

# Together Cessnock 2040

Theme	Live We are connected, safe and creative	Thrive We have a diverse and resilient economy	Protect We have a healthy and sustainable environment	Move We have accessible and reliable infrastructure, services and facilities	Lead We have strong leadership and effective governance
<b>Community Objectives</b> <i>what we want</i>	<p><i>Safe, connected and inclusive neighbourhoods that support the wellbeing of our community members</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We have strong relationships</li> <li>We feel fulfilled and healthy</li> <li>We value our people, cultures and history</li> </ul>	<p><i>A strong and resilient economy with a diverse range of business and employment options</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our businesses are diverse, innovative and thriving</li> <li>We create opportunity for businesses to operate and invest in our area</li> <li>We are an attractive place to live and work</li> <li>Our region is appealing for unique holidays and experiences</li> </ul>	<p><i>A resilient and sustainable balance between development, and preserving our natural environment</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our land and people are resilient to environmental changes</li> <li>We collaborate to reduce energy and resource consumption</li> <li>We balance our growth with protecting our natural environment</li> </ul>	<p><i>Investment in a diverse range of accessible services and improved infrastructure</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Movement around our community is accessible, safe and reliable</li> <li>Balance between our infrastructure and our area's environmental conservation</li> <li>We collaborate to identify future infrastructure needs</li> </ul>	<p><i>Proficient leadership and governance that fosters collaboration in our decision making</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We operate with good governance, trust, transparency and respect</li> <li>We work with our stakeholders to improve our City</li> <li>Our operations strive to meet community expectations</li> <li>We aim to be financially sustainable</li> </ul>
<b>Delivery Program Strategies</b> <i>how we will get there</i> (4 year plan)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Encourage social connections and wellbeing</li> <li>Strengthen community culture</li> <li>Foster safe communities</li> <li>Develop an active and creative community</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Diversify and grow our economy</li> <li>Develop sustainable employment opportunities</li> <li>Increase tourism and visitation opportunities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Protect our biologically diverse natural environment</li> <li>Maintain the rural character of our City</li> <li>Effectively utilise our open spaces</li> <li>Undertake viable resource recovery and waste management</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Progress our transport links</li> <li>Improve our road network</li> <li>Ensure our transport and freight networks limit impacts on our environment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support and develop community leadership</li> <li>Encourage community collaboration in decision making</li> <li>Ensure we are accountable and responsive to our community</li> </ul>