

**Walking is the most popular form of recreation in both Victoria and Greater Dandenong. Connecting people with places, walking is an activity that nearly everyone is able to participate in.**

### **Vision**

Greater Dandenong is a safe, lively, attractive city that has a culture of walking for both recreation and transport purposes.

### **Aim**

Greater Dandenong aims to increase the number of people walking by activating places, spaces and people through increased promotion, access and opportunity.

## *Have your say*

The City of Greater Dandenong invites stakeholders and residents to provide feedback on the draft strategy.

A copy of the draft Walking Strategy 2015-23 is available on Council's website at:  
**greaterdandenong.com**

Written submissions can be forwarded via:

- Online feedback form (available at [greaterdandenong.com](http://greaterdandenong.com))
- Email to [recreation@cgd.vic.gov.au](mailto:recreation@cgd.vic.gov.au)
- Mail to City of Greater Dandenong, Po Box 200, Dandenong 3175
- Deliver in person to one of Council's Customer Service Centres.

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# GREATER DANDENONG

## *walking* STRATEGY

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**A walkable environment is safe, lively, attractive and easy to walk around. It includes all things from travel routes, destinations, paths and footpaths, to creating a culture of walking for both recreation and transport.**



Greater Dandenong is well placed to influence a number of the factors that contribute to maintaining a healthy environment that enables walking for both transport and recreation purposes across the municipality.

The draft Walking Strategy supports the direction of the Imagine 2030 Community Plan, Council Plan 2013-17, Community Wellbeing Plan 2013-17 and activate Sport & Recreation Strategy 2014-19.

The information and action plan contained within the draft strategy have been drawn from an extensive research and consultation process with the Greater Dandenong Community.

***“Walking is the first thing an infant wants to do and the last thing a person wants to give up”.***

*- John Butcher, Founder Walk21*

## Key themes

The Greater Dandenong Walking Strategy has been developed in the context of the Council Plan 2013-17 and the key themes of People, Place and Opportunity. These themes underpin the objectives and detailed action plan that have been developed to improve walking in Greater Dandenong by providing opportunities for people and activating places and spaces.

### People

- Culture & Behaviour
- Educate, Promote & Raise Profile

### Place

- Infrastructure
- Creating Places for People

### Opportunity

- Leadership
- Partnerships

## Implementation and partnerships

The Greater Dandenong Walking Strategy action plan will be implemented through a collaborative and holistic approach across Council and in partnership with a range of stakeholders such as Victoria Walks, Vic Roads, Melways, State and Federal Government agencies and community organisations.

The strategy action plan has a focus on maintaining existing assets and promoting these along with the benefits of walking to the local community.

Key actions include:

- developing social marketing campaigns
- producing and distributing walking maps
- installing supporting facilities and infrastructure to enhance the walking environment
- streetscape projects implemented using best practice principles to promote active travel.

