

Federal Village Masterplan Submissions Overview from Exhibition Period 1 Sept to 30 Sept 2022

Submission	Theme	Adjustment or comment
Page 5 under Purpose and scope just above the dot points should read 'The aims of the project were:'	Typo/minor correction	Fixed small typo on page 5
Page 37 The listed elevation for federal of 140m is incorrect Federal village is generally recorded at around 175m (which was the elevation ascribed to the BOM Weather station just behind the Federal GPO.	Typo/ minor correction	Amended elevation to 175m
Page 37 Last para. Need to tighten up the reference to massive habitat loss / and its geographic extent depending on what was intended. The Nightcap Range generally relates to Nightcap National Park, Whian Whian State Conservation Area and some adjacent private lands. There is no listed Nightcap Range National Park.	Typo/ minor correction	Amended reference to Nightcap National Park
Page 37 2 nd para I don't think the red kraznozom qualify as having high clay content. Recent investigations have described them as light clay but Check Morand 1994	Typo/ minor correction	Reviewed but no change recommended.
Page 39 First sentence of Last paragraph. Its an interesting observation or assertion that is generally accepted to be the case for the shire but this is the first time I have read that for Federal. However its hard to contest given the current assessment of the Fed Sheds development and widespread community concern about that particular proposal and its potential suitability for / impact on Federal.	Minor correction/comm ent	Noted. No change needed.

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Page 40 3 rd para. There is some engineered stormwater management in Coachwood Court consisting of a number of Drainage Pits and some subterranean pipes and a couple of downslope discharge points.	Minor correction/comment	Paragraph reference incorrect. No changes made at this point.
I don't think the current structure of the draft masterplan gives enough weight to the background (history of Federal, challenges and opportunities) from which the actions stem.	Document structure	Updated order of document included in revised draft.
The order of the plan is not logical. The history and challenges and opps section should precede the detailed actions. While council staff might like the focus to be on a list of jobs they can work through, other readers need context and framing.	Document structure	Updated order of document included in revised draft.
The 17 actions do not appear ordered by priority. The Main Street (1) upgrade is an obvious first step but an Implementation Team (17) ought to be higher. Similarly, Actions 11 and 12 might be considered more desirable priorities than Actions 5 - 10.	Document Structure	No changes made - no prioritisation needed as actions are categorised and limited in number.
Actions cannot be assumed to be correct without stating a context. The order should be executive summary, background/village history, challenges emerging from history & the place, opportunities, actions & then the boring bits, governance & funding.	Document Structure	Updated order of document included in revised draft.
I think the opinions of the Federal community should take priority over opinions expressed by non-residents and absentee landlords.	Process	Noted. All efforts have been directed to get as much local feedback as possible including targeting of advertising of the draft plan.
I think the masterplanning process has been excellent and I fully endorse the vision as outlined in the plan.	Process	Noted. No change needed.
Committee had biases and has 'cherry picked' ideas	Process	Noted. The group has been the 'steering' mechanism for the process, however the wider vision, actions and principles came from the community surveys and visioning/actions sessions.

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Discussions with locals have been extensive and strong	Process	Noted. No change needed.
Has been a truly participative process, professional, competent and a true community effort.	Process	Noted. No change needed.
I felt very listened to at the community workshops	Process	Noted. No change needed.
I attended several sessions and was impressed by the thoroughness of the steering group	Process	Noted. No change needed.
Lots of work has gone into the Masterplan and it has merit	Process	Noted. No change needed.
Conflict of interest of Masterplan steering group members	Process	Noted. Refer to Council Report response to this matter.
The culmination of a mammoth effort by community leaders in a genuine co-design process that has been heavily invested in by community members. It will help preserve the village we love and allow for its growth and development	Process	Noted. No change needed.
I think the Masterplan reflects the repeated themes that arose during the community workshops.	Process	Noted. No change needed.
I feel confident the plan reflects what Federal residents want for our village	Process	Noted. No change needed.
To be more inclusive of the wider area and ongoing development in the hinterland	Process	No change proposed to project scope area.
To ensure the validity of comments as being from the community and not branch stacked by non community players.	Process	Noted. All efforts have been directed to get as much local feedback as possible including targeting of advertising of the draft plan.
The plan shows what the community expressed in the workshops, and I support the process.	Process	Noted. No change needed.
Conflict of Interest...see below	Process	Noted. Covered via legal briefing/conflict of interest declarations.

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what a great piece of work. Thank you to all involved, especially the dedicated volunteers	Process	Noted. No change needed.
Council have done well to attempt this, but the masterplan falls a bit short.	Process	Noted. No change needed.
Extensive effort from community to ensure that all voices are heard	Process	Noted. No change needed.
I think everything that arose in those community meetings has been covered very thoroughly	Process	Noted. No change needed.
Total support and appreciation of the process and the result.	Process	Noted. No change needed.
Community lead planning processes have the ability to be powerful and empowering to locals as long as Council is absolutely clear on what it can and can't deliver and then follows through with those promises.	Process	Noted. No change needed.
The collaboration of community and council developing this Masterplan has been very valuable. I hope to see it adopted and all future developments in Federal be considered in light of the Masterplan	Process	Noted. No change needed.
I sincerely thank the steering committee for their efforts!	Process	Noted. No change needed.
Congratulations to the community for being so proactive	Process	Noted. No change required
Federal is a loved community, and it has a heart. We only have to remember the fundraising that was launched to buy the church. That was one of many fundraisers over the years, and I think this speaks to why Federal and the wider community is behind the master plan.	Process	Noted. No change required.
Thanks to everybody for all the hard work.	Process	Noted. No change required.
Thank you all so much for your tireless efforts. To accomplish what you have is amazing and to achieve it through covid and floods is even more remarkable. We need a plan forward and to be community led is a great opportunity for us all. Thanks again	Process	Noted. No change required.
There has been extensive community consultation for this plan, and in my discussions with friends and family, I think it really reflects what the	Process	Noted. No change required.

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majority of people in the community would like to see for the village into the future		
I've been really impressed with the commitment and the process - its really founded on understanding of the village, multiple consultation processes and plenty of opportunity for input at every point. Great work!	Process	Noted. No Change required.
Yes the consultation with the community has been comprehensive and inspiring. The outcomes felt like a true collaboration.	Process	Noted. No change required.
As a local resident of Federal I strongly support the master plan. The Federal Village Master plan is a great roadmap for sustainable development in and around Federal village. It is a community led planning process which has come up with some really great ideas. I hope council take this on fully onboard.	Process/Vision	Noted. No change required.
I attended one of the public meetings & there was a large number & broad range of local people who attended & enthusiastically participated in expressing their views about the way they would like to see the Federal village develop into the future. The Masterplan Steering Group & Council staff have also done a great job of informing the community about this process & seeking out people's concerns, opinions & ideas. It has been a very inclusive, open & tolerant process that has helped local people feel comfortable about participating. This has led to the Draft Masterplan which I think does a great job of describing the current Federal area & community, addressing the concerns & issues in the village & laying out some positive, practical & attainable strategies to gradually address these issues in a way that retains & enhances the existing character of the village. It has been a very constructive, uplifting & community bonding process. Unfortunately, the recent passing of the Fed Sheds light industrial DA by Council, which has the potential to radically change the nature of the village centre, overshadow the much loved Hall & Church community facility & negatively impact long term	Process/Vision	<p>Noted. No change required.</p> <p>Development applications are beholden to timeframes government by other legislation.</p> <p>It was noted at the beginning of the Masterplan process that this Masterplan would not be the tool for assessing Development applications – this is the job of the LEP and DCP (and SEPPS). Council staff have clearly articulated this throughout the process.</p>

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<p>local residents, has undermined some of this positive energy, eroded people's faith in the validity of this process & diminished trust in the Councils actual commitment to community led planning. It has left many people feeling like it's just empty rhetoric with no actual substance or ability to help preserve the unique character of one of Byron Shires historic rural villages. I know Council is under enormous pressure from developers wanting to capitalise on the attractiveness of this area but passing this questionable DA rather than postponing it until the Masterplan was complete was bad timing & has sent a very mixed message to the local community!</p>		
<p>Through community Consultation, meetings and surveys a wide variety of people have been able to have input in the master plan</p>	Process	Noted. No change required.
<p>The development of the Masterplan has been the most inclusive process I have ever experienced. The organisers have been at pains to ensure that it reflects what the community wants. This has been achieved through a large number of community events, including the use of independent facilitators, over a long timeframe, so that absolutely everyone who was interested would have the opportunity to have an equal voice in the process. Of course, it's impossible to have 100% of the community 100% happy, but I honestly can't imagine any other process that could have been more inclusive than this one. So yes, the Masterplan reflects the aspirations of the wider community. Huge congratulations to all involved!</p>	Process	Noted. No change required.
<p>The members of the community have all been instrumental in providing all members with opportunities to contribute to the master plan . I am aware that many of the steering committee have also been instrumental in volunteering me to make a federal the wonderful community it is today .</p>	Process	Noted. No change required.
<p>I'm so impressed by the scope of consultation that has been undertaken over a long time resulting in this detailed vision. The engagement of the community around supporting this has been great to see. Packed</p>	Process	Noted. No change required.

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meetings at the hall, loads of volunteers taking surveys and monitoring traffic etc. It could not have been a more inclusive and well executed process.		
Thank you to the steering group who have done an amazing job of extensive community consultation. Can speed zones around village be reduced, as the increase in visitors is causing an increase in road kills of our precious wildlife.	Process/Actions	Noted. No change required.
I would like to thank Council for being willing to engage in this process with the community, particularly the staff who have participated & worked on creative & practical solutions to some of the challenging issues.	Process	Noted. No change required.
The process was thorough. I grew up in Federal and still live in Byron Shire. My family still lives in Federal so I take an active interest in Federal village and it's future. Thank you for this opportunity to have community input!!	Process	Noted. No change required.
Very well researched and detailed	Process	Noted. No change required.
no additional feedback. The plan look thorough and I'm pleased to see how well thought out and inclusive the process was.	Process/Vision	Noted. No change required.
I'm really impressed that Council was able to see the virtue and benefit of a community led planning process, I hope that this initial vision and intent is followed through to fruition by Council and they continue to support the community.	Process	Noted. No change required.
Certain members of the Steering Community have a conflict of interest in that they own commercial property within the village and rezoning Lot 1 and Lot 10 will unfairly benefit them and disadvantage the owners of those lots.	Process	Noted. Refer to Council Report response to this matter.

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<p>"Place plans cannot do the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Directly change the LEP or DCP • Automatically secure funding for projects • Be a wish list for projects that are unlikely to be funded or achieved." <p>Byron Shire Council</p> 	Process	Noted. No change required.
Yes, fully agree that the plan reflects the aspirations of the wider community.	Process	Noted. No change required.
<p>Thank you to both: the steering committee and the council: for been given the opportunity to have a say in the future of our village!</p> <p>I hope that the DA for the Fed Sheds will be evaluated using the actions-plan outlined in the Masterplan.</p>	Process/Development	Noted. The DA referred to cannot be assessed against the actions in the Masterplan, it can only be assessed against relevant planning instruments (LEPs, DCPs).
It seems we are developing another layer of bureaucracy. I'm not sure the master plan committee are qualified as Town Planners. Do we get to vote them in every 5 years? Disaster planning was not part of the original discussions taken to residents.	Process/Development	Noted. This is a community-led Masterplan that Council resolved on. The final document will be subject to Council resolution and each action pursued from the document will require its own process and community consultation. Final implementation process yet to be determined.
The Masterplan team have been meticulous in consulting with community and reflecting their views. Any development must be carefully considered by Council reflecting the vision of the Masterplan. It is an example of excellent community consultation.	Process/Development	Noted. No change needed.
I wish that future DA's would wait till this process has been completed.	Process/Development	Noted. Council has obligations relating to timelines when assessing DAs.
Positives of the village seem overlooked	Vision/Actions	Noted.

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Tone of community workshops was upbeat, with people talking about opportunities like art spaces, a bakery, a parking area to free up the main street, a restaurant, a community garden, a food market, rural store, even a microbrewery as a blue sky idea. A lot of positivity towards sustainable businesses tailored to the local community. These ideas seem to be completely disregarded in the draft masterplan. General tone of the Masterplan seems negative	Vision/Actions	Many of these initiatives are outside the direct scope of the Masterplan however may be encouraged through specific masterplan actions.
From discussions with locals it is obvious a Masterplan is favoured rather than an ad-hoc approach	Vision	Noted. No change needed.
Masterplan document is a wonderful reflection of the community – looks fantastic	Vision/Actions	Noted. No change needed.
Strong desire to retain the rural, low key atmosphere of the village.	Vision	Noted. No change needed.
I support all Actions recommended by the Masterplan process. Federal villagers are united in their desire to provide a safe and secure environment for villagers, northern rivers neighbours and the increasing tourist interest in our hinterland village	Vision	Noted. No change needed.
I was hoping for something better	Vision	Noted. No change needed.
It is amazing what the steering committee did in the last 2 years or so generating this master plan. I am really proud to be part of this amazing community.	Vision	Noted. No change needed.
I hope council will stay true to the master plan ideals and the vision for our developing community. I am happy to see this collaboration between council and the community and hope our long-standing relationship can continue well into the future.	Vision	Noted. No change needed.
I think the master plan is a fantastic upgrade Federal Village and will really improve both the safety and aesthetics for future years to come.	Vision	Noted. No change needed.
As stated, my thanks and admiration to the community leaders who initiated and undertook this process. It is my fervent hope that council is	Vision/ Process	Noted. No change needed.

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accountable to the community through this document, when considering DAs that will impact the village.		
an excellent and solid Masterplan Draft. It all hangs together pretty well for me and the local history write-up / context was informative and contained a couple of Village facts I was unaware of. Interesting stuff!	Vision	Noted. No change required.
The masterplan is trying to keep the flavour of the current village whilst dealing with some of the more practical issues such as traffic, parking and suitability of development	Vision	Noted. No change required.
I have lived in Federal village and surrounds for 12 years. Federal is a beautiful place to live and has a wonderful community. Change is inevitable, but I hope this Masterplan will help us, the community, to have a say in how our village evolves so it doesn't lose its very special qualities. Qualities that could be emulated elsewhere throughout the shire.	Vision	Noted. No change required.
the masterplan actions cover all relevant issues . action one mainstreet design requires further consultation with families living on the main street.while safety is important there are other issues to discuss:impacts of pathways and parking design	Vision/actions	Noted. The Main Street Design has been pursued as a separate project, that has undergone its own consultation processes.
The Masterplan has identified a large number of recommendations that will significantly improve the liveability of Federal, so let's get moving on it!	Vision	Noted. No change required.
I am aware of the effort the Federal community has put into development of the Masterplan. There will always be a few who disagree but I believe it has majority support and therefore reflects the community's aspirations.	Vision	Noted. No change required.
The plan when executed will improve the quality of the Federal Village and make it safer and more liveable.	Vision	Noted. No change required.

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No, the plan does not reflect the aspirations of the wider community	Vision	Noted.
The plan covers everything that seems relevant to me	Vision	Noted. No change required.
The masterplan emphasises the culture of Federal. A place connected to nature & strong in community. Somewhere that is a safe place for children to grow up & come back to. It is a great reflection of Australia's history & melting pot of cultures, & continues to evolve.	Vision	Noted. No change required.
Our community is diverse and values it's environment, wildlife and people. The masterplan is highly reflective of this.	Vision	Noted. No change required.
After extensive consultation by the steering committee i am confident that this draft covers the important issues	Vision	Noted. No change required.
We believe it reflects our aspirations and our circle of friends but are not in a position to comment on the wider community	Vision/process	Noted. No change required.
I'm glad to see that safety is a priority and how the plan reflects a community-first approach.	Vision	Noted. No change required.
As a Federal resident it's what I can see what is needed in our community, we need to protect our environment and at the same time provide a safe space for our residents.	Vision	Noted. No change required.
Likes that it is a long term vision for the village	Vision	Noted. No change needed.
I agree with all the proposed actions!	Vision	Noted. No change required.
We feel the 18 actions cover the needs of Federal	Vision	Noted. No change required.
I support all 17 actions!!	Vision	Noted. No change required.
No, I don't think any actions are missing or need changing	Vision	Noted. No change required.
I think it's covered everything	Vision	Noted. No change required.
No the actions are comprehensive	Vision/actions	Noted. No change required.
No actions are missing, this document really is all encompassing	Vision/actions	Noted. No change required.

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I can't think of any other actions that are missing or I would like to change.	Vision/actions	Noted. No change required.
There has been exhaustive consultation on this and I think the Masterplan captures those views very well	Process/Vision	Noted. No change required.
Where is a central parking area – amazed this has not made its way into the Masterplan given this was a key issue at the community workshops	Main Street Design	This comment is outside of the scope of the Federal Village Masterplan and related to Action 1: Main Street Design
Street lighting and path lighting seem to have been omitted.	Main Street Design	This comment is outside of the scope of the Federal Village Masterplan and related to Action 1: Main Street Design
Safe parking at Jasper corner is paramount	Main Street Design	This comment is outside of the scope of the Federal Village Masterplan and related to Action 1: Main Street Design
An EV charging point might be added to the main street	Main Street Design	This comment is outside of the scope of the Federal Village Masterplan and related to Action 1: Main Street Design
I would like to see cement guttering added to many of the streets in federal.	Main Street Design	This comment is outside of the scope of the Federal Village Masterplan and related to Action 1: Main Street Design
Page 11: Actions 1, 2 and 3. The roads into Federal are 100k or 80k zones. Binna Burra Rd is fairly quiet and Coorabell Rd has the stop sign, while Eureka Rd is slowed by the up hill approach. Federal Drive, however, is fast and dangerous.	Main Street Design	This comment is outside of the scope of the Federal Village Masterplan and related to Action 1: Main Street Design
Federal Drive is a 100k down-hill descent into the village. This should be changed to a 60k zone (from the current slip zone). This would slow traffic on the hill and the corner, thus preparing for a calm (safe) descent into the village.	Main Street Design	This comment is outside of the scope of the Federal Village Masterplan and related to Action 1: Main Street Design (included in the Main Street Design discussion).

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Action 11 PLEASE INCLUDE SOME COMMUNITY BBQ'S AT LEAST 2- 3 PLEASE.	Open Space	Noted. This is flagged for consideration at the landscape plan stage.
Why is there no action around Thriving local business, Support and encourage local businesses, or something along those lines? There should be	New action suggestion	The document promotes local business through clarifying planning conditions, strengthening local community social networks and improving the main street. The impact of these project on local businesses has been further highlighted in the masterplan.
I always thought a speed camera would be useful when vehicles are coming over the speed limit from Goonengerry	New action suggestion	Outside the scope of the Masterplan/Dealt with as a part of the main street plan.
It looks great. Agree 2 share cycleway with cyclists/walkers in co operative considerate manner. Scope for people to horseride on cycleways.?	New action/action update suggestion	Noted. Would need to be a part of future considerations in path design.
#2 pathways/cycleways. Would like 2 see emphasis on use of roads as bridleway ie roads/ tracks for horse riding. Horses are very historically Federal. Riders have legal right 2use the roads. 2 often nearly killed by speeding car if riding.	New action suggestion	Noted. Would need to be a part of future considerations in path design.
Beautifying the village is lovely and safety and ease of movement are important but Action 14 Disaster planning and page 42 - Adaptability, self-reliance and infrastructure resonated with me the most. The climate is forcing our hand. The points made in the draft plan about the need for a climate action plan are so important. In my mind the planning of the village and surrounds really needs to take inspiration from the concerns set out on these pages.	Climate resilience	Noted. No change required.
Please confirm the legislative framework by which Council has granted the Master Plans adoption, and what power it has to influence Councils LEP and DCP process.	Legal	Noted. Refer to Council Report response to this matter.

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Believe it is important that any future DA's and developers are provided this document and understand how much community process went into its development so that they can understand the intent and importance of the ambitions, threats, opportunities and prescribed actions to the local community.	Development	Noted. Action 15 covers this.
The area opposite the hall should be commercial. Action 7 is pretty outrageous.	Development	Revised draft removes indicative maps and reframes action. Any proposed changes to the LEP or DCP will require their own consultation process.
Commercial area should extend to Coachwood court/opposite Jasper corner. The masterplan has taken on more than its remit.	Development	Revised draft removes indicative maps and reframes action. Any proposed changes to the LEP or DCP will require their own consultation process.
Action 7 is redundant as the existing LEP and DCP are robust and clear in intent	Development	Point noted however this is not consistent with other views voiced by the community.
Action5, 6 Good outcome. Action 5a, 5b, 7 should be excluded from the Masterplan. It's not right to suggest rezonings based on the tiny footprint of the masterplan (doesn't account for the whole area surrounding the village or its needs out to 2042).	Development	Revised draft removes indicative maps and offers some edits to the planning actions.
I think action 10 is a gross overstep. This is private land and shouldn't be subject to any change in controls. The steering committee includes two owners of commercial land in the village – surely a conflict of interest in influencing this action?	Development	<p>The action relating to purchase of Lot 1 DP 1003205 has been deleted and the action relating to controls for this site has been moved and reworded.</p> <p>These actions caused confusion for some people, assuming that the referenced lot was</p>

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		automatically going to be 'rezoned' to become a park. This was not the intention. As such, action 10a has been deleted and Action 10b has been reworded to sit with the other planning actions.
If no changes to land zonings are currently being suggested then Action 7 shouldn't be drawn on this map. If Action 7 does go on this map then it should cover all of the areas currently zoned for village use and not arbitrarily drawn with a new boundary.	Development	See above
Ensure that there is an ongoing calculation of the CUMULATIVE effect of any DA's - so that infrastructure is not caught 20 years behind where it needs to be.	Development	Noted. Outside the remit of the Masterplan.
A Village Not Worse Off Test for all significant development applications / proposals. Perhaps this could be via a local referendum (online democracy) or via a consultative ballot for local residents. Community interests trump individual interests!	Development	Outside the remit of the Masterplan.
The plan doesn't seem to have captured the views of people that want to see federal have more life in it.	Development	Noted. The actions pertaining to development were updated following the initial feedback on the draft plan.
Actions 7, 10a and 10b should be removed.	Development	See comments above.
One general store and cafe doesn't make a village. We need more services, we need more places to eat and meet up, we need places to work near where we live. The idea that Federal needs more green space is hilarious. It's nearly all green space!	Development	See comments above.
Action5, 6 Good outcome of the masterplan. Action5a, 5b, 7 should be excluded from the Final Masterplan. It's overreach to be suggesting rezonings based on the footprint of the masterplan (it doesnt account for the broader region or the needs of the broader region out to 2042). If	Development	See comments above.

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anything, Action 7 should have been for a broader area opened for investigation to mixed use to make up for the open space created by Action 10. As it currently stands the main street of Federal is the only place possible for commercial use in a big surrounding area. To reduce this even further is not good		
Generally agree although a food based business or market was also popular. If Action 10 was to proceed and this mixed use zone was changed to green space, why not support mixed use zones in other areas of the village? What reason is there not to include a new public carpark as part of this masterplan somewhere?	Development	See comments above relating to action 10. No identified option for public carpark.
I now think it could have looked more closely at the style & nature of future commercial development within the village, so this could also be more aligned & integrated with the current character of the village & needs of the local community.	Development	Noted. Covered as a part of Action 5.
Actions 5, 5A, 5B, 10A, 10B only serve the priorities of certain members of the community, not the majority. The DCP and LEP have not failed the community thus far. Rewriting these documents driven by FCCSG is a conflict of interest by some members.	Development	Noted. See comments above and in Council report.
What are they doing about the Fed Sheds? Are they part of this master plan? The Fed Sheds seem at odds with all the good work the committee and community have put into the master plan.	Development	This refers to an individual DA that is currently being assessed and is separate to this Masterplan.
The place for new affordable housing is not the main street for many reasons. The main street should be preferenced for commercial use	Development	See comments above.
In light of what has happened recently in Federal with a large DA being contested by the community, there could have been further specific properties or areas specified for special attention.	Development	The Masterplan is not a statutory planning document.
Confused about need to change the DCP and LEP – suggests they are adequate in their existing form	Development	Noted.

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<p>The purchasing of Lot 1 is a significant personal investment that was based on the potential to develop the site within the parameters of the existing LEP 1988 and 2014 DCP.</p> <p>This financial commitment was undertaken in November 2016 and prior to the formation of the steering committee or the subsequent development of the Master Plan.</p> <p>My concern is that Council will change the LEP and/or DCP to limit currently approved (with Consent) land use.</p> <p>The current DCP Chapter E6 provides a robust framework by which Council can assess any development and approve or reject an application based on clear and specific criteria.</p> <p>The LEP 2014 details a range of land uses permitted with consent and RU5 provides the broadest range.</p> <p>I have maintained an informed approach to the development of the Master Plan and will continue to be guided by the demands of the local community and Council - based on the current LEP and DCP.</p> <p>I do however oppose the Master Plans Action 7. This has been prioritised as “urgent, due to development pressure on major sites in the village”. Please clarify.</p> <p>The containment of development to one clear zone may exclude Lot 1. This has historically been seen as the focal point for commercial land use and should not be altered.</p>	Development	See comments above.

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The Master Plan Action 10a and 10b outlines a plan to purchase Lot 1 or review the LEP/DCP. The only discussion that I have had in relation to the community purchase option was with you last May and I thought that I made it clear that Lot 1 was not for sale. A real estate valuation does not adequately value potential and I have purchased the Lot to capitalise on its long term potential.		
No, I'm particularly supportive of limiting development in the village and maintaining community social spaces. The principle of Federal as a living and inclusive village that works for the people who live here is really important.	Development	Noted.
Remove Actions 5 and 10	Development	See comments above.
Actions 10a and b should be removed. The site is not for sale and Action 10b is already covered in Action 5a.	Development	See comments above.
I'd like to see less development allowed in the village to keep its feel but appreciate the limitations of a govt lead masterplan on private properties.	Development	Noted. See comments above.
I am very surprised that the development of this master plan hasn't had more impact on DAs impacting Federal before Council. I really hope council will take this master plan into consideration when making their decision.	Development	See comments above.
5A How, all developments and has this been costed - is the green space public or private what is green space	Development	Noted. Some of the language in the revised draft has been altered for improved clarity. We've updated some of the language in the document to improve the clarity and say what we mean better.
7 what does this mean - are they seeking	Development	Noted.

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<p>a change of the village zone in predominantly residential areas or in the central area - there are no perfect fit alternative zones either way - Large Lot res may be the answer?</p>		
<p>Does not reflect community workshops, too limiting on future development</p>	Development	Noted. Any proposed changes to the LEP or DCP will require their own consultation process.
<p>5 Suggest add in 'investigate' - 'update' is fettering the decision making process of Council</p>	Development	Noted, language has been updated.
<p>I would like to see the heritage buildings continued in style like the small town of Burringbah.</p>	Heritage/Development	Noted. No change needed.
<p>No discussion here of the positives of Federal being popular, or that it has a unique opportunity to attract sustainable businesses that differ from Bangalow, Byron Bay, etc. Also there is not one photo of a shop in this whole document. Are we not proud of Doma for e.g. and supportive? The construction of a parking lot somewhere in Federal to take pressure off the main street was popular in the community workshops</p>	Tourism/Document photos	Noted. Photos in the revised plan have been updated and some wording has been revised.
<p>As of the 2021 Census, there were 784 people living in 344 private dwellings in greater Federal, which includes the village centre and outlying areas. True, but Federal would be the main village or a very important village to people in the areas of Federal, Eureka, Goonengerry, Repentance Creek, Rosebank, Coopers Creek, Coorabell and Binna Burra. It has a huge catchment area of people and very few of them are full time farmers. That should be reflected here but isn't. For all of those areas, there are no retail or commercial opportunities possible now or into the future other than Federal. The basic function of Federal as a village servicing a region and its need to adjust (including out to 2042!!) is missing from this Masterplan. If the</p>	Servicing/Development/Vision	Noted. Minor updates were made to reflect this comment.

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surrounding areas are not taken into account, then this masterplan should also have nothing to say on rezonings or any other regional planning type issues.		
Alongside discussion around the pressures of tourism, there needs be a discussion of the pressures of lots of new residents in the surrounding areas. Taking into account shifts in work life arrangements (more work from home) the state of local roads (less desire to commute long distances) and general increase in creative / professional people moving in rather than just farmers, the village of Federal needs to be more than 1.5 cafes and a general store in the year 2042.	Servicing/Development/Vision	Noted. See above.
<p>The Masterplan reflects some of the aspirations of the wider community.</p> <p>However, having reviewed the actual tabulated responses from the community, which were generated at Masterplan Community Meetings, it is evident that the Masterplan Steering Group are promoting an agenda that is not fully representative of the wider wishes of the community. The actual responses were: restaurant and night time venue 14, Live music venue 13, small pub /bar 13, sports facilities 11, farmers market 7, artisans/gallery 6, medical center 4. Additionally faster broadband was requested by 21 people, which the Fed Sheds proposal will in fact deliver, as they have agreement with a provider to bring fiber optic service to the village. The Masterplan Steering Group and its allied groups have, through their many events, in large part created the parking and traffic issues that currently plague the village. Whilst the services that these groups provide in the Hall and Church are good services, it seems grossly unfair that the proponents steering the Masterplan wish to limit commercial and light industrial uses by other stakeholders in the village, and prevent them from developing their own properties when in fact they have largely contributed to the problems they are citing, being current and future proposals, will generate. This is even more pertinent when considering that the Hall and Church have no off-street parking for their own uses. It is also relevant to note that there</p>	Development	<p>Points noted but not consistent with predominate view by other community responses.</p> <p>Some of these suggestions fall outside the remit of a Masterplan.</p>

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<p>are members of these steering groups who themselves own commercial property in the village and stand to benefit by controlling the supply of said assets. It also defies logic that the Masterplan proposes to rezone Lot 1 and Lot 10 from commercial /light industrial to residential, or unspecified uses. From an urban planning standpoint, it is logical that the business area of Federal Drive should run from the Tin Shed to Coachwood Court Corner. This should form the "High Street" like villages around the world have logically done for centuries. The area on the busy section of Federal Drive, South of the Binna Burra intersection, and directly opposite the agricultural lots is far less suitable for commercial development given the speed that traffic travels past it, and the proximity to the surrounding residential area. It would seem logical to have all the commercial and light industrial uses contained in a logical zone rather than around the corner and on a busy thoroughfare. It should be noted that members of the Steering Group and its sub groups do own commercial assets in this less logical zone that they wish to retain as a commercial precinct, whilst proposing to rezone those in the more logical section. This is perplexing and unlikely to be supported by any sensible unbiased urban planner.</p> <p>Additionally, it should be noted that the members of the Steering Groups are virtually all older people. Clearly evidence suggests that more younger families are choosing to make Federal home.</p> <p>The Steering Group are not fully representative of the community they serve.</p> <p>It should also be noted that the facilitator appointed, Dr Fischer, resigned early in the process for family reasons.</p> <p>It is deeply concerning that the Masterplan process has been allowed to run largely without an independent facilitator, and perhaps this is the reason that that the Steering Group have overreached their scope with regard to rezoning parcels of land that if successful, will unfairly benefit certain members of the Masterplan Steering Group that currently own commercial property in the village.</p>		

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<p>These are fundamental flaws in the Masterplan process, and if adopted as proposed, can only lead to costly legal resolutions and acrimony, as opposed to a harmonious outcome for the village.</p>		
<p>While I appreciate that the Steering Committee and the community have worked hard to put the Draft together, I do not agree that the needs and desires of the greater community have been equitably addressed here.</p> <p>Traffic calming, parking and pathways, beautification of the streetscape, is necessary and should be a priority, however, there were many people at the community visioning meetings who wanted more diversity in shops, more places to eat, a restaurant/café offering night time eating as well as a desire to see a creative hub for small local businesses, artists and innovation.</p> <p>None of this is mentioned in the Draft Masterplan. It would appear that the consultation meetings were performative in nature as the agenda had already been decided upon by some members of the Federal Village Masterplan Steering Committee. One of these being to slow down and stop any further development while at the same time claiming to be planning a sustainable future for the growing families and aging population of Federal. The chief stewards of the steering committee have many years of residence in Federal (and Goonengerry) and have a noteworthy track record of good works however they are somewhat biased and do not reflect the younger families who have moved into the area.</p> <p>The Masterplan Vision Statement sounds nice but is very vague, it is like a big net, it covers a lot but is full of holes. Fed Sheds is in no way antipathetic to the Masterplan, in fact Fed Sheds fully embraces long term planning and sustainability and is a design that is complementary to the village. The Fed Sheds DA was already on track in council and some members of the community are claiming, erroneously, that it “usurps the Masterplan and undermines the 100s of hours of community work”.</p>	<p>Development/Vision/Process</p>	<p>Points noted but not consistent with predominate view by other community responses.</p>

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<p>The Federal Village Masterplan Steering Committee have misled the community as to the extent of the powers of the Masterplan. They have used the Masterplan to try and block Fed Sheds DA and have led the community to believe that the Masterplan has overriding authority and is a reason to delay and block the Fed Sheds DA. They have used the Masterplan platform on social media to spread misinformation and gather support against the DA. They have even participated in the setting up of a Go Fund Me page to prevail upon the community to donate money for a peer review of the DA - which has already been rigorously reviewed by council. It is a corruption of their duty and exploitation of their privilege to steer the community in such a biased manner. It is also a gross overreach to imagine that Council could or should buy the lot at Roses and Federal. It is unlikely that the community would find the funds themselves to buy the lot and the owner is entitled to have a fair opportunity to develop as he wishes within council's guidelines. It would also be unfair if not illegal for the Steering Committee try to get the block rezoned so as to devalue his asset in the interests of their long-term plans to take it off him.</p> <p>It should be noted that two members of the Steering Committee own properties in the current commercial zone and they want to change the zoning in the rest of the village to exclude further commercial uses. This would appear to be a conflict of interest. It makes good planning sense to keep village shops and amenities within the zone from Coachwood to the Federal/Binna Burra intersection.</p>		