

# Glossary of terms

- **Current Assets:** Assets where Council expects to receive the future economic benefit within the next 12 months unless the asset is restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least 12 months after the reporting date.
- **Current Liabilities:** Liabilities where Council expects to fulfil its obligation within the next 12 months unless the Council does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after reporting date.
- **Development Contributions Plan:** A plan developed by Council that identifies financial contributions required from developers to support provision of shared community infrastructure to service new developments. Items or infrastructure funded by way of a Development Contributions Plan may include (but are not limited to) the construction or widening of roads, provision of bus stops, public parks and recreation facilities, provision of stormwater drainage and community centres.
- **Dorset Golf:** A secluded 18 hole public golf course located in Trawalla Rd, Croydon offering a fully stocked golf shop and golf lessons.
- **Environment Protection Authority:** A statutory authority established under the Environment Protection Act 1970 to ensure the protection and control of air, land and water pollution, and industrial noise.
- **Equity:** The residual interest in the assets of Council after deductions of its liabilities, which is made up of accumulated surplus and reserves. Total equity is also equal to net assets.
- **Feasibility study:** An analysis and evaluation of a proposed project to determine if it is technically feasible, is feasible within the estimated costs, and will be profitable. Studies also often consider the potential impact of the project and discuss options.
- **Governance:** How Council operates as a decision-making body, its relationship with the administration and the ways that Council engages with their community.
- **Home and Community Care:** Council service which assists elderly and disabled residents with essential house cleaning and daily living tasks so that they can remain living independently in their own homes.
- **Indigenous:** Originating in a particular geographic region or environment and native to the area and/or relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
- **Infrastructure:** Facilities required for the functioning of the community, such as roads, drains, footpaths, public buildings and waste systems.
- **Karralyka:** An architecturally award-winning function venue and theatre located on Mines Road, Ringwood East. The venue offers outstanding facilities and services for live theatre, corporate events, wedding receptions, private celebrations, conventions and exhibitions.
- **Liabilities:** Future sacrifices of economic benefits that Council is presently obliged to make to other entities as a result of past transactions or other past events.
- **Local Laws:** The laws adopted by Council that prohibit, regulate and control activities, events, practices and behaviours within Maroondah.
- **Local Government Act 1989:** This Victorian Government legislation outlines the intention for Councils to provide a democratic and efficient system of local government in Victoria. It provides Councils with the authority to meet the needs of their communities and provides the basis for an accountable system of local governance in Victoria.

- **Local Government Amendment (Performance Reporting and Accountability) Act 2014:** Sets out a financial planning and reporting framework for local government.
- **Local Government Performance Reporting Framework:** A Victorian Government planning and reporting framework that seeks to provide a comprehensive picture of Council performance. The framework comprises four indicator sets: service performance, financial performance, sustainable capacity and governance & management.
- **Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014:** Supports the operation of the Local Government Performance Reporting Framework.
- **Local Planning Policy Framework:** The Framework provides the strategic basis for land use planning as controlled by the Maroondah Planning Scheme. The Framework consists of the Municipal Strategic Statement together with local planning policies.
- **Maroondah 2040: Our future together:** A shared strategic vision for the future of Maroondah developed by Council and the community. The strategic framework within this new community vision has provided the strategic basis for all of Council's service delivery and operations since 1 July 2014.
- **Maroondah Federation Estate:** A community, cultural and arts facility located on the site of the former Ringwood Primary School in Greenwood Avenue, Ringwood. The facility incorporates the Maroondah Art Gallery, a cultural centre, a lifestyle centre, the 'AMazing Space' accessible playspace, landscaped gardens, tree sculptures, Sensory Time Trail, and a courtyard.
- **Maroondah in Focus:** Council's quarterly newspaper which provides residents with information about Council activities. The publication is delivered to all residents and businesses within Maroondah.
- **Mission Statement:** The overall corporate philosophy that articulates how the Maroondah 2040 community on will be achieved.



*Our neighbourhood centres are popular areas for outdoor dining*

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- **Municipal Emergency Coordination Centre (MECC):** The centre responsible for the coordination of the provision of human and material resources within the municipality, during response and recovery phases of emergencies.
- **Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS):** Outlines the key land use and development objectives and strategies for the municipality. The MSS provides the basis for zones, overlays and particular provisions. Council will review the MSS every three years.
- **Municipality:** A geographical area that is delineated for the purpose of local government.
- **Net Assets:** The difference between total assets and total liabilities, which represents Council's net worth. Net assets are also equal to total equity.
- **Plan:** A focused and structured detail of action to be undertaken, involving a series of specific steps, to implement the outcomes and key directions of an overarching strategy.
- **Planning Scheme:** The planning scheme sets out policies and requirements for the use, development and protection of land located within the City of Maroondah.
- **Policy:** A set of principles intended to influence and provide direction for Council decisions, actions, programs and activities.
- **Productivity Commission:** The Australian Government's independent research and advisory body established to consider a range of economic, social and environmental issues that affect the welfare of Australians. Its role is to help governments make better policies in the long term interest of the Australian community.
- **Rate and Charges Income:** Income received from ratepayers in relation to general rates, garbage rates and special rate schemes.
- **Realm:** Council's library, learning and cultural centre on Maroondah Highway in Ringwood adjacent to Eastland and the Ringwood Town Square. The facility integrates a library, a learning centre, an art gallery and Council service centre.
- **Revenue:** Revenue is the amount of money that Council actually receives from its activities, mostly from rates and services provided to customers and ratepayers.
- **Ringwood Golf:** An 18 hole public golf course located at the corner of EastLink and Canterbury Rd offering golf lessons, a fully stocked golf shop and a café.
- **Ringwood Town Square:** The public square integrates with the recently redeveloped Ringwood Station and features Realm, contemporary al fresco dining, signature restaurants, and public space that allow for an integrated mix of activities.
- **Risk Management:** A discipline for developing appropriate procedures to minimise or eliminate the risk of adverse effects resulting from future events and activities. Principles for managing risk are set out in the Australian Standards for risk management AS/NZS ISO 31000:2009
- **Service Centre:** Council's customer service centres handle requests, enquiries and payments from the general community.
- **Service Delivery Plan:** A detailed work plan to guide how a Council service area will achieve the relevant outcomes and key directions set out in Maroondah 2040: Our future together and the Council Plan.
- **Statutory Authority:** Organisations established under an Act of the Victorian Parliament or Australian Parliament for a public purpose.

- **Strategy:** A long term systematic plan of action to achieve defined outcomes in an area of Council activity or responsibility. A series of key directions is set out to meet these outcomes and specific actions are outlined to deliver on these key directions. At times, a separate plan or action plan is developed to identify the specific actions to be implemented.
- **Structure Plans:** A land-use document that provides direction for planning and development of a defined geographic area or precinct. Structure plans are subject to community consultation and may be incorporated into the Maroondah Planning Scheme.
- **Sustainability:** The principle of providing for the needs of the present community without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. The principle seeks to achieve long-term health and well-being across social, economic, environmental and cultural domains.
- **The Rings:** The Rings is a four court indoor stadium, catering primarily for basketball and netball users.
- **Values:** Represent underlying attitudes and beliefs within Council that are demonstrated through organisational practices, processes, and behaviours.
- **Victorian Auditor General's Office:** A public sector audit organisation providing auditing services to the Victorian Parliament and Victorian public sector agencies and authorities.
- **Vision:** A statement of direction that defines the shared aspirations of Council and the Maroondah community. The community vision serves to guide all of Council's service delivery and operations.
- **Wards:** A geographical area which provides a fair and equitable division of a local government area. The City of Maroondah is divided into three wards, each with three elected Council representatives.
- **Wyreena Community Arts Centre:** A classic English Tudor-style building set on four acres of lawns and gardens in Croydon. The facility incorporates an adventure playground, the Wyreena Gallery, and the Conservatory Café. A range of short courses, ongoing courses, after school programs and school holiday programs are offered in the creative arts.



*The new Ringwood Lake Park playspace is popular with children of all ages and abilities*

## Acronyms

- AAS: Australian Accounting Standards
- ABS: Australian Bureau of Statistics
- ALGA: Australian Local Government Association
- AS/NZS ISO 31000:2009: Australian Standards for Risk Management
- ATO: Australian Taxation Office
- CBD: Central Business District
- CCTV: Closed Circuit Television
- CEO: Chief Executive Officer
- CFA: Country Fire Brigade
- CIV: Capital Improved Value
- CMT: Corporate Management Team
- COAG: Council of Australian Governments
- CP: Council Plan
- CPA: Certified Practising Accountants
- DCP: Development Contributions Plan
- DHHS: Department of Health and Human Services
- DELWP: Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning
- DVD: Digital Video Disk
- EBA: Enterprise Bargaining Agreement
- eCLIP: Council's electronic document management system
- EEO: Equal Employment Opportunity
- EFT: Equivalent full-time
- EOC: Equal Opportunity Commission
- EPA: Environment Protection Authority
- ERL: Eastern Regional Libraries
- FOI: Freedom of Information
- FSC: Fire Services Levy
- GIS: Geographic Information System
- GST: Goods and Services Tax
- HACC: Home and Community Care
- HR: Human Resources
- IBAC: Independent Broad-based Anti-Corruption Commission
- ICT: Information and Communications Technologies
- IFRS: International Finance Reporting Standards
- IPAA: Institute of Public Administration Australia
- IT: Information Technology
- KPI: Key Performance Indicator
- KSA: Key Strategic Activity
- LASPLAN: Local Authorities Superannuation Plan
- LGPA: Local Government Professionals Australia
- LGPro: Local Government Professionals
- LGV: Local Government Victoria
- LLEN: Local Learning and Employment Network
- MAV: Municipal Association of Victoria
- MAC: Major Activity Centre
- MBS: Municipal Building Surveyor
- MCC: Maroondah City Council
- MCH: Maternal and Child Health
- MECC: Municipal Emergency Coordination Centre
- MEM: Municipal Emergency Manager
- MERC: Municipal Emergency Response Coordinator
- MERO: Municipal Emergency Resource Officer
- MFPO: Municipal Fire Prevention Officer
- MFB: Melbourne Fire Brigade
- MRM: Municipal Recovery Manager
- MSS: Municipal Strategic Statement
- NAC: Neighbourhood Activity Centre
- NBN: National Broadband Network
- NCP: National Competition Policy
- OH&S: Occupational health and safety.
- PC: Personal Computer
- PCP: Primary Care Partnership
- RADAR: Review, Acknowledgement, Development and Recognition (Maroondah City Council's Performance Review Process)
- REV: Recognising Extra Value (Council's staff recognition program)
- RMAC: Ringwood Metropolitan Activity Centre
- SDP: Service Delivery Plan
- UDF: Urban Design Framework
- VCAT: Victorian Civil Administrative Tribunal
- VLGA: Victorian Local Governance Association



*A Backyard Session, at Ringwood Town Square*

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