

Badger Creek

COMMUNITY PLAN 2018-2021

OUR VISION

Badger Creek is a great country community with its beautiful creeks and trees, outstanding paths, walking trails, vibrant public spaces, and a lively, annual calendar of events that welcome everybody.



The Badger Creek Community Planning Group would like to respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners, the Wurundjeri People, as the custodians of this land. Over tens of thousands of years the Wurundjeri People cared for the land that our Badger Creek community values and enjoys. We pay respect to all Aboriginal Community Elders, past and present, who have resided in this land and felt a deep sense of belonging here. We acknowledge that land we know as Badger Creek was part of the Coranderrk Aboriginal Station which is a place of significance for many Aboriginal people.

‘The future of every community lies in capturing the passion, imagination and resources of its people’

Ernesto Sirolli

Badger Creek Community Planning Group

Yarra Ranges Council asked in 2016 for expressions of interest in having a Community Planning process for Badger Creek and offered to provide some resources and funding to create a vision, priorities and actions to

- Achieve positive change
- Enhance well-being and resilience
- Improve quality of life for all members of the community

Community members said ‘yes’ and formed the Badger Creek Community Planning Group.



The Badger Creek Community Planning Group asked the community what they liked about Badger Creek and how it could be even better.

What do you like best about Badger Creek? Top Comments



Natural and physical environment
166 comments



Badger Creek Primary School
80 comments



The community
70 comments



Healesville Sanctuary
31 comments

What would make Badger Creek a better place for the community? Top Comments



Community Planning is already making Badger Creek more

- ✓ **Connected and cohesive**
- ✓ **Fun and vibrant**
- ✓ **Capable and more resilient**
- ✓ **Successful in obtaining the things we want eg. From our local council, businesses and other stakeholders**

It's about ...

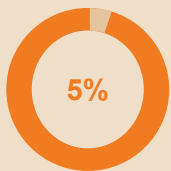
getting to know each other better, knowing what skills and resources we have in our community and sharing these better while supporting everyone in the community as best as we can.



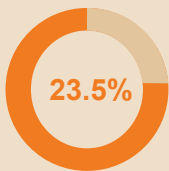
Badger Creek Who Are We? Population about 1563 people

- Many people live in families with children (over 430 families)
- About 83 children live in families without work
- Around 250 children are school-age
- 3% are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
- Just under 20% are aged 0-14 and just under 20% aged over 65
- Over 20% of people have volunteered in the last 12 month

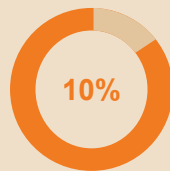
* A 'picture' painted using 2016 ABS census data



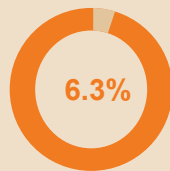
Almost 80 people (5%) live with severe disability



23.5% of households income less than \$650 per week



153 people (10%) live alone



6.3% of households income more than \$3000 pw



Almost 1/5 are single parent families

How Badger Creek Community Planning has reached out to the community

2016

- Community Planning Kick Off event
- Roma Park Ave Community Party
- E-newsletter

2017

- Badger Creek Primary School Film Night
- Household letter drop
- Badger Creek Community Celebration
- Online survey via email and social media
- Mountain Views Mail article x 2

2018

- Community workshop
- Facebook updates
- Mountain Views Mail article x 2

Badger Creek Community Planning achievements (until June 2018)



800+ volunteer hours given



288 community members have had a say



5 community events/workshops



2 Working bees



700+ local people participated in workshops/events

OUR THREE YEAR ACTION PLAN 2018-2021

2018

- Development, design and distribution of Badger Creek Community Plan
- Creation of Badger Creek Community Digital Noticeboard on Facebook
- Initiation of Badger Creek Community Planning Group Monthly Meetings Schedule
- Design of Badger Creek Community Planning Group Logo
- Registration of Commercial Kitchen in Badger Creek for hire by community

2019

- Badger Creek Open Garden Scheme
- Badger Creek Old School Community Gathering
- Compilation of Badger Creek 'Sustainability Skills in Our Community' Directory
- Badger Weir Picnic Area Re-Opening Community

2020

Badger Creek 2020 Festival

Ongoing 2018-2020

Working towards...

- Badger Weir Picnic Area
- Footpath on Don Rd between Monda Ave and Badger Weir Road
- Improved creekside access for weed control and re-vegetation between Don Road and Badger Creek Road
- Roma Avenue Park and Playground Upgrade
- Maintenance and Upgrade of Other Parks and Public Spaces in Badger Creek



'Powerful communities create a place for everyone's gifts'

Mary Nelson



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