

Letter Submission/Comment	Issues Paper Reference	Summary of comment	Council Response
Submission 1 D. Rygate	General Comments	Enough emphasis is not placed on Canowindra's reason for existence - food. Production of food is, was and always will be the basis of our economy and highlighting, celebrating, selling etc our food is a huge opportunity in terms of tourism, vibrancy, night-time activation etc.	All ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.
Submission 2 G. McCarron	Private Sector Building Improvements	Restoration of privately owned main street buildings are beyond the owner's funding capability. Council should provide detailed information on Council heritage advisory services and funding schemes to support works.	Council facilitates an annual heritage small grants program. For many years Heritage Advisory Service has also been provided, however is currently in recess. One of the main drivers of change for a more active, attractive and socially interactive Town Centre is from new property investment decisions. Whilst council and other community groups can undertake improvements to the public domain, it is the cumulative effect of the built form that often creates the strongest impression of the wealth and vitality of the Town Centre. Shop proprietors can make significant improvements to their signage and internal spaces, but the property owner has control over much of the appearance of the external façade of the building.
	Mainstreet Projects	The listed main street building improvements are good however owners should not be compelled to use 'dull colours'.	Property owners are encouraged to investigate the history of their building and to implement restoration works or adaptive uses reflective of the era of the building. Council does not 'compel' property owners to use 'dull colours'.
Submission 3 N. Meggitt	Heritage	Preservation of historic buildings is supported, and the addition of modern buildings is not.	Guidelines for infill development can be established to enable sympathetic integration of existing streetscape elements with the changing needs of the community.
	Signage	Advertising signage should be in keeping with history.	All ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.

	Mainstreet Approaches	The southern entry to Canowindra needs to be made attractive and inviting. Planting large native trees, installation of picnic tables and walkway along the river is suggested.	All place making ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.
	Street Trees	Planting of smaller native trees to improve the northern side of Gaskill street is suggested.	All place making ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.
	Private Sector Building Improvements	The Junction Hotel being oldest building in Canowindra needs to have beautiful balcony restored with fretwork. All old buildings in town need a facelift.	All ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.
	Museum and Railway Precincts	Historic Museum and old Railway area which can be restored, and walkway made attractive with suitable information at spaced intervals for visitors to stroll along path and learn of Canowindra's settlement and history.	The Urban Designer will be briefed to consider the railway and museum precincts as part of the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.
Submission 4 Canowindra Business Chamber (CBC)	General Comments	The Executive Summary was acceptable but a checklist/guidelines document to act as a toolkit to execute the improvements is requested.	The public exhibition of the Canowindra Town Centre Issues Paper by council is the first official step in the plan making / community engagement process. The aim of the Issues Paper was to engage with stakeholders and stimulate their consideration to what they feel needs to be considered in the preparation of the Canowindra Town Centre Plan. There will be further opportunities for interested members of the community to provide input on the preparation of the Canowindra Town Centre Plan, including refining the purpose of the plan.
	Mainstreet Analysis	Planning for the Mainstreet Precinct must be consistent and sympathetic to what is happening to the adjacent Railway and Museum Precincts and the River Precinct.	The Urban Designer will be briefed to consider the river, railway and museum precincts as part of the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.

	Mainstreet Approaches	The balance of Gaskill Street beyond Ryall Street to the junction with Rodd Street should be taken into account when decisions were made relating to the main street precinct because of the heritage aspects of some buildings in that area including but not limited to the Courthouse, 1 Gaskill Street etc.	<p>There are many building features in the Canowindra Town Centre that have appeal, which is evidenced by the number of local heritage listed items in and around the centre.</p> <p>The current system of heritage management of listed heritage items is generally limited to physical or land-use changes to items. Where changes are proposed a Development Application is required to be lodged and approval granted before works can progress.</p> <p>To assist residents and businesses to navigate the heritage management system, Council has previously engaged a Heritage Advisor to provide advice and present options for the management of any changes to heritage buildings / sites. There are many examples in NSW where heritage buildings are approved for significant changes to their scale, use and colour schemes.</p> <p>As part of the development of the Canowindra Town Centre Plan there may be opportunities to assist owners of heritage items in the town centre to identify potential restoration / adaptive reuse projects requiring approvals and to provide additional assistance and incentives for such changes to be documented in Development Applications</p>
	Mainstreet Precinct	It was also suggested that the development of the old McCarron dealership building must be in sympathy with the current land use and adjacent premises.	Agreed in principle.
	Mainstreet Precinct	More signage, and signs that are more visible and informative are required on the approaches (in particular the eastern and western approaches).	All place making ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.
	Mainstreet Precinct	Section 4.5 'Mainstreet Precinct' is inconsistent with the rest of the document. There seems to be a suggestion that	It is agreed that the development of the Canowindra Town Centre Plan needs to take into consideration the attributes of the broader township. It is agreed that the context of the Issues Paper represents the vision for one overall main street

		<p>the Mainstreet Precinct comprises five precincts:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CBD Precinct 2. Outer CBD 3. Museum 4. Railway 5. River <p>This is inconsistent with the map on page 9 which indicates that the five precincts are separate entities, however the CBC is of the view that the five precincts plus the suggested additional East Gaskill Street precinct should be always considered as one whole entity since what happens in one area impacts on the others. That is to say there is one overall main street precinct with six sub-precincts.</p>	precinct with a number of sub-precincts.
	Land Use	The CBC strongly agrees with the point that the Swinging Bridge area needs further work to clean up and beautify the area as a matter of priority.	Agreed in principle.
	Traffic and Parking	<p>The CBC advocates that parking time limits be enforced and that two hour park restrictions should be implemented. This may mean that a council ranger needs to be stationed in Canowindra.</p> <p>The CBC disagrees with the statement that dedicated long vehicle parking is “not likely justified”. There should be clearly signposted long vehicle parking areas for cars towing caravans close to the CBD eg. in Ryall Street and behind the Services club.</p>	All ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.

	Footpaths and Pavements	The CBC requests a review of cleaning of footpaths prior to major events and school holidays	Footpath cleaning trials are currently being carried out by council's infrastructure team, with the aim of providing an annual foot path deep cleaning program to the shire's business precincts
	Street Lights	The CBC recommends that particular attention be given to lighting of the laneway south Gaskill Street (behind IGA etc) and consideration to be given to festive lights.	All ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.
	Street Trees	Trees should not be a feature of the CBD Precinct. Any new trees and vegetation should be outside the CBD precinct.	All ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.
	Street Furniture	It was recommended that additional seating be provided in the precinct including but not limited to the areas adjacent to the doctor O'Ryan's surgery. The community must be presented with options as to the design & look and feel of the furniture.	The urban designer will be briefed on the need to explore attractive / practical / cost effective street furniture options for possible future installation within Canowindra Town Centre. Street furniture styles will be presented to stakeholders in the Inquiry-by-Design workshops. Further consideration could also be given to the preparation of a draft Main Street Furniture Procurement Guide to ensure new main street assets meet set criteria / standards.
	Public Art	Council should engage a public art consultant to make recommendations.	All ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.
	Buildings	The CBC requests that Council communicate with building owners, the CBC and the community generally as to what is available in relation to heritage incentive schemes and advisory services offered by Cabonne Council.	Council facilitates an annual heritage small grants program. For many years Heritage Advisory Service has also been provided, however is currently in recess.
	Defining Heritage Values	The document mentions a draft main street heritage study by David Scobie Architects – CBC requests a copy of the draft.	Council staff will endeavour to ascertain the document to which the writer referred.
	Land Use Planning	The CBC is wholly supportive of the points outlined in this section in the encouragement of new business activities	Noted.

	Private Sector Building Improvements	CBC would be supportive of coercive actions by Council in respect of the presentation and state of repair of buildings in the Mainstreet Precinct where owners have not been able to demonstrate that they are actively seeking to maintain their buildings properly. Such coercive powers should run to safety inspections, health inspections and compliance with legal or industry requirements. This could also apply to other locations in the Canowindra district including but not limited to the Blue Jacket Hill area. Specific attention was given to the condition of the Junction Hotel.	Council has taken action on main street buildings where structural issues were observed. The issue of implementing a wider Main Street Awnings Review Policy is currently being investigated.
	Potential Mainstreet Projects	CBC agrees with the suggested points and supports the review of the suggested removal of public asset elements.	Noted.
	Additional suggestions	CBC suggests that a facility(ies) for temporary signage (e.g. posts to support banners) be provided by Council for the promotion of current events e.g. Balloon Festival, PA&H Show, football carnivals etc.	All ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.
	Additional suggestions	Signage on shop fronts should be subject to strict guidelines as to their colours, look and feel etc. These should be defined in the DCP and LEP.	All place making ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.
	Additional Suggestions	A public convenience needs to be provided at the eastern end of the CBD precinct.	All ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.
	Additional suggestions	CBC supports the investigation of a Son et Lumiere show set up in the precinct to encourage visitors to overnight in the town.	All ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.

	Additional suggestions	Consideration of lighted and decorated Christmas tree in appropriate location.	All ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.
	Providing Advice and Incentives	CBC requests a formal presentation to the community as to how building owners and the community get access to the Heritage Advisory service.	Council facilitates an annual heritage small grants program. For many years Heritage advisory Service has also been provided, however is currently in recess.
	Main Street Approach and Wayfinding Improvements	CBC agrees with points but points out that any signage must not intrude on the heritage aspects of the precinct.	All place making ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.
	Support Infrastructure Improvements	The CBC strongly supports the points made in this section.	Noted.
	Marketing	It was suggested that wine tasting/wine cellar doors be considered and a new tourist attraction in the mainstreet to promote regional wine, possibly to replace the former Taste of Canowindra facility. To make Canowindra a complete Food and Wine destination, however is not appropriate at this stage due to current lack of quality restaurant facilities and the limited trading hours.	All ideas for the Canowindra Town Centre are welcomed and will be included for consideration by the Urban Designer and at the Inquiry-by-Design workshops.
	Using the Mainstreet Night and Day	CBC agrees anything supporting day and night time economics is important	Noted.
	Next Steps	The CBC is very interested in participating and supportive of the Enquiry by Design Workshops	Noted. There will be further opportunities for interested members of the community to provide input on the preparation of the Canowindra Town Centre Plan.