



WALCHA 2032

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN



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INTRODUCTION

Walcha 2032 is the blueprint for the future of the Walcha Local Government Area. It represents the vision, aspirations, goals, priorities and challenges for our community. The purpose of Walcha 2032 is to:

- Describe the vision and goals the community has for this local government area.
- Outline the strategies to achieve the vision and goals.
- Provide a long term focus for decision making and resource allocation.
- Provide a basis for measuring our progress.
- Provide an opportunity for community participation in decision making.
- Address social, economic, environmental and civic leadership issues.

Walcha 2032 has been developed by the community and will be maintained and implemented by Walcha Council on behalf of our community. It is a plan for the future of the Local Government Area and will be a guide for other levels of government, private businesses and non-government agencies.

The Plan was first adopted by Council in May 2011, reviewed by Council and our community in 2013 and 2017. This Plan is now being revised and updated with the goal to be adopted by June 2022.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

As a result of legislation enacted in October 2009, all New South Wales local councils are required by the Local Government Act 1993 to develop a community strategic plan. The plan must:

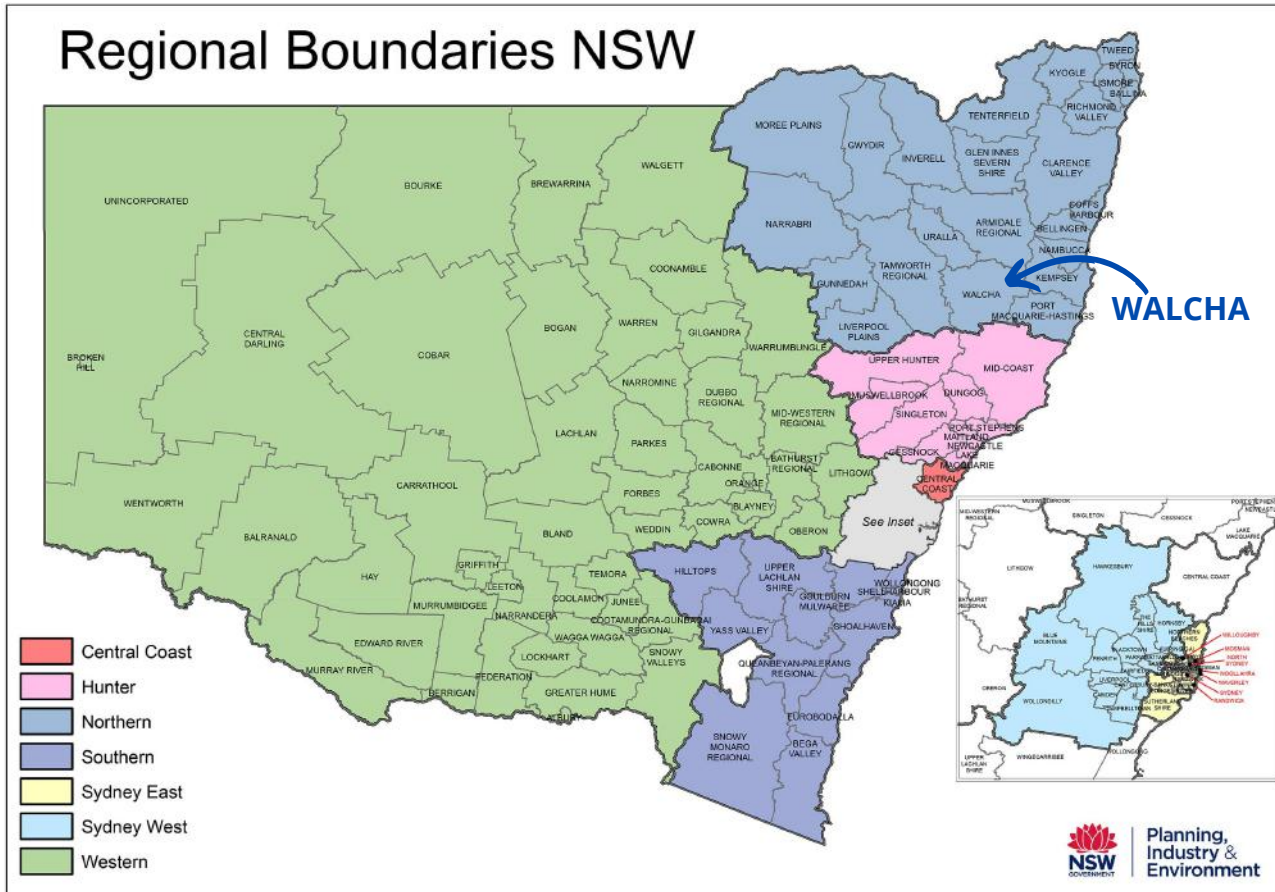
- Have a long-term focus, with a minimum of 10 years.
- Address the key issues of social, environmental and economic sustainability as well as civic leadership.
- Be delivered as a partnership between Council, state agencies, community groups and individuals.
- Consider the State Plan and any relevant State or regional draft plans and strategies.
- Have regard for an adopted community engagement strategy, showing how the Council will communicate with and consult its community to develop a draft plan.
- Provide for a resourcing strategy that describes how community assets will be used in the future, how the Council workforce will be managed to deliver the desired plan outcomes and a financial plan to show how the plan will be funded.
- Give consideration to the expected levels of service expressed by the community.
- Include a community vision statement, strategic objectives and strategies for achieving the objectives.
- Identify assessment methods for determining whether the objectives are being achieved.
- Outline how progress in implementing the plan will be measured and monitored
- Provide for the Council to progressively report to the community on progress and achievements.

WALCHA - WHO AND WHERE

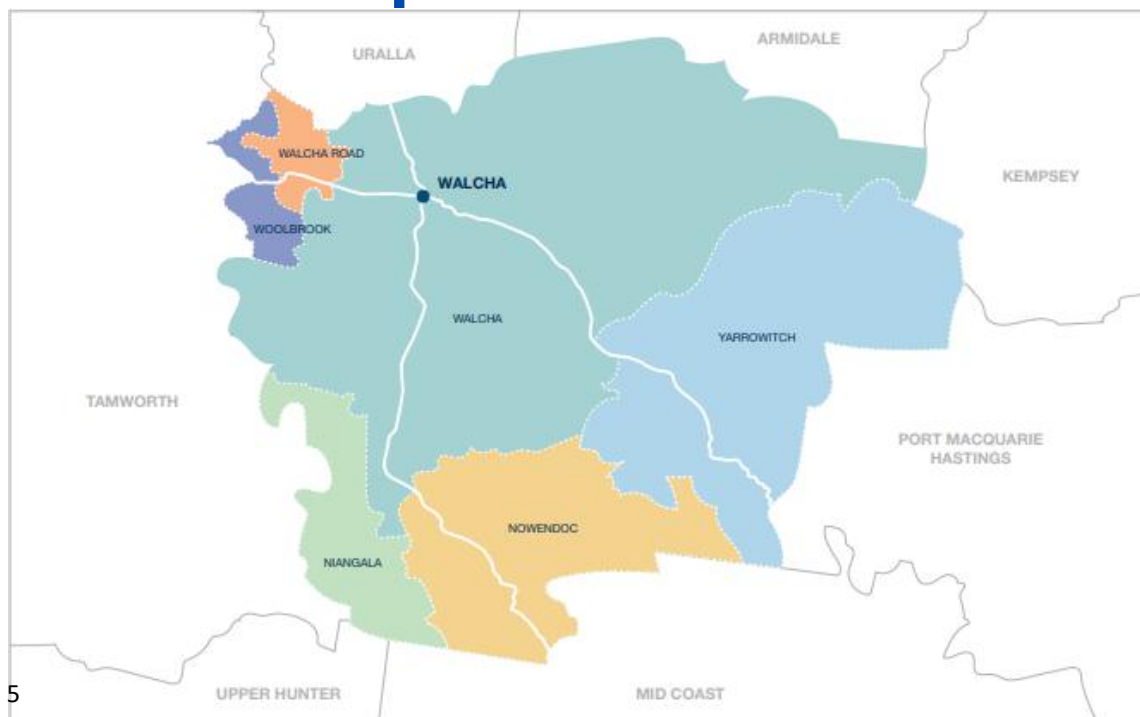
Walcha is located in the beautiful and very productive New England Tablelands region of New South Wales. The Walcha Local Government Area has an area of 640,858 hectares and a total population of 3,092 people. The town of Walcha (pronounced wolka) is 1,067 metres above sea level and can be reached by road, rail and air.

With 184,000 hectares of national park and wilderness including parts of the world heritage listed Central Eastern Rainforest Reserves, approximately 50,000 hectares of state forests and a network of excellent trout waters, Walcha provides the opportunity for some of the most magnificent eco-experiences in Australia.

Apart from these wonderful eco-tourism destinations, the area has a lot to offer. It is one of the most productive agricultural regions in Australia. It is also a major hardwood timber supplier and is a significant supplier of softwood.



District Map



GUIDING PRINCIPALS

The principles and values that underpin the framework for developing Walcha 2032 are social justice and sustainability. These principles and values were genuinely considered when developing the goals and strategies contained in this plan. All goals and strategies seek to attain an outcome that is sustainable and strives for equity, access, participation and equal rights, particularly for the disadvantaged and vulnerable.

Social Justice

Equity	Decisions should reflect equality in the prioritising and allocation of resources.
Access	All people should have access to services, resources and opportunities to maintain and improve their quality of life.
Participation	Everyone should have the opportunity to genuinely participate in decisions which affect their lives.
Rights	Equal rights should be established and promoted, with opportunities provided for people from diverse linguistic, cultural and religious backgrounds to participate in community life.

Sustainability

Walcha 2032 has the foundations and principles of sustainability. Sustainability describes the integration of environmental, social, economic and governance goals, processes and performances. However, these elements are not always in harmony.

STATE AND FEDERAL CONTEXT

It is important that the Plan also be considered in a State and regional context as this will have an impact on the Walcha Local Government Area. Relevant State plans and priorities have been taken into consideration in the context of creating our 10-year plan.



HOW WAS WALCHA 2032 ORIGINALLY DEVELOPED

Walcha 2032, as originally developed by the community, has become the blueprint for the future of the Walcha Local Government Area. Originally, a number of methods were used to gather feedback from a wide range of people in our community including residents, business owners, Councillors, government agencies, Council staff and other stakeholders. Walcha 2032 as it is now, only slightly differs from the original strategic plan in that it places a higher emphasis on governance and accountability by Council.

The following is a list of the focus groups that were originally consulted.

- Community Care Women's Group and Advisory Committee
- Woolbrook School Community
- Walcha Men's Shed
- Beautification Committee, Arts Committee, Country Women's Association and Walcha Historical Society
- Community Care Men's Group
- Preschool / Family Day Care / Early Intervention / Child Care Groups
- Walcha Rotary Club
- Walcha Central School Parents and Citizens
- Yarrowitch Community
- Brackendale / Tia Community
- Nowendoc Community
- Aboriginal Education Consultative Group
- Walcha Central School Staff
- Landcare groups, Department of the Environment and Climate Change and Southern New England Landcare
- Niangala School Community
- Woolbrook Community
- Ingleba Community
- Walcha Quota Club
- Walcha Council Indoor Staff
- Religious Contingent
- Transport Companies
- Emergency Services
- Walcha Council Outdoor Staff
- Tourism Groups
- Festival / Events groups
- St Patricks School Board
- State Government Organisations
- Youth Committee
- Hospital Staff
- Apsley Riverview Staff
- Lions and Lions Ladies Clubs
- Sporting Groups, Business Houses and Public Invitation

Engagement with the community is ongoing throughout the life of the Plan and the Community Engagement Strategy will be used to carry out future reviews.

ISSUES AND CHALLENGES

The issues and challenges that were identified when Walcha – 2032 was first developed in 2011 still remain with the added emphasis on Council's performance for its community. They now include:

Improving the Economic Sustainability of Walcha.

Maintaining the Feel and Identity of Walcha

- Representation and leadership.
- Reversing decline and achieving critical population size
- Age succession of volunteers.
- Retaining families in Walcha.
- Public community transport.
- Maintaining health providers, police and key agencies.
- Self sufficiency in energy and water.
- Remaining an appealing competitive community.
- Transportation and the road network

Retaining and Attracting Young People in Walcha

- Promote trades apprentices and traineeships.

Maintaining Environmentally Sustainable Agricultural Activities

- Outside pressures e.g. unreasonable rules and regulations imposed by others.
- Education partnerships with city centric sensitivities around agriculture.
- The potential affect of the Murray-Darling Basin Authority.

Attracting New Enterprises and Jobs

- Attract new enterprises and value adding to existing business.
- Difficulty of attracting support funding.

Environment

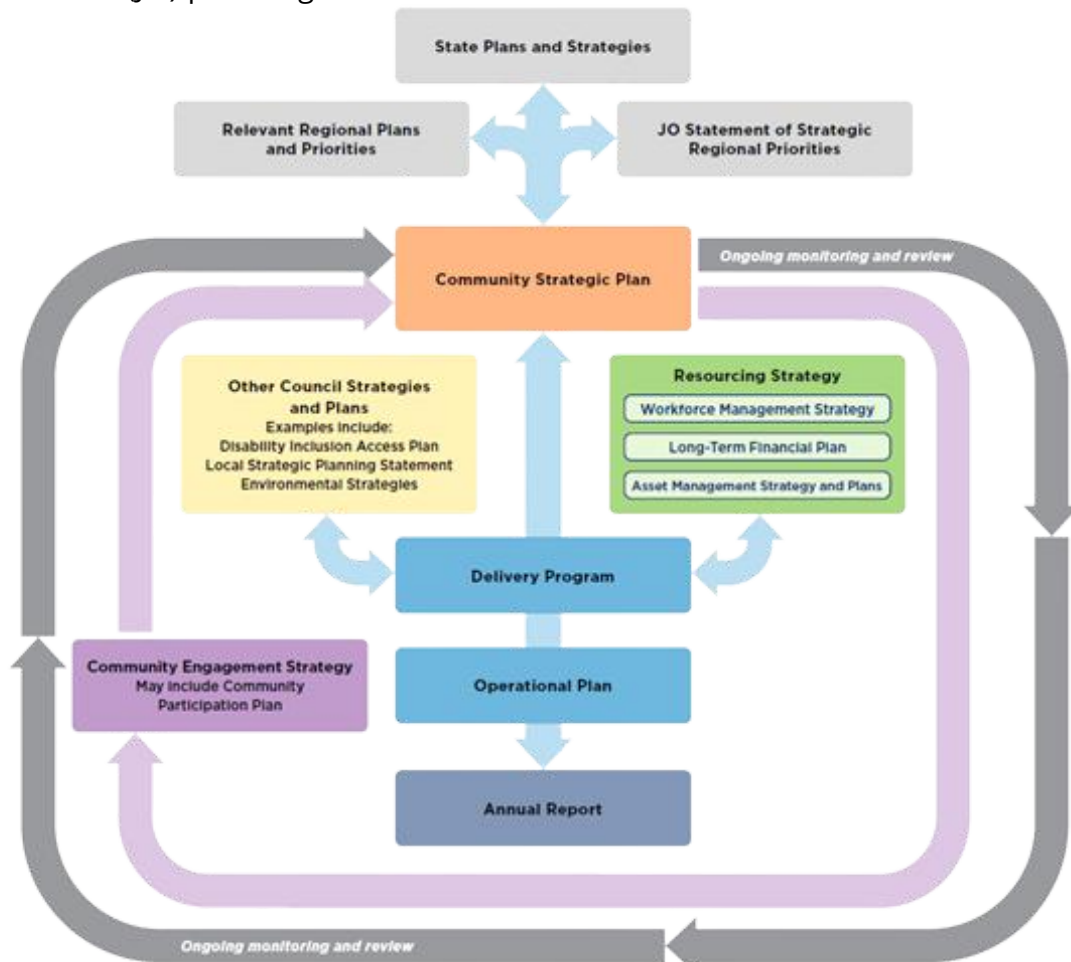
- Climate change
- Renewable energy

Council

- Improved Council governance
- Council Culture

THE FRAMEWORK

Walcha 2032 was developed to fit into the framework required by the NSW Government. It is the overarching document that is supported and integrated into all of Council's and the associated joint organisational (JO) planning documentation.



VISION STATEMENT

To create a vibrant and sustainable environment in which people want to live, work and play.

The content of Walcha 2032 was developed to achieve the Vision considering the current and anticipated challenges and issues as well as other plans and strategies relevant to the Walcha Local Government Area.

In the Vision Statement the term 'environment' not only includes the natural environment but also the man-made or built environment and the social and cultural environment that has and will continue to shape the Walcha community.

HOW TO READ WALCHA 2032

Walcha 2032 is comprised of eight themes. They are:

- Transport
- Business and Jobs
- Health
- Education and Training
- Stronger Community
- Local Environment and Liveable Communities
- Keeping People Safe
- Better Government

These themes provide the focus and direction for the development of goals and strategies. The goals and strategies create the framework for the delivery of sustainable and equitable outcomes to achieve our vision.

Each theme contains a number of goals which are the aspirations or destinations as identified or described for 2032 and beyond. Each goal contains a number of strategies which were developed as the pathways to achieving these goals. Council's role in the implementation of each strategy is identified and defined as follows:

Leader	Council will lead the development and implementation of detailed plans and actions to implement this strategy and to achieve progress towards the identified goal.
Facilitator	Council will facilitate the development and implementation of detailed plans and actions with other stakeholders to implement this strategy and achieve progress toward the identified goal.
Advocate	Council will advocate for the development and implementation of detailed plans and actions with other stakeholders to implement this strategy and achieve progress toward the identified goal.

Throughout Walcha 2032 the terms 'our' and 'community' are used frequently. Unless specified otherwise both terms are intended to mean the whole of the Walcha community including:

Community groups and organisations

- Local businesses
- Walcha Council
- Non-government organisations
- Government agencies
- Ratepayers
- Residents
- People who work in the Local Government Area
- Visitors
- Anyone with an interest in the future of the Local Government Area

Unless specified otherwise, the term 'Walcha' includes not only the area within the township of Walcha but also the area within the whole of the Local Government Area managed by Walcha Council.

THEMES AND OUTCOMES

THEME	OUTCOMES (GOALS)
TRANSPORT	CSP 1.1 Walcha will be serviced by an integrated and efficient transport network.
BUSINESS AND JOBS	CSP2.1 Commercial and tourist development will be promoted and encouraged to grow in harmony with the natural environment, to take maximum advantage of commercial opportunities and to increase local employment.
HEALTH	CSP3.1 Health services and facilities for public health and wellbeing of the community will be protected and enhanced and will be provided and where appropriate managed locally to meet the needs of the community.
EDUCATION AND TRAINING	CSP4.1 Education and training opportunities will be provided that deliver the skills and knowledge needed to advance the community.
STRONGER COMMUNITY	<p>CSP 5.1 Social services will be planned, maintained and coordinated so that they meet the current and future needs of all groups in the community.</p> <p>CSP 5.2 The existing strong community spirit and pride will be protected and promoted.</p> <p>CSP 5.3 Walcha's cultural identity will be enhanced.</p> <p>CSP 5.4 Walcha's Aboriginal communities will be supported and strengthened.</p> <p>CSP 5.5 Young people will be retained and supported to live in Walcha.</p> <p>CSP 5.6 People of all ages and abilities will be encouraged to participate in cultural, recreational and sporting activities.</p> <p>CSP 5.7 Our community will be more resilient and prepared for natural disasters.</p>
LOCAL ENVIRONMENT AND LIVEABLE COMMUNITIES	<p>CSP 6.1 Walcha's distinct and diverse natural and built environment will be protected and enhanced.</p> <p>CSP 6.2 Solid waste will be managed in a sustainable manner with a continuing reduction in waste generation and disposal to landfill.</p> <p>CSP 6.3 Water supply and sewerage services will be sustainable and environmentally sensitive.</p> <p>CSP 6.4 Walcha will increase the use and production of renewable energy.</p> <p>CSP 6.5 The character of Walcha and its surrounding villages will be maintained while protecting the productivity of our rural land.</p>
KEEPING PEOPLE SAFE	<p>CSP 7.1 Police services will be resourced appropriately to effectively control and reduce crime and antisocial behaviour and to keep our community safe.</p> <p>CSP 7.2 Emergency Services will be provided to ensure the safety of our community and visitors.</p>
BETTER GOVERNMENT	<p>CSP 8.1 Better Government will lead to a more efficient and effective service to our community that will exemplify good leadership, mutual respect and trust by being inclusive, ensuring open information and communication and encouraging active participation at all levels.</p> <p>CSP 8.2 Council rate funding for local government projects will be supplemented by income generated from other sources.</p> <p>CSP 8.3 The boundaries of the Walcha Local Government Area will be modified to reflect existing and developing communities of interest.</p>

GOALS AND STRATEGIES TRANSPORT

	GOAL		STRATEGY
1.1	Walcha will be serviced by an integrated and efficient transport network	1.1.1	Develop and maintain a safe and efficient local road and bridge network.
		1.1.2	Lead the maintenance, safety and efficiency of regional road links and facilitate the same on state road networks to, from and through the Walcha Local Government Area
		1.1.3	Improve community and public transport
		1.1.4	Provide and maintain facilities for the safe movement of pedestrian and cycle traffic.

NSW Making it Happen – State Priorities Links Infrastructure

- improving road travel reliability

Better services

- ensure on-time running for public transport

Other Relevant Plans and Strategies

- 2036 New England North West Regional Plan



GOALS AND STRATEGIES

BUSINESS AND JOBS

	GOAL		STRATEGY
2.1	Commercial and tourist development will be promoted and encouraged to grow in harmony with the natural environment, to take maximum advantage of commercial opportunities and to increase local employment.	2.1.1	Maintain and improve the appearance of the Walcha Local Government Area to increase tourist and commercial activity
		2.1.2	Develop and market tourism products targeting identified markets
		2.1.3	Develop activities that encourage increased visitation frequency and stay length.
		2.1.4	Assist, support and encourage the establishment and / or expansion of local businesses
		2.1.5	Promote Walcha's suitability for the aged care community and associated industries
		2.1.6	Promote business and employment opportunities within the Walcha region.
		2.1.7	Promote the services that appeal to "young" workers e.g. childcare, medical, housing, sporting facilities and parks.
		2.1.8	Encourage the development of additional rental accommodation in Walcha

GOALS AND STRATEGIES BUSINESS AND JOBS

NSW Making it Happen – Premier’s Priorities Links

Creating Jobs – 150,000 new jobs by 2019

- Jobs for NSW initiative
- Extending payroll tax rebates
- Providing incentives for non-payroll tax paying businesses to recruit
- Creating jobs and apprenticeships for the construction sector through infrastructure investment

NSW Making it Happen – State Priorities Links

Strong Budget and Economy

- Making it easier to start a business
- Encouraging business investment
- Boosting apprenticeships

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Prosperous urban centres with job opportunities

- Direction 4.5: Grow tourism to support employment opportunities and urban centres

Protect water, environment and heritage

- Direction 5.1: Manage water resources for a growing economy and environmental sustainability

Other Relevant Plans and Strategies

Walcha Local Environment Plan

Strategic Regional Land Use Policy - New England North West Strategic Land Use Plan



GOALS AND STRATEGIES

HEALTH

	GOAL		STRATEGY
3.1	Health services and facilities for public health and wellbeing of the community will be protected and enhanced and will be provided and where appropriate managed locally to meet the needs of the community.	3.1.1	Advocate for the retention of a viable, state-of-the-art Multi Purpose Service in Walcha
		3.1.2	Advocate for the retention of a pathology service along with the provision of general practitioners and allied health workers commensurate with our community's needs
		3.1.3	Advocate for adequate transport is provided for community members to access local, regional and State services
3.2	The public health and wellbeing of the community will be protected and enhanced	3.2.1	Support preventative health systems and activities that promote physical, mental and social health
		3.2.2	Maintain the availability and quality of water use in rural areas
		3.2.3	Maintain cemeteries in accordance with the community's needs and expectations



GOALS AND STRATEGIES HEALTH

NSW Making it Happen – Premier’s Priorities Links

Improving service levels in hospitals

Tackling childhood obesity

- Reduce overweight and obesity rates of children.

NSW Making it Happen – State Priorities Links

Better Services

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Goal 3: Communities resilient to change, with housing choice and services that meet shifting needs and lifestyles.

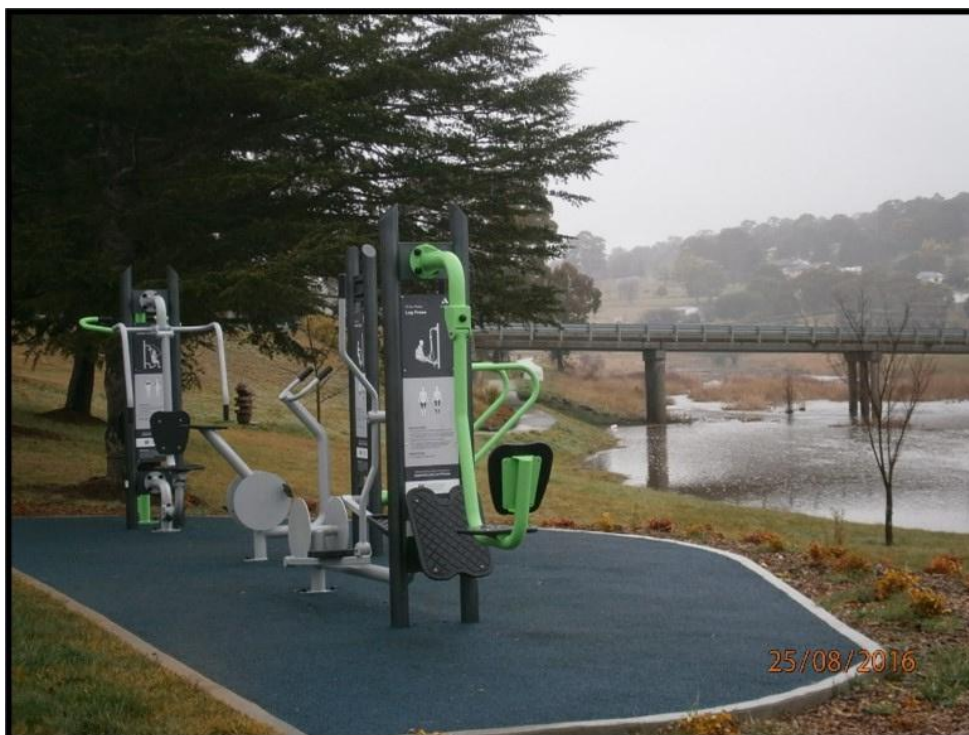
Direction 3.5: Increase access to health and education services.

- Action: 3.5.1 Realign health services to the needs of the community.

Other Relevant Plans and Strategies

NSW State Health Plan: Towards 2021

NSW Rural Health Plan Towards 2021



GOALS AND STRATEGIES

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

	GOAL		STRATEGY
4.1	Education and training opportunities will be provided that deliver the skills and knowledge needed to advance the community	4.1.1	Provide quality and accessible preschool and early intervention facilities for children in a safe and supportive environment.
		4.1.2	Support access to education for all children in outlying villages.
		4.1.3	Support education, training and employment programs for trainees and apprentices and adult education.
		4.1.4	Provide financial incentives for local children who study and work locally in an area of identified skill shortage for an agreed number of years
		4.1.5	Promote Council as a viable and rewarding career choice



GOALS AND STRATEGIES

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

NSW Making it Happen – Premier’s Priorities Links

Improving education results

- Increase the proportion of NSW students in the top two NAPLAN bands by 8%

NSW Making it Happen – State Priorities Links

Better Services

2036 Draft New England North West Regional Plan Links

Goal 3: Communities resilient to change, with housing choice and services that meet shifting needs and lifestyles.

Direction 3.5: Increase access to health and education services.

- Action: 3.5.2 Facilitate planning for additional primary and secondary school places.

Other Relevant Plans and Strategies

Department of Education and Communities. Strategic Plan for 2012-2017



GOALS AND STRATEGIES

STRONGER COMMUNITY

	GOAL		STRATEGY
5.1	Social services will be planned, maintained and coordinated so that they meet the current and future needs of groups in the community.	5.1.1	Provide and support Community Care and Meals on Wheels programs so that they reach the appropriate clientele
		5.1.2	Support current volunteer efforts and encourage volunteer participation
5.2	The existing strong community spirit and pride will be protected and promoted	5.2.1	Support and promote participation in community events
		5.2.2	Encourage and support outlying communities to have their own identity through the development of community infrastructure
		5.2.3	Support service, sporting and other community groups
5.3	Walcha's cultural identity will be enhanced.	5.3.1	Promote and support Walcha as the premier agricultural area of New England
		5.3.2	Make the "Open Air Gallery" theme an integral part of the development of the Walcha Local Government Area
		5.3.3	Support the activities of cultural organisations
		5.3.4	Preserve, support and promote the history of Walcha.
		5.3.5	Promote the natural beauty of the Walcha area as a desirable lifestyle.

GOALS AND STRATEGIES

STRONGER COMMUNITY

	GOAL		STRATEGY
5.4	Walcha's Aboriginal communities will be supported and strengthened.	5.4.1	Increase effective partnerships with, and develop the capacity of, Aboriginal communities
		5.4.2	Increase and support meaningful, long term and equal opportunities for Aboriginal employment
		5.4.3	Develop a Reconciliation Action Plan
5.5	Young people will be retained and supported to live in Walcha	5.5.1	Seek, monitor and respond to requests from the youth population.
5.6	People of all ages and abilities will be encouraged to participate in cultural, recreational and sporting activities.	5.6.1	Maintain and improve library, sporting and recreational facilities.
		5.6.2	Strengthen organisations and groups providing cultural, recreational and sporting activities
5.7	Our community will be more resilient and prepared for natural disasters.	5.7.1	Encourage and support community members to attend resilient and disaster management training.
		5.7.2	Maintain and improve existing state funded disaster resilience position(s)

GOALS AND STRATEGIES STRONGER COMMUNITY

NSW Making it Happen – Premier's Priorities Links
Reducing Youth homelessness

NSW Making it Happen – State Priorities Links

Infrastructure

- Increasing housing supply
- Transitioning to the National Disability Insurance Scheme
- Creating sustainable social housing

Better Services

- Improving Aboriginal education outcomes
- Increasing cultural participation

Other Relevant Plans and Strategies

2036 Draft New England North West Regional Plan



GOALS AND STRATEGIES

LOCAL ENVIRONMENT AND LIVEABLE COMMUNITIES

	GOAL		STRATEGY
6.1	Walcha's distinct and diverse natural and built environment will be protected and enhanced.	6.1.1	Maintain and strengthen partnerships with organisations responsible for natural resource management.
		6.1.2	Promote sustainable development and protection of our natural resources through the planning system.
		6.1.3	Protect and enhance biodiversity, native vegetation, river and soil health.
		6.1.4	Engage and support the community to undertake sustainable natural resource management and protect Walcha's natural environment.
		6.1.5	Provide the framework for improvements in efficiency and liveability of a range of compatible land uses and development types
6.2	Solid waste will be managed in a sustainable manner with a continuing reduction in waste generation and disposal to landfill.	6.2.1	Develop and promote programs that increase the participation of the community in recycling
		6.2.2	Implement alternate and affordable processes that reduce waste going to landfill.
		6.2.3	Monitor and oppose any move to apply the Waste and Environment Levy on the Walcha Local Government Area.
		6.2.4	Manage solid waste in an efficient, affordable and an efficient, affordable and sustainable manner.
6.3	Water supply and sewerage services will be sustainable and environmentally sensitive.	6.3.1	Implement the Integrated Water Cycle Management Strategy and other water and sewer management plans
		6.3.2	Provide additional off creek storage capacity to drought proof Walcha.
22		6.3.3	Ensure our Water and Wastewater Business is sustainable.

GOALS AND STRATEGIES

LOCAL ENVIRONMENT AND LIVEABLE COMMUNITIES

	GOAL		STRATEGY
6.4	Walcha will increase the use and production of renewable energy	6.4.1	Establish alternate renewable energy supplies that will meet our energy needs
6.5	The character of Walcha and its surrounding villages will be maintained while protecting the productivity of our rural land	6.5.1	Maintain the character of the Walcha Local Government Area through orderly development of the natural and built environment.
		6.5.2	Ensure that sufficient land is available to meet the demand for appropriate land uses
		6.5.3	Enhance the Walcha Local Government Area so that it continues to be an attractive place to live, work and visit

NSW Making it Happen – Premier’s Priorities Links

Building Infrastructure

Key infrastructure projects to be delivered on time and on budget

Keeping our environment clean

- Reduce the volume of litter

Faster housing approvals

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Goal 1: A growing and diversified agricultural sector

Goal 2: A diversified economy through the management of mineral and energy resources including renewable energy generation

Goal 5: Protected water, environment and heritage.

Other Relevant Plans and Strategies

- Northern Tablelands Local Land Services Strategic Plan
- North West Local Land Services Strategic Plan
- Walcha Local Environmental Plan
- Australian Government Roads to Recovery Program



GOALS AND STRATEGIES

KEEPING PEOPLE SAFE

	GOAL		STRATEGY
7.1	Police services will be resourced appropriately to effectively control and reduce crime and antisocial behaviour and to keep our community safe.	7.1.1	Lobby to ensure appropriate staffing to minimise crime and antisocial behaviour.
7.2	Emergency services will be provided to ensure the safety of our community and visitors.	7.2.1	Advocate for viable and state-of-the-art emergency services in Walcha capable of adequately dealing with local needs.
		7.2.2	Develop and promote responsible ownership of animals
		7.2.3	Promote Community Resilience

NSW Making it Happen – Premier’s Priorities Links

Reducing domestic violence

Protecting our kids

NSW Making it Happen - State Priorities Links

Safer Communities

Reducing violent crimes - LGAs to have stable or falling reported violent crimes

Reducing adult re-offending

Other Relevant Plans and Strategies

2036 New England North West Regional Plan



GOALS AND STRATEGIES

BETTER GOVERNMENT

	GOAL		STRATEGY
8.1	Walcha Council will exemplify good leadership, mutual respect and trust by being inclusive, ensuring open information and communication and encouraging active participation at all levels.	8.1.1	Councillors will exhibit leadership on Council and regional committees as well as in community organisation.
		8.1.2	Provide a framework for the efficient and effective administration of Council.
		8.1.3	Walcha Council will adopt and implement Asset management Plans that ensure the communities assets are efficiently operated and maintained for the duration of their life cycle.
		8.1.4	Walcha Council as an organisation will periodically review its structure to ensure best fit with the changing external environment and will at all times endeavour to deliver services efficiently and effectively
		8.1.5	Walcha Council will ensure systems and processes are implemented that facilitate the delivery of the Community Strategic Plan
		8.1.6	Walcha Council will ensure a values led culture that enables all staff and its contractors to deliver efficient and effective services to our community
		8.1.7	Maintain rail and freight services
		8.1.8	Maintain and improve the standard and competitiveness of our regional air services
8.2	Council rate funding for local government projects will be supplemented by income generated from other sources.	8.2.1	Maintain a stable and secure financial structure for Council
		8.2.2	Encourage and support entrepreneurial activities
		8.2.3	Identify surplus Council owned assets for development or possible sale and reinvestment
		8.2.4	Involve the community in the identification of infrastructure projects.
8.3	The boundaries of the Walcha Local Government Area will be modified to reflect existing and developing communities of interest.	8.3.1	Modify the boundaries of the Walcha Local Government Area to reflect existing and developing communities of interest.

GOALS AND STRATEGIES BETTER GOVERNMENT

NSW Making it Happen – Premier’s Priorities Links

Improving government services

Improve customer satisfaction with key government services every year, this term of government

NSW Making it Happen - State Priorities Links

Strong budget and economy

- Accelerating major project assessment
- Protecting our credit rating
- Delivering strong budgets

Better Services

Better government digital services

Other Relevant Plans and Strategies

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Mayor Eric Noakes

Deputy Mayor Scott Kermode

ABBREVIATIONS

ADHC	Ageing, Disability and Home Care
ALGA	Australian Local Government Association
CCC	Community Consultative Committee
CMA	Catchment Management Authority
CNRL	Central Northern Regional Libraries
DAA	Aboriginal Affairs NSW
DAGJ	Department of Attorney General and Justice
DEC	Department of Education and Communities
DFCS	Department of Family and Community Services
DLG	Division of Local Government
DOH	Department of Health
DOPI	Department of Planning and Infrastructure
DPC	Department of Premier and Cabinet
DPI	Department of Primary Industries
DoI	NSW Department of Industry
HACC	Home and Community Care
HCRCMA	Hunter-Central Rivers Catchment Management Authority
HLHN	Hunter Local Health Network
IMMI	Department of Immigration and Citizenship
LALC	Local Area Land Council
LLS	Local Land Services
LGNSW	Local Government New South Wales
NCMA	Namoi Catchment Management Authority
NIRW	Northern Inland Regional Waste
	Office of Water
	Office of Environment and Heritage
OSR	Office of Sport and Recreation
DPW	NSW Public Works
NPWS	National Parks and Wildlife Group
NRCMA	Northern Rivers Catchment Management Authority
RFS	Rural Fire Service of NSW
RMS	Roads and Maritime Services
SES	State Emergency Service of NSW
SNELC	Southern New England Land Care
TRC	Tamworth Regional Council
27 USC	Uralla Shire Council

LIST OF COMMUNITY GROUPS

Australia Day Committee	St Patrick's School Board
Bergen-Op-Zoom Landcare Group (BOZO)	St Paul's Presbyterian Church Walcha
Country Women's Association	St Paul's Presbyterian Church Women's Association
Country Women's Association – Niangala Branch	St Vincent De Paul Society
Country Women's Association – Yarrowitch Branch	Tia Union Church
Friends of Riverview (Presbyterian Aged Persons Hostel)	United Hospital Auxiliary Incorporated Walcha Branch
GlenGro Landcare Group	Walcha Amateur Basketball Association
Ingleba Hall Trustees	Walcha and District Tennis Club
Library Reading Group	Walcha Baa-Baas Golden Oldies
Lions Club of Walcha	Walcha Bowling and Recreation Club
Lower Apsley Landcare Group	Walcha Bowling Club Fishing Club
MacDonald River Working Dog Club	Walcha Boy Scouts Association
Multi Purpose Centre Committee	Walcha Bridge Club
NSW Farmers Association	Walcha Bushmen's Carnival Association
NSW Farmers Association Nowendoc Branch	Walcha Campdrafters Club
Niangala Hall Committee	Walcha Central School Council
Niangala Parents & Citizens Association	Walcha Central School Parents & Citizens Association
Niangala Playgroup	Walcha Community Centre Committee
Niangala Tennis Club	Walcha Community Consultative Committee
Nowendoc Bushmen's Carnival Association.	Walcha Creative Arts Centre
Nowendoc Hall Trustees	Walcha Cutting Club
Nowendoc Parents & Citizens Association	Walcha District Cricket Association
Nowendoc Recreation Grounds Trust – Nowendoc Sports Ground	Walcha District Historical Society
Nowendoc Tennis Committee	Walcha District Soccer Club
Nowendoc Union Church	Walcha Ex-Services Indoor Bowlers Club
Oxley Darts Club	Walcha Ex-Services Snooker Club
Oxley Riders	Walcha Ex-Services Tennis Club
Quota Club of Walcha	Walcha Garden Club
Returned Service League Women's Auxiliary	Walcha Golf Associates – Ladies
Rotary Club of Walcha	Walcha Golf Club Limited
St Patrick's Parents & Friends Association	Walcha Gun Club

LIST OF COMMUNITY GROUPS

Walcha Indoor Hockey Association – Junior	Walcha Show Society
Walcha Indoor Hockey Association	Walcha Sports Club
Walcha Jockey Club	Walcha Squash Club
Walcha Junior Cricket Association	Walcha State Emergency Service
Walcha Junior Rugby League Football Club	Walcha Support Group
Walcha Junior Rugby Union	Walcha Swimming Club
Walcha Men's Shed Inc	Walcha Touch Football Association
Walcha Musical Society	Walcha Town and Country Club Inc
Walcha Pony Club	Walcha Veterans Golfers
Walcha Poultry Club	Walcha Volunteer Fire Brigade
Walcha Races Social Committee	Yarrowitch Parents & Citizens Association
Walcha Ram Breeders Group	Yarrowitch Memorial Hall Trustees
Walcha Returned Services League	Yarrowitch Rodeo Association
Walcha Rugby League Club	Winterbourne Wind Community Consultative Committee
Walcha Rugby Union Club	Woolbrook Community Development Committee
Walcha Salt Water Fishing Club	Woolbrook Parents & Citizens Association

LIST OF WALCHA COUNCIL ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Walcha Council Arts Advisory Committee
Walcha Council Beautification Advisory Committee
Walcha Council Community Care Advisory Committee
Walcha Council Preschool Advisory Committee
Walcha Council Youth Advisory Committee
Walcha Council Capital Advisory Committee
Walcha Council Motorcycle Rally Advisory Council
Walcha Council Aboriginal Advisory Council
Walcha Council Tourism Advisory Committee