be needed to support such a facility.*
- *Clean and green*
- *I would like Denmark to be an inspiration to other towns in WA in terms of physical beauty, environmental awareness, and community warmth and care for others.*
- *Denmark should be an inspiration in terms of nurturing its natural beauty, its community spirit and its cultural wealth.*
- *To keep Denmark as a "quiet place" to be enjoyed by travelers whilst preserving the five areas listed above.*

- *Tourism is the future and needs to be facilitated, including close to town holiday accommodation but cowboy developers need to be stopped (Smith St Development).*
- *To provide a shire that is vibrant and active, environmentally responsible, provides and maintains appropriate amenities for its permanent residence, effectively supports local businesses; and promotes Denmark as the place to stay when touring the Southern Coast.*
- *With orderly planning based on updated planning scheme the residents and ratepayers will determine the size and character of Denmark.*
- *I hope Denmark can retain its village atmosphere and natural environment.*
- *Staying as close to nature as possible in every possible decision made.*
- *A vibrant community thriving on solid infrastructure.*
- *To continue to grow but still maintain its country charm*
- *Continue with well considered, fair and democratic pattern of growth that we have had to date.*
- *Consider safety of residents and visitors foremost. Ignore greed & loud minorities.*
- *Council is doing an excellent job with limited resources. My vision? - It's going to be tough enough trying to keep the beautiful Denmark you have.*
- *Value the population by providing facilities that ratepayers REQUIRE to prosper and remain in our town until death if they choose i.e. ageing populations DO NOT NEED a WAFL footy ground!!!!!! You are wasting OUR money.*
- *Environmental leader in sustainable living using best technology for green living. Fostering needs of youth/families.*
- *Shire of Denmark will provide the facilities and support to enable people of all ages to live a happy, healthy life in the Denmark district.*
- *N/A*
- *Prosperous, due to efficient time effective decision making..*
- *A Shire which considers its population mix first when deciding on future development.*
- *Denmark should be a pleasant town to visit and/or live in with healthy activities such as well-maintained parks and walking trails.*
- *An indoor swimming pool would defiantly benefit all residents*
- *To be more efficient in all areas of management*
- *Tighten admin costs and lower rates*
- *A small vibrant community focused on protecting its natural environment.*
- *Encouraging and supporting groups and organizations like "Denmark's kwoorabup transition town". Encouraging and supporting environmentally sustainable projects and arts projects as well as protecting and supporting the natural environment around us and the area from being over developed. (everything else reassessing to sustain a community) a Higher standard of living for our well being as a community and for the natural environment, this includes a vibrant sector of arts and culture within its framework as well.*
- *To be a pleasant place to live, retire to and visit, maintaining a rural atmosphere with more population nodes between the town and Nornalup.*
- *Housing and support systems to allow seniors to age in Denmark*
- *A pro-active shire committed to quality of life for all residents where problems and important issues are intelligently addressed by thinking laterally.*
- *A well managed consultative Shire that will ensure a high quality of community life for both residents and visitors set within a sustained environment.*
- *To listen carefully to what the majority of the community want them to implement especially in the area of conserving our forests and not allowing too much development in Denmark to keep*

*Denmark as a small town and not let it development into a small city like Albany, the small town charm and the beautiful forests it is surrounded by is what attracts all the tourists.*

- *unsure*
- *I have chronic back pain. What is happening with the swimming pool?*
- *Retaining current character but with far better internet over 4km from town. E.g. NBN and addressing priorities above in Q1.*
- *Protect rural vista and productivity by restricting unsustainable and environmentally damaging population growth and loss of valuable farmland to un-productive special rural type developments.*
- *Denmark to remain a small town because that's its charm.*
- *No Comment*
- *n/a*
- *To create a safe and naturally beautiful place to live, encouraging families with modern facilities whilst preserving the historic and relaxed character that attracts people to the shire in the first place.*
- *To encourage businesses to open up in shire to keep employment and town financially and encourage greater, medical facilities (e.g. x-ray, specialist visits and operations at hospital).*
- *My vision is that the Shire maintains the "village" identity of the community while continuing to improve the resources in the CBD.*
- *Preserve the existing peaceful environment and try and keep rates down.*
- *A sustainable community with more opportunities for local or online employment, while maintaining a healthy balance between development, lifestyle and preserving the region's natural beauty.*
- *A Council that concentrates on the provision of local services & leaves trendy green issues to others.*
- *Have more influence on main roads to address town bypass, speed restriction, ?? On Den-barker road onto S/Coast Hwy.*
- *A commercial centre for a shire with village type nodes developed in appropriate areas*
- *To maintain a rural based community and town-scape (village) rather than pursue a commercial approach to development leading to another "Margaret River".*
- *Giving equal importance to the caring for our people, local businesses, and the environment.*
- *Cost effectively to help Denmark thrive culturally and environmentally, with community participation and social justice as key guiding principles.*
- *Carry on as is, be more concerned with environment, recycling et al.*
- *Support all local businesses to achieve viability. Aid youth to remain and work in the Denmark Shire after school years finished. Assist a greater range of sports and leisure activities for all age groups.*
- *Retain the natural beauty of the area, while having good infrastructure and facilities especially for the senior citizens and sporting facilities for the young ones.*
- *Good facilities, well maintained infrastructure and a council who are responsive to ratepayers.*
- *Council to be conscious of maintaining the country town atmosphere of Denmark.*
- *The Wilderness Shire - a place that the community and its environment are in harmony.*
- *Less ad hoc residential subdivisions.*
- *Retain the country atmosphere by preventing over development of town CBD. Encourage and support local businesses e.g. Denmark Co-op: retain off road drive thru facility into Denmark Co-op. Referendum on any difficult decisions to be made.*
- *A Sustainable eco-friendly natural environment supporting a vibrant self sufficient community.*

- *Create a harmonious vibrant active multifaceted multi-aged community.*
- *UPGRADING EXISTING FACILITIES AND WORK TO INCREASE TOURISM WHILE MAINTAINING THE PRESENT FEEL OF THE PLACE AND MOVE TOWARDS USER PAYS FOR FACILITIES.*
- *A clean, green environment that keeps it small town feel, with smart planning keeping away from a Margret Rivers mistakes.*
- *Deep seweridge and drainage should be 1st priority.*
- *Create a comfortable environment for residents without drastic change to the character currently in the shire.*
- *More proactive with climate change and initiatives to ensure a sustainable community for health and the environment.*
- *Developing the potential of Denmark to increase population growth to support business owners in the area.*
- *Better parking for both locals and tourists bypass for heavy vehicles and better central traffic management.*
- *A sensibly planned, pleasant place to live which embraces sustainably developed tourism and supports the local community.*
- *A vibrant, forward looking shire with an inclusive community attractive to all walks of life and with an integrated economy combining rural, tourism and small business pursuits.*
- *Grow in a sustainable and affordable manner. Be the site for Western Australia's next university.*
- *Look after residing ratepayers.*
- *Denmark will continue to be a town with a strong community focus but with enhanced infrastructure (such as an indoor swimming pool) that attracts a permanent residential population supporting economic growth.*
- *Maintaining Denmark's natural beauty and charm. A shire that is supportive of the full time residents.*
- *Clean; green; low environmental impact; respect for the individual and a vibrant community.*
- *Environmentally sustainable development, improved infrastructure, namely parks and recreation and a new focus on tourism.*
- *Sustainable development with a view to maintaining the Shire's natural environment*
- *To protect, manage and promote the natural environment.*
- *Better use of Royalties for Regions Grant money e.g. up grading rural roads.*
- *Keep rural rate down so farmers can continue to farm.*
- *The Denmark Shire needs to encourage and facilitate economic and population growth to ensure a large enough rate payer base in the future.*
- *Less councilors, greater road maintenance, improved parking, long term development plan of infrastructure, make environment safe from wildfire.*
- *An interesting and safe place to live and visit. An example to state that we take climate warming and pollution seriously and do our best to decrease this.*
- *To remain a pleasant place to live with best possible facilities available to all.*
- *Assist co-op with its plans.*
- *Long may Denmark remain a safe, happy place to work and live and prosper?*
- *To keep looking after the roads, our seniors and youth.*
- *Denmark is obviously going to get bigger - hopefully not another "Margaret River". Opportunities and services for young people and families and well as provision for seniors and retirees seeking a sea change.*
- *A town that still encompasses that friendly, "meet your friends in the street" mentality and is not over governed to the point of stifling creativity and individuality.*

- *A community with a strong focus on the health and wellbeing and cultural development of all generations, with a strong investment in youth and retirement generation.*
- *Not sure.*
- *To promote our natural resources, environment and beauty, while striving to find the balance between genuine agriculture, lifestyle, tourism and town communities.*
- *A self sustaining, integrated community with effective basic infrastructure (roads, water, electricity, gas) and world class environmental management practices, communications infrastructure and health services.*
- *That it supports the development of Denmark in a way that preserves its natural beauty.*
- *N/A*
- *A pleasant place to bring up a family, retire, or come for a holiday.*
- *N/A*
- *Sustainable, minimalist, inclusive, consultative, smaller.*
- *As a recent resident of Denmark I am impressed with the facilities provided. The future Riverside Club and the pool will be well utilized.*
- *Locally sustainable and culturally vibrant.*
- *Promote business in the commercial area.*
- *A self sustaining community.*
- *To promote and maintain Denmark as a pristine, natural environment with sympathetic town site developments and tourism ventures.*
- *We know Denmark's population will increase, to do this & keep the 'village feeling' and beauty would be good, but infrastructure has to improve.*
- *A healthy, harmonious community with great respect for the natural environment and one another, with a focus on education and the arts.*
- *To embrace Strategic Community Plans openly and transparently unlike the "behind closed doors" method chosen for the LPS.*
- *I would like to see better facilities for the ageing Denmark population requiring high care.*
- *A shire retaining the present CBD, further enhanced by another multi range shopping complex in Hardy Road to ease parking congestion.*
- *My vision for the Shire is of a local government area with a leadership which imaginatively and actively seeks to preserve the amenity and scale of Denmark as a village in a genuinely rural region. If you are happy to see it inexorably transform into Albany and eventually Perth, then why not simply live in one of those places now and leave Denmark to those who crave an alternative?*
- *Controlled development, good arts/music/crafts area.*
- *Attractive to live, play & invest.*
- *To create a safe inclusive community which treads responsibly and lightly on the earth.*
- *A healthy inlet free of treated sewerage.*
- *I would like Denmark to maintain and treasure it's natural environment, small caring community spirit, and invest in educating our children and providing a safe place for our children.*
- *As Tourism is critical for the survival of Denmark, it is essential that Council provide sustainable amenities to encourage further growth in the industry.*
- *Unsure.*
- *Ensure there are no large scale housing/shopping developments. The town must keep its village atmosphere or we end up destroying it as per Margaret River.*
- *A natural peaceful environment unspoiled by development and population growth*
- *Not to expand and reduce the amount of holiday homes and vacant res. properties.*

- *Environmentally sustainable development, keeping as much existing vegetation as possible. Town development to be low key using as much recycled material as possible.*
- *A public use swimming pool. Infrastructure to support homes being built on already subdivided land. Not losing the "small town" feel of Denmark. More sustainable power sources & local farmers market.*
- *Hope to maintain the relaxed country town that we have grown to love and develop a town bypass road to restrict traffic in the town centre,*
- *To have a well balanced and constructive outlook that will provide for the needs of all who live in the shire.*
- *Counselors have less meals at Denmark Hotel and spend money on local projects for example, Denmark Weed Action Group, Green Skills, Denmark Arts.*
- *To be an example of sustainable environmental practices, incorporating alternative energy sources and environmental preservation as a priority. To put environment before economics when planning.*
- *Sustainable unique environment that demonstrates the balance between business, environmental and social values.*
- *To listen to the people and stop being so self serving.*
- *Coming from a wheat belt town I am aware of the importance of a central industry. Tourism is that for Denmark and needs a lot of work.*
- *A community with a village feel created by supporting local businesses and strong connections between residents.*
- *Look after the current residents and maintain good communication.*
- *Stay natural.*
- *A sustainable community with a strong economic foundation that does not involve spoiling the natural environment or growing the population.*
- *grow slowly, no grand plans just basic necessities more parking.*
- *No new development of land for housing until the vacant land developments around Denmark have been sold and built as many so called developments are an eyesore.*
- *To keep the rural, country feels to the town and don't make it like suburbia or every other town. Use the space to provide decent parking with bays for larger cars. Remember that the local residents live here all the year round and don't just cater for the tourist. Provide more facilities for the seniors so that they do not have shift from Denmark.*
- *Keep Denmark unique with sure sound steady progress I quite like what I've seen happen since being part of Denmark (1973 - 2013).*
- *A place where people want to visit or live.*
- *Continue to assist community and tourism ventures to ensure Denmark keeps its character, preserve the natural environment.*
- *To promote employment for its ratepayers and their children in an environmentally aware and active community.*
- *Not to turn into another Margaret river etc.*
- *In a world gone mad, Denmark needs to develop a strong family and community base, where the young and the old are the priority through life.*
- *Continues to be consumer friendly by providing a safe environment and information for the well being of tourists and residents in the Denmark shire.*
- *Sustainable development. Preserving our natural development, Denmark to become a more desirable tourist destination. as a leisure sporting, wine, food and scenery.*
- *Provide essential ratepayer services at minimum administrative cost.*

- *The shire should look at organizing more facility's for seniors as there more moving to Denmark to retire each year Build a swimming pool for those that cannot afford a trip to Albany to use theirs*
- *A moderate rate of development that maintains the essentially rural character of the region.*
- *N/A.*
- *To keep village atmosphere while providing modern facilities.*
- *It needs to be well serviced with infrastructure and services and to retain its special sense of community the present population size is optimal.*
- *Upgrade roads. Reduce paving, gardens; create more parking for locals and tourist. Mitchell St needs garden beds removing & angle parking created.*
- *N/A*
- *Maintain forested road verges and a country town atmosphere. Increase the water reservoir capacity to cope with future population increases. Encourage cycling with cycle ways.*
- *MORE FOCUS PLEASE on developing broad spectrum of industry and therefore employment opportunities to meet the ever growing needs our expanding population within the community and also to support a daily return service of public transport to surrounding major centers: Albany, Mt Barker & Walpole, so that those who cannot find employment within Denmark community are enabled to commute for employment, cheaper shopping and other essential services regardless of whether they own a drivers license or private vehicle. This is a major issue of empowering personal dignity and self-reliance. It is clear that there is an increasing number of homes west & community housing being introduced to Denmark and yet still no public transport services to enable these people on low income to try and re-introduce themselves into the workforce. This is an inflating issue and like a bubble... is being set up to burst if not addressed! e.g... there WILL become higher crime rates, and more domestic issues due to low self esteem within the lower earning residents.!!*
- *Promote the growth of the outer towns in the Shire i.e. Peaceful Bay and Nornalup by developing water and sewerage.*
- *To keep the character of Denmark and not change it into just another brick paved suburb of Perth.*
- *Any future development should be aesthetically pleasing and in tune with the natural beauty and environment. And please no more big, ugly sheds in Peaceful Bay.*
- *Denmark is one of the 10 most beautiful places in the world (rated by? 'Lonely Planet'.) Expansion of dwellings and businesses must be strictly limited*
- *Preserving the unique natural attributes of the area with carefully managed development to retain "low key lifestyle" values with modern education and health support systems.*
- *Denmark is a special place and population growth should be limited to preserve its unique character.*
- *Population explosion.*
- *The Shire of Denmark is regarded by its community as a shire that reflects the balance of the long term aspirations of its community as it maintains and develops the 'assets' of its region for the sustainable economic, environmental and social benefit of current and future generations of mankind.*
- *Try to maintain the village type of environment that we love so much.*
- *A community engaged in role modeling Denmark as a place of natural environment, with sustainable practices land, water and waste management.*
- *No more development till water recourses and power upgraded to cope with future development.*
- *Maintaining the distinctive nature of the town and promoting the small businesses in town without losing the special nature of Denmark that brings the tourists into town.*

- *Shire should be involved in all community aspects that affect its residence with emphasis on protecting the vulnerable, .i.e. the very young and community elders. It should also support voluntary organisations that focus on assisting these residents.*
- *Shire to remain culturally vibrant in natural environment but to attract industries to create more jobs for young and old and to develop a worst case scenario bushfire plan for the shire.*
- *I'd like to see the council working harmoniously to provide the facilities and opportunities for Denmark to maintain its village atmosphere, but develop in a sustainable way.*
- *I would like...maintain rural country town atmosphere. Do not allow dense housing developments, which create crowding and slum type life styles. Provide practical parking areas for caravans in the vicinity of shopping and recreation areas. Do not destroy the heritage buildings etc. that make Denmark the attractive town it is.*
- *Streamline land development processes to enable quicker outcomes and reduce costs on all sides, and expand the commercial zoned area to create more business opportunities.*
- *Denmark must remain a well serviced country community. Resident's health and happiness should take precedence over profits made by the exploitation of this wonderful town.*
- *We need to utilise what we have rather than become a mini Margaret River. People love it here because it's not Margaret River, it still has small town charm and this needs to be maintained, while allowing for the increase of people living and travelling here.*
- *Encouragement of tourism as an economic means but employing the uniqueness of the shire rather than mimicking other shires and tourism areas.*
- *To work for the good of the general public.*
- *Preserve natural & historical environment while improving facilities for permanent residents of shire. Curb new housing subdivisions.*
- *Stricter control on small sub developments around the town site. Stricter control of street parking. Less visual pollution of vehicles for sale within the town site.*
- *Denmark should be left as original as possible, not like another Margaret River. This is a country town for the residents that live here.*
- *Don't lose sight of Denmark's lifestyle appeal.*
- *keep the village feel but improve facilitie.*
- *The shire should aim to keep the country atmosphere and encourage more people to retire here and supply the facilities needed for that purpose mainly a swimming pool.*
- *Protection of the environment is no 1.*
- *Arts hub, efficient service delivery, care for environment.*
- *Due to our increased residents we need more parking in town.*
- *Denmark needs development that retains its 'unspoilt' character and community spirit. Infrastructure improvements such as the wind farm are essential.*
- *Swimming pool is a priority, also let the co op stay as is.*
- *To retain and maintain the country charm that is Denmark.*
- *To seek to allow development without allowing developers to 'take over'. Ultimate control by the council is important.*
- *To continue to work with the community rather than 'specialists' about the needs of the community.*
- *Not to be to spread out, therefore stretching the utility infrastructure and having the need to put the cost of extra facilities onto the rate payers. Keep Denmark compact, utilise land close to current facilities.*
- *Maintain a balance between development in the town, agriculture and tourist amenity. Encourage tourism throughout the year so that tourist amenities, restaurants etc aren't left*

*struggling in winter. Denmark should be destination all year but preferably not a semi-suburban over developed town.*

- *Be great to get a community swimming pool. We have waited too long for one.*
- *An efficient manager of public facilities and environment.*
- *Create and maintain a self sustainable lifestyle for all residents.*
- *Maintaining the current progress and retaining the special ambience that we identify with Denmark. Peaceful Bay could do with deep sewerage too.*
- *Do not even consider amalgamation with Albany under any circumstances.*
- *To lead by example in encouraging community participation in council decisions. To encourage diversity by supporting minority groups e.g. refugees, mentally disadvantaged. Universal deep sewage infrastructure.*
- *Quiet, peaceful and harmonious with tourism development kept to a minimum. Happy with Denmark as it is, love it here.*
- *To encourage and model making decisions on important issues with more community consulate/workshops like the ones above (QI) and help people feel involved and part of the future of OUR community including its people. Also to PLEASE listen to input given.*
- *N/A*
- *To ensure that the unique character of Denmark is preserved while continuing to encourage economic development to the benefit of residents.*
- *Maintain and encourage what is unique to Denmark. Manage future development and demands carefully and with regard for the existing natural environment and urban fabric.*
- *Preserve the uniqueness that is Denmark. Do not allow the town centre to be over-developed.*
- *Retain Denmark's village atmosphere, with no fast food chain outlets.*
- *Preserve the rural atmosphere of Denmark generally with particular regard to the approaches to the town. Also encourage private development of aged care facilities.*
- *More development, less procrastination.*
- *Working toward the collective good, not the minority vocal few.*
- *The council will orient long term planning goals to adequately reflect the age structure of its population.*
- *Sewerage and a treatment plant is not an urgent requirement but planning should allow for the future provision in the town area.*
- *I envisage the shire to grow along with the natural growth of the township.*
- *Retain the look, architecture and feel of Denmark as a "village".*
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- *A town that retains a sense of place with art works and local vegetation and a village atmosphere with beautiful buildings and signed, concealed parking.*
- *To keep the small rural town ambience so loved by residents and tourists alike. Development should be sensitive to the beautiful environment and infrastructure should be up-to-date for 21st century.*
- *Well-managed and protected natural environment, village-style centralised CBD, thriving music/arts culture, environmentally-sensitive future development, clean-air policy, design for less car reliance.*
- *Businesses which have economic vitality to enable sustainable growth of population and therefore employment growth, especially for the young. Retain village atmosphere through careful planning.*
- *Vibrant business community which will support increase in population yet planning designed to retain our village atmosphere.*

- *Facilities and services for youth to maintain their presence. E.g. 50m indoor swimming pool*  
*Extensive fuel control to avoid bushfires. Moderate tourism promotion.*
- *KEEP DENMARK A VIBRANT COMMUNITY WHICH ATTRACTS VISITORS WHILE PROVIDING FOR LOCALS, SERVICE-WISE*
- *Maintain the ambiance of the town and surrounding amenities and improve infrastructure and community facilities.*
- *Maintain the unique natural environment and the existing laid back lifestyle, resisting the forces of commercial development and the pursuit of growth for its own sake.*
- *Dynamic progressive leadership with inspired residents who are involved in the community.*
- *Ask for more visible police patrols at night & weekends to stop graffiti/vandalism/street drinking. Add speed limits to lanes & a roundabout at Strickland & Barnett streets.*
- *Get out of the rut in keeping Dnmk in cotton wool. For the sake of its future move ahead and prosper.*
- *To remain a 'village' feel to the town and community while remaining true to sustainable, rural lifestyle with strict controls on development.*
- *A quiet peaceful town, that is pleasant to live in. "not", like Margaret River.*
- *Support an indoor aquatic centre (50m if possible), and continue to service the needs of local residents by maintaining and improving on existing health facilities/services.*
- *No.*
- *Manage the facilities already available and allow growth for a younger community by offering more for the 0-25 age group.*
- *Don't destroy the character of the town with any more 'high end retail'. Don't make us go down the Margaret River hell hole.*
- *Adequate sporting and cultural facilities for families and the elderly while maintaining the natural environment.*
- *N/A*
- *Encourage development of tourism and business, improve CBD layout to make more user friendly*
- *Keeps the town growing in a sensible way? Give people the chance to live in our beautiful town. Keep the village tidy look and the parks and gardens as colourful as ever. The approach to each end of town should be beautiful, tidy and inviting. Parking need to improve.*
- *Retain, maintain and develop services and facilities to sustain our population growth and tourist industries - this supports our economic stability and growth.*
- *To preserve the natural environment and quiet rural character of the town.*
- *Continue as a small country town ideal as a holiday destination.*
- *To maintain the natural beauty of the town and surrounds whilst ensuring that there are adequate facilities for residents. Preserve small town look and feel.*
- *Denmark should remain a small country town that cares for its residents, it should avoid too much development.*
- *To ensure the town maintains its village atmosphere , but assists its economic development without moving essential services/ retailers into an industrial park.*
- *To set an example of a healthy, vibrant and active community with an overall plan & vision in-line with this.*
- *Maintain Denmark much as it is with less emphasis on land sub-division such as Springdale beach*
- *Preserve and improve the reality of the 'forest meets the sea' tag through sound, visionary, long term planning reflecting global influences on the local context.*

- *Bitumise the rest of Scotsdale Rd and Parker Rd to continue the tourist loop opening up more opportunities for tourism. Allow more sub divisions to farmers opening up possibilities to spread the population through the district.*
- *Spending the rates wisely and fairly as possible*
- *NOT a MARGARET RIVER A range of small businesses - Village type atmosphere Good recreational facilities - natural environment - cycleways, walking trails ... Adequate sporting and recreational facilities (seniors, youth). Recycling, wind farm*
- *Declined to answer.*
- *Economically strong and progressive with appropriate infrastructure to support this.*
- *Community based, green town not over developed and still have that special Denmark feeling.*
- *Good place for people to enjoy a clean and prosperous environment. Focus on the people in the community, not tourist business.*
- *Maintain Denmark as an environmentally sustainable community. This means tight control on development and preserving the surrounding environment.*
- *I would like to visualise a neat and tidy community like it was 15 years ago, not just in town. I would hope that we would have a public pool, but not a sea pool. I hope that the council will not become greedy and charge rate payers more for vacant land they are already paying the same amount minus rubbish charge. Why would you want to force people into paying more when they are clearly paying more than their fair share already? I am sure that they will build when circumstances permit.*
- *No Comment.*
- *N/A*
- *NO COMMENT.*
- *Council should aim to retain natural environment and how? Rural? Keeping in mind? Implantation of ? ? In regards fire danger. I attempt to reduce carbon emissions? make ample ? of ?.*
- *Retirement Community.*
- *Continue to provide and upgrade community services whilst maintaining accord with the environment.*
- *To maintain roads and pathways in town small protesters seem to be listened to more than the larger majority of residents.*
- *Maintain the quiet rural atmosphere combined with environmentally sound policies and good sporting facilities for all.*
- *Look after the environment.*
- *Allow Denmark and its Shire to develop according to its future potential with a focus on potential population growth and all that this encompasses.*
- *A community that cares for each other and the environment.*
- *While the shire must move with the times, Both residents and visitors enjoy Denmark and its wider environs as they stand and hopefully will not be degraded by over-development in the interest is short term financial gain. Gone is often gone forever.*
- *Slower growth. Preservation of the environment and the small town community.*
- *Retain village atmosphere, protect natural environment, encourage alternative energy.*
- *Sustainable, maintaining small-town atmosphere.*
- *Denmark should have a fire protection burning program/ better tourism promotion/ better sporting facilities/ more parking in CBD/ be deep sewerred.*
- *This Shire needs an Investor to build a 5 star facility to accommodate International tourists and those with money to visit. On the coast would be good. Get in first before Albany.*

- *Strengthen the protection and utilisation of Denmark's natural features and protect against such industrial developments as the wind farm on an "A" class reserve overlooking the town beach.*
- *Environmentally and economically sustainable, train/light rail to Albany, population/development limited to local carrying capacity, support for local transition initiatives - specially community garden.*
- *To concentrate facilities for permanent residents rather than tourists.*
- *Keep the country atmosphere, some new, some old, Don't become another Margaret River*
- *NO MORE WIND FARMS!!!!*
- *Limit the population size of the shire to retain small town atmosphere while encouraging quality tourism i.e. eco not fishing and four-wheel-driving.*
- *We need to be clear about the differences that distinguish Denmark from other country towns and protect them.*
- *To maintain the small town feel & encourage tourism.*
- *A sustainable well planned community with adequate services and infrastructure. Preservation of those natural resources we are fortunate to have to share with visitors.*
- *I'd like more beautification on both entrances to the town.*
- *To represent the community of Denmark and be open to suggestions and ideas from members of this community.*
- *Listen to ratepayers requirements.*
- *To move with "progress" and yet retain our small country town atmosphere. I don't envy you the job. Not easy.*
- *My vision is for the township of Denmark to become more 'manicured' in its appearance - more like a well-kept English village (no, I'm not looking for a Little England in Denmark), i.e.: keep the weeds under control; make the popular walkways more useable - fix holes, uneven paving, etc - so that elderly folk are encouraged to get out and exercise w/o the fear of tripping; have a fully fenced dog park; install a few bus-shelter-style shelters along parkland and riverside footpaths. For the shire generally - encourage diverse tourism businesses to build out of town. Encourage newcomers to town to become involved in the emergency services. Establish some sort of rates compensation for emergency service volunteers instead of afternoon teas. FREE-OF-CHARGE replacement of damaged domestic rubbish bins. Personally, I would like deep sewerage established east of the town so that those with properties within the town boundaries that are earmarked for future subdivision can actually plan to do so, thus enabling them to stay in their existing homes well into old age and (a) not be obliged to sell because of inability to maintain large blocks, or (b) leave the district because of insufficient suitable housing.*
- *A model of community support, spirit and environmental preservation.*
- *A life-giving community that is known for preserving the quality and diversity of its unique natural environment and for its small town character.*
- *Relocation of the southern highway so as to avoid the centre of Denmark so keeping the town centre more people friendly.*
- *Careful development, maintaining character of town. Self sufficient in services, infrastructure; innovative in dealing with climate change impacts and with an eye to future trends in transportation and other facilities.*
- *N/A*
- *Denmark's sense of community should be nurtured. We should not become a dormitory such as Margaret River or Dunsborough.*
- *A stable population developing a more sustainable lifestyle and reducing damage to the natural environment.*

- *Maintain the Denmark ambience. Development in town centre to be architectural treatment as Strickland Street/South Coast Highway and avoid buildings such as the IGA.*
- *Retain the "village" atmosphere in and around the town - do not allow modern, up market buildings - no unnecessary tree clearing in or out of town site*
- *To protect the village like atmosphere, however at the same time allowing future sustainable development.*
- *Supporting a strong sense of community & healthy lifestyle by ongoing development of infrastructure & services that reflect our environment & the needs of all age groups & people living here.*
- *Retain village atmosphere within town, no concentrations of holiday accommodation outside designated areas; maintain vibrant community group voices and activities.*
- *Lights Beach, Our most unique and diverse coastal site - and earmarked for one end of the W.O.W. A bitumen access is warranted for Denmark residents and tourists alike. A larger carpark may be possible also.*
- *To establish basic infrastructure for businesses to develop and thrive now so in 25 years work can be focused on more aesthetic projects.*
- *The shire should be developing town parking including provision for caravans and tradesmen's trailers. Businesses in town need to be open in tourist times.*
- *The Shire needs to address and incorporate the much needed Infrastructure to accommodate the vast subdivisions that have been approved and still have no homes on them.*
- *To sustain rural viability and pursue development of our coastal resource including wind power.*
- *Stop developers ruining the Denmark town site. Such as what could happen above Smith Street.*
- *To be self reliant for water supply, to be self reliant for waste disposal, to create incentives for industry.*
- *We retain our country town atmosphere while embracing the opportunities afforded by new technologies. We are smart, connected, forward-looking and socially cohesive town.*
- *To maintain its current size to prevent it becoming just another Margaret River and to keep our identity.*
- *Progressive council addressing its fundamental responsibilities in a professional manner and at the same time preserving Denmark's natural beauty and heritage.*
- *Listen to the community and make sure there are no personal agendas regarding development or holding up projects due to personal involvement or views, you are there for the people of Denmark.*
- *My vision for the Shire is to encourage residential, business and social development in ways which are environmentally sustainable and which harmonise community.*
- *A community that supports all age groups and interfaces directly with residents or their support group.*
- *A small town in a charming natural setting with a population proud of its concern for environmental issues.*
- *Securing a sustainable amenity for residents, and less emphasis on tourism.*
- *Denmark will grow, undoubtedly. Shire should enshrine sustainable growth in all policy aspects. Tourism growth & population growth should not be to the detriment of the natural environment.*
- *To keep Denmark as a rural small town and to be developed into becoming a copy of a cities suburb.*
- *Residents to have access to excellent natural environment, healthcare, shopping and cultural facilities and employment opportunities.*

- *Facilitate an environment which is pleasant to live in with employment opportunities for the young.*
- *If possible, maintain a "village" atmosphere in town and surrounds, and a rural atmosphere elsewhere. Keep Denmark-Denmark, not some copycat of somewhere else.*
- *Somewhere with a relaxed and secluded lifestyle, to enjoy the natural environment and the local food, wine, arts and crafts.*
- *Control housing development with the need for parks/nature reserves, a pool for Denmark citizens and sustaining Denmark as the beautiful town that it is.*
- *For Denmark to maintain its natural beauty & there be a level of balancing the amount of land development & parks & nature reserves.*
- *Modest and planned growth to enhance and maintain our great lifestyle.*
- *Ideally it would great to have Walpole included in with Denmark. Also to allow retiree farmers to access the Homestead Lots Program.*
- *Dependence on natural power/ improved control of townsite weeds (watsonia) Encourage hobby farming thus enabling farmers to remain on their farms in retirement.*
- *To remain independent, keeping rates moderate and with high regard to the natural ecology and environment as a major tourist draw card.*
- *Spend rates wisely on infrastructure, and not too many staff.*
- *Hippy reduction.*
- *Natural environment with the appropriate modern infrastructure.*
- *A well maintained coastal town that provides secure local employment and an enjoyable healthy lifestyle for residents.*
- *N/A*
- *A vibrant Shire that has been courageous enough to consider the eclectic population that has made this area their home for the very reasons that progress may seek to change this vision. Growth can and will happen but how it is implemented will impact on how Denmark is viewed by the future generations - will we still be vibrant even though growth has happened and keep that wonderful quirky eclectic mix that we are known for or will we squash that and join the 'same old same' of a playground for those who can and forget what a jewel we are blessed to share. Share being the word because none of us ever own we are here for such a short time so my vision is that we don't lose sight of the jewel and can plan an holistic future for this Shire without being seduced into 'bigger and better' before consideration is given to once change happens there is no going back if we 'get it wrong' just because we haven't maybe allowed to visualise the future - be great to think there are still some wonderful places to visit and live in that have kept their natural beauty as well.*
- *Orderly development whilst still maintaining the leisurely lifestyle and ambience.*
- *Keep the peaceful small town atmosphere, while improving health services and provide streetlights and footpaths to all areas so that people can walk safely at night.*
- *Council should focus less on tourism and cultural issues and pay more attention to the everyday needs of residential ratepayers.*
- *A 'village' atmosphere. Growth by satellite developments not expanding the town itself.*
- *More employment for young people, a prospering tourist town that still retains the rural land but encourages more diver actives, preservation, and protection of its undisturbed natural beauty (reserves) for future generations.*
- *Make it a retirement town; Extend Blue wren lodge and the hospital keep it local. Do not allow the large supermarkets to take over.*

- *Let's encourage to be the healthiest town in the state. We are the happy town in the state, also one of the safest towns, now let us be the healthiest in the state.*
- *To assist the sustainable growth of jobs, business and environment without compromise of the reason people love Denmark.*
- *Progress the town centre into a community hub operating 7 days a week with free WIFI and more Restaurants and Cafes.*
- *Denmark should retain its natural beauty & charm. We have to grow, but on our own terms. Not at the whim of greedy developers.*
- *Ensure we maintain our unique environment and natural beauty above all; DO NOT allow uncontrolled development of our beautiful Town which has occurred in other regional towns such as Margaret River and Dunsborough. Once it is lost it is lost forever! Please treasure what we have and do all we can to protect it!*
- *An artistic community within a well managed natural environment with facilities for seniors and tourists plus indoor sport facilities to suite.*
- *To have a cohesive team on the shire.*
- *Safe community environment. More competition regarding supermarkets and petrol/fuel supplies.*
- *To maintain the natural beauty of Denmark by protecting the trees and stopping unsuitable development.*
- *I would like to see the Shire giving priority to those who find living & coping...difficult. E.g. By encouraging / attracting affordable housing for single parents, setting up a local women's 'refuge', and partnering in high and low care accommodation for the very elderly and infirm. I envisage the shire strongly encouraging the building of environmentally sustainable homes, & encouraging community gardens.' The arts give so much pleasure..& contribute hugely to 'building community'. The shire should continue to encourage creativity, as a healing positive activity.*
- *Develop airstrip for passenger service. Urban development of Peaceful Bay.*
- *More general retail stores, further from the CBD with adequate parking, more public bins and more seating areas. More aged care facilities.*
- *To continue growing in current planning scheme and not to allow it to grow too big that it loses its charm as a relaxed area to visit with lots of natural attractions un-spoilt by commercial intrusion.*
- *It would be nice to see Denmark keeping its farms and not splitting them up into special rural. Stop development.*
- *N/A*
- *I would like to see an indoor aquatic facility. Also more planning of infrastructure to prevent waste of ratepayers' money.*
- *Strict environmental controls on development and developers. Control population numbers and protect our wonderful environment. Eradication of feral animals and plant species, foxes and Sydney wattle etc.*
- *Encourage Quality Growth New Developments & Business. Reduce Red tape.*
- *Community rather than tourism focused. Sustainable and small scale development, aesthetically in harmony with the environment, and socially aware. Walk trails everywhere.*
- *A fiercely independent, sustainable and vibrant community recreating our culture to persist over the long term despite the coming economic and environmental challenges.*
- *Recognise the prime reason why people have come to Denmark (and environs) (1) agriculture (2) different lifestyle (3) country relaxed environment and resist the pressures for change that simply replicate the multiplicity of services that are available in the City - they all cost and many are not*

wanted or needed. To do otherwise is to become the same as every other country town - recognise the difference and develop the difference and stand solidly by these principles.

- Stay out of commercial interests, Denmark Visitor Centre and Arts Council should be viable on their own, not propped up by the ratepayers.
- N/A
- Mt Lindsay road up grading Churchill road etc.
- Provide for community development while protecting the natural environment to the utmost. Support community operated business that enables Denmark to become a sustainable centre.
- That the Shire should retain the ambiance of a country town for Denmark, and not as a suburb of inner city Perth.
- Denmark is blessed with a plethora of good things. Coastline, hills, forests, farms, vineyards and a Mediterranean climate. We do not want or need to become solely a Gold Coast type resort.
- A prosperous community based on Denmark's diverse natural assets. Modern telecommunications to promote working from home.
- Traffic flow in the town centre will become congested with population growth-need for another access point over the river.
- N/A
- A tidier start to Scotsdale Road with curbing/ drainage. An improved start to the tourist drive. Pathway upgrades around river and from hospital into town.
- To see council live up to its responsibilities such as addressing noise pollution by inconsiderate residents rather than focusing only on holiday accommodation.
- To develop facilities that caters for permanent residents, as well as welcoming the short term visitors to the shire.
- The Shire spends too much time with non important issues and not enough time with the general needs of the Denmark people and parking.
- A vibrant community, which caters for all age groups, especially with sporting facilities. Care given to looking after our natural attractions.
- A shire that supports development of agricultural land, in order for younger farmers to expand their properties, and older generations to wind down, but keep farming.
- sustainable future for the communities in the Shire that maintains the unique characteristics of the area, and prevents over development.
- Evaluate housing needs for seniors, to ensure that seniors can age in place. Provide hydrotherapy pool.
- Preserve the quaint charm of the town centre, say no to fast-food chain stores, continue to improve roads, cycle ways and footpaths.
- The shire operates very efficiently in 3 key identified areas. Efficiently meaning lowest cost with best result. Less chiefs more Indians.
- A connected community that actively sustains the unique character of its natural environment and provides a safe, desirable place for people to live.
- To help facilitate a harmonious community environment by professional & comprehensive assessment of development proposals such that they are appropriately sited & appropriately scaled.
- My vision would be to protect our current lifestyle and not to over populate, over develop or industrialise. Encourage Tourism.
- Ensure Denmark, by having a robust infrastructure, is able to support the current local facilities and community as well as look toward the future and plan ahead to address changes needed.
- Have an ecological set of principles against which decisions are made.

- *Don't wish to answer.*
- *Denmark's focus on families, environment, flora, fauna, agriculture and beaches make Denmark the amazing place that it is, and keep it that way. Don't let it be threatened by the corporate world.*
- *Council should plan to facilitate the needs of seniors to enable local retirees to remain domiciled within the Shire of Denmark where they are familiar with services, etc.*
- *To manage roads, parks and gardens and promote new businesses including recreational centre with swimming pool or the youth.*
- *a SMALL COUNTRY TOWN WHERE COMMUNITY MEANS MORE THAN TOURIST DOLLARS, WHERE CHILDREN AND OLD FOLK ARE KNOWN AND LOOKED AFTER.*
- *Ensure positions of responsibility are filled by persons of integrity and accountability. ( e.g. drug testing).*
- *Provide swimming pool or access to beaches that seniors can negotiate. Do not allow multinational companies into Denmark.*
- *Reline the southern highway away from the town centre so keeping the shopping areas people friendly.*
- *To have a clean, usable working environment with reasonable facilities for the number of people here.*
- *A town that looks to encouraging tourism and supports local small business development.*
- *On the previous question, most of the list is important to have and maintain, and in only being allowed to answer 5 is not quite adequate enough. When I came to Denmark there were 1600 people in the district, some changes are better, but tourists, even providing a boost to our local business, seem to forget their manners, road sense, courtesy to neighbors etc. So I guess tighter controls of holiday accommodation, parking, and littering wouldn't go astray.*
- *Denmark town to be a centre of a rural community but not a tourist centre such as Margaret River.*
- *Denmark is a place where we all show consideration and respect for each other and there are opportunities for the exchange of ideas.*
- *Accommodate ageing population needs. Encourage the development of local business. Ensure local youth are encouraged to continue to live in Denmark.*
- *Hopefully to manage our own affairs & retain the character of the town & the surrounding countryside.*
- *I would like to see Denmark retain its charm, it is the jewel in W.As crown and you are making a splendid effort.*
- *Observing the will of the people, acting without prejudice and behaving ethically.*
- *It would be good for the shire to provide a bus service to Albany on a daily business to provide the young and elderly with no license a way of accessing medical and youth services over there.*
- *To maintain and improve its beauty, to keep its ambience and peacefulness, to be a place where thinking is encouraged.*
- *In meeting the General Objectives - Guiding Principles, set out in Section 3 of the LPS, to be much more transparent in its planning processes.*
- *Enable people more freedom to develop their own properties that are sensible, practical and low with impact on the environment.*
- *Denmark's appeal is due to natural bush environment, pristine coast and interesting mix of residents. Keep 4 wheel drives off walk trails and beaches and be smarter about building approvals.*

- *Swimming pool, Wind farm and developing the local beaches (huts, driving access,...) . Look after the locals instead of listening to the wishes of absentee owners who want to keep Denmark from going forward.*
- *Defining and planning for an optimal population number of residents actually residing in the shire*
- *Not to expand too quickly.*
- *A town whose priority is protecting it's environment by limiting development and leads the way in planning for future climate change.*
- *Attraction of younger demographic to the Shire through improved infrastructure and maintenance, expanding business and employment opportunities. Drawing upon the 'green' image of the South Coast is a positive. Although also positive and a draw card for visitors, I do not believe Arts/culture is a reliable contributor -if fact, 'fringe' arts reinforces a negative image.*
- *Hippy reduction.*
- *I leave that up to our elected members*
- *Make our best effort to maintain the village atmosphere, no more Kemsley type developments please. Clear planning proposals without the need for applicants, a building or other proposal either fits in the scheme or it does not. drop the swimming pool idea its crazy, the cost of up keep will cripple us, if you go to a user pays system no one will be able to afford to use it.*
- *A place to be kept beautiful and provide facilities for families and encourage tourism and agriculture.*
- *On the topic of amalgamation with other councils - I would support the inclusion of Walpole into the Denmark Shire. Also widening of the Manjimup to Denmark road to national highway standard - in the short term removal of large trees from within 10 metres of the edge of the bitumen.*
- *A dedicated tourism leader to promote & market Denmark employed by the shire on a long-term basis.*
- *A place where people want to come to.*
- *Council should progressive forward thinking in all ways planning, roads, power-water, communications, facilities for all forms of relaxing entertainment, AND MOST IMPORTANT LISTERN TO THE GENERAL PUBLICS ISSUES.*
- *A place to feel at home and able to move around in without too many obstacles.*
- *Safe community environment.*
- *The Shire acknowledge that the cottages at Peaceful Bay are the tenant's property and seek an amendment to each lease in this regard, particularly that any assessment of rent will be on the basis of land only (without taking into account the cottage) as has historically been the case.'*
- *Denmark should remain a town with character and facilities existing and future be the best that can be provided. Residents and Visitors should be able to enjoy Denmark for the rural atmosphere and leisurely lifestyle.*
- *To preserve the small town atmosphere, reducing the reliance on tourism.*
- *Maintain and treasure the natural resources of this pristine area while anticipating a growing population that can be supported in this environment.*
- *Assist and promote local business and stop this silly village style development attitude. We live in an Australian town.*
- *Mt Lindesay and Churchill roads need sealing. The park near the hospital on Scotsdale road do something with it, it's a big mess. Also the town water supply Denmark river etc.*
- *Keep it clean and simple, no overbuilding, more facilities for the elderly and more hospital beds for the elderly who are unable to care for themselves.*

- *I would like Denmark to be a place of protection of green spaces, of facilities for all interests, general tolerance & with a co-operative & proactive Shire Council.*
- *Indoor pool, employment especially for the younger generation, roundabout at ocean beach rd and south coast hwy, general upgrade of all facilities.*
- *Land development to be in line with demand. Remove treated sewage discharge into inlet. Construction of heavy vehicle bypass which will generally follow a section of the old railway line.*
- *A thriving community in the economic, leisure/culture and environment fields. One which encourages individuals and provides for the divers people who live here, visit and work here, without too many restrictions and regulation. A town which encourages the interpretation of all are, economic and cultural groups.*
- *No comments. Doing a good job now.*
- *World Class leader in the provision of local services and tourism management, with a focus on long-term environmental sustainability to mitigate local climate change impacts.*

## **2. FUTURE DIRECTION**

### **Supporting Concepts**

Respondents were asked to indicate their strength of agreement for the following items. Percentages and comments were as follows;

a) Council should support higher density development within Town sites.					
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Unsure</b>
23.20%	24.10%	18.40%	22.80%	8.70%	2.80%

### **Comments:**

- *Too much exploitation of the land has already been allowed by the Shire.*
- *High density only if it is aimed at providing a secure, affordable, stimulating environment for seniors. They should be able to downsize and stay within the Shire.*
- *Only if adequate services and also be guaranteed e.g. power water sewerage and visual impact is within keeping of a small, community based town.*
- *ONLY for senior accommodation.*
- *Good quality materials and design for higher development within town sites.*
- *Council should encourage camping ground facilities and remove the residential at the river mouth and Ocean Beach caravan parks!! Per visitor camping uses far less water and energy resources than Chalets. Generally I think the Council is doing well with the money it gets.*
- *Where?*
- *This is already happening*
- *Preference for higher density urban living than cutting up productive farmland. You must protect the sustainable productivity rather than developers. Farmland sustains the environment better than roofs and pavement.*
- *Well planned high density living should be encouraged near the CBD to create a more vibrant centre and discourage car use where possible.*
- *I found it hard to answer the 1st question, as I thought it covered a broad thought, i.e. more variety in shopping or more housing or, heaven forbid-units! We could provide better parking facilities for those travelling with caravans etc.*
- *Sorry too ambiguous.*
- *Denmark should retain its small town holiday character.*
- *The development of commercial premises alone South coast highway to Ocean Beach road is not a good entrance to town from the west. MITRE Ten is totally misplaced and should be in the*

*industrial area where parking would be better provided. It detracts from the visitors centre as a welcoming to Denmark and that whole corner looks scruffy and UN kept.*

- *Yes using open spaces and land already cleared.*
- *My answer to item 1 & 4 would be different if I knew the type of Higher Density Development and what are the heavy Industries being considered.*
- *Re 'Council should support higher density development within Town sites': I would 'strongly disagree' with the type of high-density housing that was permitted opposite the old hospital.*
- *Any future high-density development should have strict aesthetic guidelines to comply with.*
- *This would be good usages of available land, but would also need to incorporate attractive open space, vegetation and small trees.*
- *Council should stop rolling out reconstituted limestone block walls across the town. Strongly agree.*

b) Council should encourage commercial activities					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
3.70%	7.00%	19.50%	47.10%	20.50%	2.20%

**Comments:**

- *Limit impact (visual) on entry to town centre.*
- *IE SENIORS HOSTEL.*
- *Chamber of Commerce support is quite enough.*
- *Ethical and sustainable and out of town a bit.*
- *'Commercial Activities'. Yes to small businesses but a definite NO to multi-national corporations (e.g. MacDonald's, Hungry Jacks etc).*
- *Without which the town would die!*

c) Council should encourage agricultural activities.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
1.60%	3.00%	11.60%	48.30%	34.20%	1.30%

**Comments:**

- *Especially spray - free and organic production.*
- *If ethical and sustainable.*
- *Consider ratings of rural smaller lots have increased 20 h have increased.*
- *Leave this to the farmers.*
- *Local food markets needed.*
- *Denmark's rural communities are just as important to Denmark's sustainability.*

d) Council should encourage heavy industry start-up.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
36.40%	26.40%	21.20%	7.30%	4.70%	4.00%

**Comments:**

- *By heavy industry we undeterred mining/refining/petro chemical ECT...*
- *Would need more information before I could support this. E.g. appropriate location. Low impact.*
- *Areas of Shire management can be developed/designed to meet economic needs. Then commercial activity will change to meet demand.*
- *The Shire needs to understand long term economic markets suitable for Denmark; e.g. tourism.*
- *Probably contra to the image of a holiday destination.*
- *This would provide jobs.*
- *Heavy industry start-up should be encouraged, however Council should firstly finalise a suitable Heavy Industrial Site.*
- *My answer to item 1 & 4 would be different if I knew the type of Higher Density Development and what are the heavy Industries being considered.*
- *Heavy industry should be well away from the community.*
- *Why?*
- *Heavy industry needs to be looked at on its merits.*
- *The heavy industrial should not be allowed as a home business, in town, indeed any industrial. Craft/art/sewing/tailor, hairdresser, IT etc are all ok.*
- *What about green issues and sustainability? We need to keep rates down.*
- *Should NOT be a council issue.*
- *What is your definition of heavy industry.*
- *WHY!?*

e) Council should encourage home based businesses.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
3.30%	6.20%	24.60%	45.70%	18.60%	1.60%

**Comments:**

- *Can't see any reason not to.*
- *ESPECIALLY TOURISIM.*
- *Should NOT be a council issue.*
- *Home based businesses are a great way for locals to create an income, but some can be irritating to neighbors, so they should be monitored.*
- *Only with strict controls.*
- *Only with strict controls*
- *Home based business should only operate if they are paying the same rate level as other businesses in the Shire.*

f) Council should regulate home based businesses.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
6.20%	12.30%	21.90%	42.10%	15.10%	2.40%

**Comments:**

- *Noise, traffic, hygiene should all be taken into consideration before approval is given.*
- *HANDS OFF!*
- *Should NOT be a council issue.*

- *Home based business would be a great way to encourage more people with skills to the town. They should only be regulated if they have a noise or visual effect on their neighbors.*

g) Property security is an issue in the Shire.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
6.10%	23.80%	35.60%	17.10%	5.80%	11.60%

**Comments:**

- *We've been lucky so far but this will increase as population expands.*
- *What? As in burglaries? If so, how come we never hear anything?*
- *What do you mean by property security.*
- *For personal property or land??*
- *Sorry a Police issue!*
- *Property security is not the responsibility of the Shire.*
- *Meaning not understood.*

h) There is a need for regular public transport.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
3.10%	12.90%	24.50%	32.20%	20.80%	6.50%

**Comments:**

- *A town bus (CAT) could be provided for town transport with fixed routes. Buses used could also be available for hire by social, sporting and cultural groups.*
- *IN the future e.g. 10-15 yrs*
- *In the future.*
- *The town has taxi services and is not large enough to support a public transport system within the town and the shire should not be supporting out of town shopping by assisting with transport to Albany. There are regular small bus trips going to Albany now for medical etc which are not fully supported. E.g. RSL bus.*
- *Public transport is a necessity that is a right in order to sustain a home and should be supported in regions from the federal & state not individual shires.*
- *There is a need for a regular passenger service of some kind to Albany. Maybe user pays.*
- *There is a need but it would not be economically viable*
- *Public transport to Albany for the elderly (once/twice a week) is supported but not a transport system servicing the local suburbs.*
- *Maybe.*
- *As our population is growing with many retirees this is becoming an issue.*
- *Aged inhabitants losing their licenses.*
- *More senior facilities especially public transport to the Albany swimming pool.*
- *TO WHERE?*
- *should be provided by a private contractor.*
- *We need guarantees that any service provided would be used otherwise it is unnecessary expense.*
- *Maybe a tram or some such eco friendly transport for people just around the town area, or electric buses to Ocean Beach or similar.*

i) There is a need for regular public transport.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
3.10%	12.90%	24.50%	32.20%	20.80%	6.50%

**Comments:**

- *We don't trust the state govt to look after Denmark.*
- *If transport to Albany is fixed, pressure on services in Denmark may be.*
- *Should not be a council issue.*
- *More services less window dressing.*
- *Council should lobby State Gov to support public transport in regional areas.*
- *When there is more people.*
- *When population reaches 10,000*
- *Question is too general.*
- *Reduced.*
- *Not provide but have a pole in supporting - user pays.*
- *The public transport should especially run in summer months to Ocean Beach & maybe Lights Beach.*
- *Some light public transport would be great, town to beach etc but it could be done with council assisting someone in private enterprise to take on the roll.*

j) There is a need for regular public transport.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
3.10%	12.90%	24.50%	32.20%	20.80%	6.50%

**Comments:**

- *User pays would never get off the ground.*
- *DEFINATELY NOT!*
- *NOR A POOL!!*
- *Not fair to levy all ratepayers for public transport as not all ratepayers will use the service.*
- *To levy ratepayers for Public Transport is not fair to outlying ratepayers as they would not have public transport in the outer shire areas and would not need it in town because they have to take a car in anyway.*
- *I think only is it's the only way to get this.*
- *Not needed.*

k) Council should levy all ratepayers for environmental projects.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
20.00%	25.80%	21.30%	21.60%	6.90%	4.40%

**Comments:**

- *Assuming rate payers think it is worth doing.*
- *Let the 'environmental' parasites fund their own activities*
- *I need more information before I'd support this.*
- *NO! NO! NO!*

- Council should also raise funds from tourists who visit the area by charging a fee for entering our National Parks and popular beach access locations (e.g. Greens Pool) to assist with the upkeep of these facilities. This is common in other parts of Australia. The patrolling of these areas should also be increased.
- Current facilities quite adequate.
- It depends in what the projects involve.
- Currently funded by groups. Leave as is!
- Environment belongs to whole country not just Denmark Shire... again, Federal should support more than expecting local residents to foot bill & then have to witness it trawled over by short term visitors whose income only reaches the affluent within community who can afford to provide rentals & retail outlets.
- Environmental projects should be a core council activity.
- Same as above.
- What about encouraging tourism? It is not Council's role to be an active "green" policy maker that increases charge on rate payers.
- Council should do far more in protecting and enhancing our natural environment.
- Disagreed with levy for environment projects only because it has the potential to be made an excuse for increased revenue.
- As a new Denmark resident, I am amazed that the council leaves weed control to a group of volunteers. This is a shire responsibility and should be properly funded. In an area whose main attraction is its natural beauty, Effective weed control is vital!!!

l) Council should provide more youth facilities.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
5.40%	10.90%	40.00%	31.10%	7.80%	4.80%

**Comments:**

- We need to provide safe sustainable youth activities and facilities to encourage youth to stay.
- WORK EXPERIENCE!
- Should not be a council issue.
- Surely they have enough already. We made our own fun without getting into trouble.
- Such as? Haven't we done enough already?!
- Despite the skate parks the young people still use Strickland street etc..
- Despite the skate- Park the young people still use Strickland street etc.
- Adequate.
- There are ample NATURAL VENUES within Denmark shire for the youths to occupy their spare time with.

m) Council should facilitate youth entertainment.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
8.80%	14.40%	36.60%	31.20%	6.60%	2.40%

**Comments:**

- Youth Facilities - Aquatic centre.
- Youth activities should be provided and promoted by the community rather than the Council.
- Give a (kid) a rod, not a fish.

- *I see the Shire as an enabling body, rather than a body that necessarily has to DO everything - there is simply not enough money for that. For example, the Shire can be a place that links volunteers together so that they are encouraged and effective. Re Youth Entertainment, opportunities like the TAFE music course are MUCH better than "entertaining young people".*
- *Absolutely! Keep them safe and engaged within the community.*
- *I do feel that perhaps more could be done to encourage the children of today to remain in Denmark when they are grown up perhaps like larger tertiary training and or interesting employment.*
- *Perhaps work experience for them at the shire offices.*
- *Kids of today have too much given to them!*
- *Tha House provides excellent programs for our youth and should always receive council support as the whole community benefits.*
- *The youth should be encouraged to use the facilities already available. It is a pity that the river is not utilised to its full potential.*
- *Youth facilities should be more encouraged and supported by parents in conjunction with Council's initiatives.*
- *Council could support programs to tackle childhood obesity.*
- *Council can't do everything it is up to the community to provide some needs e.g., youth facilities and entertainment but if the council can manage to do this that is fine.*
- *Council should assist with developing facilities for the aged as well as the youth.*
- *With consultation with a mixed group of youth.*
- *Adequate.*
- *There are ample NATURAL VENUES within Denmark shire for the youths to occupy their spare time with.*
- *Council should be encouraging private enterprise and self help to fund many of these activities, not carry the cost and therefore have to raise rates.*
- *Perhaps drive in theatre-type events could be organised for young and old!*

n) Youth involvement in Council should be encouraged.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
2.70%	4.90%	17.10%	54.30%	19.40%	1.60%

**Comments:**

- *Concept is admirable, the one youth entertainment? And support!*
- *Absolutely. Encourage volunteerism. Invite youth to attend council 2X yearly. Our youth need to be and feel involved.*
- *There seems to be a lot going for youth with recreation centre and activities around town during holidays.*

o) Council should develop a natural earth burial facility at a suitable location.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
4.10%	6.60%	32.30%	30.10%	20.70%	6.20%

**Comments:**

- *Perhaps an area at the cemetery for the earth burials.*

- *Need more information.*
- *What are you burying?*
- *Can be left to existing cultural groups.*
- *Toxic metals to be removed from bodies for earth burial.*
- *Unsure what question means "cemetery"?*
- *Not sure what you mean by natural earth burial? Does this mean a new cemetery?*

p) Council should encourage more cultural activities.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
3.10%	12.50%	37.10%	33.40%	10.50%	3.40%

**Comments:**

- *Need more information. What culture are we talking about? Arts - yes. Indigenous naming - no.*
- *Cultural activities could include showing Festival of Perth films at the Civic Centre.*
- *Council could support certain cultural or youth activities but not necessarily facilitate same.*
- *Quite adequate.*
- *Very important that this continues.*
- *Can't have too many cultural activities, but as a small town Denmark is well serviced in this department.*
- *Denmark Arts, the wineries and other groups already provide cultural activities - the Shire does not need to do more. While I don't see a role for Council in encouraging HBBes - if they are to operate then Council needs to regulate them.*
- *Adequate.*
- *Council supports the arts far too much. Let the artists work like we all have to.*
- *I think we have enough cultural activities in Denmark.*
- *Connections with other places and Noongar people.*

q) Council should continue employing Lifeguards during summer months.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
1.70%	2.90%	10.70%	43.10%	38.00%	3.60%

**Comments:**

- *Ocean Beach only.*
- *Believe the employment of lifeguards is very important due to the dangerous state of Ocean Beach and the density of users during the summer.*
- *We strongly support the Surf Club activities and believe that there should be an indoor swimming pool for use of school swimming classes and senior citizens in winter months.*
- *The surf club & members effectively control the beach through their lobbying to keep fishers and 4WD's off it, and regularly exclude the public from large junks for their "games", let them arrange lifeguards, remember other recreational users are ratepayers too so where's the equity in that? Open up ocean beach to ALL users between 4 PM until 9AM daily.*
- *Lifeguards are important for tourist as well as local's safety.*

**Other Comments (to above questions):**

- *Council should encourage home based holiday accommodation and provide a financial incentive to do so.*
- *Denmark needs a swimming pool.*
- *Swimming Pool.*
- *Needs to be provision for 0-8 children and their families, they are the future of the town (talk to the Denmark Early Years Network Group).*
- *agri- Council should know their duties towards the communities for future NEEDS.*
- *Council cannot provide every ones needs. However by a) preserving/maintaining the natural environment, b) ensure consideration of future needs of the community when planning approvals are made c) ensure facilities such as shopping centres, etc are accessible and safe, d) develop facilities that promote enjoyment and maintenance of healthy lifestyles.*
- *Shire should invest in extension of the wind farm.*
- *I would be less neutral on some subjects if I had some facts. IE how many people can't get to town without public transport and what is the break in rate in the shire?*
- *The needs of the elderly in our community should be surveyed.*
- *Need a couple of post boxes.*
- *Need a pool.*
- *Council should stick to providing basic services - no more cost imposts on rate payers from venturing into non essential areas - i.e. transport, cultural, etc.*
- *I Notice nothing has been said regarding increase in elderly facilities such as pathways along some streets or access to Amaroo village via woodland area which would cut short significantly the distance to the CBD not to mention safer than on the roads.*
- *Arts and youth appear to already be very well catered for. I am happy to pay extra rates for extra services, such as public transport, indoor pool or better environmental projects.*
- *Interesting questions!*
- *People come to Denmark to escape the rat race so don't spoil it. There are a lot of very clever people in Denmark and they should be encouraged to volunteer even in a small way to assist with community projects.*
- *Council should ban the playing of percussion instruments in residential precincts.*
- *Whatever is done must be done accounting for fairness and a long term vision.*
- *I don't support a swimming pool in the town. Shire could help facilitate a much needed post box in the town. I do support the plans for a coastal walk from Ocean Beach to Lights Beach.*
- *I would prefer to substitute the word (facilitate) with "enter in to partnership to provide". E.g. "council should facilitate Youth entertainment". I cannot imagine it would not be cost effective (or core council business) for council to spearhead such an initiative - partnerships with the CRC, LDAG and others would not only spread the risk but also the marketing of such events through various networks and promote wider community involvement.*
- *Some worthy ideas need to be kept in perspective--if they benefit a minority of the community or not, and if that minority are actively contributing to the community through rates/employment/etc.*
- *Council should encourage dog friendly areas that we could all enjoy our pets. Dogs should be allowed on leash in Annie Harrison Park and more dog beaches...for tourists and locals. There should be a register of people that are abusive to animals in Denmark...name and shame would be good.*
- *Council needs to be more supportive of holiday rental accommodation providers and provide subsidies for their investment in the community.*
- *Plus a pool.*
- *Council involvement is to be encouraged across the board if at all possible.*
- *Council would be well served to publish the costs involved in each of these choices so that responses could be evidence based. "Encourage" is not specific enough to comment on. Personally I avoid the use of the word "should" as much as possible making answering these questions is difficult.*
- *Council should support a first rate library/resource centre.*

- *Denmark really needs a pool to encourage fitness for all in the community, and increased sporting opportunities for kids and adults through a swimming club.*
- *Good quality broadband would be essential.*
- *Can the swimming pool if the council is going to use it as a taxation vehicle. Up to 14% increase in rates is mooted plus user pays = NOT ON.*
- *Council's bias in favoring expenditure on roads, rubbish and sporting facilities with much less focus on cultural, arts, environment and recycling needs reversing and rebalancing.*
- *Ratepayers should not have to pay more when facilities are used by all residents - not too many free facilities and entertainment and environmental projects - user pays is a good principle, not just ratepayer pays - there is a surprising amount of money in the community, even when people cry poor.*
- *KEEP THE FEEL OF THE PLACE AND PARTICIPANTS NEED TO PAY FOR WHAT THEY USE.*
- *Council should promulgate a clear vision and strategy for Denmark. An indoor aquatic centre should be included in the shire infrastructure and funded by ratepayers.*
- *The Shire should approach its task with its hat in its hand.*
- *On the whole the Council is doing as good a job as major government allows.*
- *Council should keep in mind that many of the ratepayers are pensioners and any increase in rates affect their lifestyles.*
- *I have no belief in levies. What is necessary is budgeted for. The budget should allow for gradual advancement in council services. It is not the councils business to direct its ratepayer's interests; they should follow and only provide support when financially possible and reasonable.*
- *Despite 2 points specifically focused on needs of youth, neither one does anything to encourage or keep youth in Denmark. Recognize the need to develop youth employment, education and training opportunities or Denmark will become a ghost town as all the young are FORCED to Leave the Area whether they want to or not!*
- *Council should pro-actively support the development and maintenance of physical and social infrastructure that makes a sustainable contribution to the economic, environmental and social well-being of the broader community. It should support activities that strengthen the community by facilitating and encouraging self-reliance, mutual cooperation and interdependence. Council should NOT be supporting activities that selectively benefit individuals, or specific interest groups that do not directly, or indirectly make a sustainable contribution to the well-being of the general community.*
- *Need more help for the aged, for those who live independently and those who should be in Blue Wren Lodge. Would like a retirement village which has higher level of care available than present Amaroo.*
- *Council should not raise rates to pay for and maintain an indoor swimming pool.*
- *I'm of the view that user pays would be a useful motto for the shire to adopt.*
- *Keep the "village" look and feeling of town.*
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- *Denmark Arts is strongly supported now and does not need more at the expense of the rate payers.*
- *Seal/bituminise road to Lights Beach. Septic tank toilets, water, change rooms, rubbish bins at Lights Beach.*
- *A lot of these things funding can be applied for maybe council could employ a staff member to apply for more funding.*
- *Swimming pool ASAP please.*
- *Not sure whose jurisdiction some of the above come under - so ticked "unsure".*
- *We need a pool.*
- *Every case is different and should be a bit more open to discussion the youth need help and so do the seniors which do not get a lot of encouragement in the way the youth do.*
- *A heated indoor swimming pool would provide the entire community of Denmark with health, social and economic benefits. This would be a facility that would particularly benefit the youth by offering all of the above.*

- *Most of these questions are too vague. For example one might support Council facilitating more public transport - but the extent of this facilitation needs to be defined. Failing to qualify the question means that the responses will be unreliable.*
- *Establish and support businesses so community has funds to carry out all desired projects*
- *Council should resist pressure to support issues of a patronising nature*
- *An indoor swimming pool for young and old please.*
- *Stop wasting large amounts of money appeasing the arts/green movement and spend it maintaining reserves, road drainage, road maintenance and other local infrastructure.*
- *Resist the temptation to become involved in every aspect of people's lives - most people wish to be left to get on with what they do and to have a Council intervening (probably at cost) in just about every aspect totally offsets the reason for living in this place.*
- *Council rates are high enough to cover paying for things such as a pool or public transport. Streamlining council processes would save a lot of money, so many staff do so little for their wages, so many are idle or don't seem to know the meaning of hard work, so many are unqualified to uphold their positions. Having rangers actually enforce dog laws would make the town a healthier, safer place.*
- *Council can't do everything!*
- *Ratepayers should not have to pay for services that are the inherent responsibility of State and/or federal governments. Local government per se must insist on receiving its "fair share".*
- *Most of these things apply to the town of Denmark. Living on the edge of the Shire close to Walpole means that we rarely use any facilities in Denmark.*
- *Again difficult to answer, the town doesn't have enough rate payers to afford all what people are used to having in Perth or bigger towns, like public transport etc Also if the town gets too big it loses its charm.*
- *Need more detail to comment on some of these i.e. depends on the type of home based business i.e. does it involve traffic or noise and same with environmental projects need more info.*
- *Council needs to invest its resources into planning strategically for 25 years from now - all other council activities should be dictated by that strategy - not by interest or pressure groups.*
- *Council should concentrate its efforts on the facilitation of and good delivery of basic services i.e., rubbish removal/disposal, bushfire protection, water supply, power supply, road maintenance, sewerage, parks and park facilities, streetscapes and community facilities (swimming pools etc).*
- *Swimming pool needed.*
- *Council should take a balanced look at recreation in its many forms with the view of assistance without interference. Only when legal or health may be a problem etc'. Also the use of council premises or facilities if available.*
- *None.*
- *Denmark is a lovely place and should be looked after for the enjoyment of people who live here and visitors who come to stay over school holidays, and also those intrepid travelers who come to find out all about us and our marvelous village lifestyle.*

r) There should be more and better quality dual use paths around the Shire of Denmark.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
1.70%	5.60%	18.70%	45.30%	26.70%	2.00%

**Comments:**

- *Along busy roads.*
- *The paths we have are lovely. I love it that there are many that are rustic (like between the 2 bridges for example). Exploring is an adventure.*
- *Multi use e.g. pedestrian, bike and horse trails, paths ad access.*
- *Minstrel Rd loop to Ocean Beach Rd.*

- *User on (dual) wheels must use warning signs.*
- *I would like the Council to promote and put more money into the Rail Trail from Ocean Bch Rd to Mt McLeod Rd to link with William Bay Road.*
- *There is a need for a pedestrian crossing across the highway at Strickland Street.*
- *Very impressed with the path to ocean beach from town.*
- *The Shire needs to allocate more resources on an annual recurring basis for paths and trails, both for development of new ones AND ALSO maintenance of existing paths and trails.*
- *Please commit this in..? To providing disabled access. To ? Reserve Poison Point via Campbell road.*
- *Top end Hardy Street.*
- *No opinion.*
- *Before constructing more paths they should upgrade the paths they have constructed. The path in the community park near the riverside is VERY dangerous in winter- wet and slippery.*
- *Rather than dual use paths, it is about time that this Council started following the lead of major metropolitan cities around the world, where dedicated bicycle lanes are marked on ALL arterial roads.*
- *Preferably not hard surface e. Bitumen/concrete.*
- *Maintain existing tracks and trails before building any additional ones.*

s) A permanent ocean going boat ramp should be constructed near Ocean Beach, North of McGearys Rock.					
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Unsure</b>
5.60%	9.90%	37.80%	23.50%	15.30%	7.90%

**Comments:**

- *There is a severe lack of ocean going boating facilities for Denmark residents. The options for anyone with a boat over 5m is to go to Albany - and buy fuel etc there - or go to Walpole.*
- *Only if USERS pay.*
- *A boat ramp will increase marine noise :(*
- *A launching ramp could be put in at Ocean Beach and the Council could investigate whether or not they could have a user pays system as some of the District Councils in South Australia operate their ramps.*
- *Urgent.*
- *Makes since.*
- *Parrys, madfish, and ocean beach are unsuitable for boat ramps, for the cost involved, and the unsafe marine variables that would lead to accidents for the inexperienced.*
- *The wide section of Strickland Street should be a pedestrian mall.*
- *Yes for both recreational and sea rescue.*
- *Traffic flow is more of a problem at Strickland and Hollings Street intersecting with South Coast Hwy because visibility in both cases is restricted to a greater degree than the intersection of Ocean Beach road and South Coast Hwy.*
- *Ocean pool at ocean beach built on the southern rocks, in conjunction with boat launching at McGearys would be a huge benefit for the overall amenity of the town.*
- *Absolutely vital for sea rescue and to rem.. REC fishing off ocean Beach..*
- *No opinion.*
- *I think there needs to be a better solution to the boat ramp at Ocean Beach, which during the summer is dangerous and crowded but am not sure where "A permanent ocean going boat ramp should be constructed near Ocean Beach, North of McGearys Rock" is actually describing.*
- *Presumably the boat ramp would require Dept of Transport approval, however, until details are known, no comment can be made.*

t) A marina should be built at Peaceful Bay.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
17.30%	20.20%	34.90%	12.40%	5.30%	9.90%

**Comments:**

- For peaceful by to decide.
- Is it needed?
- At whose expense?.
- Unwanted at present.
- The only likely place.
- A marina should be built on the inlet next to Caravan Park a marina should be built at back beach or lights beach.
- A Sea rescue jetty would be of more benefit.
- Strongly disagree outrageous suggestion like the idea of one at ocean beach (you would have to change the name of the bay.)
- *A marina at Peaceful Bay? That would completely destroy the character and charm of the place. Please don't.*

u) Fees and allowances paid to Elected Members should be increased to encourage more people to nominate for Council.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
11.20%	23.60%	32.50%	21.50%	5.10%	6.10%

**Comments:**

- *It is not money that stops me nominating for Councilor - it is the rigid procedures and adversarial processes. I suspect I am not alone in this.*
- *Yes.*
- *I'd hate to see people taking on the role for the money they get out of it rather than to benefit the community.*
- *Fair reimbursements and CPI only increases.*
- *Not sure what the fees are but certainly there can be a huge difference in the work undertaken - even so committees it takes allot of time so please make it adequate.*
- *As long as it doesn't encourage people who are not suited for the job otherwise strongly agree.*
- *I don't think that individuals will stand for Council for "financial reward". Regardless it is a thankless task that is well suited to individuals that that has certain interests at heart and intend to promote them.*
- *Some yes, some no, some are usefulness and should get nothing!!*
- *People don't stand for council for the money. Council should educate and encourage electors to be more involved in votion. Compulsory voting should be considered.*
- *? Return should not be the ?? To become a dedicated councilor.*
- *But will it?*
- *Would be good if more people were interested in standing for Council - not like the last time where Councilors were elected unopposed (this does not ensure good democracy. An increase in fees could be ok but the 'people' would need to make fully aware that these individuals are PAID not VOLUNTARY!*

- *Fees should definitely be raised to encourage and attract a higher standard of elected members*
- *Most people involved in shire council have reasons other than money.*
- *Member remuneration should be equal to the current base wage hourly rate to enable those employing staff to not be out of pocket for hours spent on council meetings etc, due to the need to employ extra staff. This would enable more business people to nominate for council.*

v) Should Council upgrade and extend street lighting in the town site.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
5.10%	17.80%	36.40%	27.40%	8.90%	4.40%

**Comments:**

- *Is it needed?*
- *Why?! We don't need light pollution. Upgrade yes. limited expansion - possibly CBD only,*
- *Seems quite adequate currently.*
- *Corner Ocean Beach Rd & South Coast H/way*
- *Seems adequate.*
- *Borrow ideas from Boulder Colorado Council for extended lighting.*
- *Waste of time and money.*
- *Council should keep street lighting to a minimum and consider installing lighting that reduces light pollution (directs light down, not outward or up). Part of our natural environment is our dark night sky which has been degraded over the last decade by increased lighting, often in areas where it is unnecessary.*
- *Lighting should be energy efficient and strategic (time and placement).*
- *Especially on Thornton's corner!*
- *No opinion.*
- *Ocean Beach Road/S Coast Hwy junction needs better night lighting.*
- *People should want to become a Councilor for more important reasons than receiving their allowance.*
- *Maybe when wind power is on line!*
- *Floodlights in public parks should be shaded so as to light up the ground, not blind the park users.*
- *Street lighting upgrades should be underground cables, not more lights themselves. And the lights should incorporate piezoelectric which monitor the amount of moon and starlight, so that the luminosity can be adjusted throughout the night. On this basis, the lights can come on automatically when the sun goes down, and off when the sun comes up.*
- *Minsterly road urgent.*
- *Street Lighting at Ocean Beach / South Coast Highway unsatisfactory.*

w) Council should provide more cycling paths/tracks.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
2.80%	6.90%	23.60%	43.00%	21.10%	2.60%

**Comments:**

- *We think it is not too bad.*
- *Clear forest trails.*
- *More horse trails too!*

- *The existing tails are not maintained or signed adequately and consideration should be given to such maintenance before the construction of any new ones.*
- *Council need to install a foot/cycle path on Peace Street between Mt Shadforth Road and Jamieson Heights Roundabout.*
- *As long as it doesn't affect landscape too much.*
- *Support shopping departments in hardy road.*
- *No opinion.*
- *Adequate.*
- *Shire should support a junior mountain bike track circling the Karri walk at the end of Strickland St.*

x) Council should provide more parking in the CBD area.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
4.90%	13.30%	19.90%	32.40%	27.20%	2.30%

**Comments:**

- *Too late.*
- *Currently works fine even at Christmas time.*
- *It is tastefully done - no multi story and no removal of trees.*
- *Multi story.*
- *Building car parks around the CBD would take away the village atmosphere as well as destroying some of the heritage of this town. Which tourists come to see. Broome is a typical example of the destruction of the town's historical assets. I have never met a tourist who has complained about walking any distance from where their car is parked!*
- *Building of a car park in CBD would, I assume, mean sacrifice of historical buildings Car parks should be away from Stirling St.*
- *More parking is always useful especially in tourist season.*
- *Parking is usually a problem at xmas/Easter please don't take the town over with cars.*
- *Parking can, at times, be a problem in the CBD - mainly holiday periods. At these times temporary parking on open space (where appropriate) could be facilitated. I assume the last question should read "...Options for community consideration.."*
- *We seem to manage on market day.*
- *Badly needed after last debacle and waste of resources for no gain!*
- *Parking for vans and trucks.*
- *There is adequate parking in CBD.*
- *Parking has become terrible and shops and business should be encouraged to park their vehicles away from the major shopping area.*
- *A special area for caravans, trailers etc.*
- *Need the shopping centre in Hardy St for better parking.*
- *Encourage more into scooters/motorbikes in CBD.*
- *Multi-story.*
- *Business owners park right on their own door steps, taking valuable customer parking. Parking should be made available to them at the very end of Strickland or down at the former skate park.*
- *Leave the parking bays for your customers!!!*
- *Keep it user friendly for tourists.*
- *There is adequate parking in CBD.*

y) Council should lobby the State Government to cease the current practice of discharging effluent into the Wilson Inlet from the Water Corporations Sewerage Plant.					
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Unsure</b>
2.20%	1.20%	6.00%	17.20%	69.10%	4.30%

**Comments:**

- *How?? Is this?*
- *The discharging of effluent into the Wilson Inlet depends on the quality of the end product. If poor quality this should not occur.*
- *Are you kidding? Why is this still happening?*
- *Most Urgent.*
- *The (Treated) effluent currently having any negative effects?*
- *Council should have agreed to funding a new waste water plant years ago.*
- *Re Water Corp, Shire should put its efforts and \$ into tackling other nutrient sources (e.g. promote composting toilets, educating on septic tank health) rather than banging its head on the WCorp brick wall and asking for a very high cost "solution".*
- *We don't live in the dark ages or a third world country! This is totally unacceptable!*
- *Ecologically obvious!*
- *Please!*
- *If the water is "clean" there is no problem e.g. English river which have water taken out and put back in.*
- *Only if the nutriment plant cannot produce constant clean water.*
- *This disgusting practice makes Mockery of the Millns ? In the catchment reducing nutrients.*

z) Council should investigate the installation of traffic lights at the intersection of Ocean Beach Rd and South Coast Hwy.					
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Unsure</b>
46.20%	26.80%	11.20%	7.80%	5.10%	2.90%

**Comments:**

- *Prefer roundabout.*
- *It appears that a roundabout is unworkable due to the area needed. Would this be the beginning of the end e.g. Strickland street.*
- *Totally unnecessary.*
- *Traffic lights in Denmark would be a step too far. Albany does very well without lights. Roundabouts work well.*
- *Roundabout.*
- *Need a roundabout. Didn't M.R.D look into it a couple of years ago.*
- *Ocean Beach Road is the busiest road in Denmark & we need street lights. We have footpaths but no street lights. More people would use the footpaths at night if there were street lights.*
- *Please, no traffic lights in Denmark but a roundabout at the junction of Strickland St and the South Coast Highway would be the best way to go.*
- *Slow traffic through CBD to 40km! Light NOT needed!*
- *Please!*
- *Don't know any accident there and pass it many times a day.*
- *Also please NO traffic lights in Denmark...Albany doesn't have them and they are a LOT bigger*
- *Traffic lights only to be turned on at peak periods.*
- *Is this some kind of a joke? (To keep us alert while reading this?).*

- *Both would cause more problems than current intersection.*
- *Make speed limit 40 kmh 150 mtrs in all directions from intersection... (See diagram on paper hardcopy.)*
- *Traffic lights in Denmark!!! Sacrilege. Albany survives well without them.*
- *How about a roundabout. please keep traffic lights out.*
- *Definitely no traffic lights but place roundabouts at Ocean Beach/South Coast and Strickland St/South Coast hwy intersections.*
- *My preference for Ocean Beach & S.C.H. intersection would be a controlled one by traffic lights. I would first start by blocking off the shortcut from MITRE 10 through to the service that is a real hazard when people are trying to back out from MITRE 10. Planning can work out how to get customer back into the grid. Move Ocean Beach junction 20-30 meters up the hill would improve flow from both service station and from the beach. However the Visitors Centre turn off May also need moving up 20-30 meters if there is room to accommodate it, or reposition it completely. Run a trial over 1 holiday period without lights to check its effectiveness.*
- *????*
- *Consider re opening Buckley Street between ocean beach road and south coast highway.*
- *No traffic lights at OB Rd/SC Hwy. A roundabout would be a better option. Why not try a white line and a give way sign for a start? The street light on this corner needs to be relocated from behind the tree so drivers can see the corner at night. The white line will help with this too.*
- *Unsure of the Sth Coast Hwy/Ocean Beach Rd issue, but IF traffic mgt is required, please, please, no bloody traffic lights!! Roundabouts work well, and support self-organizing traffic flow.*
- *Ocean beach road/ s.c. hwy intersection needs a re-design with slip roads and merging lanes ( similar to those in Lesmurdie at Lesmurdie/Welshpool road intersection and the one just south) plenty of room to do that and no real maintenance to speak off. Anyone seriously suggesting traffic lights should be sacked.*
- *There should NEVER be traffic lights in Denmark as they destroy the rural feel.*
- *Traffic lights needed at Strickland St/South Coast highway intersection if there is no room for a roundabout.*
- *No traffic lights in Denmark!!*

aa) Council should investigate the installation of a roundabout at the intersection of Ocean Beach Rd and South Coast Hwy.					
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Unsure</b>
11.60%	13.00%	13.80%	33.40%	25.30%	2.90%

**Comments:**

- *There is a need.*
- *A roundabout at the intersection of ocean beach road and south coast highway would be a better option than traffic lights.*
- *At some time in the future a roundabout at the STRICKLAND Street/south coast highway intersection may need to be considered but would need to be truck friendly and single lane only.*
- *Read question before comments.*
- *A roundabout on the corner of south coast hwy and Strickland would be great.*
- *Possibly in future.*
- *Size is prohibitive though the preferred option.*
- *Council should consider reopening Buckley rd through to Sth Coast Hwy. Perhaps with a roundabout there. This would relieve some of traffic flow on the cnr of Ocean Beach Rd/Sth cost Hwy. Ocean beach rd could also be widened at the intersection with Sth Coast Hwy, to allow for two lanes of traffic coming off Ocean Beach Rd to relieve congestion.*

- *I find the intersection of Strickland St and S Coast Hwy more fraught with danger than the Ocean Beach turnoff. Several roundabouts might be considered.*
- *Junctions of Strickland St/South Coast Hwy and Hollings Road/South Coast Hwy are far more dangerous and difficult to manage than Ocean Beach/South Coast Hwy. Parking in CBD should not be intrusive or detract from the village atmosphere (as would have been the case with the plan to have parking on the craft shop site in Mitchell St).*
- *NO as above!*
- *The corner of ocean bch rd and sth coast hwy is not the area the shire should be concerned about, mainly because for a start it is not a cross rd. There are 2 other cross rds that should be rated higher on the agenda. Any area near Thornton's could be construed towards favoring a member of council!!!!*
- *I am unsure of needs for traffic flow but am of the opinion that a roundabout would do the job rather than the installation of lights.*
- *It would be more appropriate to have a roundabout at the corner of Strickland Street and South Coast Highway.*
- *I haven't seen a need however I have not studied the area during peak school holiday periods or school hours.*
- *Roundabouts work in Albany.*
- *Also urgent need for roundabouts at junctions in CBD on south coast highway.*
- *RE roundabout. Speed limit of 50km should apply from Hardy road intersection and Hwy, making the roundabout and access to the Tourist Center safer to use.*
- *I suggest a roundabout at the intersection of Ocean Beach Road and the Highway would be better than traffic lights.*
- *A roundabout would be much better than traffic lights at the intersection above.*
- *Priority need for 2 roundabouts at the main town intersections. Both are road rage scenes and black spots.*
- *Ditto for S. Coast Highway and Hollings road.*
- *Or road widening with designated left hand lanes.*
- *Re the roundabout issue. The intersections desperately needing it are Highway/Strickland and town side of Traffic Bridge. They could fit into the space available as they need not be large and can be plough disc shape so heavy traffic can pass over them. It can be done.*
- *Notice no questions about roundabouts at either of the town intersections which cry out for traffic management systems.*

bb) There is no current need to improve traffic flow and safety at the intersection of Ocean Beach Rd and South Coast Hwy.					
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Unsure</b>
18.70%	29.00%	17.10%	18.20%	10.70%	6.30%

**Comments:**

- *I am very concerned for the safety of children crossing Ocean Beach Road near the South Coast Hwy intersection. There is so much going on; a school pedestrian crossing or traffic lights are definitively needed.*
- *Strickland Street seems to create more of a bottle neck but only for a few months of the year.*
- *Mark double lanes each side of road.*
- *I presume you're meaning just the township. It is not far to do to the tip (at the moment) there could be a "pick up" for those who have no vehicle or vehicle access or some elderly people.*
- *Strickland St South Coast Hwy dangerous intersection more than Ocean Beach Rd.*
- *I travel this 20x a week with no problems even in peak tourism season.*
- *Intersection of Strickland & Highway more of a problem.*

- *Buckley Street could be re opened to allow traffic to exit onto South Coast Highway turning left only.*
- *I don't have such a problem with the intersection at Ocean Beach Rd and South Coast Hwy but I do have a problem at the Strickland St South Coast Hwy intersection near IGA.*
- *Intersection of Ocean Beach Rd and South Coast Highway could be improved by reopening street behind tourist bureau.*
- *The Hollings Rd and Strickland St intersections with the Hwy are in more urgent need of roundabouts or street lights.*
- *Excellent proposal.*
- *Reducing the speed limit on SW highway west of Ocean Beach Rd to 50 kph might help to solve the problem.*
- *Traffic is more of a problem at intersection of Strickland St and South Coast Highway.*
- *If and when the new co-op goes ahead a roundabout would be better served on the entry to this.*
- *Traffic flow at Ocean Bch Rd & South Coast Hwy is only an issue for several weeks a year. I'm sure we can all be more patient for such a short time.*
- *Refer to RAC Horizon Mag. Issue 33 regarding Traffic Lights and Roundabouts before you do anything.*
- *The more critical intersections are Strickland Street & South Coast Hwy and Hollings Road & South Coast Hwy. Avoid lights, if at all possible.*
- *Roundabouts should also be installed at sth coast highway/Strickland and sth coast highway/Hollings.*
- *Consider reopening Buckley St to Hwy - maybe left turn only? Also Zimmerman St to near tavern.*
- *To improve traffic flow and safety through town is it possible to build a truck bypass road for trucks from near Sth Cst Hwy/Ocean Bch Rd intersection direct to Scotsdale Rd? Trucks could turn off Scotsdale, onto Horsley/Hollings then rejoin Sth Cst Hwy at the bridge. Obviously some road modifications would be necessary.*
- *The intersection of Ocean Beach and SC Highway is busy during holiday season but personally I have not encountered any problems and until you know what development is planned for that particular area and how the flow of traffic may impact then it could be wise to wait and then revisit so that money is not spent on a project that may have to be changed.*
- *Would some of the bad drivers in Denmark who can barely negotiate Strickland Street know how to use traffic lights or a roundabout.*
- *The exits from Thornton's and Caltex need to be sorted out so intersection from Ocean bch rd is safer.*
- *South coast highway and Strickland Street intersection is way more hazardous due to the pedestrian traffic in this area. This is very dangerous and more of an issue than ocean beach intersection.*
- *Other roads need to be opened/made between ocean beach and south coast highway. (Re open and build Zimmerman Street from ocean beach road to south coast highway.*
- *If the intersection of Ocean Beach Road & South Coast Hwy was widened to include a left turning lane [west into South Coast Hwy from Ocean Beach Road] this may alleviate some of the problems of traffic queues.*
- *Anyone who thinks there is a traffic problem at intersection of Ocean Beach Road and South Coast Hwy doesn't get out of Denmark often enough, they should visit Perth once in a while or even Albany.*
- *The intersection of South Coast Highway and Strickland Street is an accident waiting to happen over peak holiday times and only going to get more dangerous. A system of T-intersections and one way loops may reduce the congestion at the intersection and hence make right hand turns safer.*
- *Some form of roundabout is needed at South Coast Highway and Strickland Street. It is currently very unsafe.*

cc) Council should reintroduce a once per annum "Bulk refuse" roadside collection.					
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Unsure</b>
4.00%	8.70%	17.30%	35.50%	31.40%	3.10%

**Comments:**

- *Tour idea.*
- *A once per year bulk refuse collection would be of huge assistance to those without trailers, or because of infirmity, are unable to get to the tip.*
- *Highly Recommended.*
- *McIntosh road tip and tip shop works well as it stands.*
- *Bulk refuse collection is the most unsightly as it gets left in the streets. Let's have one free pass to the transfer station instead.*
- *Seems that it would help those without trailers. set limits though.*
- *YES! YES! YES!*
- *Institute selective disability scheme to collect from those residents incapacitated.*
- *Extension of the rubbish truck run down Lights Road would be a good move!*
- *This is great for those of us who has no way of getting into the tip.*
- *?*
- *Bulk refuse could be less frequent, perhaps once in 6 months.*
- *Refuse collection if implemented should apply to entire Shire, not just town.*
- *This is a beautiful town. Nothing worse than driving down a street with days of rubbish on verge.*
- *Bulk refuse pick up should occur if it is offered in all towns in the Shire.*
- *Bulk refuse collection should be limited to (say) 1 trailer load.*

dd) Council should explore the development of a wet trail network (Canoe & Kayak) on our rivers, foreshore and estuaries.					
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Unsure</b>
3.90%	10.10%	29.30%	37.90%	14.70%	4.10%

**Comments:**

- *Plenty of opportunities for this pursuit already exist.*
- *Surely people can find their own way around or water ways.*
- *I am extremely sad to see the absolute fright our birds and baby ducks (cygnets) have to go through each year due to jet skis and dogs. I would love to see a few little islands in inlet as safe havens for birds. Jet skis, unfortunately have no place where so many species of birds rest and breed, especially around Poddyshot area to the ocean. (This is the area I am most familiar with, in witnessing the wildlife).*
- *I like this idea.*
- *Develop the river foreshore, cafe strip, boats, canoes, fishing. Encourage people to use it not just look at it.*
- *Inlet to dangerous. Rivers OK Include a hot soak pool for seniors etc at rec centre.*
- *Roadside Collection Service would be good but doesn't benefit people who don't live in a collection area.*
- *Council should invest in projects that benefit businesses. People in kayaks can't spend money while on the water!*

- *Canoe & kayak trail though a nice thought is not going to bring a better shared tourist dollar to our community... this type of tourist will only use rental properties, supermarket, flailing/seriously struggling wineries and restaurants that have high turnover of ownership as they are so difficult to financially sustain. Better sense to introduce incentives to run public transport and get people able to work & pay less for essential groceries/clothing etc.*
- *Let people explore themselves. There are many waterways around.*

ee) Council should explore redevelopment options for the community for consideration, of the former "Skate Park" area of Berridge Park.					
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Unsure
2.50%	4.80%	25.60%	44.60%	15.40%	7.00%

**Comments:**

- *Should remain part of park or maybe a cafe?*
- *As in an earlier comment the river is under utilised and the old skate park is an excellent site for a caravan dump site and caravans should only be allowed a 2 night stay maximum.*
- *Considering many people camp/park overnight there already, it's an obvious choice. Also caravaners should be directed EARLY where they can park. Encourage people to stay awhile longer. And no I am not a caravaner or camper. Just listen to what people are saying.*
- *I wouldn't like to see much too much money used in exploring the options.*
- *The basketball courts at Berridge Park really need an upgrade. It would be good to see this area kept for youth. It could perhaps include a road safety area for young children to learn to ride their bikes with road signs etc.*
- *Its wasted space at the moment. Clean it up and do something with it.*
- *Why not keep the skate park for the young skaters.*
- *Redevelopment for community not caravans.*
- *Please make if permanent.*
- *Rowing/canoe club facilities at old skate park?*
- *This would be a good site for an outdoor gym set-up. It is quite close to the children's playground and is easily visible to the public.*
- *Public open space (Russell Rise) is atrocious and used as a skid track and turning circle for vehicles - this is not good enough.*
- *The last question which I think is a nice idea, provided rubbish bins & toilet facilities are provided to reduce impact on waterway environments. As I don't know what entitlements councilors have I couldn't answer that question - sorry.*
- *The old skate park is becoming an informal camping ground and along therefore rubbish dump. Also there should be some type of traffic control maybe traffic lights at the junction of Horsley road and South Coast highway.*
- *Re the former Skate Park area of Berridge Park - Council could ensure that this area is developed as a pleasant extension of the current European development of Berridge Park to provide space where visitors and locals can have opportunities for different, casual, recreational experiences in a setting which transitions from the European context to a more indigenous Australian context.*
- *Skate park area could be redeveloped as natural park / wetland.*
- *The skate park area should be used for parking. It is discreet and non intrusive to the main cbd.*
- *See "other issues".*
- *see "other issues".*
- *Former Skate Park area should be redeveloped as an extension of the play area, with formalisation and possibly extension of the existing parking area. No buildings on this site, which is at present a tree's backdrop to that end of Berridge Park. Possible site for exercise installations?*
- *The Shire should put this space into extra parking for caravans and tourists with larger vehicles.*

**Other Comments (from above questions):**

- *What about financial security for the Town?*
- *Our town should be safe for pedestrians, cyclists, the young and the aged and encourage recreation - Denmark should be brave enough to be unique and very different to other small towns.*
- *Swimming Pool.*
- *No comment.*
- *Swimming Pool.*
- *Better community services needed not just fire and youth.*
- *Some of these issues are of less importance to ratepayers not living in the "town site".*
- *The roads from the Surf Club turn off to Wilson Head, including side roads; the road to Lights Beach and road to Waterfall Beach should be sealed. (The fine print in many rental car contracts states that rental cars must not be driven on gravel roads.).*
- *Please consider that there are members of the community that live in an urban setup and others live in rural environments. Needs are in some cases quite different.*
- *Privatise some of these things to save money.*
- *Councilors need to be more attentive to the needs of the public.*
- *We need another post box at Super IGA or thereabouts.*
- *1) Support equine trails not just cycling and walking. 2) Boat launching is limited by weather, therefore reasonably protecting fish stocks. (Maintain this). 3) Investigate a heavy haulage bypass from Mt Barker Road area south of pony club over river, link to industrial area and to Cussons road area whilst there is still the chance. This will reduce traffic in OB/Sth Coast Hwy intersection.*
- *Council should look at ways to afford a sustainable swimming pool.*
- *Sporting facilities should include an indoor pool.*
- *The Riverside Clubs proposal should be supported to the fullest extent possible.*
- *I would love to see the shire investigate a ocean pool near Ocean Beach as much cheaper option for a swimming pool in Denmark.*
- *There should be more wind farms for power in Denmark. Also more towers for communication of mobile equipment which is so inefficient (there is more coverage in the north in the mountains than in Denmark).*
- *Use of the word "should" is too strong. Find something else!*
- *Swimming pool? Not mention of that in this survey by the council.*
- *Vehicle access to the beaches, a motocross park, wind farm and swimming pool are more urgent than all the other issues above.*
- *We need a public pool.*
- *No pool!!!!*
- *What appears to be missing from this list is a heated indoor swimming facility for Denmark. This is one thing I STRONGLY support.*
- *On the effluent from Sewerage plant as I don't know how well it has been treated. If it is definitely a pollutant then I agree strongly.*
- *It is essential to get the swimming pool moving.*
- *Council should be careful to preserve the natural beauty of Denmark by not actively encouraging motorized recreational activities and not providing facilities to increase this pollution.*
- *There is insufficient information to provide a proper response to some of these questions, e.g. Boat ramp near Ocean beach, and Marina at Peaceful Bay.*
- *Refer to my earlier comment - hence the neutral notation against these activities.*
- *Swimming pool needed.*



**(C) COMMUNITY CONSULTATION AND ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

A number of avenues are used to promote community awareness of Council decisions and long term planning.

Please indicate, by numbering your top 3 choices from 1 to 3 the preferred methods for broadcasting of Council information.

	<b>First</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Third</b>
DENMARK BULLETIN	77.80%	14.00%	8.20%
ALBANY WEEKENDER	9.60%	41.00%	49.40%
ALBANY EXTRA	6.20%	43.10%	50.70%
ALBANY ADVERTISER	8.60%	51.60%	39.80%
MONTHLY NEWSLETTER (COUNCIL CONVERSATIONS)	16.20%	45.00%	38.80%
PUBLIC MEETINGS	8.30%	31.30%	60.40%
COUNCILS WEBSITE	16.40%	33.10%	50.50%
COUNCIL MINUTES	20.00%	30.00%	50.00%
EMAIL – NEWSLETTER	35.20%	37.80%	27.00%
SMS	0.00%	28.60%	71.40%
YOUTUBE	10.00%	0.00%	90.00%
FACEBOOK / TWITTER	20.00%	23.30%	56.70%

**Comments:**

- *Encourage the introduction of local radio.*
- *If website is up to date then it's the best and first port of call, have more public meetings for contentious/controversial issues or future considerations. Give people a chance to listen and put their opinion. I know... very unlikely to happen.*
- *Electronic media is a quicker, cheaper way of accessing council news.*
- *Must be regular and in a free publication that is available to all in the Shire. Emails would probably be unread, Twitter is the wrong vehicle, not everyone is on FB, minutes are too dense to plough through etc. etc. I certainly read the Council notes in the Bulletin each fortnight.*
- *1. Perhaps place info on public notice boards as well. 2. Maybe offer the bulletin a subsidy if they'll reinstate rural delivery.*
- *No comment.*
- *The Albany Advertiser, Weekender and Extra are "newspapers" that fill our letter box and then our recycle bin. This is the only town (out of 6) that I have lived in that has so much wasted paper come through the mail. Yet most people would indicate that Denmark is an environmentally friendly town. Ironic really.*
- *Our community needs to be involved in decision making but not just through their elected reps. I would like to see Council investigate participatory community decision making, so that all cross-sections of the community are involved. Info at: <http://www.shareable.net/blog/how-to-start-participatory-budgeting-in-your-city> and other sites.*
- *Local radio as number three (I picked "Albany weekender). Information should be published prior to decisions on all major works - i.e. titivation of CBD. Change takes away the atmosphere of an area unless it is done slowly with NEED and acceptance by residents. Otherwise you're just waiting ratepayer's money. Why not questions about swimming pool are will place an unfair burden on ratepayers, even if PARTLY subsidized by royalties for regions. How many hot days does Denmark have? A SMALL pool ROSTERED for use would be sufficient.*

- *Client only pick "Monthly newsletter" Shire needs to consider community members that do not have computer knowledge, skills or machines. Postal needs to be a permanent item as a form of communication.*
- *Public meetings can encourage more people to express their opinions on certain subjects.*
- *Community Radio station, as has been mooted a number of years ago, assisted to get up and running at CRC in new Community Centre?*
- *No mention in this questionnaire of the swimming pool proposal. Thought that would have been the number one question in this survey.*
- *There is only one preferred method for me. All others would not interest me, but you are forcing me to make an inappropriate answer.*
- *An opt-in by choice method to receive council conversations by email could be good.*
- *Radio coverage would also be an option*
- *IM NOT SURE - I don't know what is more viable financially - a big consideration. But I do feel that there is not enough adversity of community/council issues (if you're not looking for them) sometimes this had been taken advantage of. But I'm sure it's very well documented in the small print when you know where to look and are focused on this. This survey is a great way of making people aware of the considerations council and shire have to make and the often lack of the majority of the community involvement. I highly comment you on the idea to include everyone on the survey this year.*
- *Library.*
- *Monthly newsletter should be within the Denmark Bulletin and gives residents the option of perusing the information if they wish to. The rest are frankly irrelevant. Although I irregularly seek information on the Shire's website. One major problem is that residents may not be aware of items that are on the Council agenda and comment to Council are now restricted to a singular Council meeting which may not be convenient.*
- *Bulletin encouraged distributing to rural properties.*
- *Council could have a large notice board at the new swimming pool to distribute information*
- *We do n to have access to electronic (internet) sources and bulletin is not delivered to rural locations.*
- *This ratepayer lives in another state, so lots of these options are not really going to work for me. Council notes/ minutes on the website is a good option.*
- *I see no need for a swimming pool with or beached and Albany so close. I believe all Denmark's natural landscapes should be left alone and no more clearing or unnecessary subdivision we all ready have a lot of empty ones.*
- *Council should have an annual public meeting to discuss the strategy for the next ten years. This would better facilitate informed discussion about important topics such as an indoor pool and cost to ratepayers.*
- *Client only ticked "Denmark bulletin" Once the council minuets were available at a small charge, now they are expensive.*
- *Denmarkians Facebook website.*
- *Depends completely on what is meant by "Council information".*
- *Website does need review and overhaul as currently not that user friendly.*
- *As an occasional visitor to the region, one does not read the Albany papers or Council minutes.*
- *No comment.*
- *It's a great thing to keep people in community involved and in the know about OUR local issues and positive outcomes.*
- *Client only picked "month newsletter".*
- *Believe "council conversations" (no 3) appear in the Denmark bulletin. sms YouTube etc is ridiculous as it does not cover the majority who don't use these forms of communication for council information etc.*
- *Believe "council conversations (no 3) appears in the Denmark bulletin. SMS, YouTube etc is ridiculous as it does not cover the majority who don't use those forms of communication for council information etc.*

- None of the listed newspapers are distributed beyond the town boundary and therefore do not give full coverage of the shire.
- None of the newspapers listed are distributed outside the town area.
- We don't buy Albany papers.
- Re: the above - I live out of town and are of ??????????
- The Council's website is a very good source of information however it is difficult to navigate and would benefit from an improved search engine.
- Facebook would be alright, but I doubt the Denmark demographic who show an interest in Council matters would use it in large numbers.
- The free papers.
- The council could have saved money by putting two letters in one envelope instead of sending 2 letters to most addresses.
- Use free media - don't waste rate payer's money of advertising Council business.
- All three would be good in order to gain the best coverage.
- Minimising costs while providing maximum information to ratepayers should be the main focus
- For this Section you need to define "Council information", it depends on what "information" that you are referring to as each type has a different requirement e.g. Council website for Council meetings/minutes etc Bulletin for brief coverage of Council dealings/controversial issues Public meeting for major issues such as a new bridge over the Denmark River.
- For issues that have impact on individuals such as a big burn or bush slashing close to property or resurfacing of road that will block you in for a period of time or rezoning then a letter would be more appropriate.
- None.
- Website should be based on modern user customisable options, to allow users to adjust the website to their needs. Also allowing email subscriptions for important updates would be an advantage.

#### **(D) CURRENT SERVICE PROVISION**

##### **Standard of:**

<b>ROADS/ PATHS/ TRAILS/ DRAINAGE</b>	<b>Very Poor</b>	<b>Poor</b>	<b>Satisfactory</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Excellent</b>
<b>RURAL ROADS</b>	7.2%	24.5%	56.1%	11.3%	0.9%
<b>URBAN ROADS</b>	0.9%	10.7%	59.6%	26.3%	2.5%
<b>FOOT-PATHS/ DUAL USE PATHS</b>	2.9%	19.2%	53.1%	22.1%	2.7%
<b>WALK TRAILS</b>	1.6%	9.1%	54.6%	29.8%	4.9%
<b>STORM WATER DRAINAGE</b>	6.3%	23.7%	55.3%	12.9%	1.8%
<b>STREET LIGHTING</b>	4.6%	19.2%	61.2%	13.4%	1.6%
<b>BRIDGES</b>	1.6%	6.4%	66.2%	24.2%	1.6%
<b>STREET FURNITURE (BENCHES, RUBBISH BINS, ETC)</b>	1.6%	9.4%	46.6%	35.2%	7.2%

**Comments:**

- *We are not living in Denmark.*
- *A dual use path required to hospital.*
- *Possible walk trail from lookout to ocean beach along cliff top.*
- *For the third year, my request for the sealing of lower Brazier Street. No action. This is a town street and is currently used as a drag strip by "hoons". One day there could be a fatality on the intersection with Crellin/Pierce streets or Hollings road!*
- *Drainage varies important to consider/control runoff at building development stage some high traffic gravel roads e.g. Lights Beach need to be fixed properly.*
- *The unmarked ones are ones that I have no information on to comment.*
- *Some tracks that offer a fire escape routine urgent attention. Machinery damage followed by heavy rains only adds to the damage. For instance, Braidwood Elbow to Blue Wren if Campbell Road was cut off. Also no signs to stop hoon vehicles entering tracks.*
- *Denbarker Road still very narrow especially with all the cars, trucks, caravans etc. Very poor.*
- *When I say "good", I mean I see no need to put in resources to upgrade. There is charm in not having everything plastic and "perfect" or "Perthish". Notwithstanding my earlier comment on walk trails, it would be good to have those massive puddles on the Bib track where it comes off Inlet Drive and winds around to the rail trail, fixed so that the track is passable all year. Also, more could be done on bike track from town to the High School and the Ag College.. The bike track on Inlet Drive is WONDERFUL. Thank you!!*
- *More could be done to keep the vegetation down on the walk trails between SW Highway and the Railway Bridge as this trail at the best of times is very narrow.*
- *Need recycling bins in the CBD streets, more benches in parks and by the river. Info boards on walk trails.*
- *Path from town to river mouth on Hollings road side is very poor and dangerous.*
- *Unsure on some of these points; roads, drainage etc.*
- *Upgrade street seating. Upgrade continuous link to all parks round CBD. Upgrade Berridge park seating. We need multi use paths. Love the seats. RSL memorial. Rural roads are in poor condition - Scotsdale past alpaca farm. top corner on McLeod - near Osborne is dangerous. Street scape brick paving needs to be regularly checked some sinckage make it dangerous. Bakery area paving (bitumen) needs upgrading, it's sunken and dangerous. Upgrade street lighting at bus stop.*
- *A footpath on Mt Shad forth road would help since it can be dangerous walking along the road. It is difficult to see pedestrians and there is little room to move off the road in places due to the slope, curves and trees.*
- *No comment.*
- *Surface of South Coast Highway past Shire Office in very poor state.*
- *Storm water in Harington Break neighborhood runs off the road and down into properties, including ours. Hence our driveway is slowly eroding away.*
- *Road from Denmark to Mount Barker road surface very poor.*
- *There are some roads that do not have street lighting.*
- *Needs to be a cycle path for Mt Shadforth Rd as cyclists almost cause an accident.!!*
- *Walking path on the Hollings road rivermouth to town very poor some area where foot traffic has to walk on road.*
- *The possibility of a second bridge over the Denmark River should be investigated.*
- *Storm water drainage variable some roads terrible - e.g. Shadforth changes to narrow gavel at west end Lights Beach Rd - tourists are encouraged to drive on these.*
- *Federal and State governments need to get their act together about Hwy One. Compared to the eastern states, its condition in WA is deplorable.*
- *Rural roads corrugated. JOB OF SHIRE ENGINEER! Gravel beach roads need to be bitumized and ride undergrowth cleared to a wider area for FIRE safety also around parking areas. Toilets need better wheel chair access.*
- *I have not used the footpaths/walk trails of late so they may have been improved. Storm water drainage was tested sorely 2012 and found wanting. Will see what 2013 brings.*

- *Footpath in main bridge should be cleaned regularly, drainage is usually blocked.*
- *Less brutal clearing/pruning of footpaths would be good.*
- *Lights beach road is very rough at times.*
- *Need bins at beach car parks.*
- *Need second bridge over Denmark River.*
- *Lights Road desperately needs a footpath to Lights Beach.*
- *More cycle ways for safety on highways.*
- *Bin at lights beach parking area. Bin at hospital/river walk circle.*
- *Street lighting not needed outside CBD.*
- *Footpaths; some are great, others poor, so 2 crosses same with other questions. Ask us school drivers about rural roads, some terrible others ok. Town centre is looking good, apart from parking, so start moving outward and put a second story car park behind civic centre, it won't look out of place, with height of civic centre and slope of land.*
- *Drainage on parts of town to ocean beach dual use path is still bad after several attempts to fix it.*
- *Please don't overdo the street lighting except in the main street. People come down here to get away from lights obscuring the night sky.*
- *In case of fire there is only one access out east of town. East river road bridge must be rebuilt and the road rebuilt between Scotsdale road and mt barkers road.*
- *Need doggy bags throughout the town centre.*
- *On the whole you do a reasonable job with limited resources.*
- *I've not been in town at night so cannot answer about street lights.*
- *We don't need lots of street lights outside of town area. They are a waste of resources for example on Weedon hill - they are just a nuisance.*
- *Some Urban roads were resealed late 2011 or early 2012, but the tar is degraded very badly in such a waste of money unless done properly. Walk trail around the river is impassable during winter months.*
- *Drainage in rural areas needs improvement to cope with heavy rain.*
- *If street lighting could be improved without introducing too much light pollution, I'd be in favor. I would rather see more reflective 'cat's eyes' installed on the roads, however, and improved road shoulders.*
- *Solar powered illuminated speed signs outside schools which are lit up at appropriate times are needed, especially on south coast highway.*
- *Suttons Rd has had very little grading over the past two years & we always have to pester the council to get it done. It would be nice if it was maintained properly as not be a danger to motorist*
- *More walking trails are always welcome, where possible.*
- *More bins could be provided.*
- *More road side seating within 2 kms needed . seats outside Visitor Center - Wanted.*
- *An integrated footpath system in town would be good, eg a dual use path to the new hospital.*
- *Bridge - needs another needs some powered speed illuminated signs at schools at appropriate times.*
- *Street lighting outside the CBD is a waste of resources and unnecessary.*
- *I am unsure of these as I no longer reside in the Denmark Shire but in Albany. I do know that some rural roads often need attention.*
- *The Shire is very active in maintaining a good standard of roads and paths, etc...*
- *Not sure of foot paths/dual use paths and walk trails. Some could do with up grading - around river.*
- *Would like more street benches.*
- *Rubbish bins (public ones like at William bay lookout) need more regular servicing during school holidays or signs about taking rubbish to the tip maybe. Smaller fees for smaller amounts of rubbish.*
- *The Poison Point Track is in a dismal condition with continual erosion occurring making the track unsafe for pedestrians and also polluting the Inlet at this location. At a recent council meeting the proposal to upgrade the track was not passed although it is Council's obligation to maintain all*

*tracks that access the foreshore(as per foreshore plan) As previously mentioned roads that access tourist destinations such as Wilson Head and Lights Beach need to be bituminised.*

- *Dedicated bike lanes on the main roads such as Ocean Beach Rd, Inlet Drv, Scotsdale Rd, and South Coast Hwy. It is a beautiful place to ride but dual use paths are not suitable for riding for fitness. Safer cycling would encourage more people to ride into town.*
- *Denmark-Mt Barker Road is poor.*
- *Fire access needs to be developed on gazette track between panorama road and view road.*
- *Need recycle bins in town.*
- *The dirt track access to residential properties above the retaining wall on Hollings road should be upgraded to a sealed road.*
- *Dual use paths need to be smooth to facilitate use by narrow-tyre bikes and wheelchairs.*
- *Tarmac the road to Lights Beach.*
- *Need more dual use paths.*
- *Everything is improving all the time.*
- *Storm water in some areas after heavy rain is poor, e.g. Ocean Beach Rd past Weedon Hill and near Zimmerman St. The dual footpath should be extended down Scotsdale Rd.*
- *Greater focus on maintenance of Berridge Park considering high usage - faulty drinking fountain, dirty seating, scrub around toilets, jetty filthy with bird droppings - steam clean it regularly.*
- *Live too far out of Denmark to make any strong comments.*
- *Thinking of the elderly, maybe a bit more seating would be nice.*
- *Ongoing TLC is required for many pathways, in particular at recent opening of the Wetlands Centre at Atkinson Rd it was evident that little time is spent by the Council at this facility.*
- *Storm water drains: Storm water drainage would be done efficient if drains were cleared of weed and rubbish build up before winter. Street furniture: During summer holiday periods, high usage areas along length of prawn rock channel should have 3 or 4 rubbish bins strategically located for pick up by council rubbish truck.*
- *Perhaps more rubbish bins.*
- *Roads in peaceful bay are poorly maintained and during the busy months are verging on being dangerous.*
- *As a frequent visitor to premises on Mount Lindsey road I think it is amazing that there are signs I think one is Roads to recovery and the other a flora road when the surface is so bad and the potholes this last winter were unbelievable. It is a road to a tourist attraction but I expect many tourists would not venture down it.*
- *Having a holiday place at peaceful bay, some of these questions do not apply.*
- *Rural roads need to be graded more regularly & paving high use gravel roads should be priority.*
- *There are still cyclists not using dual use paths. E.g. inlet drive.*
- *The footpath on the western side of the river is long overdue for an upgrade. One road bridge across the river is not a great situation.*
- *While urban areas are generally, satisfactorily served (with the exception of rubbish facilities!) - Possibility to the recent strengthening of urban representation on Council! - Rural roads management appears under-skilled and walks trails less-than-well-planned/managed (e.g. gates across trails to the West of town!).*
- *Most things are satisfactory. Improvements cost and funds must be found. (Ratepayers?).*
- *Re rural roads.. Mt Shadforth Rd needs sealing to McLeod Rd for safer driving for residents and tourists.*
- *Footpaths are in poor and dangerous condition. especially around the river.*
- *No comment.*
- *Not sure about a number of these items, especially storm water and street lighting.*
- *Could clean the street furniture more regularly.*
- *Thiers still important need greatly for seniors and a disabled re. Paths - someone need to sit on a gopher or walk with a frame to see how bad they are. Walk trails are getting better all the time. Let's not end up with glare lighting.*
- *The bridge on East river road should be traffic accessible again.*

- *Get creative, hire local artists to design street furniture and facilities as Katoomba has done for example.*
- *You could have done with an unsure option. Not everyone has information on all of these items.*
- *A FOOTPATH/DUAL USE PATH IS DESPERATELY REQUIRED ON PEACE ST, BETWEEN MT SHADFORTH RD & KERR CLOSE.*
- *Gravel roads and river walking path not maintained - safety issue.*
- *Please provide rubbish bins at designated dog walking areas, particularly Lights Beach and Ocean Beach dog walking area. We currently have to take doggy bags home in the car. Not pleasant!! In addition, Lights Beach Rd requires grading more often.*
- *More footpaths in town and 'inner suburbs' are needed.*
- *Streetscape has been attractively & practically redeveloped.*
- *I don't know enough about some of these to comment.*
- *Street lights are on till very late it is a waste of electricity, we need to update to solar or led.*
- *Most importantly - Post Box(s) are nit and needed urgently. Street lighting - lighting extended especially main roads south Coast Highway and Hardy Street.*
- *Can't comment on street lighting.*
- *Storm water drainage is a particular issue in the area of Inlet Drive which is prone to flooding. Inlet Drive speed limit requires reducing to 50 km/hr for its entire length particularly in the area of Harper St as the bike path is adjacent to the road. This is dangerous for local children who are on it daily.*
- *Path to Steiner school has been lobbied and promised for years - health and safety issue. Drains often blocked on street and main bridge.*
- *The Mokare trail must be upgraded.*
- *Look beyond investment in roads. Indeed limit this and pour it into community and environmental projects. The Scotsdale Rd widening is sickening.*
- *Footpaths/dual use paths - ocean beach road dual use to Weedon Hill poor. Mokare trail needs re-doing. both are major paths in town. Street furniture: the benches, the better - brings people into the street.*
- *Routine maintenance work is not being carried out on walking trails. Walking trails near to the town-site receive a lot of use by both residents and tourists and should receive regular scheduled maintenance. Both town foot paths and walking trails require maintenance in the same way that roads and the grass in parks receives maintenance.*
- *Lights beach - bitumise or maintain more frequently. It is horrible to drive on at times.*
- *Lack of seats at the beaches and poor access for disabled people.*
- *Maintenance of gravel roads is very good considering the climate.*
- *Need an unsure option for these questions.*
- *I don't know what storm water drainage infrastructure there is to comment.*
- *Park benches along main streets look like they've been around forever! Shire should encourage more walking and cycling via further provision of dual use paths.*
- *Extend dual use paths wherever possible.*
- *None at visitor centre for starters.*
- *Comment as for previous question, you need to look at the safety of the path in the community park, very dangerous in winter.*
- *Get a group together and drive around Denmark and audit these facilities. Do it on a really wet day and see how crap the road drainage is.*
- *Bracknell, Payne, Adams, Gilbert roads are extremely dangerous with no lighting, no footpaths and cars parked both sides often on wrong side.*
- *Paths end prematurely. Examples; From the hospital, the path east to Scotsdale Rd ends a few meters from the roadside path and on the west side there is about a 60 meter break along Scotsdale to Horsley. Not good for wheelchairs.*
- *Please remove the lights from Minsterly Rd. and install them at the junction of Ocean beach Rd*
- *The quality of the Scotsdale Road upgrades is poor. Potholes appear within months, loose blue metal is frequently left over holiday traffic times causing potential damaging and dangerous situations..*

- *Would like a bike track on Scotsdale - know the Ocean beach one is great.*
- *No problems that I know of.*
- *A footpath to the new hospital is badly needed along Scotsdale Rd.*
- *I find it hard to comment on these things because I am not in Denmark very often.*
- *Supply rubbish bins between town & the high school. Students currently litter this walk and leave it to us the residents to clean up.*
- *The path that runs on both sides of the river between the main bridge and the bridge near the river moth is broken, too narrow, overgrown and under water in places. The paths within the Atkinson Wetlands need clearing as overgrown, and better to see where one is walking because of snakes.*
- *Need to have bin for dog poo under sign at Lights Beach.*
- *The bridge on East River Rd should be fixed and drivable to regain access to Scotsdale Rd from the east.*
- *How about re-making the East river road bridge into a dual path.*
- *None.*
- *Second bridge over river needed.*
- *This year the rural roads in bad shape. Need more work doing on them. Mt Lindesay, Walter, Churchill to name a few.*
- *I live on Minsterly Rd and it is a disgrace, edging cracked and broken, bush encroaching onto the road, very narrow in sections.*
- *More benches in parks are required. Rubbish bins are fine. More BBQ areas, such as Ocean Beach would be a good idea.*

## 2. Standard of:

<b>PARKS/ GARDENS/ RESERVES (INC ACCESS, PLAY EQUIPMENT)</b>	Very Poor	Poor	Satisfactory	Good	Excellent
<b>TOWN PARKS &amp; GARDENS</b>	0.5%	1.1%	27.2%	42.0%	29.2%
<b>URBAN RESERVES/ BUSHLAND</b>	2.2%	8.7%	43.5%	40.4%	5.2%
<b>CBD STREETScape</b>	1.1%	5.7%	31.8%	42.8%	18.6%
<b>GRAFFITI / ABSENCE OF</b>	0.5%	1.0%	24.3%	46.3%	27.9%

### Comments:

- *Please compliment your staff on the excellent streetscape gardens in town.*
- *The town gardens are a credit to the shire.*
- *Prefer natives in main street.*
- *It is a great PLEASURE to NOT see graffiti. Shire is extremely quick to act in getting rid of any when there is. Well done to the Shire.*
- *I think it is rather cool that the Shire mixes natives with pretty little annuals - an amusing effort to try and please everyone. Wish we had fruit trees up Strickland Street though. The creative approach to beautifying power poles on the Main Street and Berridge Park has been gorgeous. Please let's do more to tackle environmental weeds, and to deal with the eutrophication that is supporting them in our bush land (storm water runoff I think...).*

- *Consider hanging baskets in the CBD streets from shops and lamp posts.*
- *Great Work.*
- *I don't like the way the CBD Streetscape has made Denmark look like an outer Perth suburb. More graffiti art is needed and more consultation with Denmark arts and transition Kwoorabup regarding Town Design. Edible food crops around the town would be a great addition.*
- *Graffiti now appearing in Denmark should be cleaned of ASA.P*
- *We should show no tolerance to graffiti.*
- *The drive up kerb near IGA has no apparent function and is a nuisance. Also, the parking bays are only good for small cars. Have a section of wider bays.*
- *Love what the shire is doing Re: Park/playground upgrades. Park/market area needs more protection or the ground area will be destroyed!*
- *no comment.*
- *Parking in Strickland Street can be dangerous- poor vision on reversing.*
- *Should look at Nannup gardens and weatherboard Shire Offices. Well looked after and in great condition.*
- *Our new hospital garden is becoming a fire hazard.*
- *Would be interested to know if there have been many traffic crashes since the introduction of angle parking.*
- *NO GRAFFITI.*
- *CBD - more flower boxes and baskets. Need more encouragement of community involvement in bush land care. Fewer annuals planted - so labour intensive and costly. Try something longer lasting -they still have colour! Western entrance to town is disgraceful - needs immediate attention - it's tatty, messy, weed-infested.*
- *Stop wasting money on these! This town needs scenery paintings of old pioneers like Sheffield in Tasmania. It would be unique and great tourist attraction if not over done.*
- *Do not like northern hemisphere trees in our streets.*
- *Some graffiti has not been cleaned off. Who is responsible for this? Parking area at bowling club and Flay st sign post. have been there for weeks.*
- *Still way too much brick in CBD and the pavement/road around library across to shops remains very confusing for pedestrians and drivers.*
- *turn old skate park into car park that includes long bays.*
- *There is a little graffiti in the CBD.*
- *Too much money wasted on fancy paving and messing about in the town centre. Plain, simple and efficient is best value. And plants should be natives to save water and maintenance.*
- *The practice of slashing the edges of firebreaks and road and street verges has led to an explosion of weed species which are detrimental to the natural flora and fauna and difficult for residents to control on their properties.*
- *Need to use more native plants. Need to plant around the beautiful wooden structure newly erected near iga. Look left down Strickland Street and the "tree" is in a sea of concrete.*
- *Find it difficult to negotiate some of the levels in the footpaths on Strickland Street.*
- *Ask for all town folk to report graffiti activity spotted .give a contact in Denmark bulletin.*
- *Graffiti should not be allowed to remain on any building visible to the public. A bye-law is required to ensure that graffiti is removed in a timely manner. Graffiti is not the fault of the owner of a property, but should be its responsibility.*
- *Zodiac paving near library a bad idea people (elderly) find crossing to other side difficult and drivers use it as a u turn or roundabout at times. Stupid design!*
- *The gardeners do an excellent job of keeping the town looking great.*
- *Please put a red dye in herbicides used in town so that people can keep their kids off it.*
- *Fire hazard reduction should be done on small reserves in the town as well as 180 degrees arc to the north of town.*
- *On the whole you do a reasonable job with limited resources*
- *More trees in town area (deciduous) to reduce heat in summer and make town look nicer. More green trees and not so many red trees.*

- *Strickland Street could be a cafe/restaurant precinct and walking mall (no cars) requires good path and stairway access to the river from the mall.*
- *Bush land is overgrown and is a fire risk.*
- *Bush land reserves are a fire hazard fuel reduction is need you have messed up Strickland St. Money could have been better spent elsewhere.*
- *Some areas should be made more 'pet' friendly.*
- *Gardeners make good use of flower beds, always impressed with the results. I would have preferred E. Ficifolia for Strickland St, though.*
- *We have as a family have contributed to the fund for providing a swimming pool for the future generations.*
- *Again dog parks!! Very important. Stop being so anti dogs.*
- *How can we encourage people to use bins at a park side stop?*
- *Council should be praised for its excellent street gardens in town. Friends from overseas constantly comment how the Town looks so good. Congratulations!*
- *Would like provision of resource to seek funds for more public art in and around the shire of Denmark.*
- *As above in 13.*
- *Some urban parks are a disgrace - Dairy View Park - Russell Rise.*
- *Certainly makes Denmark an appealing town.*
- *handrails in cbd streetscape are of little value.*
- *Play equipment is the majority of park is the standard outdated plastic type. Please consider more nature play and alternatives for children aged 0-2, disabled children and children over 5.*
- *CWA toilets may have "art works" but looks like graffiti. Also the lamp posts in town - does this stop graffiti.*
- *CBD Streetscape does not need any more funds.*
- *1. Don't like the exotic trees in Strickland Street. 2. Would like to see a fountain in the CBD.*
- *Parking at holiday times needs a re-think.*
- *Access to Poison Point reserve is severely restricted and has the potential to be further degraded by unmanaged access.*
- *Poor CBD design. Should be one way with reverse angle parking.*
- *I think the council does a great job with the resources it has.*
- *Highly recommend replacing flower beds in CBD with lower maintenance landscape features Recommend using local contractors rather than shire staff for many aspects of reserve management, tracks and trails etc.*
- *Need more public bbq/ ablution facilities in rural visitor spots to encourage more use of tourist spots. E.g. Harewood, Mt Lindsay, Poisson Point.*
- *Graffiti should be photographed for later police action & promptly removed. The graffiti on the power junction box north of the bowling club has been there for months.*
- *Russell Rise 'Dairy View' Park is a disgrace.*
- *I did notice a Hong Kong Orchid tree planted in the CBD under a power line over the road! Some of the taller plants (e.g. kangaroo paws, grasses) in the road centers of the CBD can stop vehicle visibility.*
- *Dangerous play equipment in Berridge Park sand pit - back hoe type grab courses injuries.*
- *Same as 13.*
- *The new playground equipment in the Park (river) is great but the sand is horrible, reflective, and too hot. Flowers in medium strips are excellent well done..*
- *At times I wonder why the main highway gardens seem to 'need replanting' when there's a long weekend or holiday period due, which is when visitors are likely to be here!??*
- *Shire gardeners are to be congratulated for their colourful displays throughout CBD.*
- *CBD streetscape exhibits very poor taste. Ironically (given Denmark's "green" credentials), there are hardly any trees. The main streets are very wide and cry out for deciduous shade trees which would add to the village atmosphere as well as providing welcome summer shade.*

- *The local parks around town need a bit of TLC - e.g. Kemsley Estate playground equipment needs updating.*
- *A shade sail at the children's park on Berridge Park would be helpful as the sun is so harsh.*
- *The town gardeners do an excellent job and should be recognised publicly.*
- *The cbd streetscape is only maintained along South Coast Highway and Strickland st opposite and adjacent to the Demark hotel the garden beds full of weeds and rubbish. The area at the top end of Strickland is the same. Verges beyond the coop are also neglected.*
- *Use native plants to reduce maintenance & water requirements.*
- *The CBD street-scape is heading towards being 'over-dressed' and expensive for ratepayers.*
- *Walks along the river could be a feature of Denmark.*
- *No comment.*
- *Ban dogs off leash anywhere in town and all parks except where dogs can be fenced in also do not allow dogs to be off leash at place of business like the nursery.*
- *The town roads are well kept with the flowers well tended.*
- *It appears that there is always money for new projects but not for ongoing maintenance.*
- *You seem to be on top of the graffiti.*
- *Huge improvements are happening in parks gardens and bush land reserves, it's obvious to see streetscape could improve- perhaps looking into the whole transition towns ideas of fruit tree natives - edible flowers etc in more of the streetscape plan. It's worth a GOOD OPEN LOOK!.*
- *Thanks to Denmark Weed Action Group. Fund them to do more. The streetscape is ugly and makeshift.*
- *Any graffiti should be cleaned up immediately by shire or businesses affected.*
- *Isn't there a viable alternative to BBQs with PILOT LIGHTS?*
- *Streetscape/Parking redevelopments have been a success.*
- *The large mosaic design at the top of Strickland Street is beginning to look tatty! Due to cars. Waste of tax payer's money.*
- *There is a lot grass growing into the native bush everywhere you go. It would be good to make boarders with man handling coffee rock and some round up.*
- *Would like ?????*
- *Too much money is spent by council replacing plantings on South Coast H/way. Would benefit from planting low rise native vegetation which would be less cost and labor intensive.*
- *Pleasing work and effort.*
- *No more brick-paved roads - it's a waste of money and energy hungry.*
- *Streetscape poor not because it needs more of what's been going on, but less. It's not a contest to see which Shire/Council is the most urban in feel. It's not all about paving! Joni Mitchell got it right!*
- *Urban reserves/bush land - a lot more funding should be allocated to careful de-weeding of reserves, rather than any methods in the way of "slash and burn".*
- *Shop owners should keep cleans the gardens and paths around their properties.*
- *The park east of the new Denmark hospital is a disappointment. Priority seems to have been given to vehicle access to the park. Pedestrian access from the town site seems to be via a narrow road which has been shared with vehicles. There seems to be no native vegetation planted in the park.*
- *High risk summer bush land - needs to be burnt to maintain safety in urban/rural fringe.*
- *Need an unsure option for these questions.*
- *Fantastic gardening department.*
- *A lot of money wasted doing up Strickland Street; the sculpture just doesn't suit the location, total waste of our money.*
- *Excellent standard of parks and gardens.*
- *The town gardeners do an excellent job but some businesses need to look after their garden better.*
- *Footpaths require more regular sweeping. Removal of dog excrement. No use of skateboards on main street and footpaths.*

- *Shire reserves need hazard reduction burns/cleanup. CBD needs regular sweeping. Lots of leaf litter etc. building up near steps and ramps.*
- *The gardeners do a fantastic job in town, but the 2 native plants either side of intersection of Strickland and South Coast Hwy need to be removed, not just trimmed, for road safety.*
- *Please Reduce the FIRE HAZZARD.*
- *In the main streetscape I feel the footpaths outside shops often look unkempt. Haven't swept!! Streets could be road swept a little more often. The verges of the sth coast h/way from ocean beach road are a disgrace. The parking bay opposite ocean beach intersection is terrible. I feel Walpole entrance to demark is average. Except the corner of hardy street which we maintain ourselves.*
- *The way Strickland Street is now is terrible. That paved area is a waste of time. People think it's a roundabout.*
- *The sreet-scaping is not 'south coast' i.e. fake limestone (this is granite country) and desert plants (this is a temperate zone).*
- *Please don't waste any more of ratepayer's money on stupid projects such as the bricked area in the town centre or the ridiculous 'sculpture' near the old hospital. Council spending money on graffiti lessons for kids is just crazy; of course the incidence of this vandalism has increased!*
- *I think there is not enough parking and too much BRICK PAVING in places where it would be far better for parking.*
- *Love the new park nr hospital. Wish burning off would stop. Does nothing to improve tourist view and stop fire and cool down areas in hot summers - in my opinion.*
- *We have a beautiful environment but perhaps the urban reserves and bush land could do with a little more attention.*
- *STOP TRYING TO YUPPIFY OUR TOWN.*
- *Any graffiti should be removed as soon as it is reported. Residents should be encouraged to report to Shire if they see any so it can be removed immediately thus discouraging further. I hope!*
- *Do not encourage any more coffee shops. Those in town currently struggle to survive.*
- *Train Shire staff in Bush land Management.*
- *Well Done!*
- *See comment above about Wetlands Centre, Atkinson Rd.*
- *Graffiti under supermarket parking has been there for 4 years.*
- *None.*
- *Keep up the good work, with the gardens.*
- *More shaded and weather protected areas with seating.*

### 3. Standard of:

WASTE MANAGEMENT	Very Poor	Poor	Satisfactory	Good	Excellent
KERBSIDE COLLECTION	6.9%	6.1%	38.1%	31.7%	17.2%
RECYCLING	5.1%	7.7%	36.8%	33.7%	16.7%
MCINTOSH RD FACILITY	0.8%	2.3%	39.5%	38.1%	19.3%
PEACEFUL BAY FACILITY	1.7%	3.6%	73.3%	16.4%	5.0%

#### Comments:

- *We are not using this!*
- *Please return to the 240 liter bin for general waste.*
- *Not been to peaceful bay site.*
- *Never been to peaceful bay facility.*

- *Peaceful bay not known.*
- *I suggest a campaign of refusing to empty recycling bins from people who put rubbish in them and leaving them a note on what to put in their bins, so that the LEARN.*
- *Bins could be provided around the town and parks for normal rubbish and recyclable rubbish. Also it would be nice if the Council could possibly look at the caravan parks in the area because they have a majority of recyclable items in their rubbish. There are 7 parks in the Shire.*
- *Bulk Collection would help keep our town tidy, increasing recycling pick up.*
- *A yearly collection from the kerb would be fantastic.*
- *We don't get a rubbish collection. Out tip staff are very courteous and helpful.*
- *Cost is very expensive.*
- *It would be good to have an annual road collection.*
- *I don't use the above facility so no comment.*
- *No idea about Peaceful Bay facility.*
- *Bulk rubbish collection would help clean our town and help people who are unable to take large items to McIntosh Tip.*
- *Do not know about the last two.*
- *Not familiar with peaceful bay.*
- *Cannot comment on Peaceful Bay, not living there.*
- *Stop looking for cudos just pay these people more THEIR job is important!*
- *Do not like to see the glass being buried, and other recyclables going to landfill. Free green waste disposing is a great help in preparing for the fire season.*
- *Unaware of facilities in Peaceful Bay as I don't live or visit there.*
- *Can't comment of Peaceful Bay facility.*
- *Haven't used Peaceful Bay.*
- *No experience of the other facilities. would like to see more local reuse & re-cycling of waste, particularly glass.*
- *Don't know Peaceful Bay facility.*
- *Not sure of Peaceful Bay.*
- *If Kerbside collection could be considered for ALL of Lights Road homes.*
- *These questions require a 'N/A ' or 'Unsure' option. I know nothing about waste management in Peaceful Bay so how can I rate it?*
- *Being a rural resident I don't use any of the other facilities.*
- *As I live at Point Hillier Vista I don't receive road side collection.*
- *Not completely sure yet. You need a 'don't know' button.*
- *Waste Management/Recycling policy needs urgent attention.*
- *Don't know about the last 2.*
- *UNSURE on Q 4.*
- *We don't have rubbish collection & I have no idea re Peaceful Bay.*
- *As we do not have waste collection it is hard to comment. Some assistance for rate payers that need to dispose of their own rubbish would help.*
- *Annual bulk collection needed badly.*
- *Unsure of peaceful bay.*
- *Problems with recycling is not the Shires fault. Please lobby the state gov to encourage the construction of glass, plastic and polystyrene recycling facilities.*
- *The other items do not apply to my location.*
- *Don't know about peaceful bay.*
- *I can only answer for McIntosh Rd as I have never used the rest.*
- *McIntosh Rd Facility is in disarray. It needs to be cleaned up.*
- *We should increase the goods that can be recycled.*
- *Don't use peaceful bay so no actual opinion.*
- *I don't know about Peaceful Bay. The Tip Shop is an excellent initiative.*
- *Don't have kerbside collection and don't use peaceful bay facility.*

- *Don't know about Peaceful Bay. Our recycling doesn't have enough scope. That is why there is confusion when visitors stay and even most locals don't have a clear idea of what can and cannot be recycled.*
- *I cannot comment we live out of town but Denmark looks always neat and tidy so I give you full marks in this area.*
- *No collection from rural properties. Very little real recycling.*
- *Is the Peaceful Bay facility adequately stopping rubbish from blowing around? We don't have waste services at our Hazelvale address, so no comment on kerbside collection and recycling. The Survey Monkey is forcing me to tick all boxes, just to complete the survey (which is a problem of itself), so in questions 15 to 22, "Very poor" actually means "Don't know".*
- *USING V POOR FOR Q'S I SIMPLY DON'T KNOW ABOUT.*
- *At Christmas and Easter would lives be? Immediately after the ? Reason. I offer ? In experience and there is not enough room for bins to ? For this rubbish. We have 10 beds no ? Of proper ? And food wrappers. We have a ? Bin as well!*
- *We have to do a 45km round trip to deliver our own household rubbish each week & pay more than kerbside over the year & we bring it to you. rip off for the rural disadvantaged.*
- *I am actually unsure about these services.*
- *We need semi rural collections....I go to the tip once a week at a cost of \$7 to \$14 weekly....and the tip doesn't even recycle....no facility for it and we pay extra if we don't recycle.*
- *Not applicable for us.*
- *WHAT RECYCLING? (Normalup).*
- *Annual bulk collection needed.*
- *As above.*
- *Unable to comment on Peaceful Bay.*
- *Ratepayers who live out of town should be given tip passes or something for rate compensation.*
- *The rubbish trucks at market days is most unpleasant. The small was "mackintosh road facility" last Saturday the truck was earlier removed and the next truck had no unpleasant odor.*
- *Recycling seems to be non-existent - can't we do something?*
- *It could be good to look into the recycle issue. the solution seems to be out of our hands at the moment but maybe somehow encouraging government to consider recycling facilities if that is the most environmentally viable solution (it may not be due to factory pollution) But apparently allot of plastic can only be recycled one and our glass is getting land - filled due to expensive costs to transport it east. Or encouraging fresh local produce taking own containers etc.*
- *Bins after having been emptied, invariably have the lids left open. Operators need to be more careful or retrained.*
- *Rate payers who have NO collection have to pay at the tip and are thus double charged. They should get some free passes as in Perth councils.*
- *Why do rural ratepayers get no dump passes???????*
- *I don't use the Peaceful Bay facility. It would be good to be reassured our recycling actually gets recycled.*
- *Can't comment on Peaceful Bay.*
- *There is no kerbside collection at my address.*
- *The Shire burns its green waste which is UNACCEPTABLE. Composting, mulching etc is recommended. There are many other ways the Shire could support reuse- reduction, recycling and waste minimization.*
- *as no kerbside collection I find the cost quite high.*
- *Don't really use these facilities.*
- *I am concerned that not all the recyclables are recycled by our present company from Albany. In times when tourists are here, the company says a lot goes direct to landfill because of contamination.*
- *Holiday time at Peaceful bay needs to be more regular pick up from camping grounds.*
- *Same as 14.*

- *The kerbside collection of recyclable waste is excellent, but I've rated recycling overall as poor because there is no facility for recycling green waste. Some shires in Perth provide free mulch from green waste collected by councils. We could have a mulch collection site at the tip.*
- *I have no use for kerbside collection or knowledge of the Peaceful Bay facility.*
- *Excellent service all round.*
- *"Unsure" would have provided a better answer option for me.*
- *Not living in Peaceful Bay, I don't know how to answer the last question.*
- *Don't know about Peaceful Bay.*
- *I hate being forced to recycle by the provision of a household rubbish bin that is inadequate for the amount of rubbish generated by the average household.*
- *Those outside the rubbish collection area should receive a number of tickets per annum to facilitate disposal of general waste.*
- *I have never visited Peaceful Bay Facility so have to assume that it is satisfactory.*
- *Recycling Bins at Peaceful Bay are needed.*
- *Not aware of standard of PB facility.*
- *This does not take into account rural ratepayers who manage their own waste and pay for disposal at McIntosh rd facility.*
- *I do not use the Peaceful Bay Facility.*
- *No comment re Peaceful Bay.*
- *Unsure of Peaceful Bay.*
- *What happens to glass recycling?*
- *I strongly recommend that at least an annual bulk pickup be considered.*
- *Would like the green bins to be 240 lit instead of 110l.*
- *Peaceful Bay-wouldn't have a clue. Denmark seems OK.*
- *Not really applicable as we are rural and we have to pay for a skip monthly.*
- *We don't get kerbside collection at William Bay, never used Peaceful Bay. Recycling seems to have gone backwards as glass at main tip now just buried. Consider method as seen in semi rural France - larger "industrial scale" enclosed skips in areas accessible to a number of houses that are collected weekly. E.g. one site near William Bay turnoff (off the highway) could be used by all the houses in the area.*
- *Unable to comment.*
- *We have a great improvement - collection all round yet as a person with disability, small car and no trailer could do with something implemented to help more garden waste and large tip items.*
- *We don't even get kerbside collection on Sheoak drive.*
- *Require larger rubbish bin for landfill waste. Small bins are inadequate for larger families in particular.*
- *We don't have waste collection service.*
- *Isn't there a viable alternative to burning green waste?*
- *We do not have any collection. I find due to age taking the bins to McIntosh road increasingly difficult and increasing in cost. There should be some emergency services for which we are sick.*
- *I don't get a kerbside collection but it doesn't give me the option of "unsure".*
- *Don't really know about peaceful bay.*
- *There is no refuse collection for residents on Sheoak Drive.*
- *We have no kerbside collection and do not know of the Peaceful Bay facility.*
- *I assume recycling dealt w well. Don't know anything about Peaceful Bay.*
- *Not able to comment on town collection or PB.*
- *Can't comment on Peaceful Bay Facility.*
- *Would be good if the type of materials that are accepted for recycling by the council could be expanded. In addition Denmark could become plastic bag free in keeping with our green image.*
- *Not familiar with Peaceful Bay facility.*
- *People in rural areas should be issued tickets (6) to be able to take rubbish to the tip per year.*
- *No "Unsure" rating.*
- *I have never visited the Peaceful Bay facility.*

- *Would like businesses to also receive free recycling service.*
- *Bulk verge collections would be appreciated in Denmark. Have no knowledge of Peaceful Bay Facility.*
- *No kerbside collection for vast proportion of Shire residents.*
- *Need an 'unsure' option for these questions - I've never been to Peaceful Bay facilities, so can only assume it is of a standard to that of McIntosh Rd.*
- *I have not used Peaceful Bay so cannot comment.*
- *E-waste management needs further investigation.*
- *I have not heard any complaints about these facilities*
- *There is no provision for "Don't know". I know nothing of the Peaceful Bay facility. Can garbage and recycle drivers be asked to put the bins down gently? They slam them down and the lids fly open, which is not helpful in wet weather.*
- *I have NEVER been to the PB. Dump.*
- *Always clean neat and tidy at the McIntosh facility and no nasty odors coming from there.*
- *I think it is wrong to charge for special rural properties to use the tip when there is no kerbside rubbish collection; it costs our household a fortune and is inconvenient the costs at the Tip are exorbitant!*
- *Suburbs have no kerbside collection..... I would hope that the Shire would strongly encourage IGA (and other food shops) to urgently curb their heavy use of polystyrene containers (for meat, vegetables and fruit.) They clog the system and rubbish bins! A huge problem...*
- *Be nice if people out of town didn't have to pay so much to take rubbish to the tip.*
- *Kerbside collection is needed for residents who are not physically able to take trailer loads to the tip, can't afford to pay someone to do it for them or for those who don't have the time.*
- *I do not have a rubbish collection so cannot comment on kerbside collection or Peaceful Bay facility.*
- *Sorry don't know about Peaceful Bay.*
- *not sure.*
- *I object to a user pay system when rates are over a \$1000.00 a year with no rubbish pick up on Special Rural, no tip passes and large fees for recyclable waste, i.e. cardboard.*
- *Desperate need for green waste collection and ban burning in residential areas. Don't know about Peaceful Bay.*
- *Half of Denmark doesn't even get kerbside collection.*
- *Does not apply to me as there is no waste management infrastructure in this area - holiday makers just use roadside bins or dump their rubbish. BUT I AM FORCED BY THE SURVEY TO GIVE AN OPINION.*
- *never been to peaceful bay facility.*
- *Don't have any rubbish collection.*
- *Us farmers should get free tip passes with our rates like the town people.*
- *I do not use the Peaceful Bay facility.*
- *Kerbside Collection could be 240L bins for bigger items that can't be broken up. Would save people having to spend money going to the transfer facilities to offload larger items. Recycling needs a major upgrade to allow the recoverability of near to 100% of waste. The future of this planet is dependent upon recovery of ALL waste. See <http://www.futuretimeline.net/21stcentury/2050-2059.htm#2050-technology> for further information, where the following comments are made: "Recycling and waste management – for decades neglected by many countries\* – are among the issues now taking centre stage.\* New regulations and market pressures have forced corporations to move away from the model of planned obsolescence\*\* and mass production, to one of conservation and responsibility. Most firms no longer sell entirely new models of their products when technological advances are made. Instead, replacement components and upgrades form the bulk of profits, with items made of universally interchangeable parts. In a world of increasing resource conflicts, "doing more with less" has become an essential mantra.\* A system is also employed whereby customers return products at the end of their life cycle, to be used as materials for the next generation. In some of the worst-hit countries, mandatory resource dumps are organised, in which citizens are obligated*

to recycle any unnecessary personal possessions. Naturally, such systems are highly controversial and intrusive."

#### 4. Level of:

FACILITIES / SERVICES FOR	Very Poor	Poor	Satisfactory	Good	Excellent
SENIORS	3.7%	15.0%	56.5%	21.6%	3.2%
YOUTH	2.3%	10.5%	62.2%	21.8%	3.2%
PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES	5.2%	18.9%	60.2%	13.8%	1.9%
FAMILIES / CHILDREN	3.0%	5.0%	56.7%	30.3%	5.0%

#### Comments:

- Not aware enough to comment but plan to be living in Denmark from later in 2013.
- Unknown as I do not live permanently in town.
- Denmark Arts is doing wonderful work in this space.
- I believe we need an aquatic centre. This would benefit seniors, those with disabilities and families with children.
- I'd like to see more done for our youth. Facilities and services for outraged are adequate. They're not the only stake holders in town - youth and family need equal consideration.
- I am vision impaired and find everything is written so small it is difficult to see.
- Have not needed to access services for the above groups therefore unable to comment.
- Suggest councilors try getting around town with a wheelchair or pushchair! Use a walking frame, see where the problems are. We have extremes of ages in our community. If we wish the elderly to stay here, we need to help them get about safely. We need more for the 0-5 age group and their families. Suggest you contact the Denmark Early Years Network Group (c/o library) and have a meeting with them (cross-section of people involved in children's services).
- First one minus! 1. Where 2. Adequate 3. Poor 4. Poor seniors need their own "drop in" center. Aged people with disabilities rely on relations and friends for support i.e. night care, medical appointments, shopping, monitoring for safety, help when injured i.e. falls. Have you done a survey on seniors living alone, their needs? What can be done to alleviate their worries about future needs and yours! If you live long enough. (underlined with pink highlighter).
- Can't comment on Youth, Disabilities and Families.
- No comment - I'm not in any of these categories but had to tick something or am unable to submit the survey.
- Not sure of seniors and disabled facilities.
- Again, I know little or nothing about these questions, so my ratings have no meaning.
- I do not come into contact with any of these services.
- Not completely sure yet. You need a 'don't know' button.
- Love the new playground.
- Areas along inlet - Poison Point - to be made accessible for disabled. What happened to submission to upgrade road and fishing platform at Poison Point??
- Provisions for people with disabilities should always be up for review.
- Haven't used any, so no idea.
- unsure of seniors.
- Don't really know; don't rely on these facilities for my everyday wellbeing. When needing services have never had a problem getting what I need. (I think people rely far too heavily on Gov's instead

*of doing things for themselves, go back 20, 30, 50 years etc people survived without all the stuff we have today!*

- *A public bus service would greatly benefit all the community and tourists maybe between town and ocean beach. A hop on hop off at regular intervals would be great with regular stops on the way. Need room for surfboards etc.*
- *I am not involved with any of these. In the absence of "uninvolved"/"unsure" or similar you are forcing me to make this response without me having any Knowledge of what is "satisfactory" - I could just as easily have put Excellent or very poor.*
- *On the whole you do a reasonable job with limited resources.*
- *Never used any of them but you give me no choice to say so.*
- *Chose middle option as "unsure" option is unavailable.*
- *Need more Post Boxes for seniors. As I do not have children at home and do not use facilities / services I really can't comment.*
- *Can't comment on first 3 as I am not a senior, a youth and don't have a disability.*
- *Don't feel I can comment for the disabled persons.*
- *We can't make an informed comment on these.*
- *USING V POOR FOR Q'S I SIMPLY DON'T KNOW ABOUT.*
- *As retiring (able bodied) senior citizen I can't comment on these facilities.*
- *Unsure about youth and people with disabilities services.*
- *There is a strong need for a pool to be providing adequate services for families/children.*
- *As above.*
- *Don't know enough to answer for family and people with disabilities.*
- *Poison Point still is inaccessible to our disabled citizens, incredible procrastination by councilors.*
- *Have no children or disability.*
- *Facilities and services for seniors and people with disabilities could be improved. Parking for ACROD card holders need to be policed more closely against non card holders.*
- *Families and children would really benefit from an indoor 8 lane heated pool with learn to swim, club swimming and fitness training options.*
- *NEED AN OPTION FOR UNSURE AS I AM SURE MANY OF US DON'T HAVE THE DATA TO MAKE AN INFORMED JUDGEMENT.*
- *I am not a full time resident so have no interaction with these services.*
- *Need coordination of children's activities 0-4 ages (toy library, crèches, child care etc).*
- *Always room for improvement.*
- *Give the over 70's a parking permit and limit the parking in Strickland Street to seniors and the disabled.*
- *Can't really comment since we don't use these facilities.*
- *We need a swimming pool for all generations!*
- *Same as 15.*
- *I know little about the first 3.*
- *A letter posting box with easy access is needed - perhaps near visitors centre.*
- *I have no real experience of any of these.*
- *As a relatively new resident, I'm noting there are 'things' I'm unable to comment on yet, i.e. I haven't had to visit the cemetery, haven't had any dealings with councilors, haven't noted youth, elderly or handicap facilities.*
- *Denmark Shire has made progress with some facilities for people with disabilities but sadly lack accessible areas around rivers, inlets and sea where aged and disabled can be taken to enjoy recreational time on water side multipurpose platforms. It would be ?? ?? View boardwalks, platforms, erected by shire ?? or any other ?? ?? With these in use.*
- *Same comment as above.*
- *I was forced to answer this question but I don't want to - don't use any of these services.*
- *Additional "local parks" required for use by families with children, with playground equipment installed/available.*

- *Seniors need a proper meeting place that will accommodate a greater number to encourage more social activity.*
- *Acrod stickers take a backseat when visitors come to town. Often see people with no Acrod sticker illegally parking in those areas.*
- *Again, public transport is the issue here... all of the above should be empowered to travel to Albany for cheaper & variety of services, plus to visit partners in hospital etc, regardless of whether or not they can drive themselves.*
- *Peaceful Bay needs access for people with disabilities and for families and children to the beach areas.*
- *Council needs to constantly seek to encourage opportunities for genuine, community-led, low-cost services/facilities for each of the above categories.*
- *Greater focus on seniors is required. Higher percentages will clearly occur in the future.*
- *No comment.*
- *Need hydro pool urgently.*
- *For seniors some more hand rails would be an advantage on some shops.*
- *No real comment or understanding of what is available as we are not full time residents.*
- *Unable to comment.*
- *Again I really see shire looking and creating more of all the facilities above. Yet still huge amounts of listening to all the people mentioned above to ASK what THEY need and act accordingly.*
- *Chose middle option as "unsure" option is unavailable.*
- *Without vehicle access to the beach, it is impossible to take older people with mobility impairments to said beaches.*
- *All these are surely evolving to meet community needs.*
- *NOT FAMILIAR WITH ANY OF THESE SERVICES SO CAN'T COMMENT.*
- *Don't know.*
- *A non-chlorinated public pool is a high priority in my opinion for all ages.*
- *A pool would be good for all of the above.*
- *Once again, my experience is limited so my comment is inappropriate.*
- *Surveyor did not answer question. Don't know - live to far away to make use of these facilities.*
- *Have not had to test these items although people with disabilities seem to be catered for.*
- *All of the above would benefit from a heated indoor swimming facility particularly people with disabilities and families with young children who are unable to access easily local beaches and who would benefit from access to a swimming pool for health and social reasons.*
- *Don't know so ticked "satisfactory"?*
- *No "Unsure" rating. All "Very Poor" ratings = "Unsure".*
- *The Denmark Recreation Centre staff seems to put a lot of effort into encouraging families and children to make use of their facilities. This is important work and their efforts should be recognised.*
- *Pool/aquatic centre would improve services across the community.*
- *No unsure option, so am just ticking very poor in order to move forward in the survey.*
- *I have no trouble with any facility in town. As a senior I am not in a position to comment on the other facilities.*
- *The facilities/services for seniors and people with disabilities could be improved, particularly parking for ACROD card holders in the CBD.*
- *There really needs to be more facilities for each of these categories.*
- *No refuse for abused or threatened families.*
- *Need to encourage a developer to build a retirement village where people can move from independent living to being cared for. The hospital is not the correct environment for semi active people to be.*
- *There will always be ongoing room for improvement within these areas as needs and lifestyles change.*
- *We need an indoor Swimming pool.*
- *The town I feel caters for families very well.*

- *Need an Alzheimer's section at the hospital. Need a pool.*
- *Chose middle option as "unsure" option was unavailable.*
- *A pool is a necessity for seniors, youth, people with disabilities and families/children.*
- *I am not a full time resident so cannot comment on these facilities.*
- *Again, not suitable for seniors. Foot paths and parking.*
- *Need a swimming for use by all the above groups.*
- *Don't know anything about these.*
- *We definitely need more services for the aged in terms of accommodation when we can no longer cope in our homes.*
- *A community pool would be beneficial to these groups.*
- *Dogs are family too.*
- *for seniors & youth I would prefer to have had "NOT SURE" as an option*
- *I am a senior and disabled and am delighted with all the facilities provided for us in these 3 years we have lived here.*
- *not sure how good the access is for those with a disability.*
- *Not sure about some of these, really need a "don't know" or unsure option.*
- *No swimming pool, beaches without shade or vehicle access,...*
- *Have no knowledge of any services or facilities as I do not access them. BUT I AM FORCED BY THE SURVEY TO GIVE AN OPINION.*
- *At present I am not involved in the use of such facilities so am unaware of what they offer.*
- *Rest do not apply to me.*

## 5. Standard of:

FACILITIES	Very Poor	Poor	Satisfactory	Good	Excellent
OUTDOOR SPORT & RECREATION	1.5%	2.9%	44.6%	41.7%	9.3%
INDOOR SPORT & RECREATION	2.1%	6.8%	39.7%	41.7%	9.7%
CULTURAL & COMMUNITY FACILITIES	2.4%	6.5%	47.1%	39.0%	5.0%
BEACH & RIVER FORESHORE	1.6%	6.5%	38.8%	41.8%	11.3%
PUBLIC CONVENIENCES (TOILETS)	2.2%	9.4%	44.0%	39.9%	4.5%
CEMETERY	2.5%	4.1%	58.0%	31.1%	4.3%

### Comments:

- *Ok but could be better - modern/bright.*
- *Need a heated 50 meter swimming pool.*
- *Denmark needs a swimming pool.*
- *I've never been near cemetery, so I am UNSURE.*
- *The current recreation centre is of a good standard but a pool is definitely needed for the town.*
- *I have always been happy as a visitor, but above comment applicable.*
- *Civic centre toilets smell bad.*
- *Wish there was a swimming pool option here. It would be interesting to get the stats of those who use the private pool made available by a local citizen as a public service for children learning to swim and those needing recuperative pool activities post-surgery.*
- *no idea about the cemetery.*

- *Suggest Council could make allowances for dogs to be taken onto Ocean Beach east of the main swimming area.*
- *Insufficient meeting places in town for community groups. Civic centre doesn't seem to be the heart of the community currently.*
- *We need an indoor pool. This is not just sport and recreation but also therapy and a lifesaving opportunity for children to learn to swim well.*
- *Toilets in Norm Thornton Park - an extreme waste of space such a large building for only 3 toilets - CRAZY!. Civic centre toilets need an urgent upgrade. Park area below bowling clubs a muddy bog and underutilized Dragon Boat Launch area needs upgrade. It's a valuable asset to Denmark's wellbeing. RSL Hall and Civic Centre need upgrading River foreshore needs upgrade.*
- *Many residents work outside of Denmark in Albany or Mt Barker. It is difficult to use indoor facilities on weekday hours.*
- *No comment.*
- *Would like to see more Council support for the Riverside project!*
- *WE definitely need an indoor swimming pool. It would be used by all ages. Swimming classes for young children - school etc.*
- *Unfamiliar with cemetery.*
- *Need a pool! Need a dedicated soccer facility. Need more open areas for ball play for young families.*
- *Public seating needs to be UNDER COVER. CBD gazebos need more cleaning, table especially. Beach toilets anyique! Needs showers and change areas. Monthly cleaning of footpaths NOT annual.*
- *Need a pool which kids can race in.*
- *Never been to Cemetery, so can't comment.*
- *I don't use any sport/recreation faculties (but will when there's a swimming pool).*
- *In peak times there is a need to stop parking on foot paths.*
- *Not sure of cemetery.*
- *Again, I know little or nothing about these questions, so my ratings have no meaning.*
- *Not completely sure yet. You need a 'don't know' button.*
- *We need a pool - so many of us with disabilities cannot easily access the beaches. An indoor pool would provide a great and necessary exercise, therapy option.*
- *Outdoor/indoor - do not participate so not able to rate the above.*
- *Toilets and shade facilities at Prawn Rock channel.*
- *Again I don't use so no idea.*
- *Unsure of cemetery.*
- *The last few proper beaches an Wilson inlet, Crusoe, Rudgyard. Are being taken over by weed, I used to pull up the weeds when I lived there. Nobody seems to won't to save the beaches, couch grass is taking over especially since the inlet isn't flushing/opening properly over many years.*
- *Need a good modern theatre in town for plays, panto and concerts, all looks very tired and dated at present.*
- *See comment in 4 above. You are forcing a meaningless response from me because I cannot say" I have no views on the matter".*
- *I don't know about this!*
- *Once again need a never used any to know option.*
- *Hollings Rd/Inlet Drive foreshore could be revamped for picnic areas and recreational areas all along the river to the caravan park.*
- *I can't make any comment on the sports and recreation facilities as I have not used any of them. The Civic Centre IS in urgent need of upgrading. I have had no reason to visit the cemetery.*
- *Never been to the cemetery.*
- *The halls in Denmark are excellent they are a credit to the town. Albany halls are poor they haven't any good dance floors. You could dance in any of Denmark's halls.*
- *We can't make an informed comment on some of these.*
- *Aquatic Centre required.*

- *Need better signage for toilets in CBD, tourists can never find them.*
- *Toilets are good, foreshores are generally well maintained and signage at beaches is good. Better paths along the river would be great, though. And love the idea of the Wilson Head walk! USING V POOR FOR Q'S I SIMPLY DON'T KNOW ABOUT.*
- *Where marked satisfactory I am unsure.*
- *Need shade cloth for children play area at Berridge Park.*
- *Recreation facilities need to be improved by the provision of a pool. Basketball and the gym is not suitable for everyone.*
- *As above.*
- *Unable to comment on Indoor Sport and Recreation; and the cemetery.*
- *Swimming Pool ??*
- *Indoor swimming pool would be useful.*
- *The Civic Centre is a third world facility - needs a huge revamp.*
- *Denmark River facilities have improved, as have the new observation platforms overlooking the ocean (very popular).Some of the public conveniences are very old and probably not used and should be dismantled and /or replaced by more modern facilities.*
- *I've often thought the river mouth area could be really spectacular but it is dominated by a car park. It could be a really great recreation precinct with floating jetties along the foreshore where the old boats are currently spread out and randomly moored. It would be great to see the old heritage type boats mixed with some new ones (preferably sailing and low speed power boats). A yacht club facility even if it was open with BBQ's and shelter. The inlet is really under utilised for both recreation and as a tourism draw card.*
- *Regular clearing of weed from Poddyshot boat ramp required.*
- *NEED AN OPTION FOR UNSURE AS I AM SURE MANY OF US DON'T HAVE THE DATA TO MAKE AN INFORMED JUDGEMENT.*
- *Toilets often dirty.*
- *Need a pool.*
- *Stage 2 of the recreation centre including a swimming pool needs to be implemented.*
- *I support the indoor pool request.*
- *Don't use rec facilities.*
- *Would like a sea swimming pool at Ocean Beach.*
- *I am a little concerned that the new development across the river adjacent to the bowling club is a bit of an eyesore and not in keeping with the character of Denmark. We do not subscribe to being a suburb of Perth!*
- *-Civic Centre toilets need cleaning more regularly as does River mouth toilet Public shelter required at River mouth - only shelter is fish cleaning facility.*
- *Same as 16.*
- *We need a swimming pool.*
- *Standard of sport facilities is good, but range is inadequate - we need an aquatic centre for those who can't do weight bearing activities.*
- *Ocean beach toilets were disgusting between charismas and New Year. Hot weather, thousand visit the beach, but cleaning services did not match the demand.*
- *I have no experience of most of these as yet.*
- *Denmark river youth sandy lacks shelter sheds. Prawn rock channel lacks both shelter sheds and some ?? Of picnic table facelifts. Both these areas provide safe family swimming. Locals and tourists deserve an up to date ?? An increase in parting at P.R. Channel.*
- *Rec Centre could provide for more accessible/flexible hours for users - which will increase patronage numbers (i.e. weekends).*
- *Swimming pool would be a great addition to sport and recreation.*
- *Never been to the cemetery.*
- *My only gripe about beaches is that due to monopoly of the surf club there is no easy access to the dog beach at ocean Beach.*
- *Toilets need to be open more often.*

- *Swimming pool for Denmark.*
- *More availability of public toilets & public telephones would be sensible in our town. Not just in the CBD but even along ocean beach road walk path as well. It is a very long way for tourists to trek without having either of these facilities if required. Other than highly embarrassing, also obviously highly unhygienic for people to drop their 'business' along the trek.. Plus not everyone has a mobile phone... and there are plenty of snakes along the way!!*
- *Better development of foreshore at Peaceful Bay.*
- *Public Toilets at Lights Beach and Boat Harbor should be given a high priority regarding cleanliness and a lack of toilet paper.*
- *No to heated pool yes to ocean pool at ocean beach.*
- *Swimming pool would be a great access to all members.*
- *Rarely use these facilities.*
- *No real comment or understanding of what is available as we are not full time residents.*
- *Peaceful Bay beach is good.*
- *We do have allot of sports available, yet options need a re-vamp - definitely indoor/outdoor pool for kids, seniors and disabled (vital) We need lots more cultural development cemetery needs expanding and making more respectful.*
- *Without vehicle access to the beach, it is impossible to take older people with mobility impairments to said beaches. Plus, once we get there is no shade to protect them from the sun.*
- *Indoor pool will improve winter facilities.*
- *Should have had an Unsure box as not sure on a couple of these. Haven't had occasion to visit the cemetery of late.*
- *Haven't been to the cemetery for many years so don't actually know, but you don't have an unsure button.*
- *50m swimming pool/aquatic centre is a necessity, especially for local youth and seniors who find it difficult to access beaches. e.g. Greens Pool.*
- *Open up one more beach access between William Bay and Parry's. Improve road to Boat Harbor so all can access.*
- *Need an indoor pool ASAP Need natural burial site.*
- *Could do with better toilets at lights beach and some at Madfish Bay.*
- *Our well-used community/recreation centre could be even better with the addition of a pool.*
- *I have not visited the cemetery.*
- *N/A client did not answer.*
- *Yet to use the indoor sport facilities but would like to see an indoor swimming pool in Denmark.*
- *How about an ocean pool at ocean beach??? Council should explore this possibility.*
- *Need a heated indoor swimming facility.*
- *The town needs an Aquatic Centre. There should be Wheelchair access at Poison Point and pathway for wheelchairs around the inlet.*
- *Have not used some of these facilities.*
- *Need natural burial.*
- *Never visited cemetery. Where is the "unsure" rating? All "Very Poor" ratings = "Unsure".*
- *Cultural and communities - looking forward to entry enhancement to civic centre via "town square".*
- *The outdoor facilities must cost a lot to maintain and it would be good to see them get more use.*
- *Can't comment on most of these as I haven't used them! Where's the unsure option for these questions???? Have ticked very poor instead of.*
- *I have not as yet had any personal need for the cemetery but if it is not right when I do need it I will come back and haunt you!!*
- *No toilet paper in the river foreshore toilets or paper to wipe your hands dry.*
- *Denmark should defiantly have a pool, we are in the 21st century!!!!*
- *Have only commented on facilities I am familiar with.*
- *Ocean Beach is eroded badly by the western bar opening each year and similarly the health of the inlet would improve vastly if the bar were to be opened each year adjacent to the Dunskey Reef.*

*The western opening does not create enough exchange. Bite the bullet; remove the illegally placed sand hill where the centre opening used to be and give it a five year trial.*

- *We need POO bags at the inlet Dog beach.*
- *Indoor heated swimming pool would be a fantastic addition to the town.*
- *Pool would be nice.*
- *We need air conditioning in the Civic centre; it gets very hot and stuffy.*
- *Would love to see a pool! Also it would be good to have toilet facilities (compost is fine) by the bbq area at the railway bridge crossing of the river, we spend a lot of time swimming/canoeing there and the toilets (near the caravan park) are annoyingly far away.*
- *Need a pool.*
- *Do not use outdoor or indoor sport and recreation centre.*
- *An indoor heated pool and spa are needed!*
- *Old Niche wall needs attention. I would like to see it moved near the new one.*
- *I'm sure all could do with a continual upgrade.*
- *Need for a swimming pool.*
- *As is happening, the Civic Centre is getting a facelift.*
- *Need a "don't know" option as I have never been to the cemetery or some of these other places so how can I have an opinion.*
- *No swimming pool, beaches without shade or vehicle access make a family day out rather painful.*
- *See comment 16 above. BUT I AM FORCED BY THE SURVEY TO GIVE AN OPINION.*
- *A pool facility would be great.*
- *Need a swimming pool.*
- *Cemetery needs somebody looking after it full time. Lawn flower beds and more seating. It looks like nobody cares about it at the moment.*
- *Beach and river inaccessible for most elderly and disabled hence the need for a pool.*
- *Beach and river foreshores need better conservation efforts focusing on keeping people off the shores, except in developed shore-protected nodes. The foreshore infrastructure needs to incorporate upgraded bench seating, bbq's, shaded picnic shelters, fishing facilities, etc.*

**6. Standard of:**

<b>DENMARK RECREATION CENTRE</b>	<b>Very Poor</b>	<b>Poor</b>	<b>Satisfactory</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Excellent</b>
<b>QUALITY OF CUSTOMER SERVICE PROVIDED BY STAFF</b>	1.6%	0.6%	41.9%	35.0%	20.9%
<b>RANGE OF PROGRAMS/ ACTIVITIES OFFERED GENERALLY</b>	1.4%	2.1%	43.8%	39.3%	13.4%
<b>RANGE OF PROGRAMS/ ACTIVITIES OFFERED FOR DISABLED PERSONS</b>	3.7%	9.4%	65.2%	17.4%	4.3%

**Comments:**

- *Only used it once but good service.*

- *I only say poor because a pool is needed. The range provided for the facilities we have available is good.*
- *Ditto.*
- *Should be an unsure option here. Not all of us use it.*
- *Never been.*
- *As I do not use this facility I feel I cannot comment on these questions, therefore I have ticked "poor" as the survey demands an answer.*
- *I don't really use it. I'm a bit underwhelmed about the holiday program - seems to be "entertainment" oriented, rather than an opportunity to teach the kids things off-curriculum.*
- *Don't use this facility.*
- *Cannot comment too accurately as have not used this facility recently.*
- *Unsure regarding activities for disabled persons.*
- *I don't use this facility and would NEVER use a pool. I believe it's a totally unaffordable and unsustainable. If Denmark is to consider and pool - why not an ocean one? I swim in Greens Pool summer and winter without a wetsuit.*
- *Marked satisfactory as I have not used any of the services.*
- *No comment.*
- *Seldom used, not a 'sportive' type.*
- *Don't use facilities.*
- *I don't use the above facility so no comment.*
- *Never been in there.*
- *Unsure of disabled facilities.*
- *Cannot comment on services for disabled persons. Would like to see regular ladies-only gym sessions.*
- *Don't use so can't comment but required to tick anyway?*
- *Did not answer, chose middle option. I DONT USE? Needed HOT POOL for therapy NEEDED! A safety rail is needed to be completed along Scotsdale road behind the old hospital which has NO road edge and NO footpath or walking area off road. This is the DIRECT route to hospital from Amaroo and Lionsville for seniors use.*
- *Am not sure about disabled services, but am aware of bus that takes citizens to groups etc.*
- *I wasn't aware there were any programs/activities offered for disabled persons.*
- *Can't comment on disabled persons.*
- *I don't use this facility but had to tick something or am unable to submit the survey.*
- *Chose middle option as "unsure" option is unavailable.*
- *No experience of this so can't comment, but survey monkey demands an answer, so I've put satisfactory, as it doesn't bother me one way or the other... There should be provision made for 'don't know or care!'.*
- *Not sure of disabled.*
- *Again, I know little or nothing about these questions, so my ratings have no meaning.*
- *Do not use Rec Centre.*
- *I don't utilise the facility.*
- *Not completely sure yet. You need a 'don't know' button.*
- *Haven't used the facility. Need a D/K category for this part of the survey.*
- *Don't use this facility - so not able to rate the above.*
- *Have not used this facility.*
- *No personal contact. Only heard positive comments.*
- *Selected middle option as "unsure" option was UN available.*
- *As Above.*
- *Have not used this facility.*
- *I do not use this facility so have no constructive response. see 5 above.*
- *You need to have an "unsure" section here for those who currently don't use the rec centre because it does not offer a pool!*
- *Never used any.*

- *Not applicable.*
- *Unsure about disabled programs.*
- *Unable to comment.*
- *I have never used the DRC so can't give an informed opinion.*
- *Can't answer for disabled.*
- *I don't not use the rec centre so I can't not comment on something I don't use I am sure from the few times I have there it is excellent.*
- *Don't use the rec centre.*
- *We can't make an informed comment on these.*
- *USING V POOR FOR Q'S I SIMPLY DON'T KNOW ABOUT.*
- *As I am an elderly citizen and visit Denmark only once a month, I cannot comment on the above ?*
- *Where marked satisfactory I am unsure.*
- *Over-all happy here.*
- *As above. I have no idea as I do not use the facility - can only mark as satisfactory.*
- *Have not used this facility. Can only go off what I read about the facility.*
- *Have never used the facility.*
- *Disabled? Don't know.*
- *Not known.*
- *Some of the facilities are top class, however disabled activities within gym are considered restrictive, this could be improved by the availability of an indoor pool.*
- *Not disabled.*
- *Our kids love the holiday program If an indoor swimming pool was added to the rec centre it would be fantastic.*
- *Don't use it so I can't really comment.*
- *I don't use it so have no comment & your survey is so poorly designed it won't allow me to offer no comment so I have had tick satisfactory! Your survey is now skewed.*
- *Don't use at all!*
- *NEED AN OPTION FOR UNSURE AS I AM SURE MANY OF US DON'T HAVE THE DATA TO MAKE AN INFORMED JUDGEMENT.*
- *Have not used the recreation centre so am unable to comment.*
- *I have not used the recreation centre.*
- *Do not use this facility as live out of town therefore not cost effective for me. Do not anything about this facility.*
- *A swimming pool needs to be added to the range of services provided. The pool will provide low-impact fitness opportunities not currently broadly available.*
- *Not used.*
- *I don't really know what is offered for disabled people but I would be willing to help with any programs. I wish the rec Centre was open on weekends.*
- *DO NOT USE IT.*
- *Not too sure what is offered to disabled persons.*
- *Level of Court hire charges can limit access for various activities.*
- *Don't use this facility.y*
- *Range of programs is good given the constraints of the current buildings. However, those with injuries, chronic conditions and disabilities are not adequately catered for. An aquatic centre would address this limitation.*
- *Did not answer, chose middle option.*
- *I have not used the Centre as yet.*
- *As a senior disabled person I would love to be physically able to participate in the range of ?? Of?? Instead I really on safe ?? Access to various water victims where I had at on special purpose platforms with friends for a cup of tea, paint, photograph?? The scenery meditate or fish. There are young tourists who would appreciate doing likewise.*
- *Same comment as above.*
- *I was forced to answer this question but I don't want to - don't use any of these services.*

- *Programs/activities seem to cater for elderly & non-working people; focus needs to be on flexibility for those that work.*
- *Don't use these facilities but have not heard any bad comments.*
- *Don't know what's offered for disabled.*
- *I do not use this facility as I find the programs are too expensive.*
- *I have no idea as I have not experienced these.*
- *Not used.*
- *I do not use this facility.*
- *As I am not disabled, I cannot really answer fairly on this point, hence my forced choice of satisfactory.*
- *Regrettably, my personal familiarity with these issues is not strong.*
- *Having dirty/ slippery floors regularly is not good enough. These are dangerous for players and when staff has been approached the response was we could do it ourselves. We pay to get in and use the facility therefore it should be safe.*
- *Would like to see the staff support the sporting groups using the rec centre. Some simple requests such as having the floors swept after the rip sticks had been on it (making it very slippery) were refused, making playing sport dangerous.*
- *No comment.*
- *Not sure as I rarely frequent.*
- *No real comment or understanding of what is available as we are not full time residents.*
- *Unable to comment.*
- *Look I used to think this was fantastic but I feel we need to bring in innovative interesting and new sports and programs for ALL types of people in the community.*
- *I have very limited experience with the Rec. Centre. There should be a "don't know "column.*
- *Don't have opportunity to use the facility so don't know.*
- *NOT SURE ABOUT DISBALED PROGRAMS.*
- *Don't use the centre so can't comment.*
- *Learn to swim and aquatic based injury rehab & exercise is needed.*
- *Not sure about activities for disabled but doesn't give me the option of "unsure".*
- *Can't comment re disabled - don't know.*
- *Smaller towns have swimming pools get a move on with one.*
- *See above.*
- *The recreation centre would benefit from the addition of a heated indoor swimming pool.*
- *Age and circumstance - non requirement at present.*
- *Have not used this facility so cannot really comment.*
- *Chose middle option as "unsure" option was unavailable.*
- *Don't know so ticked "satisfactory"?*
- *"Unsure"?? All "Very Poor" ratings = "Unsure".*
- *Not able to comment as do not use centre at this time.*
- *Can't comment, have used very poor. Again, where is the unsure option?*
- *Do not know what programs are offered for disabled persons.*
- *Do not use recreation center.*
- *Not Familiar with this subject.*
- *I have heard this doesn't run at a profit, if so is there too many staff employed. They shouldn't complain about putting the carpet down for indoor bowls, it keeps older people active.*
- *Do not use this facility but have not heard any negative comments.*
- *No option "Don't know". I don't know how good facilities are for the disabled.*
- *We don't use these facilities very often.*
- *Am unsure of programs for the disabled so have marked satisfactory.*
- *Swimming pool...& hydrotherapy pool needed for all ages.*
- *Again, a pool would be nice!*
- *Unable to comment as have not used these facilities - Had to mark "satisfactory" in order to continue the survey!!!*

- *Need a pool.*
- *If one does not use the centre, how can one be asked to comment?*
- *Never use but would if aquatic centre was on same site.*
- *I have not used the recreation centre so have no opinion on this topic.*
- *Staff and facilities are excellent. I use this center three or four time a week and am pleased we have it.*
- *Love the rec centre staff.*
- *Don't use it am disabled. But have worked in the kitchen that is very poorly set up.*
- *Have not used this.*
- *Not sure about disabled persons, where's the "don't know" option?*
- *See comment 16 above. BUT I AM FORCED BY THE SURVEY TO GIVE AN OPINION.*
- *I would use the gym if I was able to exercise early morning without having to pay the 'personal trainer' rate.*

## 7. Standard of:

<b>DENMARK PUBLIC LIBRARY</b>	Very Poor	Poor	Satisfactory	Good	Excellent
QUALITY OF CUSTOMER SERVICE PROVIDED BY STAFF	0.9%	0.2%	24.0%	29.3%	45.6%
RANGE OF PROGRAMS / ACTIVITIES OFFERED GENERALLY	1.2%	1.0%	37.7%	42.1%	18.0%
APPEARANCE AND AVAILABLE SPACE	3.5%	14.5%	47.1%	27.7%	7.2%

### Comments:

- *Haven't used it.*
- *1st class all the way.*
- *Good courteous service.*
- *Ditto.*
- *I do not use Library.*
- *Bring on a new 21st century library space. The staff work wonders with such an outmoded facility.*
- *Never been.*
- *Library needs more room.*
- *More space equals more books - can always use more books!*
- *Could do with a tidy up. Staff are extremely helpful. I access 4x audio books per week. I am encouraged to order my books I'd like to read (I'm way too busy to sit and read but I can listen to books whilst doing other things).*
- *No comment.*
- *I haven't been there.*
- *Don't use facilities.*
- *We are so lucky to have Robin and her staff. Nothing is too much trouble. They encourage young readers.*
- *I don't use the above facility so no comment.*

- *Don't tend to use it because of access.*
- *Library staff are excellent!! Fantastic service. Space could be larger - more books, reading and study areas, community meeting rooms, outside undercover area.*
- *Don't use so can't comment but required to tick anyway?*
- *Library is too small for towns needs. Needs to go to a larger building or use RESOURCE area which I understand if shifting?*
- *Please provide toilets within these facilities. (All other libraries I have visited have these).*
- *Staff are friendly and helpful.*
- *Difficult to access for the disabled and elderly.*
- *I do not use the Library.*
- *I don't utilise the facility.*
- *Not completely sure yet. You need a 'don't know' button.*
- *Our library with its excellent staff (Robyn and team) could be a central meeting place for community and visitors alike: A garden setting/more books/ a cafe/study, reading, children's space/ natural light/ water feature/history section display/ art/craft display of local artists.*
- *Haven't used the facility so have put satisfactory as there is no unsure response and the survey is insisting on a response.*
- *Have not used this facility.*
- *Again no personal contact.*
- *Have not used this facility.*
- *Library is much too small for numbers who use it. I love libraries but we need many more books and a much bigger brighter space. Staff are all fantastic*
- *I do not use the Library. See 6 above.*
- *A bigger library would help with access and range of books.*
- *I can't answer on things I never use or look at.*
- *Not applicable.*
- *Need more space and more books - one has to go to Albany after a while to obtain more books.*
- *Unable to comment.*
- *Must be upgraded and increased in size.*
- *Library staff are the best.*
- *We can't make an informed comment on these.*
- *Great spot, seems like it should open onto the main street (more evening hours would help too).*
- *See previous note.*
- *Where marked satisfactory I am unsure.*
- *Support the idea of Rec Centre being upgraded to provide library and swimming pool.*
- *As above.*
- *Robyn Fairclough is an outstanding ambassador for reading for all ages. Her commitment to the children and families who walk into the library is to be commended.*
- *Good use is made of available space. Staff are wonderful.*
- *Library is another third world facility (in fact I have seen better libraries in the third world). It should be either demolished or re-built.*
- *Quite a small library in space but it's never been over crowded when I've been there. I'm unaware of all the programs/activities offered but impressed to hear about some of them in the paper. The staff have always (since I've lived here) been fantastic in the library very friendly and welcoming too.*
- *Combine crc and library.*
- *As is generally the case, all customer service by the Shire staff has been excellent this year.*
- *I use this facility all the time. It is very good mainly due to excellent and helpful staff.*
- *I don't use the library but I am happy to pay for it, in the same way there are people who use the library that I don't mind subsidising them, a swimming pool is an important community facility which can be contributed to by all rate payers.*
- *Staff wonderful - space could be enlarged with benefits to service provided.*

- *NEED AN OPTION FOR UNSURE AS I AM SURE MANY OF US DON'T HAVE THE DATA TO MAKE AN INFORMED JUDGEMENT.*
- *I have not visited the public library.*
- *Always a pleasant place to visit. Staff very helpful.*
- *Not used.*
- *I have never met nicer staff than in the Denmark Library.*
- *I do believe Council has an improvement in the pipeline- this is overdue and should be promoted.*
- *Same as 18.*
- *"Very poor comment" is in no way a reflection of the efforts of the staff who do a fantastic job. The library is one of Denmark's (and every community's) greatest assets and should be given high priority for upgrade.*
- *I have only just started to use the library.*
- *One can only imagine the benefit to staff and public a larger area would provide.*
- *Same comment as above.*
- *I was forced to answer this question but I don't want to - don't use any of these services*
- *Haven't used the library much- all seems a bit cramped..*
- *most of the staff are excellent.*
- *Should not have children's activities at library as too noisy.*
- *The Library needs more space so that there could be a better range of fiction books*
- *I have no idea as I have not experienced these.*
- *not used.*
- *Due to the very poor layout of the public library, I rarely visit the local library, purely as it is very crowded and due to this, cannot do much about expanding the selection of books available off the shelf. Very Dull and Uninviting BUT... The staff in contrast are always very helpful and pleasant to deal with.*
- *Need more space.*
- *I do not use this facility.*
- *Would love to see the library get bigger with dedicated areas and more books!!*
- *No comment.*
- *Needs air-con.*
- *Don't use library.*
- *It would be good to see a local studies collection broadened and enhanced.*
- *No real comment or understanding of what is available as we are not full time residents.*
- *Unable to comment.*
- *Again the improvements are great. Public consolation on what we want. Need some space so greater fun activities can be offered.*
- *Needs more room.*
- *We are proud of our wonderful library.*
- *Appearance is the best they can do in limited space. Space is the issue - Denmark has outgrown facilities.*
- *Not used - but have heard favorable content.*
- *Don't know so ticked "satisfactory"?*
- *There is limited space for such a busy library. I look forward to the extension of the library in the next few years.*
- *Great customer service. Could be updated - shelving and general set out.*
- *Don't use, can't comment. Unsure option? Where is it?*
- *Children's activities should be held elsewhere as a Library is not the right place for noisy gatherings.*
- *Excellent service.*
- *With the town's growth this area may need expanding.*
- *Need more large print books for large senior population.*
- *Top marks for Robyn and Hazel*
- *More space = more books. Please.*

- *My mark does not reflect any downside, because we haven't lived here a long time and are away quite often we don't use these facilities as often as perhaps we should.*
- *The library has a wonderful, friendly and helpful atmosphere.*
- *The librarians do a wonderful job but the space/permanent stock is very limited.*
- *Chose middle option as "unsure" option was unavailable.*
- *I have not used this facility.*
- *Never used it myself.*
- *Not open Wednesday mornings a disadvantage.*
- *love the library staff.*
- *I'm sure the staff would like more space and perhaps a frontage on Strickland St.*
- *Don't use it. Go to Walpole.*
- *Unable to attend this place but only heard good reports.*
- *have not used this.*
- *See comment 16 above. BUT I AM FORCED BY THE SURVEY TO GIVE AN OPINION.*
- *Perhaps a little cramped at times.*
- *A dedicated purpose built library facility is required. I am not confident of the library upgrade occurring over summer, but it will be interesting to compare the results from this survey with the next in two years.*

## 8. Quality of:

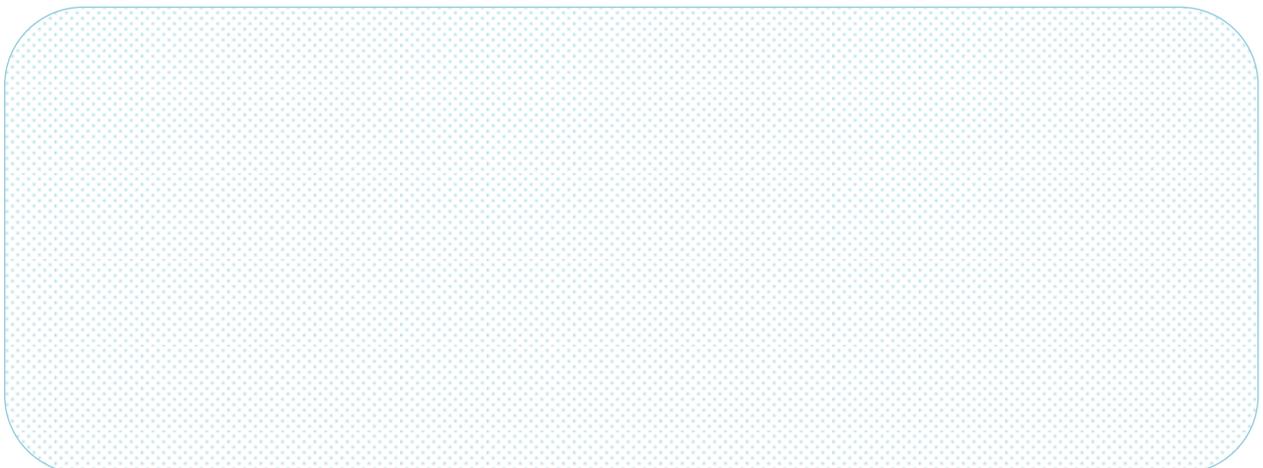
<b>CUSTOMER SERVICE PROVIDED BY SHIRE STAFF</b>	<b>Very Poor</b>	<b>Poor</b>	<b>Satisfactory</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Excellent</b>
<b>RESPONSE TIME FOR INFORMATION REQUESTS</b>	2.4%	4.2%	32.4%	42.9%	18.1%
<b>ACCURACY OF ADVICE/ INFORMATION</b>	2.1%	3.9%	35.1%	43.8%	15.1%
<b>DEALING WITH CUSTOMER REQUESTS</b>	2.1%	4.5%	31.1%	42.3%	20.0%
<b>COURTEOUS/ FRIENDLY RECEPTION</b>	0.9%	0.5%	20.7%	39.1%	38.8%
<b>TELEPHONE MANNER</b>	0.3%	1.1%	23.4%	41.6%	33.6%

### Comments:

- *Responses could have been quicker and accurate.*
- *A1.*
- *Very courteous and pleasant humor.*
- *Always happy to date.*
- *never used except to change my address and considering the letter to notify me of this survey was sent to my old address I haven't had much success with the staff although my rates did come to my new address.*
- *Kinda depends on who you deal with. Graham Blackmore has been brilliant.*

- *Response mostly good. Although it took 18 months of regular complaint to fix the water leak in the ladies Civic Center toilets.*
- *Marked satisfactory as have had very little to do with shire staff.*
- *No comment.*
- *PLESANT AND HARD WORKING! What about standard of management? Treatment of staff? Public access to facilities meetings etc? Use of council area for fire refuge. Management awarding their own wage rises unfair, unconstitutional.*
- *Director of Infrastructure Services needs to commit to a customer service ethos.*
- *Haven't needed advice or information.*
- *Email response time is slow.*
- *Some of these I also know little about so some responses are meaningless.*
- *This assessment refers to the office staff only and not the other Shire Staff or Councilors.*
- *Not completely sure yet. You need a 'don't know' button.*
- *I have found Kevina to be great but otherwise my experience with the staff at the shire has been very poor. I have sent email requests for information 6 months ago and to date have never received a response.*
- *Letters to shire ignored.*
- *Emailed for info re feedback on a development and request never responded to. Missed the time line for feedback as a result. Had difficulty finding development plan details on the web. It would be useful to email the web link directly.*
- *My wife has always complimented shire staff who she has had to deal with.*
- *Unsure of telephone manner.*
- *Jason young take a bow. excellent staff member to deal with.*
- *Need to be friendlier.*
- *My dealings with Shire staff are some years ago - things probably have changed for the better over the years.*
- *haven't really had to deal much with shire but on the odd occasion all was good.*
- *We can't make an informed comment on some of these.*
- *Ranger service needs to be upgraded and an on call phone line needs to be manned...hard to get a hold of anyone after hours. The pound needs an upgrade and needs to be manned as well.*
- *Have always found staff helpful if necessary to contact.*
- *Had problem with information update on fire regulation and land development - a proposal went to council when a new fire management plan should have been prescribed? (This was a waste of time of councilors and us) council officers had not told us of changes.*
- *The boxes ticked unsure are because I haven't experienced or asked for these requests. I have always had good experience with the shire staff - very helpful and friendly.*
- *refer to comment above.*
- *One staff member is excellent; black hair and tattooed shoulder. Very efficient and helpful at all times and shows initiative.*
- *Responses for LPS comments annoyingly missed the point(s) or ignored.*
- *I received a Fire Infringement notice which I believed was unjustified. I queried it via email three weeks ago and still no response. I also have a planning application for an aircraft hangar which is effectively a shed. 6 weeks seems like a long time to approve a simple structure.*
- *Failure to properly respond to correspondence is a problem. The Planning and Infrastructure sections of the Shire are particularly arrogant in not appreciating community input and acting in a way that devalues citizen input and interest.*
- *Really good response to recent enquiry about planning permission.*
- *Always helpful and courteous.*
- *I don't have any experience that would allow me to answer some of these questions. I think you should have a "not applicable" option.*
- *I compliment CEO President Staff for their generous assistance when needed.*
- *Same comment as above.*
- *A pleasure to deal with the shire officers.*

- *not used often.*
- *The refusal by the CEO to facilitate the provision of information to clarify and resolve issues arising from leases held at Peaceful Bay in an open and understanding manner has exposed weaknesses in councilor representation of the Ward and an unfortunate lack of consideration and public service within Council's senior staff.*
- *I have lived in many shires. Denmark is clearly the most pleasant and efficient of all.*
- *Have not dealt with shire staff therefore am unsure.*
- *No comment.*
- *On the whole I've always had help.*
- *No real comment or understanding of what is available as we are not full time residents.*
- *Still waiting on a reply to an email sent 3 months ago regarding Peaceful Bay.*
- *Staff are always lonely sometime response can be slow but changes depending in staff.*
- *Response times have not been in accordance with Shires published charter.*
- *Very poor planning section. Do not return calls or emails. Keep changing their mind on requirements. Poor customer service.*
- *I have reported a termite infested tree on our verge and nothing has happened!*
- *Have very little contact.*
- *The staff are excellent!!!*
- *The reception staff are to be commended for their friendly and willing attitude. Perhaps they could facilitate some training for other Shire Officers?*
- *At levels below Executive, very good.*
- *No follow through on my query about a neighbor's dam built on my property without my consent. Was told someone from Planning would get back to me - 6 months later and STILL waiting!*
- *11 out of 10. A fantastic team.*
- *When complained about the safety of the community park path no one got back to me, not very good service.*
- *I have always found the manner of Shire Staff excellent - well done!*
- *There has been a big improvement in the ranger services lately.*
- *This shire I have to say is one of the best to work with. Although we have had limited dealings with the shire we have found them to be excellent. What stands out is they are so happy, Friendly and telephone and reception desk manner. I haven't found any better. Congratulations!!!*
- *Very helpful at all times.*
- *Love the shire staff.*
- *We are blessed !!!!!*
- *Chose middle option as "unsure" option was unavailable. Same reason as above.*
- *I don't always get a reply to emails and letters. "satisfactory" means I don't know.*
- *If only all shires were like ours.*
- *I know in my role that I need to improve markedly in my response to customer requests. And I think that more staff will help out all other current employees in providing timely, accurate, and fully researched replies to customers.*



## 9. Performance of:

COUNCILLORS IN RESPECT TO	Very Poor	Poor	Satisfactory	Good	Excellent
ACCESSIBILITY/ AVAILABILITY	2.3%	6.0%	62.5%	25.0%	4.2%
ATTENDING TO ISSUES RAISED BY YOU	3.4%	10.0%	60.4%	22.3%	3.9%
OVERALL PERFORMANCE	3.3%	8.4%	60.6%	24.4%	3.3%

### Comments:

- *Councillors push their own agendas and do not represent the whole community. The continued discrimination on holiday accommodation providers is tiresome and begs the question that Councillors have Conflicts of Interest regarding this matter.*
- *I have had no reason to call any councillors.*
- *They are no doubt very busy but have to be sought out for information and response to issues.*
- *Ditto, but seem better than most council.*
- *All three range from very poor to good depending on councillor and issue. some have their own interests and not receptive to neutral consideration of constituents concerns.*
- *A N/A option needed here to find out who doesn't feel the need to access their Councillors.*
- *Never used.*
- *It took nearly 5 months for someone to give me info on a tree overhanging my fence. The girls there were getting quite sorry for me but could do nothing more than to just take my calls.*
- *I must say, I don't pay much attention to them, but they seem okay.*
- *Unsure.*
- *Council appears to be driven by state government and bureaucratic requirements than local needs. Please be driven by future needs rather than short term revenue gain.*
- *There is one who don't pull their weight - most are exceptional, dedicated and an asset to Denmark.*
- *Haven't had a reason to contact any of them.*
- *Have had no contact with councillors so I am unable to comment.*
- *No comment.*
- *I've had no need to call anyone.*
- *Never spoken to a Councillor.*
- *Have not been in Denmark long enough to make a true statement.*
- *Have not had dealings with councillors.*
- *Unable to comment as I have not requested information from councillors.*
- *Haven't contacted them but they attend the meetings which is good.*
- *Highly variable depending on councillor (and issue) can be good, can be very poor.*
- *I have had no need to contact my local rep but it would be good to have him/her give feedback to his/her 'constituents'.*
- *Councillors doing a wonderful job. Management needs upgrading!*
- *Have not had occasion to contact a Councillor so cannot give an accurate assessment.*
- *I cannot comment on present day councillor's performance, as I have not been attending meetings. When I did attend meetings in the past I did feel that many councillors do not listen to petitions and arguments presented by citizens because they have already made their minds up and they are not prepared to listen to any arguments no matter how compelling.*
- *I don't know.*

- *Mr. Hinds input into the over 50's association is much appreciated. Cannot comment on the other councilors.*
- *No comment but had to tick something or am unable to submit the survey.*
- *Again, I know little or nothing about these questions, so my ratings have no meaning.*
- *Not completely sure yet. You need a 'don't know' button.*
- *Have not dealt with personally.*
- *Councilors could be more proactive in communicating what is going on. I lack information in this regard and can't answer the above.*
- *No contact with councilors - unable to comment here.*
- *No contact needed.*
- *Chose middle option as "unsure" option was not available.*
- *Concentrate on practical issues rather than trendy issues.*
- *Have never had any need to contact a Councillor.*
- *Councilors vary in their performance; some are absolutely great while others are not so accessible.*
- *I have not had the need to contact councilors in the last 12 months so have no constructive comment See 6 above.*
- *I have not had contact with councilors.*
- *Fortunately have not needed contact for several years.*
- *Not really sure about this as don't have anything to do with council.*
- *Unable to comment.*
- *The performance rating is based on my experience with Councilor same - but he does not represent this ward. I have had no contact with any other councilors.*
- *have never tried to contact a councilor so please disregard my 'satisfactory' ticks for this question.*
- *have no idea other than reading the bulletin ,but the person I voted for who is still in council now has never been to see if I have any issues , having said that I have not had to go him with any issues.*
- *Chose middle option as no boxes we selected on paper copy.)*
- *We can't make an informed comment on these.*
- *The majority of my experience has been with one councilor who has appalling interpersonal skills and a distinct lack of apathy so please allow for such bias in my response - it does not apply to all councilors.*
- *Beat's Albany's performance by miles.*
- *Except for certain members and their own agendas.*
- *Jan Lewis is in my opinion the best in regards to accessibility and helpful manner. I haven't dealt too much with anyone else but she is very professional.*
- *Some councilors are a great asset to us and some quite the opposite.*
- *Not had an opportunity to assess this yet.*
- *I don't have to make this contact.*
- *Have not personally contacted a Councillor. Survey demanded a response!*
- *I don't have anything to do with them.*
- *Councilors for particular wards should interact with their constituents.*
- *I get annoyed by councilors moving or seconding a motion and renegeing on the action/motion at a later stage. Inconsistence seems to be the order of the day by some.*
- *Chose middle option as "unsure" option was unavailable. Never had cause to contact one but from personal experience some are deadwood and more self than community interested.*
- *Too many councilors have had own agenda's or pro development for whatever reason. Not valuing the current or a sustainable long term ideal.*
- *I have only attended one council meeting but some councilors seemed to want to drag things out on miniscule points for the sake of having their voice heard I have received phone calls from councilors when I sent them emails which I think is excellent that they took the time to do so.*
- *I have no comment but your survey is so poorly designed it won't allow me to offer no comment so I have had tick satisfactory! Your survey is now skewed.*

- *NEED AN OPTION FOR UNSURE AS I AM SURE MANY OF US DON'T HAVE THE DATA TO MAKE AN INFORMED JUDGEMENT.*
- *Have had minimum communication with councilors.*
- *I have had little interaction with councilors.*
- *I have lived in shad forth for approximately 18 years and have never had a visit from any councilor representing shad forth.*
- *Not used.*
- *Of course I disagree with some council decisions.*
- *(Selected middle option as no "unsure" option was available.) Have had no occasion to approach an individual councilor regarding any issue. Only hearing about other people's dealings with councilors.*
- *Did not answer, chose middle option.*
- *Ditto.*
- *I was forced to answer this question but I don't want to.*
- *Have never dealt with any councilors.*
- *Unknown no contact.*
- *I have no personal experience of this.*
- *I have never personally had call to raise an issue with a councilor but the fact that they do make themselves very visible and approachable within the community indicates to me that they are on task, focused and interested.*
- *Cr Gillis, Sideward provide a great service to their rate payers.*
- *The consolidation of Wards has diminished the quality of representation for major areas of the Shire, e.g. Peaceful Bay.*
- *I have no idea of this.*
- *No comment.*
- *Don't know never needed them.*
- *Honestly I've never contacted any. But skepticism says they are like politicians. I suppose my opinion is only a general one probably not accurate!*
- *No real comment or understanding of what is available as we are not full time residents.*
- *Unable to comment.*
- *I don't know how to answer this to black and white.*
- *No experience with these issues.*
- *Chose middle option as question was not answered.*
- *HAVEN'T HAD THE NEED TO CONTACT A COUNCILLOR.*
- *Not had experience with Councillors.*
- *Have never spoken with a Councillor.*
- *Very little contact.*
- *haven't had to deal with any councilors.*
- *This question requires, a choice of "never used/ unaware etc as this and some previous questions have required an answer which I can't judge, not having needed or used the services.*
- *Considering it is a voluntary job, councilors should be respected for their level of commitment.*
- *Not really sure - haven't dealt with any in past 12 months.*
- *With regard to Kent-Nornalup Ward.*
- *There are too many - should be 7 qualities over quantity!*
- *With the exception of one or 2 councilors the profile of councilors in the community borders on nonexistent.*
- *Relatively new resident.*
- *Within the "satisfactory" rating there is considerable variation. Some councilors would fail any measure of objectivity or consideration.*
- *Only put satisfactory because no "don't know" option. Haven't tried to contact.*
- *Too many councilors with vested 'green' interests, in particular the DCW wind farm*
- *Adrian Hinds is doing a good job representing seniors.*

- *Including the Council's Executive, generally [sic] comes across as having an insular mentality and traditional, conservative management out of step with the town's more progressive attitudes, and the world's needs.*
- *No specific issues raised by me therefore unable to give feedback.*
- *Who are our councilors? Again, the unsure option would've been useful here.*
- *Councilors should vote for the good of the community and not be influenced by small groups.*
- *Haven't raised any issues with councilors as yet.*
- *A couple of the older councilors seem to have exceeded their use-by date. But the electors decide that one.*
- *We are happy little vegemite!! We haven't had any issues that has needed us to access a Councillor.*
- *Haven't dealt with them.*
- *Have not dealt directly with any Councilors on any issue so unable to comment on performance ditto "satisfactory" in order to continue survey.*
- *1/ Cr Samson's revised street plan nth Strickland St. 2/ Cr Syme misinformation re: DTB website, no right of reply at Counsel Meeting.*
- *Chose middle option as "unsure" option was unavailable.*
- *I have not contacted any councilors.*
- *Again. Not sufficient choices. The questions are too general. Some councilors are good and some are not.*
- *A bit hit and miss..Depends who you ask to do what..One in particular councilor I had to deal was shocking.*
- *no particular issues have been raised.*
- *Have not had any cause to contact Councillors. BUT I AM FORCED BY THE SURVEY TO GIVE AN OPINION.*
- *We are, in the main, very lucky most care about the town & surrounds and that how it will stay if they remain for all intents and purposes "volunteers".*
- *Councilors do not make direct contact with constituents.*
- *Do we need so many councilors? Some of them are just looking after themselves.*

## 10. Provision of:

SERVICES FOR	Very Poor	Poor	Satisfactory	Good	Excellent
NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (ENVIRONMENT)	2.2%	8.3%	62.9%	23.7%	2.9%
TOWN PLANNING	6.5%	18.7%	54.5%	18.3%	2.0%
BUILDING PERMITS & APPROVALS	3.7%	13.9%	59.3%	19.9%	3.2%
PUBLIC HEALTH	1.2%	6.6%	59.3%	29.5%	3.4%
FIRE PREVENTION	4.4%	9.7%	43.8%	35.9%	6.2%
RANGERS / LAW ENFORCEMENT	1.9%	7.1%	45.2%	37.5%	8.3%

### Comments:

- *Town planning needs to be reviewed or are officer's performance impeded by Councilors?*

- *All staff, Office nurses at hospital 1st class, lovely people, let down by very poor funding from state and federal governments by both parties. Limited staff so most beds not available, kitchen food very poor quality.*
- *FIRE: lots of good intentions.*
- *There are too many reserves to be covered by only one sustainability officer. Perhaps an environmental officer is required?*
- *Ditto.*
- *satisfactory - means unsure*
- *Never used.*
- *Please let's not let our panic over bushfire cause us to destroy the beauty of this place. We all have a choice whether we want to live here or in the agricultural lands where the fire risk is lower.*
- *Need a designated emergency response site(s) in case of bushfire/flooding/storm etc.*
- *Unsure.*
- *Building permits and approvals need to be enforced. So many especially on rural properties build what they like and get away with it. IGA need more regular public health monitoring - dates on consumables, meat hygiene, toilet hygiene. Engineer and town planner are doing a great job. CESM doing a great job - needs more support from Dale. Rural live stock comments in next paragraph. Be careful not to over regulate volunteer fire fighters or you'll lose them.*
- *No comment.*
- *The New rangers are great.*
- *Some satisfactoriness = unsure or not known.*
- *Rangers - Need to do a bit of physical work! Police great. Foot path from high school to town URGENTLY needs clearing and widening. Undergrowth in forests near town needs YEARLY CONTRYL BURNING or clearing.*
- *Town planning and building permits and approvals is an area that seems to be abused. I have seen some blatant abuses of the approval processes, some buildings built contrary to by-laws without permission, one approved outside council's own by-laws, no approval sought, but seemingly no sanctions/action taken by council, approval given for one building but another type built that is outside the by-laws but allowed to be.. It seems that precedence has been set for almost any breach of the town's building approval processes and the council would not have much of a case to argue against it. Building and planning by-Laws are only effective if all abide by them and they are enforced without fear or favor.*
- *Can't comment on public health.*
- *Have put unsure against ranger/law enforcement mainly because, parking in disabled bays is rife and the ranger is never around to control it. Law enforcement at the weekends is nonexistent.*
- *No comment - I haven't used these but had to tick something or am unable to submit the survey.*
- *Again, I know little or nothing about some of these questions, so some of my ratings have no meaning.*
- *Fire Prevention intentions good but some more consultation with Weedon Hill residents would be appreciated.*
- *I believe we need more Ranger resources to properly patrol our beaches and popular tourist spots.*
- *Not completely sure yet. You need a 'don't know' button.*
- *I frequently use lights beach (west), there are ALWAYS dogs (1-6) and NEVER a ranger. If they visited and out spot fines, dog owners would get the message and head east.*
- *Strickland street parking is dreadful.*
- *Have not used these services - unable to comment here.*
- *Absentee owners should be pursued more stringently to ensure properties are fire safe.*
- *what about- public safety in case of natural disaster.*
- *Waste water treatment plant should have been agreed on years ago.*
- *After seeing the lady ranger having to wait to go down the hill next to the pizza shop, and she didn't chat him, plus others not always moving them on in non parking areas, I don't know if they are doing their job at the best of their abilities. (Saw 2 cars in 10 min coming up the wrong way, maybe the sign is missing.*
- *There is little in the way of afterhours service.*

- *I don't like the way the shire is heading. The Denmark co-op has been on the corner of high St. and Strickland St and serviced the town and districts over 60years it is insulting to say that one business is lower than another. Lower order indeed.*
- *We can't make an informed comment on these.*
- *While satisfactory, NRM and town planning are important and have long lasting impacts, so seeking and attracting great staff/advice/programs seems worthwhile.*
- *Fire prevention/rangers: Unfortunately, still too many property owners do not comply with regulations - Rangers? And shire should use their powers to reduce the fire hazards.*
- *No knowledge as don't reside in Shire.*
- *Unable to comment on all but one service.*
- *Q13 to 23 answered satisfactory allot as absent land owner.*
- *A lot of these questions are not relevant to some of us because we don't use them. I have no idea about disability facilities or anything at Peaceful Bay.*
- *town planning should be thought through thoroughly BEFORE going ahead to minimize additional rectification costs.*
- *I can't comment on these.*
- *Health of the inlet is a major concern. Two problems are the western opening of the bar (should be changed) and the discharge of effluent into the inlet.*
- *Great Ranger!!*
- *I have an issue currently by a new ranger issuing traffic (parking) infringements. He is obviously under instruction however for a tourist town this could be a huge negative for some unfortunate tourist. Furthermore the ranger himself has parked next to a no stopping sign whilst he walked to 40m to deliver an infringement notice. Although when questioned he asserted his right to park at that location when infringement notices are to be given at another location. I find this hypocritical*
- *Have not been involved for 12 years so cannot comment.*
- *No space for "unsure" in this survey... Satisfactory will have to do?*
- *If someone is non compliant with the fire regs, they should be contacted to rectify the situation in 7 days. If it is not done by then, they should then be fined and have the work done by the shire or their contractors at the owners cost. Fining people straight off the bat puts you in the same class as police with Multanovas becoming revenue raisers for no benefit. It just causes resentment towards the shire.*
- *Worried about level of preparation for dangerous fire conditions...why is the fuel reduction program of town reserves so far behind?*
- *greater infringement of bushfire, fires, parking required.*
- *I do not know enough to comment on some above issues. You should have allowed a column for not sure: therefore I have been negative with my answers.*
- *Town planning is not providing councilors or townspeople with a plan that allows separate residential areas. These areas are necessary for growth of a permanent/stable population. A swimming pool needs serious consideration to boost public health.*
- *Not used.*
- *Need to take fire precaution much more seriously. The precision of a second taxi-way at airport for water bombers being point in question. Unbelievable that it was knocked back. Think our volunteers do a marvelous job but the more help they get, the better. Fire trucks not maintained along Springdale heights reserve.*
- *Greater assistance with feral pests (e.g.: cats and snakes) would be appreciated.*
- *I think you should have an "unsure" option. The survey forces me to answer a question that I don't feel able to answer. Consequently I am making up answers that you may wish to exclude.*
- *Absentee owner's properties bordering reserves should be subject to inspection by rangers to ensure they are "Fine" "Safe".*
- *Ditto.*
- *No experience with some of these. Whatever is suggested in the resource management line, you will only satisfy 50% of the population at the most.*
- *Have had no need for Building approval etc.*
- *Don't know enough about this area to comment.*

- *Why have restrictions for building materials & setbacks, then allow variations. E.g. definitions of earth colours etc in Walnut Grove subdivision?*
- *While the level of service is satisfactory. The administrative staff level seems too high.*
- *Few of these services have been utilised by me recently.*
- *the 3 points that are marked as satisfactory and areas that I have not had much call to access, the others are more visible and interactive within the community so it is much easier to give a proper response.*
- *Need more ranger activity at Peaceful Bay.*
- *Processes such as planning permission for development appears to take a long time.*
- *Each of the satisfactory should be unsure.*
- *Speeding on Rd leading into Rivermouth Caravan Park is never monitored. Holiday season children are in danger.*
- *The Town Centre requires more Ranger presence regarding parking control.*
- *No real comment or understanding of what is available as we are not full time residents.*
- *Unable to comment on all of these.*
- *Some rangers do an excellent job and some appear to be indifferent.*
- *Should be a "don't know" column for these questions.*
- *Not enough parking in CBD.*
- *It's good that we don't over enforce parking etc.*
- *Police should be more proactive and do more patrols around the town and not just traffic as they do now.*
- *Not utilised town planning services.*
- *Very little contact, don't know.*
- *It is a great pity that Council was unable to maintain Denmark's WHO Safer Community Status and indeed to recognise the benefit of such status.*
- *Relatively new resident Denmark.*
- *Offer Street is being used as a through road in both directions by local and industrial users. I know complaints have been made to both Council and Police but nothing has changed.*
- *Only put satisfactory because no "don't know" option. Not sure.*
- *You should have a button 'not applicable' as a lot of people would not dealings with some of the above.*
- *Although I have ticked boxes I have had no experience of these issues apart from the shire not having adequate ranger services.*
- *Some Rangers could be more involved in parking and issue more infringement notices.*
- *Where is "unsure"?!?!? All "Very Poor" ratings = "Unsure".*
- *There seems to be very little work done on natural resource management. Town planning seems to not recognise the need for street trees to provide shade for pedestrians and many trees in the town-site are felled each year.*
- *Can't comment so have used very poor. Whoever designed this survey needs to be taken out the back and slapped around the head with Surveys 101, available at your nearest google.com website.*
- *More can be done both wind and solar.*
- *The council needs to make sure they have fire breaks (the park) before sending notices to offending ratepayers.*
- *Too much money wasted on unnecessary facilities e.g. park near hospital.*
- *Shire needs to lead by example regarding fire hazard prevention.*
- *Need more rangers to police fire regulations properly, not just doing quick drive-bys.*
- *Do we have clearly defined assembly points in the event of a catastrophic fire?*
- *Improve public health by a swimming pool.*
- *Welcome package for newcomers is excellent. We have used the booklets many times. Haven't had any need for areas of town planning, permits and health issues. Rangers are always present as the markets and street parades, which is great.*

- *Don't see a problem with Council admin providing they don't try to "reinvent the wheel" and presume success is indicated by introducing a multitude of programs all at a cost to the taxpayer - we should be reducing rates not putting them up.*
- *I have never known a town with so many roaming dogs that roam freely for years regardless of multiple complaints by residents. Staff need more training or need to be better qualified.*
- *I would like Fire Prevention staff to be much more proactive. We are a disaster waiting to happen.*
- *Unsure of these.*
- *Emphasise concern about the dangers inherent in the 2 main town intersections.*
- *My perception of the Council is that it is not open and transparent in planning matters*
- *Based on the Privett Road debacle of 2011.*
- *Rangers should be more proactive as regards wandering dogs ...*
- *Dogmatic, stand-over attitude - planning & permits can be unreasonable at times.*
- *More controlled burns should be carried out – CALM.*
- *Too many bricks and cement looks like city not a little country town. Badly need lots more parking in town planning.*
- *I think that the provision of a full climate change and bush care team is required to tackle the major issues of the coming decades. Town planning, building, and environmental health need vastly increased budgets to employ and retain further staff, and provide a greater range of services.*

**11. Performance of:**

<b>OVERALL PERFORMANCE</b>	Very Poor	Poor	Satisfactory	Good	Excellent
Thinking of all the above questions and responses, overall, how would you rate the performance of the Shire of Denmark in planning (and Meeting) for the needs of residents and RATEPAYERS?	1.9%	7.0%	49.3%	37.4%	4.4%

**Comments:**

- *Mostly good, some areas need improvement.*
- *Officers are not advising Councilors on matters correctly which allows for poor decision making, for example the continued hammering by Council of holiday accommodation providers. Denmark without tourism would die and town planning matters at the local level (Denmark) needs to reflect State wide strategies.*
- *Having lived in this beautiful town for 12 years, I find that most services are good. Street lighting, dismal, a light is desperately required on the corner of Hardy St and South Coast Hwy for the seniors at Amaroo Village and all other landowners and more lights on the entry to town from both directions. The 110km.hr sign on the Denmark - Mt Barker Road should be moved out to the Barker side of Tully Road, should be a 90km/hr sign for safety sake for the people coming out of East River Road and Tully Road. Plus the school bus that turns at East River Road.*
- *Considering the wide spectrum of opinion on most issues, council does a creditable job.*
- *Too much focus on the opinions of soft option academics instead of provision of services that ensure Denmark grows with the future. We shouldn't stop progress, the 'bloody hippies & the like'*

*of Val Woods doco, now appear to have switched roles and influence council policy by restricting development, NoDAM. Encouragement and guiding of change should be the order of the day.*

- *Variable.*
- *There seems to be a number of issues that cause a flurry then seem to die without further ado. What became of the shopping centre relocation, for example. Not that I want it, but one minute it was there, the next it wasn't. There are others.*
- *I have little to no interaction with the shire of Denmark as in the workers themselves as for the outcomes I always enjoy my visits to town and love the small town feel that I get.*
- *You have spoilt our Town centre....also a lack of signage EVERYWHERE.*
- *Unsure.*
- *Great little town, lovely people, good Shire Council.*
- *The most ridiculous decision our sire made was to change from Denmark to Localities. I was told this was done to allow duplication to street names in other locations. You can't duplicate a street name within 50 km's radius of another of the same name. Denmark doesn't have a radius of 50 Kms! Now Denmark residents no longer live in Denmark and can't use Denmark as their postal address unless they're in the CBD. Try ordering something via the internet or accessing a service like Telstra, using Denmark as your address and you'll be told your address incorrect. The Shire we have now seems to be more genuinely community minded rather than factionalized and self serving as in previous years. I believe our Shire is working hard towards encoring community consultation. You can't please all people all the time. I believe Wentworth Rd Dam will eventually bite Denmark. Never should have been allowed. Ensure you keep an eye on it. Farmers who continually allow their livestock to break out should be prosecuted. Property owners who do not get planning permission for dwellings should be prosecuted.*
- *No comment.*
- *Some projects around town seem to have started, undone and re done wasting money. It would appear that someone should be in over - all charge coordinating the whole job.*
- *Shire (and majority of Councilors) too focused with the wind farm.*
- *Please see last page for comments.*
- *I do not feel that I can give a rating. But as I have to put something I will put poor. Some needs have been met, in other areas I feel that we do not have much input. Lately I have had the feeling that we are being done too and nothing we say or do will make any difference. I would rather have a swimming pool than more brick paving or tizzying up of the streetscapes. I feel that we are losing our unique environmental footprint in the townscape and we are just like everyone else.*
- *Don't know enough.*
- *I'd give you an Excellent, but nobody's perfect!*
- *I would rate it between 'Poor' and 'Satisfactory' if I had the option.*
- *Not completely sure yet. You need a 'don't know' button.*
- *Could be more dynamic and progressive.*
- *As a prospective town dweller who holidays in the area and has a town block I would like to feel more aware and connected with what is going on in the shire. Electronic information sent to ratepayers on a regular basis would help in this regard.*
- *No observable community plan.*
- *Adequate but not excellent.*
- *The Shire can't do everything to keep people happy. I'm happy with the way most of it is run. As a born and bred local whose family celebrate 100 yrs this march, it can't be too bad, or we all would have moved on years ago. I personally want the deep sewage that I was told we were going to get in 2008 then 2011 then 2015, now indefinite, it's like buying my house in 2005 under these pretenses. I want to see the inlet opening do back to the east, for the inlet to be the way it was (clean, Healthy, lots of mussels ECT) when I was growing up. I want a painted line on Hwy side of coop, so people stop taking up 2 spaces. Also would like to get 2 story car parks behind civic centre as it's not like there isn't already several double height buildings in Strickland Street.*
- *I think they need to listen to the ratepayers more often.*
- *The lack of long term planning for the development of the town is a concern. The problems which have developed with poor long term planning of Wilson inlet are of great concern. Permanent*

*access to the ocean at the mouth of the river should have been carried out years ago. If it had we would not have the problems we are continually experiencing. This is not good for locals and certainly not good for tourists.*

- *See 6 above.*
- *On the whole you do a reasonable job with limited resources.*
- *Average.*
- *There is room for improvement.*
- *Given the constraints of rates, council does very well.*
- *Overall it is good...more work on dogs in Denmark would be excellent. Cheers.*
- *Council discriminates against its residents and seems to favor some groups of residents in town planning matters. I have been a ratepayer for over 20 years but due to family circumstances can't live in Denmark, I rent my house out for the occasional holiday rental and Council due to its planning and policies have been rude and shoddy in its dealings with me. All other Council matters have been great.*
- *Even better if they listen to the very strong desire of rate payers for a pool.*
- *Unable to comment satisfactorily.*
- *Keep up the good work!*
- *Too much wasted ratepayer money constantly. I.e. foptel at admin what a joke!!*
- *Apart from the aquatic centre question.*
- *Denmark is a pleasant rural town which reflects well on the Shire.*
- *I cannot comment excellent only because I haven't looked into everything that has been happening. However I think over all "the shire of Denmark" is doing a fantastic job. Thank you!*
- *There have been some instances where the performance is excellent and certainly below par on other issues especially when the council has changed their minds (riverside issue and the pool issue). Shire staffing is probably good, however the same cannot be said about the councilors, however they walked into their positions without a vote cast by the resident voters.*
- *There are questionable issues with all councils - Denmark probably does as good a job as most despite some loans and vested interests.*
- *SOD is too town focused, the LPS did not have "maintain Denmark's rural character and beauty" as its first mission statement. The SOD could do far better with true community consultative process.*
- *The Denmark Shire needs to provide an indoor aquatic facility.*
- *Needs to show more genuine interest in town planning, cultural and environmental matters and also to value not downgrade citizen participation in these matters.*
- *Always room for improvement which has been ongoing. For difficult issues why not a referendum instead of bickering among councilors.*
- *It is hard to rate the performance higher without a well promulgated strategic plan. This plan should have been made public long ago.*
- *A more modest swimming pool near the hospital to cater for the disabled could be considered.*
- *Mostly seen dedicated and hard-working. Some issues are not solved quickly enough e.g. long debates and fights over site of new hospital, the wind-farm issues, Wilson inlet clean up. too many different groups arguing for their solution to the problem and not enough round table conferencing and negotiation to solve problems within a better time frame. Don't suggest asking these things through with no community input, but better conflict resolution strategies. It's still pretty nice place to live!! Thank You.*
- *It is always a hard job finding the right way to go in a very diverse community like Denmark. Other than some bad planning decisions I think the Council does most things OK!*
- *I have no problem with format of the many shire meetings I have attended but hearing what is being said by President and councilors is extremely difficult. Please, can someone assist those of us with impaired hearing (yes I do have hearing aids) instate a sound system that clearly conveys what is being said!*
- *I was forced to answer this question but I don't want to.*
- *Denmark needs a swimming pool.*
- *Performance good. Administrative cost too high.*

- *Satisfactory in most areas, although the diminished quality of councilor representation since ward consolidations is very concerning; as have been some observed limitations on the commitment of senior council staff to open consultation with Peaceful Bay leaseholders about the terms of their leases.*
- *Cleanup of tree struck by lightning in CP - poor - Broken jetty still lying in river.*
- *Could do better.*
- *To me 'clicking boxes' is too definitive, perhaps 'might be' would allow more scope.*
- *Please see last comment page.*
- *Shire of Denmark is unable to make decisions for the betterment of our town as they would rather procrastinate on lesser issues and spend too much time listening to the loud minorities and the pseudo green (i.e. wind farm and new hospital issues) who are indeed self interested groups.*
- *But could do better for residents.*
- *Chose middle option as question was not answered.*
- *It's a tough job and you keep getting better.*
- *Not too bad, could do better.*
- *The only complaints we have is the lack of rubbish collecting in our area. The attitude of councilors and some workers is that seniors should not be living on semi rural acreage.*
- *Overall very good.*
- *Please take my satisfactory answers as don't know as we have no knowledge in this area. No one in the shire can possibly have an opinion in all areas.*
- *Some shire personal have their own agenda and not that of the shire.*
- *Very little contact.*
- *Appears to be competent and conscientious in it administration.*
- *Obvious conflicts of interest re wind farm development.*
- *Not sufficient checking and enforcing fire breaks within town and surrounds.*
- *Overall, you do a pretty good job. There is a tendency to defer the "too hard" decisions, but don't we all. What happened to the referendum re: the swimming pool?*
- *This is about 'happiness' - you don't know what 'performance' means to respondents.*
- *No effort seems to have been made to reduce our reliance on mains water and mains electricity.*
- *Planning for improving & providing future services & infrastructure is an ongoing concern.*
- *Appears to be a overly bureaucratic and inefficient process for many enquires.*
- *Staff performance excellent. Councilor's performance appears dependent on 2 or 3 councilors. Needs more input from others.*
- *Keep it real and honest.*
- *Think tourism. More things to stay that extra day.*
- *(chose middle option as wasn't answered) How much is council expected to support. We are all expecting the shires and Gov to do everything for us. This will enable to rates to be increased quite allot. I feel the shire over the years has done an excellent job.*
- *Stop zoning nice farms and the Ag School for development.*
- *As a senior and renting, in the three years that I have lived in Denmark, I am very impressed with the facilities and the amenities in the shire. My only concern is fire preventing as I back onto bush and there is a large amount of fuel on the ground.*
- *Too much effort going into commercial interests and not enough consideration for the needs of the community as a whole, e.g. many sections of rural roads have been partially bituminised and never completed after greater than 20 years waiting times.*
- *Rates are much higher than other councils??*
- *Very happy with living in Denmark thanks!*
- *None of the above questions allow for a "neutral" response, or prompt a "no response" alternative for those who don't use certain services or have no opinion. This will tend to skew the survey outcome.*
- *We need a better way for community members to communicate with Council. Open Forum very limiting and daunting. Perhaps 6 monthly sessions?*

- *It seems that in most cases, the shire is not helping people who want to do things, only placing obstacles in the way with no customer focus.*
- *Cannot rate them well until they fix the smoke problem.*
- *Too much time spent on small issues e.g. noise on Weedon Hill where there could be a meeting re bushfire.*

## RESPONDENTS PERSONAL DETAILS

### Property Locality:

<b>Denmark</b>	42.00%
<b>Bow Bridge</b>	0.80%
<b>William Bay</b>	2.30%
<b>Ocean Beach</b>	16.40%
<b>Kordabup</b>	2.50%
<b>Nornalup</b>	1.40%
<b>Parryville</b>	0.20%
<b>Parry Beach</b>	0.50%
<b>Tingledale</b>	0.30%
<b>Hay</b>	4.10%
<b>Hazelvale</b>	0.50%
<b>Kentdale</b>	1.60%
<b>Mt Lindesay</b>	0.60%
<b>Peaceful Bay</b>	3.40%
<b>Scotsdale</b>	8.30%
<b>Shadforth</b>	14.70%
<b>Mt Romance</b>	0.20%
<b>Trent</b>	0.00%
<b>Unknown</b>	0.30%

### My electoral status:

<b>Tenant of Property</b>	7.50%
<b>Resident &amp; Ratepayer</b>	83.30%
<b>Absentee Owner</b>	9.20%

### My Age:

<b>&lt;15</b>	<b>15 - 19</b>	<b>20 - 24</b>	<b>25 - 29</b>	<b>30 - 34</b>	<b>35 - 39</b>	<b>40 - 44</b>	<b>45 - 49</b>	<b>50 - 54</b>	<b>55 - 59</b>	<b>60 - 64</b>	<b>65 - 69</b>	<b>70 - 74</b>	<b>75 - 79</b>	<b>80 - 84</b>	<b>85&lt;</b>
0.0%	0.2	0.5	0.2	2.3	4.4	6.1	5.8	10.2	13.0	16.3	19.5	11.6	6.3	2.2	1.7

**My Gender:**

Female	Male
51.6%	48.4%

**Finally, are there other issues you think Council should address/promote?****Comments:**

- *Make sure councilors declare all vested interests.*
- *Not living in the shire makes it difficult to know what is needed or needs to be planned for. When my husband died it stopped plans to build on our block but my family, now married, all enjoy going to Denmark and to use that land is what they intend.*
- *Because some questions required an answer but failed to provide a 'don't know' answer, I answered at the 'poor' end of the scale. Whoever designed this survey should have known that not all respondents would be able to answer all questions and to require them to make a judgment gives the Shire a false set of data. Parts of the survey are, therefore, unreliable.*
- *Council should have no need to waste money obtaining legal advice regarding documents such as the Peaceful Lease which were prepared by council and which were forced onto lessee`s when they were renewed.*
- *Keep the stress level low at peaceful bay. The majority of leases are happy as it is. It developers want to develop around the area - fine - leave the village alone.*
- *A sensible fire exit strategy and not the ridiculous one planned along Mclean Road - a real fire trap*
- *This questionnaire has many leading questions that will elicit the response that Councilors want, but not always. My comments are an example of that. I am shocked to see that no mention is made of Denmark's financial sustainability! Do we take this for granted?*
- *I love the idea of an indoor aquatic centre. This would be a huge benefit to the town and I strongly support it.*
- *Denmark needs a swimming pool.*
- *Thanks for the opportunity to give my opinion and make my comments. I am happy to live in Denmark and to have a council which wants to improve.*
- *Keen to promote our natural resources, swimming, kayaking, boating in river, inlet etc...bus to Albany for elderly to pool etc in colder months, ocean pool for summer months.*
- *Future traffic congestion in business precinct. Traffic parking etc.*
- *A small tourism marketing levy should be considered on business or thru the DCC.*
- *You guys do a good job.*
- *Keep it simple and family friendly.*
- *The best possible communication with residents - consultation works wonders.*
- *Concern that a rate increase for a swimming facility could place financial stress on some families*
- *N/A.*
- *1) A few islands in inlet for birds, as they would absolutely use them as safe havens. 2) Bitumise? Road to Lights Beach - huge amount of tourist and locals. Cliff top walk from Ocean Beach to Lights Beach but not through turbine area - needs to overlook ocean not scrub.*
- *Smooth transition to a low-carbon, local economy is going to take a great deal of awareness and effort, and contributions and thought from the Shire would be helpful. We are talking a paradigm shift and I don't think we have a choice but to make it.*
- *It would be nice if the Council could put in viewing platforms looking out over the ocean from Ocean Beach making it more disabled-friendly e.g. like Lights Beach.*
- *1. Provide an indoor aquatic facility. 2. Improve the management of wandering/vicious dogs in the shire so people can walk without fear of being attacked. 3. There is no need to redevelop the Co-op site and prevent access to the hardware section. This is used by many locals and we don't need to change things just for tourists! 4. Please maintain your verges etc especially those in high risk fire zones. 5. Underground sewage for properties near the inlet/river.*

- *Inlet always open and swimming pool.*
- *Continue to dredge the channel in the inlet and get it back to the healthy inlet it was 10 years ago. Let's hope it is not too late???*
- *Promote open air entertainment throughout summer season. Promote multi use trails - don't limit trails to dual use. Keep the nursery in the CBD. IGA paving is too steep and dangerous - someone is going to get seriously injured. Don't remove large trees - especially those on Scottsdale near hospital. Fix the rail trail bridge. Trial an eastern opening. Stop effluent being pumped into Wilson inlet. Survey too difficult to access on line. Extend deadline - no deadline in cover letter. The public do see what you do! Create second bridge access / exit to and from Denmark - alternative route - for safety in a emergency rather than to bypass town. Don't continue to industrialise entries to town e.g. car wash and tyre power. Provide rate incentive to move to industrial areas.*
- *Overhaul the Shire is going well.*
- *Increase ranger presence in the town parking areas, shop owners parking in the main town streets ALL day Reduce the for sale vehicles in the location of our new visitor centre.*
- *Since moving to Denmark I have noticed many dogs loose on the streets. I have small dogs and I don't feel safe to walk them, there are too many big dogs wandering around my area. I think people should have secure fences and keep their dogs at home. I never call the ranger because I don't want someone's pet to be put down.*
- *Public swimming pool. School children shouldn't have to travel to Albany and rehab for hospital.*
- *With regard to Shire amalgamation - incorporate Walpole ward of the Manjimup Shire only.*
- *Airport upgrade for provision of fire bomber services. Ocean going boating facilities.*
- *Improve the clarity of information available to residents by the provision of easily understood wording.*
- *The pool seems to be a hot topic and no mention in your survey. I'm not for a pool, but if one is considered, to keep costs low how about an ocean pool, semi covered? The State Gov is supporting this as it's cheaper to maintain than an inland pool.*
- *Parking at the preprimary school and near the steps of the primary school...insufficient or dangerous in that order.*
- *Fire prevention.*
- *Swimming pool & and permanent opening of the inlet.*
- *None.*
- *Get mussels, prawns, oysters and fish back into the inlet and then you can really promote Denmark.*
- *fire prevention needs to concentrate more on individual responsibilities and the need for homes be organized, located and constructed sensibly - plus encourage people to understand that not all fires can be stopped. Sufficient housing support for vulnerable persons i.e. frail aged, disabled.*
- *Please do not amalgamate with another shire, maintain the integrity of Denmark, let us not be enveloped by others. Avoid amalgamation with Albany at all costs; we do not need to be paying off their debts! Manjimup Shire is too far away. Plantagenet is more similar to Denmark than the other two.*
- *It is not enough for a councilor to declare a conflict of interest and then because they have declared that interest consider themselves eligible to vote on an item that they have an obvious financial interest in e.g. holding shares in the wind farm and then voting in favor of rate payer funds being spent to support the wind farm infrastructure.*
- *Question 11 comments. Trying (very) Statics are useless. Ask groups what the need/want, don't tell them! IE. Seniors room at old hospital totally inadequate! How about getting on with cleaning up old dump. Summer will see all Amaroo seniors and Lionsville residents choking on DUST!!! SHIRE is ignoring fore rules on over growth of bushes in town. Forrest area abutting Amaroo has many large dead trees and undergrowth causing a fire hazard within the town area. Millar's creek has been let become overgrown, also a fire hazard. Comments from first page. 1.2 Based on what information? 2.1 They pay tax on income! 2.2 Aren't rates based on valuation? 2.3 SHIRE buys up to replace LOST parking areas. Last page comments: I think the food provided for recognition of volunteers was PALTRY choice is needed. I am REALLY worried about the fire season*

*not being used by FESA to burn off adequate fire break areas. Better to lose a few trees than burn the forest. Surely extension of runway! At airport! Should be instigated immediately and a "fire rescue" and "water bomber" HELICOPTER be on standby all summer to assist the firefighters? Pit toilette at dump is disgusting doesn't meet minimal health standards. (underlined with pink highlighter) Drainage for welsh street next to Randall Park needs to be urgently fixed. Also FOOTPATH! Needed! Introduction page. Do not approve of alcohol so do not include me in "draw:" (signed) Phillips.*

- *Maintenance of Public Open Spaces e.g. cut the grass in Tysoe Close on a regular basis.*
- *Sustainable Energy Population Growth control.*
- *Better parking in the town of Denmark and at least have 2 hour parking.*
- *Access from IGA underground car park onto new road upgrade confusing. There should be a sign to indicate that when leaving this car park you can only turn left, go around the roundabout and up the other side. Vehicles are cutting across the road making it dangerous for vehicles trying to back out of the street parking.*
- *I have made comments throughout this survey, but I will re-iterate that the present super I.G.A. parking is inappropriate and positively dangerous at times when maneuvering heavy trolleys to cars. A swimming pool for young and old is a necessity for the town. Albany pool has almost reached usage capacity. Many families drive to Albany for children and water physiotherapy. It is a huge impost on them. A pool would provide another opportunity for our youth. Who for whatever reason do not participate in other sport/recreation? As well as provide for older people who need to recover from surgery etc. or who want to maintain/improve fitness.*
- *The town of Denmark should be renamed Kwoorabup, in the Shire of Denmark (will distinguish between the developing Nornalup, Denmark and Peaceful Bay, Denmark). Encourage development of shopping/services at the latter, and at the caravan parks to service Inlet Drive and Ocean Beach communities.*
- *Get a better planning committee.*
- *What happened to the referendum regarding the Aquatic centre? There is a limit on the amount of rates people can pay and careful consideration needs to be taken on some "wants" ongoing costs can easily get out of control. A designated dog exercise area would be appreciated. Annie Harrison area is too wet in winter and it's dangerous on a busy road. Not everyone has transport to the beach and mainly elderly residents rely on dog for safety, companionship and exercise? The shire peanness? Leave the co-op, nursery, car wash and tyre power alone. These businesses are part of our village atmosphere. If you don't like our town the way it is, go elsewhere with your scatterbrained ideas. You are paid by the ratepayers of this town - listen to the people!!*
- *More festivals.*
- *Council should not provide and maintain an aquatic centre- far too expensive for size of population.*
- *lot 542 flower way Denmark 633.*
- *Stricter enforcement of fire breaks round all properties even vacant land. Gives fire trucks better chance of fighting fires.*
- *Promote and facilitate the building of the swimming pool quickly so residents of all ages and abilities can benefit.*
- *Swimming pool please.*
- *No.*
- *If a indoor pool is too expensive then/ cost a learn to swim pool, hydrotherapy pool and investigate a ocean pool at ocean beach.*
- *I think the Shire ought to end the problem of persistent littering by people who throw bundles of advertising circulars and so-called free newspapers onto driveways and verges. I believe such material may be distributed lawfully by putting it in letterboxes (so long as they don't carry 'No advertising' or 'No junk mail' labels), but throwing them onto driveways and verges is littering, which is an offence. Householders have neither the power to stop it nor the responsibility to clean it up. The Shire, as the arm of government charged with implementing the Litter Act, has both the authority and the responsibility to identify the offenders, warn them to comply with the law and prosecute them if they don't. If you are serious about making this a tidy town, do it.*

- *Better access to facilities such as Silver Chain services to the elderly. Keeping elderly couples together i.e. providing more beds when one partner needs residential care.*
- *I do not think the Shire should attempt to interfere with legitimate businesses operating within the Shire.*
- *Give the "non road side rubbish collection" ratepayers tip passes.*
- *Providing unobstructed access to Denmark Medical Center. All councilors who are Coop members should be declaring a conflict of interest.*
- *Caravans, trailers and heavy vehicles (other than tradesmen working/delivering) should be banned from Strickland Street and CBD streets like Mitchell, Price streets. Fewer complaints on tourists and more on residents e.g. home accommodation approval, controls and prompt attention to problems.*
- *Provision of the long awaited Aquatic Centre.*
- *The community should be surveyed regarding the swimming pool. It has already become a highly contentious issue in our community.*
- *Why is the shire wasting resources on expanding peaceful bay when sea rises meter by 2041. Peaceful bay road will cease to be and southern edge of town site will be exposed to storm surge during winter storms. Rate payers can't afford a swimming pool. Expand mains water and sewerage coverage in town and adjoining subdivisions.*
- *Indoor pool.*
- *LEAVE THE DRIVE THROUGH FOR THE CO-OP ALONE, THE TOWN RESIDENTS HAVE BEEN USING IT FOR THE PAST 50 OR SO YEARS.*
- *Fire safety, prevention, strategy, risk assessment.*
- *Indoor Pool.*
- *I would like to see Lights Brach road sealed with appropriate car park (or at a minimum graded every week over summer) and a link road to Greens Pool A cliff top walk from Ocean Beach to Lights Beach (not through the wind farming access track - boring!), this would be very popular*
- *A mail box [or boxes] other than the Post Office. Some form of liaison with the Police to assist in contacting them on weekends.*
- *No.*
- *Issues such as the wind farm at Wilson Head, which divide community option, are too important to be decided by Councilors votes alone. A simple "for or against" referendum on such issues, limited to those on the ratepayers roll, would be more democratic and once the referendum is completed, I believe would lead to acceptance from those on both sides of any given issue. It is my view that the shire can become involved in too many issues which have been brought to the attention of the shire. Shire staff and Councilors, I imagine, have quite enough important issues as a proposal for a Marina at Peaceful Bay, public transport and role of the council in same, Plus the possibility of traffic lights at the ocean Beach/South coast highway intersection should be discussed and quite simply put OFF the agenda by the shire i.e. NOT FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE PRESENT TIME!. Issues such as the above could be reconsidered say every 2 years. Perhaps the shire already operates this way.*
- *Instead of an indoor pool council should develop an ocean pool as councils have done on the East Coast of Australia.*
- *community services lack direction no community development person actively involved with community all too distant administration no relationship building and more about fire protection and youth centre nothing really for seniors or capacity building . No fast food outlets ever. Hurry up and get the community centre refurbished.*
- *Overall health of community requires a swimming pool.*
- *Needs to promote a public transport system within the shire in other words a circuit bus for recreation and work. Run by a transport co-operative governed by council supported by business and individual shareholders who would benefit from this. promote learning precinct for arts music and theatre promote learning precinct for organic biodynamic and bush tucker food production promote learning precinct for equine and other non vehicle/mechanical transport systems address the lack of market gardens and orchards in the shire. Address the overuse of land for wine production, more diversity is needed address issues with "Tha House" -it needs to*

*promote interactive inside activities that promote socializing. e.g. food preparation a dishwasher is a must do immediately Interactive DJ weekly tutoring Live music night music jamming facilitator - music students and amateurs outdoor activities that challenge and/or pump some adrenaline. Circus skills, pyro technics - fire twirling fire sculpture workshops, chain saw art, Indigenous Cultural Activities- the making of artifacts boomerangs etc workshops in - grow it cook it eat it - . Install with help of older children in workshops a small food garden for pizza ingredients, herbs capsicums etc. Also an outdoor pizza oven also workshop-refer to build your own earth oven by Kiko Denzer bush tucker workshops and learning animal tracks. Install flying fox. Archery. implement dividing age groups 12 to 14 then 15 to 18 etc for the sake of age appropriate activities and older kids just don't like the younger ones around, bring groups together occasionally for family orientated activity. The 15 to 18 age group needs the challenging activities instead of drugs. Survey this age group for natural highs they wish to experience. Implement a system like in England called the Pints and Parcel system whereby pubs, in our case it would be wineries install postal service/post boxes to alleviate people of traveling long distance to pick up and post parcels and therefore alleviates parking in central CBD , creating small community social hubs for the locals. Address lack of low income rentals for singles especially students attending learning precincts previously mentioned, we have lost the CSL dormitories this was a good idea in practice, but should be a community run type facility provided by council - a learning precinct accommodation Co-operative -seek interested shareholders,. For anyone wanting to learn something in Denmark long term and short term stay for courses and workshop. Attendance. Along the same lines an arts studio co-operative for the creation of shared arts studios, to support poor artists in music and arts. In some cases the accommodation could be combined with shared studios. For artist in residence. Combine public transport with all of the above.*

- *Leaseholders housing situation at peaceful bay.*
- *Please excuse my not so good handwriting, Can't think of anything else at the moment. Did try to do survey online. Couldn't get into the web link, so managed to find survey through shire web site. Then it wouldn't let me get past Q8, kept saying I hadn't answered all the questions, but they were all ticked. So after 25 min, deleted at all. So happy to have mainly sensible not radical people on council. Also in relation to fires as we all know, Weedon Hill is a problem area of town, unkempt (not all) and there is not enough money in the world to get me to live in that area. If a major fire comes from the east, got luck getting in or out of there. The bush needs a haircut and thinning out. Where once there was a view there isn't. I'm hoping ranger David has got on to the home owners big time to clean up their properties. I hear David has got on to some people about their mess, Good on him.*
- *No.*
- *Indoor pool, better rural roads, encourages new environmentally friendly tourism.*
- *Reduce the speed limit on William bay Rd to 60km/h for the whole length to make it safer for walkers, cyclers and wildlife.*
- *Council should do allot more in fire hazard reduction not only on the outskirts of town, but in the town. The town is very venerable to any fire approaching from 180 degree ark north of the town. With only one bridge across the river, access in or out in the event of a fire is a further risk to life. It is not IF but WHEN Denmark towns burns. There will be huge damage and loss of life.*
- *A better Survey which does not force participants to respond to questions for which they cannot have meaningful answers.*
- *Please look into the provision of more respite and long term care facilities (at the hospital and privately), in home support and introduction of a telephone tree for calling elderly or single people who are isolated.*
- *1. Introduce 7 day shopping. 2. Encourage residents and business owners to be friendly to visitors. Something like the "G'Day from WA" promotion 3. Law enforcement - There seems to be increasing lawlessness on the roads such as drink driving, speeding, noisy vehicles, disregard for road signs (Stop, Give way, No entry).*

- *THIS SURVEY COVERS MOST OF MY CONCERNS. I DO BELIEVE THE TOWN SHOULD BE KEPT TO UNDER 10,000 PERMANENT RESIDENTS. THERE SHOULD BE LESS HOME HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION AND MORE MOTEL STYLE.*
- *New Buildings should be Solar Passive in design....there are too many new houses with all little or no window in the north. and the carport on the north side of the house.*
- *Re 24510+discussionj to free hold. Please do not allow peaceful bay be taken over by developers and capitalists. It is one place where the average person can enjoy a holiday. It is a unique place - like Denmark. If individuals want freehold - it is available.*
- *Some of these issues were not applicable to me but I had to answer them in order to move on in the survey. It doesn't really reflect my thoughts always...maybe a not applicable column would be a good idea next time.*
- *Yes, improve landscape of town - plant more trees. Encourage strip planting by residents to provide corridor for birds and small animals. Keep GM foods out of Shire. Improve green town image, act on climate issues. Communicate with ratepayers on what you have done and what will do in the year - I don't feel well-informed and only have a vague idea. Holiday homes - make sure residents in the area have a voice. Limit holiday homes in an area.*
- *As I understand planning is taking place to relocate the industrial area. I am concerned that the location beside the airport would involve steep grades in entry and exit which is not compatible with heavily loaded vehicles i.e. concrete trucks, haulage etc. high use of fuel and brakes. I would support a swimming pool if it involved best practice - biological filtered rather than relying on expensive chlorination as is becoming the choice of progressive thinking organizations. I do not support the bowling club redevelopment proposal. The current design is ugly, especially in its prominent position adjacent to town's entry and does not consider environmental issues for one example the increased load on septic system so close to the river, and also ignores the vernacular local home styles and would supplant a very picturesque local street scape with barrier and exclusivity. I would prefer to see shire monies allocated to bushfire mitigation works such as further road side pruning, and coordinated sprinkler system that enables the essential services of Denmark to have the chance of survival in the event of major bushfire threat. The hospital, CBD, shire and schools should have priority in planning of this nature.*
- *Definitely deep sewerage needed for Denmark. River trail needs more attention.*
- *Condition of Inlet drive An improved walkway between River mouth Caravan park and town is required for safety A ban on percussion instruments within residential areas excepting functions, festivals and events.*
- *Stricter cat and dog laws and enforcement of those laws.*
- *Please, please do something about the state of the Wilson Inlet. A 5 year minimum trial of an eastern opening just to see if it fixes the stinky mess that the inlet is up towards the Hay river.*
- *We have to travel 30 km to town now we don't want to have to drive all over Denmark to the out skirts of town to do our business. These higher and lower order businesses. It is insulting and it just not right 'one person's job is no more important then others. The co-op is a shop so is the nursery and it is good to be able to park in one place and have easy access to all these services. Less pollution.*
- *Must improve telecommunication services across the shire. Mobile telephone reception / telephone exchange and Internet improvements.*
- *Swimming pool.*
- *Rate inequity is a problem. Some land owners pay massive rates and others hardly anything, yet services the same for all? we need user pays for all things*
- *With the amount of traffic in and out of Denmark, particularly during the holiday season. Council should address the state of the South coast Highway with Main roads. I personally think it won't be long before a major accident occurs.*
- *I think the swimming pool is very important for the future health and wellbeing of most of Denmark's residents, please push ahead with this.*
- *Seems like we should have a local Saturday Market like Albany does, goodness knows there's enough fruit/veg/eggs/honey/seedlings/flowers/meat produced locally. Shops in town sell local stuff, but they definitely take a cut. Good to have a local taxi service & the bus to Albany; more*

*cycle/walk paths also facilitate getting around. Denmark is better off without the Big Barometer, but when will something meaningful go in that space? Would be great if Boat Harbor were accessible to passenger vehicles. Keep up the applications for R4R money; it is long overdue to have some support for regional towns. Oh, and it appears the inlet has spoken: it wants to break to the east, given the chance. That way it can flush more strongly, not having to dog-leg around prawn rock.*

- *Illuminated speed signs outside schools, especially on south coast highway. Another traffic bridge over Denmark River. More attention should be given to the health of the Wilson inlet. A 5 year trial (at least) of eastern openings.*
- *The shire should encourage innovative, small business such as local food producers, and quality art galleries and exhibitions to promote tourism.*
- *I would like the co-op-nursery to remain as they are as I have been a ratepayer here for over 20 years and do not like it when certain people want to swing their weight and want to change what we love about Denmark*
- *Think I have made my point regarding dogs in Denmark. As a potential buyer of property in Denmark I am overall happy being a resident here but hope we can all work together in a positive way. The council does good work in my opinion but there are always things that can be improved as I am sure everyone knows. Thanks for the time and opportunity to give feedback.*
- *Shade cloth over children's playground in Berridge Park please in the interest of sun protection. May be removable in Winter.*
- *To raise funding thru grants, and lobbying, to reinstate good delta channels at the mouth of Wilson inlet, also to enhance amenities along the western fringe and prawn rock channel.*
- *Frail aged care facilities are desperately needed in Denmark. It is inconceivable that a town and district like Denmark should be so poorly provided for in this respect.*
- *Financial sustainability. I can't see how Council in its present form can service the needs of its community. Long term financial sustainability has not been addressed in this survey which to me indicates poor corporate governance.*
- *With community consultation provides or reviews the following: Future streetscape plan For Denmark within 5km of centre of town. Bike Plan; cultural plan, Recreational water use plan.*
- *There is a need from some quarters for a swimming pool. 9 years ago I helped care for an elderly couple at rehabilitation centre in Perth. They along with others were encouraged to use the swimming pool or the establishment. It was found that over 60% of them urinated in the pool as soon as they entered the water. With an ageing population in Denmark there's no way I would use a local pool is it were installed.*
- *Unsure at this point. Haven't been here long enough to really know.*
- *Increase the 90 Km speed sign zone to east of Sea change close for safety of Springdale heights residents and those of sea change. Repair access track to back beach, so all voters can appreciate the area not just a select few. Trial a 5 year eastern opening for Wilson inlet. Roads - urban. Have police monitor stop signs in town area. A large portion of motorists do not stop.*
- *A pool. We desperately need this facility and for it to be suitable and appropriate - that is at least a 6 lane pool.*
- *Council needs to be aware of the overall appearance of the Shire -there are some buildings gaining approval (e.g. in the Willow Creek development) which are eyesores and, in the view of many, should never have received approval. It would be great to have some limitations on the kind of fencing which can be used in order to preserve the area's natural beauty. Could the Shire encourage the use of hedges, and wire fencing rather than the hideous color bond/zinc alum fences which are often blight on the landscape? A recent visit to a very attractive Canberra suburb where such fences are apparently not permitted highlighted the way in which control of fencing types can prevent the ugly suburb look! I don't want to live in a place that looks like a tatty Perth suburb, as it can be prevented.*
- *Again - Health as top priority - seek assistance in having hospital fully functional.*
- *Too many businesses closing down / turning over, need to promote tourism better especially in the winter months.*

- *Start to think of an ocean pool at ocean beach to go with a learn to swim/hydro pool at the rec centre.*
- *Encourage Telstra to supply phone coverage to William Bay. Green's Pool gets a lot of visitors over summer and there are frequent tiger snake sightings.*
- *Town planning should be very carefully thought out. We don't want to end up like Margaret River. The big white box building behind Strickland Street is an example of what we DON'T want in Denmark, it is very ugly and not in keeping with the townscape.*
- *Decrease speed limit to 40kph in Minsterly Rd area.*
- *The swimming pool.*
- *Councilors should be representing the ratepayers and what they want and NOT what the councilors would like for them themselves.*
- *Wind farm adverse effect on bird population and adverse effect of noise on people's health.*
- *Please in asking us to fill in this survey don't discriminate against thoughts of us who choose to return it "not as live". If I'm not a valued resident, then maybe I won't bother again. My use of "choice" is probably not appreciated as many older folk do not have a computer (I do).*
- *Parking in CBD requires urgent attention. I have friends who dread coming to CBD for this very reason.*
- *A concern is the push by a vocal minority for a ratepayer funded swimming pool which I think is not needed and would increase rates. Other facilities are far more urgently needed e.g. a new library/resource centre.*
- *Could be good to encourage holiday visitors to recycle at the holiday stay (maybe owner provide recycle bins?) Please address "the burning off issue" This should be the cleanest air of WA (having the fresh southern ocean sea breeze) Some days I have not been able to open my windows for over 10 days straight due to smoke in the air, other times the air seems clear in the evening so I leave the bedroom window open to wake in the morning room and lungs full of Smokey air. To have only 2 months of the year where we can breathe freely is ridiculous! The wind far, (Denmark) is a false facade of a "green town". Those turbines won't even compensate for all the "burn offs" that happen here. The solutions need to be looked into and considered. Can most of these logs be dried out stored for firewood or are they not "clean" enough like dry split jarrah? There could be a ban on burn offs (for the whole year) and the permit costs more that it would to take large truck; loads to the tip. The fines even more. People are not aware of the effect they have on others -the smoke blows for miles. Then there is the consideration of what to do about the "tip burn of" which I don't think is the solution. Is there another way? Something like "bio mass" disposal. It's all a big consideration to research more into it e.g. the destination of some weeds. etc I commend the council in allowing free garden waste to the tip but there has to be more incentive for people to pay the extra full cost to cart it etc. if it's a bigger load of waste. This is a huge issue that needs more addressing particularly with the new clearing/fire regulations now. I'm also very disappointed about decisions on the location of the Denmark wind farm and allot of manipulation I perceive going on with the project. People were walked over and manipulated for the organizers to get what they wanted. in my opinion the wind farm has been put in the wrong location - had ruined the William bay national park and the whole charm of Denmark - once a peaceful town in the wilderness by the council allowing a power station on the pristine coastline of the area. In my opinion it's ruined one of the most special features we had in Denmark. The responsibility of the councilors is huge when considering such HIGH IMPACT projects. Please handle them with care.*
- *Many empty shops. Development issues for CBD. We need a mix of housing & business for easy access for seniors.*
- *I think the council seems to neglect the jewel of Denmark, namely the Wilson Inlet.*
- *Swimming pool????*
- *Yes. 1. Denmark should become more dog friendly. Especially given all the restrictions imported by national parks. There should also be dog access to Ocean Beach behind the surf club. If horses are allowed so should dogs! Kept on leads until past the surf club. 2. Denmark should become RV Friendly like Kojonup and other towns. 3. Build a gravel road from lights beach to William bay.*

*This would provide a scenic drive, save probably driving 20 kms+ driving in and out and avoid the use of lights road that is shocking and dangerous.*

- *-Global and local population stabilization -Protection of all Denmark's farmland -Haulage bypass -Better community consultation -Maintaining vista of Denmark's main access roads by limiting development along (never urbanize the Ag School "the best rural town entry statement you could ever have" -Maintain and encourage co-ops right of access.*
- *The council needs to provide an indoor aquatic facility for the benefit of kids learning to swim, becoming better swimmers through a swimming club, encouraging adult swimming fitness and training, encouraging a healthy lifestyle for all residents. There are many shire facilities that are funded by all rate payers and used by few, There is only one other shire in WA who does not have a pool. Let's not be the last.*
- *This swimming pool issue should be user pays with NO increase in already high rates.*
- *Deep concern that the Shire will over extend rate payers and our finances in subsidizing proposed aquatic centre and the Bowling Club redevelopment. This will be especially at the expense of investment in other cultural and community facilities. Need to become more informed and involved in Wilson Inlet management matters especially in terms of management of the bar - trial of eastern openings required and other changes in Inlet bar opening policies required.*
- *Fees at P bay tip keep rising - keep it low so that people use it, rather than bury stuff on their properties. Could be large recycling bins at strategic places around shire [e.g.: cnr Parker + South Cost hwy]. Local businesses could be sponsors?*
- *Nothing to add.*
- *Stricter rules and policing of fire fuel reduction.*
- *Leave Denmark Co-op drive thru in situ. More diligent clean up of out of town road verges which are fire risks. Leave shopping centre area free of cars. No more car parks in central shopping area. Build Cycle path on McLeod road.*
- *When rural road maintenance is done (e.g. grading of rutted, water damaged roads) it needs to maintain or improve the road, not just take off layers to make the road smooth. Currently, removal of my road surface has resulted in a very slippery, muddy, dangerous road when wet, as the gravel has been removed and not replaced. As chalet properties exist on the road it is only a matter of time before a visitor has an accident.*
- *We really need a pool, to teach swimming for the young, and ageing population for fitness and therapy.*
- *No.*
- *I would like to see ongoing support & promotion of the Riverside Project.*
- *Easy access from Lights to Mad fish bay would be a massive boost to tourism and save locals a massive amount in fuel used and thus greenhouse gasses. Driving 30 km to access something 1 km away is a no brainier. It would get so well used.*
- *Key issues are the Strategic Plan, Town planning to provide separate residential areas (all areas are currently commercial mix) and more focus on public health through provision of facilities such as an indoor aquatic centre.*
- *Need something in the winter months to encourage visitors and keep businesses going.*
- *There is a big need for a new bowling club and some kind of a pool. I am always worried about preserving the beautiful environment of Denmark. I love Denmark as I used to live in the semi-arid region. I have never seen so much water in my whole life as there is in Denmark so I can't understand the concerns about water. It just needs to be managed properly.*
- *Easier, flat access to the large IGA store. A post box apart from the Post Office.*
- *Would still like indoor pool and would be prepared to pay extra rates for this.*
- *Probably mentioned these as I went along! I am concerned about future development on Ocean Beach Rd just past Weedon Hill in the future and how this will affect the area, but this will be after sewerage is connected. I believe a major fact that should be addressed is the dumping of the partly treated sewerage from the town into the Inlet. I have been here 12 years and the inlet is not what it used to be.*
- *The Strickland St / Sth Coast highway intersection is an issue. Many bike paths need trimming of vegetation.*

- Please do everything you can to facilitate the building of a public swimming pool in the near future
- The need for more beds to be funded at the hospital - both acute beds and residential care.
- Ocean pool at ocean beach.
- Cost of refuse delivery to tip is too high.
- A pool please.
- Alternative innovative sustainable environmental solutions for day to day living. e.g. vegetable growing, and fruit and nut tree growing on verges etc
- Get the swimming pool built.
- Fire Prevention: Wilson Inlet: Sections of the fore sure reserve should be burnt by the?? brigades to prevent what will be an uncontrollable fire should this happen when the temperature reaches 40 degrees on the day an outbreak occurs, having years ago many have holdens. Carried out this exercise in??, there was no long term change ?? . Tourism: Denmark ?/relies on tourism, ?? Brilliant coastline, surf, rivers, inlets and forests attract people from all over. Most are delighted with their stay. Others cannot comprehend, to ?? Some of their reactions they are faced with unbelievable rough roads, than reading some destinations are unable to find ?? To park (William bay, mad fish, waterfall, lights beach, parries') you adventurous ?? Is wishing to see boat harbor have been bogged or forced to take to the bush avoiding collision. This is a very dangerous track! Should there even be the need for an ambulance to ?? A fatality or bad crash scene in this area. It is difficult to see how the bad ?? Will be negotiated or backed out of. The shire cannot provide ?? To every one of these ?? ?? Providing safer, easier access is obligatory. Tourist Promotion: The constant demand by visitors to see more of area coast line is never ending. Many cannot undertake this exploration physically. ? Area inclusive of ocean beach and the ongoing tracks to the ?? Platforms over looking ocean beach, inlet on to the platform end of ?? bay, could be greatly improved by: continuing road or the wind farm along the highest ridge to lights beach then ?? To William bay. The pay..? Often incomparable views east to the cliffs along Ratcliffe bay to Knapp hear then west to Stanly Island and hillside? Point. Parking bays, strategically crafted would enable visitors witness the splendor of the southern ocean dashing onto the rugged coast line far below. Further along?? ?? Adventurer can access the steps down to the back beach to fish, surf or beach comb. If is ?? Is note, this connection offers a completed circuit drive, where ?? ?? Can view any one of a dozen locations without having to retake their steps as is the current belief touring to William bay. It is understood many have varies issues need? Be overcome for their plan to reach ?? With the CEO's?? And guidance and forward thinking councilors who can meet the challenge of creating one of the ?/ scenic coastline drives in any shire they will be encouraged to be part of any planning committee to get ?? ?? Underway. Deep Sewerage" River mouth to ocean beach: council's ongoing ob..? To want ?? Pouring treated sewerage into the inlet has been recognized and this disgusting practice will soon be phased out. Well done all! It should now be recognized by council, failure by water cooperation to complete deep sewerage to ocean beach, is as neglected to the environment. It is respectfully suggested, council ignore water corps plea. Ex..?, ?? Prohibit this ???. There are million ?? ?? If should be done now!! Wilson Inlet" it would be apparent to anyone using the inlet ?? ?? Ocean beach look out on making use of the excellent safe, clean expanse of prawn rock channel for family swimming/picnics etc/ the huge difference?? Remove of ?? ?? Sand deposits in the ?? have made to marine exchange and fish ???. It is reported there are ?? Galore at the tops ??, hoards of small whiting and good assortment of herring, mullty, cobbler, Taylor throughout. If it vital for the overall ecology of the inlet and this community, excel sand deposited in the area linked to the sand bar opening is removed each year, as well as flow restrictive build ?? In prawn rock channel. Council should consider this matter a yearly agenda item, tabled well in advance of ?? Rams to enable permits work undertakes completed, before level becomes too deep.
- Population growth and how to reduce it!
- Don't force people to respond to questions in your survey - you get incorrect results that skew the outcome!
- Swimming pool.
- No.
- Swimming pool.

- *Don't develop Poison Point. It should be left as it is. Consider having bins at dog walking areas for dog waste. Appreciate the difficulties experienced of making a living here for non-professionals.*
- *A Swimming pool with no rate increases.*
- *I feel Council is correct in its handling of the pool issue. Whilst I have sympathy for those who support it prudent spending is paramount these days and there are probably many other expenses to be incurred by council which are more important. I hope Council is careful in its planning and doesn't make Denmark too much like Margaret River as tourists that I speak to enjoy the village atmosphere we offer. Thanks for the offer to have some input.*
- *Be consistent in town planning and building permit decisions. Don't impose restrictions on some owners and not others. Look at the mishmash made in Walnut Grove. Roof colors, wall colours, two story houses, setback encroachments.*
- *Less holiday accommodation in residential areas.*
- *The Heritage buildings and promote more the history of Denmark. To leave our town "rural" and not to turn it into a suburban cafe strip. Leave it so people can shop in town and not have to travel to Albany so they are not going into all trendy shops.*
- *Land rates. Mine have increased 100% in 1 year. How a council can do this beats me. I'm speechless. Customer Satisfaction "0"*
- *Swimming pool.*
- *A healthy community requires work opportunities. Hence Council must promote employment.*
- *The shire should help promote more visitors to Denmark to assist employment in the area.*
- *Build a swimming pool and treat it as a matter of urgency as not everybody can swim in the ocean especially the elderly and it costs too much for those on low incomes or pensions to travel to the swimming pool in Albany provided by the City of Albany council for the benefit of their rate payers*
- *Forget about the Recreation center at poison point. Winter time the proposed area is flooded. Down at Yacht club is more suitable and accessible plus?? Are already in place there.*
- *Strictly enforce cat policy. Protection of our unique wildlife and better awareness program of above.*
- *The Denmark Pool with a Hydrotherapy pool. Denmark needs this now!*
- *Reduce gardens and gardeners and provide PARKING. Denmark is a pretty place. Is one big natural garden, so we don't need gardens everywhere? But we need PARKING and more road workers.*
- *Quick resolution to swimming pool debate and the sooner it is built, the sooner we can all start using it. Plus, this will also act as another employment growth opportunity within the community as well as the fact that I believe it will raise more revenue for the Shire than is being suggested. e.g., the youth will be given another opportunity to occupy themselves in an active and positive fashion. In my own inexpert opinion, there are so many more benefits that will domino effect from the implementation of this facility.*
- *Look more at developing Peaceful Bay and Nornalup rather than concentrating all your efforts on Denmark town site. We need better linking roads with the other Shires where people travel to utilize Peaceful Bay and Nornalup properties e.g. Tindale Road*
- *Place a high priority on the health of the Wilson Inlet. The town planner should be a lot more accessible to the ratepayers.*
- *None*
- *Request extra police to cover peak holiday seasons.*
- *Provision of a specific dog exercise & training area.*
- *Lack of maintenance of Rail Trail west of Ocean beach Rd to McLeod rd.*
- *No, thank you. A long survey!*
- *Weed management in shire reserves.*
- *Shire rates too expensive for average waged families.*
- *Improved footpaths for the elderly in relation to retirement villages so they can access the town centre. The town facilities appear to weigh heavily on the side of youth i.e. Youth Centre and Skate Park, with no public space or buildings provided for the aged and disabled.*
- *Person Disappointment; I reported to the council that maintaining the road verge for 5 years on the corner of Eaglemont Place and Panorama Road is extremely rough and difficult to cut grass and asked for help to level this area. This is the bus stop or pick up point of school children by the*

school bus. When I eventually been able to speak to Erica the response was that we have no funding. She said if we have machinery in the area we will have a look at it. She said she might have to talk to the education department who is responsible. Few weeks later a group of contractors with all the machinery working on the road verge drainage channels. I spoke to the road verge drainage channels. I spoke to the contractors and asked them would they level the ground with the bulldozer it would only take 5-10 min. they said they will be happy to and will not charge the council extra for such a small job but Erica has to approve it. Erica could not be reached by me after 3-4 phone calls. I rang the contractor's office to see if they can reach Erica. The lady said she will contact her as the contractors will be there for a few more days. I haven't heard anything from Erica or the contractors. The job has not been done. WHAT IS YOUR EXPLANATION PLEASE?

- There seems to be a push to dramatically alter the structure of the tenancy of businesses in the CBD. I disagree with this trend.
- When out in the community it is obvious that many of our residents do not take fire safety serious. More effort should be made to ensure (by means of fines if necessary) that excess leaf litter, bushes, trees and general rubbish be removed from around homes.
- We need a pool!!
- I believe the council really needs to consider the option of an ocean pool at Ocean Beach as a much cheaper and more sustainable swimming pool solution.
- No councilor should have business interest in real estate, construction or land clearance.
- Consider strongly re the installation of an indoor swimming pool. Also additional Wind Turbines for Denmark.
- The council should build a swimming pool in Denmark as a first priority I believe we are the only town of the population in Denmark not to have a swimming pool.
- No to heated pool in Denmark - the cost to ratepayers is too high, I would rather swim in ocean.
- Reducing annual increase in expenditure.
- Nil.
- Swimming Pool.
- The coverage is OK, it is the requirement of definitive, 'yes' or 'no' I find too limiting.
- Again I mention valuing heritage. There is not Heritage strategic plan embedded in the Town Planning Scheme although it had been on the drawing board since 2006.
- Stricter enforcement of the clearing/maintaining of fire breaks on all properties whether there is a building or not. Access for fire trucks is not possible unless this is done annually.
- Community swimming pool.
- Listen to the ratepayers and do as they would have you do for them.
- Address the issue of more and more people coming un-announced and un-invited onto my property, including public officers, religious zealots, Halloween children, etc. This has increased significantly in the last few years and impacts on my sense of privacy and security.
- Read survey, quite satisfied.
- I think overall mostly shire of Denmark are becoming more forward thinking and have the interest of community or Denmark of heart but we need diversity and consultation much more so people want to know and be involved in these questions - GET OUT TO THE PEOPLE MORE PLEASE THESE QUESTIONS 9-11 ARE TOO BLACK AND WHITE. SORRY! THANKS FOR ASKING I APPRECIATE THAT.
- Controlled access to Ocean Beach dog exercise area via Surf Club car park should be permitted during weekdays and non holiday periods and proper bins for waste provided.
- Providing a swimming pool. Please! 2. Providing a path between the Steiner school and town. (May be happening already??) 3. Stop limestone block landscaping in public areas. So ugly and un-Denmark. Why are we aspiring to look like the northern suburbs of Perth?? 4. Preserve and enhance the existing unique town fabric and streetscape without trying to model it on a suburban shopping centre aesthetic. 5. Parking is not a huge problem most of the year. It's ok if people have to park and walk a bit. Good for them in fact! Large expanses of public car park in the main town would be blight on the town centre. Informal/overflow parking in busy times is just fine for the holiday periods.

- *\* support indoor swimming pool \* more dog walking areas i.e. ocean beach during non holiday periods.*
- *Yes council should not increase rates to pay for indoor swimming pool.*
- *As a support worker in Aged Care, I have to take old frail people on outings but found I couldn't let them enjoy our beaches. Parry's too far away and without vehicle access to the beach, it is impossible to take older people with mobility impairments to said beaches. What happened to the causeway at Prawn Rock? Have the green Nazis vetoed that too?*
- *Encourage volunteering to perform more shire work perhaps in the area of streetscape enhancing, natural resource management and track/trail maintenance.*
- *Building a well designed swimming pool.*
- *More consultation, particularly with business, before taking items to council.*
- *Upgrade road to Rocky Gully. Traffic is getting more and more all the time and it is not standing up to it. GPS navigators now direct people this way when coming from Perth to Bow Bridge. Without work, it is an accident waiting to happen.*
- *Indoor pool for children's swimming lessons and also for elderly as there are no beaches they can access safely with no stairs currently.*
- *Sort out Wilson inlet. Stop potato growers using flats that restrict the inlet from rising higher for better inlet flush out. Stop inlet net fishing and allow fish stocks to swell and get back to the days where Tourists, Holiday camper and local weekend fisher person could go out and catch a feed of fish. This alone must be deterring once regular campers to bypass Denmark.*
- *Regarding this survey, some questions should be re-written to allow someone with little knowledge of a particular subject matter to not have to give a rating/answer, i.e. always give an option of "unsure" to avoid guessing a satisfaction rating when you have no knowledge.*
- *Regular local produce market would be good.*
- *The aquatic centre needs urgent approval. This is a facility for all age groups.*
- *Still require more playground facilities for kids. Planning section needs overhaul.*
- *Would like more orderly parking in town, especially for the summer crowds.*
- *Reducing smoke pollution.*
- *Ensure we don't end up with a suburban look to the town from residential developments like those that have ruined Dunsborough.*
- *Council should not automatically "levy ratepayers" for all the extras needed in this community (e.g. the pool project). As the towns services are used by so many "outsiders" (tourists, Albany, Mt Barker and Walpole residents) "User pays" should be adopted wherever possible as the way to cover costs rather than increasing rates all the time. Perhaps a discount card could be offered to ratepayers so that they do pay less for special council run services/ projects than those who don't already pay rates.*
- *An aquatic centre would be in-line with the other services offered in Denmark and with encouraging the generally health community to remain so.*
- *I believe that overall the Council is doing a good job.*
- *I look forward to the development of the Riverside Club and eventually a Community Swimming Pool.*
- *Gravel roads poor maintenance Wastage of resources, inappropriate use of stuff, ethical/corruption perceptions need for swimming pool planning - major business building on property boundary blocking traffic view.*
- *Sealing of all of Scottsdale Rd, Parker Rd, Board Rd, Kordabup Rd, and Cussons Rd for better tourist access and for volunteer fire fighters.*
- *No.*
- *Facilities and people first. Business opportunities will follow in the wake of a well managed shire.*
- *Make a decision once and for all on the provision of a swimming pool for the community or at least a hydrotherapy pool.*
- *I would like to see more homes in Denmark with solar panels, also more underground cable electrify.*
- *Swimming Pool.*
- *Be seen in Denmark. Drive with headlights on and cyclists to wear fluro vests for safety.*

- *Please NO heated pool - we can't afford it! Ocean pool YES! It would be good also for tourists. Council should look seriously at this idea!!!*
- *As a long term rate payer of Peaceful Bay it would be great to see development towards free holding the Peaceful Bay settlement.*
- *A heated indoor swimming facility - it is encouraging that Council has supported the DACCI's EOI for funds from RDA. However, Council needs to demonstrate to the Community that it is doing more than offering vague support to a EOI for a funding application and actually commit to building the pool. I hope that Council seeks appropriate external expert advice regarding the wording of the proposed referendum on the subject of a pool and that it does not confuse or irritate the community by asking too many questions of them. We are tired of being surveyed on the subject - WE WANT ACTION.*
- *I am concerned about the rumors that the council wants to push some businesses, e.g., Denmark Co-op, Nursery, etc., out of the CBD. I feel these businesses are a vital part of the atmosphere of Denmark. I am also strongly against the suggestion that the Co-op should not be allowed to continue with drive-through customers using the council car park.*
- *Alternative energy and energy efficient building design.*
- *Provision of a heavy vehicle bypass route.*
- *Yes, uphold or change the traffic law on Offer Street before someone has an accident.*
- *Denmark should not grow for growths sake. We don't need to become another Albany or Margaret River. If people or businesses don't accept this concept they should be encouraged to leave the shire. It is possible for Denmark (the shire) to be vibrant and sustainable, with all the required services, and not have to grow each year. Council should promote support or progress any activity that provides greater tourist numbers during the off season whilst still maintaining the natural attractions. I would doubt that any resident or business would want a greater number of visitors during the "peak" season.*
- *Reuse/composting of sludge/bio solids from waste water with green waste for sustainable nutrient application to Shire and other potential users.*
- *Conduct an open and independent INFORMED debate re the development of wind farms on the South Coast.*
- *Resist the temptation to install traffic lights or roundabouts.*
- *None.*
- *Rural road maintenance is poor and when done wrecks havoc on the natural vegetation on the road reserve. This appears to be widespread on unsealed roads. Scotsdale Rd is listed as a tourist drive but council seems hell bent on making it a high speed highway at the expense of the sliver of forest remaining at its sides. Council should look at Pemberton to learn lessons about keeping the shire's forest identity or we will have nothing to "meet the sea".*
- *PLEASE upgrade Mt Shadforth Rd between Hardy Rd and Peace St, it is DANGEROUS.*
- *I am totally opposed to residents having to pay a levy for a swimming pool. Surely, with the high rates we all pay, the Shire can foot the bill for a swimming pool.*
- *Community Engagement policy that leads to genuinely increased levels of pro-active engagement in issues affecting the quality of lives of residents. This includes upcoming Strategic Planning. Encourage participation in elections.*
- *Financial support to Denmark vets for treatment and euthanasia of native injured animals and birds. Strict cat control to protect out native wildlife. Signs and limited access to protect waders and shore birds on the inlet and beaches.*
- *Please encourage a more sustainable life style for Denmark residents. Encourage collection and use of rain water and grey water. Encourage people to walk by providing street trees for shade and by maintaining footpaths.*
- *Stop further wind farms.*
- *Health and wellbeing of residents/ratepayers i.e. Swimming Pool.*
- *Approval for & building a pool in Denmark is an essential service that needs addressing in the immediate future.*

- *Is the Ford crossing over the Kent River on break road a shire responsibility? If so, A truckload of coarse rock would help level up the crossing immensely. I have noticed regular summer traffic on this route.*
- *Long term planning with a view to supporting and promoting businesses is required. A Shire with thriving businesses and sound infrastructure is able to implement any project the community wishes in the future. Please consider laying the groundwork for some major investment in rural roads, sensible signage and welcome tourism with less costly and simpler processes for businesses to invest. It is the business taking the financial risk, not the Shire. The system of taxing/penalizing/charging anyone wanting to start a business is short-sighted, these people should be supported by the Shire for the long-term benefit of our community. Projects invested in also need to be more fully thought out - although walk trails and kayak trails are nice, it only benefits a handful of businesses. The Shire needs to invest in projects that have tourists coming to Denmark willing to spend, and thus supporting our community. Walk/kayak trails are for the future, after we can drive to town without damaging our vehicles on the roads!*
- *Infrastructure to accommodate the approval of the vast amount of subdivisions.*
- *eastern access for the Eaglemont estate (to escape fire if western access (Panorama ) is blocked*
- *Town planning requires a more a more progressive and open minded approach.*
- *SWIMMING POOL!!!!!!!!!!*
- *Frail aged care - major problem which needs urgent attention.*
- *Planning for the new library/civic centre should involve greater civic input. What do we, the general populace and the expected major users of these facilities want from such a space? Have we ever been asked? Also, as I understand it, current stakeholders in the shared-use carpark at the rear of the proposed complex have not been involved or consulted in the planning stages. Gas customers, gardeners, and those in agri-business have all benefitted from pick-up access within the Co-op grounds, and with safe egress through the rear carpark. Not to mention the elderly and the frail who may need assistance in loading their purchases whether they be low end or high end value in nature (electrical, white goods etc). A good planning team will try to accommodate the variety of user needs and consult with their neighbors on viable solutions instead of viewing them as nuisance value. Moreover, a vibrant town centre should reflect the variety of people and livelihoods that define the character of the town. There is no reason why a town centre should be all coffee shops, bars and gift shops. One of the most vibrant rural town centers I have visited was in S.Australia - at the centre of town was a market shed, which opened weekends selling fresh and packaged local gourmet produce, coffee and breakfast, and plants, all the while rocking along to live music! Both locals and tourists alike can benefit from such kinds of interactions.*
- *Please promote sustainable practices - solar panels, solar HWS, rainwater tanks etc.*
- *Denmark may have evolved with technology & resources but is still the same Denmark of old!!*
- *Windmills & the need to better facilitate natural resources.*
- *All day Saturday Trading in the township.*
- *To avoid recriminations and a legacy of resentment I feel that a referendum on the swimming pool issue should be seriously considered, so that the council will be acting and deciding on a majority opinion. A decision based on a referendum as well as other considerations would lessen the impact on the council.*
- *There are probably many but I believe with the mix of Councilors at present we as ratepayers are being represented very well - I hope that you all stay true to the good of all and stay on track for what is best for Denmark now and also in the future and maybe this has already begun - only time will tell.....*
- *Trim overhanging dead branches from trees on shire verges/road edges.*
- *Development on the A class reserve of windmills. HOW DID THAT HAPPEN????? See that the development does NOT extend and that the company adheres STRICTLY to the conditions of the development i.e. how did they get to grade a 20 mt wide road when they were only allowed 5 mt? How did they manage to dig their trenches so deep and be able to remove limestone to use as their road base and not pay the shire for it? And so on.....*
- *Another river bridge.*

- *The Walpole entrance to Denmark is very average. This end of town really needs some effort putting in. Is there any way the shire can get the Super IGA to pressure wash their walls, cement and steps outside their entrance. It is a dirty site. It spoils that area of town, Also the vacant block opposite which is always dirty from "rubbish". To promote Denmark as a healthy, Happy and safe tourist town (destination).*
- *No.*
- *WEED CONTROL IN SHIRE RESERVES... BLACKBERRY OUT OF CONTROL IN OUR LOCAL RESERVE!!!*
- *Road verges to Albany, Mt Barker and Walpole have been allowed to remain strewn with litter and rubbish thrown from cars and, or, trucks.*
- *None.*
- *I am keen to get the swimming pool approved and up and running before it is too late for me to have any benefit from it!!*
- *Support the farmers and stop zoning farms for development.*
- *I would really like to see an indoor aquatic facility so swimming can be enjoyed through Denmark's sometimes long winter months.*
- *Control of nuisance holiday homes.*
- *NO.*
- *Emergency relief services run by volunteers should be strongly supported, and housed Colourbond fencing is becoming an eyesore in some places.*
- *Support locally grown food and local economic activity. Support transition town Denmark. Consider our role in a post peak oil world and the fact that we are at the end of long fossil fuel supply lanes.*
- *Lobby Main Roads (or whomever is responsible) to simplify the speed limits through town - coming from Walpole is ok to go from 90 down to 80 and then to 60 but then we have a 50 (which is way too fast for downhill past Strickland) then 40 (school hours) then up to 60 and then 90 - crikey it's all to hard - forget the 60 just go from 80 to 40 through town and past the school (all hours) and then to 80 past the Country Club and then 110 when past "civilization".*
- *More support for Swimming Pool, it is necessary ASAP.*
- *Pool.*
- *The bizarre paved area on Strickland area is very hazardous for vehicles and pedestrians. There are no clear indications as to whether or not it is a pedestrian right of way. Vehicles are using it for U-turns, parking, etc and pedestrians seem to believe it is a pedestrian mall and wander all over the place. Please erect some signage!*
- *Not happy with one of the questions asking about joining with a neighbor shire. I do not wish to join with anyone.*
- *BBQ facilities outside of the general park by the river. Beaches, Mt Lindsay.*
- *Cut spending by improving staff performance and use the savings to improve the town*
- *I have heard that the Co-Op is likely to be made to move. As a former employee, and shareholder for 45 years I would strongly disagree with this. A public meeting would be appropriate if this before this is to happen.*
- *Please treat favorably the proposals for the Swimming pool and the redevelopment of the Bowling club site. Both these projects would add to the long term health benefits for the community.*
- *Provision of significant additional resources to volunteer bush fire brigades in the Shire e.g. training, equipment, financial assistance.*
- *Council needs to report on current status of fire breaks on council controlled land.*
- *Council should expand its commitment to energy-saving and more efficient use technologies and processes (about which it should shout from the rooftops, by the way!) by rewarding community/commercial enterprises who do so through rate reductions, and running targeted campaigns and public awareness programs.*
- *I support the idea of an additional rates levy to allow for the construction & maintenance of a new swimming pool for Denmark.*
- *Ask Western Power to stop cutting off the power to our homes for brief periods.*
- *A pool for the community, a type of half way house for youth needing a place to secure place to stay and somewhere to seek assistance and guidance.*

- No.
- *I don't think we can afford a community pool. I do think there needs to be better access to parks for elderly, disabled and whole of family including people who feel dogs are part of their family.*
- *Drug Testing.*
- *Keeps the bridge into town clean including the road edges and footpath? It's no excuse to say it is main roads responsibility. The bridge was disgusting until recently when a less than average clean was done. The road surface between the bridge & shire office should be resurfaced. The recent work done is unsatisfactory. More rubbish bins are required in many Ares of the town.*
- *I hope the shire can help facilitate a pool!*
- *Train staff and contractors who work in or adjacent to natural areas. The beauty of Denmark is being compromised by careless actions.*
- *Swimming pool to cater for the ageing population.*
- *As I said earlier, there is poor to no mobile phone access in the Shad forth area and I worry that this is not safe. I am uncontestable and I cannot contact anyone else and if there was fire, I may need that facility. Otherwise, I love being in Denmark and feel that the council has facilitated the maintenance of a wonderful community.*
- *properly managed the Integrated Planning and Reporting requirements should separate the chaff from the wheat, I look forward to finding out what the status is and program for proper public consultation.*
- *I think the ocean accessible boat ramp is a very good idea and something that would assist locals and tourists alike.*
- *The shire could be more proactive in ensuring new dwellings are more energy efficient and fire resistant. Sad that in this day and age we are still seeing new homes that are poorly orientated on a block and have virtually no passive solar principles and no rain water tank. A well designed home in Denmark should not require air conditioning or cost a lot more.*
- *Wind farm, Ocean beach (and all other beaches) vehicle access, swimming pool, motocross facility for Denmark kids.*
- *An Open 24 hour Police Station, I have rang twice now at about 1 to 2am & no answer.*
- *1: Residents burning green waste in residential areas appears to be endemic within Denmark Shire - not just 'green waste', as in organic, but literally green and/or damp. I feel this should be strongly discouraged by the Council on health, safety, and social commitment grounds. (My apologies but...) Council reminders in the paper are ignored. Perhaps this burning could be discouraged through enforcement by Ranger services in tandem with a regular residential green-waste verge collection once-or-twice a year? 2: The density and proximity of trees to homes at Weedon Hill is an enormous fire risk in my opinion. 3: Berridge and Norm Thornton Parks are of a high standard; however I feel that area and the opposing bank are greatly under-utilized. This area has the potential to be for Denmark what [say] the Cottesloe foreshore is to that area, being an attraction in itself. What businesses there are on Hollings and Horsley Roads are disconnected from the river and park areas. The Parks with their proximity to town, the river, the Mokare Trail and its leading to two caravan parks are all winners in-hiding. A little extra infrastructure could lead to more eateries/attractions near that area and, dare I say, perhaps a small river jetty could even encourage a boat link/service from town to the river mouth and even to Ocean Beach - there's a unique tourist attraction. 'Just a thought anyway.*
- *No more wind farms in tourist areas, how bloody stupid putting visual pollution next to our main tourist beach.*
- *Denmark should be promoted/marketed on TV and assistance given to business who would advertise but too expensive for them. How do businesses further north pay for TV advertising?*
- *Swimming pool.*
- *The Shire acknowledge that the cottages at Peaceful Bay are the tenant's property and seek an amendment to each lease in this regard, particularly that any assessment of rent will be on the basis of land only (without taking into account the cottage) as has historically been the case.'*
- *Unknown at this stage.*
- No.

- *I am strongly disagreeing with council identifying businesses that they considered not suitable to being in town.*
- *Parry beach car park upgrade still not finished. It's been six months. It's dangerous the footpath has loose blue metal on it. The shire has a habit of starting jobs and not finishing them. Summer will be over soon. Can't see how it cost \$35, 000. Must have a lot more work to do yet.*
- *Not happy with the destruction of the trees along Scotsdale road even for the sake of a wider road.*
- *The Christmas decorations have seen better days. Let's spruce it up next year!*
- *An independent arbitrator should be appointed in all Shires to monitor the employment and termination of staff. It is generally controlled by the CEO and Shire President which provides too many opportunities for cronyism and nepotism.*
- *As a new resident (6 Months), while being favorably impressed thus far, I am not in a position to moment on most issues however, I think that co-operation with other councils in the use of expensive, specialist equipment or services would benefit all parties, if this is feasible.*
- *Nothing to say.*
- *Staff salaries need rising to encourage staff to stay with the Shire. Underground lighting as raised before. Increased sewerage provision to new subdivisions, and older town lots. Encouraging multi-occupancy properties, to allow increased densities within urban and outer urban areas. Spreading the town is unsustainable for public transport, provision of paths, provision of lighting and sewerage, and many other factors. The future of this Council needs to be looked at with open eyes to the newest sustainability concepts being introduced world-wide. Climate Change MUST become the focus of ALL decisions made by engineering, planning, building, and sustainability staff. Provision of a public wireless node for the CBD. Provision of a digital TV broadcasting site for the whole of the Denmark, Ocean Beach and outlying urban areas. Much increased focus on provision of services to Normal, and Peaceful Bay. Emailing or other forms of digital communication of ALL shire notices, bills, etc, as this is the future of business and government. Already, the Shire of Denmark is being left being in terms of interacting with the public. Technology needs a greater focus and this may require increased income to hire DEDICATED IT staff with cloud computing, social networking, and other modern and future skills. These include APPS for tablets, and Windows 8, etc. that increase the community consultation with ratepayers, electors, and visitors. Increased release of land for solar and wind power generation facilities is required. It is unbelievable that ten years passed to get TWO little wind turbines. Look at Europe. Wind turbines and solar power should be starting to appear on large scales, including in farmland, along road reserves, etc. Let's promote this through cheaper rates for such facilities existing on the land, or grants for such facilities. Increasing rates to allow for renewable energy grants is a way of encouraging people to build these facilities. On the same token, rainwater tanks should be compulsory for all properties, as taking water from the land is not sustainable in the future. All of this requires a complete change of ethos from Council, and the courage to go ahead with what the future needs of communities are; not the WANTS of the current community.*

