

VINCENT'S Advocacy Approach



INTRODUCTION

Purpose:

The Vincent Advocacy Approach guides the City of Vincent's advocacy efforts.

Vincent advocates on behalf of the community across many levels of government to address opportunities and achieve change that is valuable to our community and the broader state.

Why:

Vincent is expected to experience growth in population as outlined in the State Government Planning Framework. This growth promotes community demand for facilities, increased competition for services and expectations about managing our environment and open space.

Vincent continues to be reliant on levels of government to achieve many of its key objectives, just like other levels of government can often rely on partnerships with Vincent to achieve their objectives.



COMPARED TO GREATER PERTH, PROPORTIONALLY THE CITY OF VINCENT HAS:





Fewer persons aged 0 – 19 and 50+

More persons aged 20 – 49

SINCE 2016, THE VINCENT COMMUNITY HAS CHANGED IN THE FOLLOWING WAYS:



Increase in all age groups except 24 – 34 year old's (previously the fastest growing age group)



The fastest growing age group is now 35 – 44 year old's

32.9%

of **CITY OF VINCENT'S** population was born overseas

36%

GREATER PERTH'S population was born overseas

NEW CITIZENS

1165

residents of Vincent have become citizens over the past 5 years

WORK IN VINCENT

Of the **24,265** people who work in the City of Vincent,

3,336

or 13.7%

also live locally.

Vincent has the second highest proportion of people who live and work within their local government area compared to 38 other local governments.



APPROACH & VISION

Approach:

Planning for advocacy helps us prioritise actions and activities and identify how we can work together with partners and the community to achieve desired outcomes that improve the liveability of our community.

Implementing a strategic advocacy approach assists with improving Vincent's reputation as an effective representative of the community.

Our vision:

In 2032, the City of Vincent is a leafy and vibrant 24 hour city, which is synonymous with quality design and sustainability. Its diverse population is supported in their innovative endeavours by a Council that says YES!

WHERE DO WE WANT TO BE?



The natural environment contributes greatly to our inner-city community. We want to protect and enhance it, making best use of our natural resources for the benefit of current and future generations.



ACCESSIBLE CITY

We want to be a leader in making it safe, easy, environmentally friendly and enjoyable to get around Vincent.



CONNECTED & HEALTHY COMMUNITY

We are a diverse, welcoming and engaged community. We want to celebrate what makes us unique and connect with those around us to enhance our quality of life.



THRIVING Places

Thriving Places are integral to our identity, economy and appeal. We want to create, enhance and promote great places and spaces for everyone to enjoy.



SENSITIVE DESIGN

Design that 'fits in' to our neighbourhoods is important to us. We want to see unique, high quality developments that respect our character and identify and respond to specific local circumstances.



INNOVATIVE & ACCOUNTABLE

The City of Vincent has a significant role to play in supporting our community to realise its vision. To achieve this, we will be an innovative, honest, engaged and responsible organisation that manages resources well, communicates effectively and takes our stewardship role seriously.

HOW WILL WE Get there?

Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework – Using the City of Vincent Long Term Financial Plan, Asset Management and Sustainability Strategy and established issue-specific plans and strategies, Vincent identifies priorities and opportunities for collaboration and advocacy.

Identify and prioritise – A Council Workshop is held to consider endorsing new advocacy projects; retaining or deleting existing advocacy projects; determining advocacy priority levels; and monitoring progress made with the previous year's Advocacy Agenda. The agreed Advocacy Agenda is then presented to Council for endorsement to implement.

Determine the program – Advocacy projects are endorsed by Council annually in line with Federal and State budget cycles. Understanding the State and Federal policy settings and priorities will inform Vincent's approach. The projects are considered in two categories:

- Opportunity funding initiatives
- Change legislative change

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Business cases – For key priority opportunity advocacy items, Vincent will prepare business cases which include: the identified problem and proposed solution; community support; intended courses of advocacy action; the resources required; and identified lead personnel.

Promotion – For all advocacy items connection and collaboration is required. Vincent will reach out to collaborate to achieve success.



WE HAVE DONE IT BEFORE & WE WILL Do IT AGAIN!

We have achieved some great things through partnerships!

Smoke Free Town Centres

The project aims to reduce community exposure to environmental tobacco smoke and create healthy environments for people to live, work and play.

Vincent has been successful in receiving a grant from Healthway who fund health promotion projects and research to help create a healthier WA. This grant will be used for community engagement, education and communication strategies, design and installation of smoke free signage and evaluation.

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