

IMPROVING THE SAFETY OF MARY STREET - HISTORY

1997

In 1997 it was first informally proposed to Huon Valley Council (HVC) that a new street should be developed to the rear of the shops on the eastern side of Mary Street and that the land required should be purchased if it became available. There has always been a right of way along this stretch of land that was formerly used for the emptying of 'night soil'.

2004

In 2004 Huon Valley Council commissioned the planners *Inspiring Place* to prepare a Cygnet Township Development Plan (CTDP). They conducted extensive Community Consultation and the most significant features of their plan were the New Street and the car park behind the Town Hall (which was built in 2014).

The 2004 CTDP was not endorsed by Council.

2009

In 2009 the plan was updated by *Inspiring Place* with relatively little community consultation. A new car park was proposed (between the BP and the new Post Office) and the New Street precinct was significantly reduced in width.

This was endorsed by HVC in 2010.

2021

In 2021, the Cygnet Association organised a Community Consultation to hear what residents wanted. This was well attended, as you can see through these links.

The Cygnet Association has been lobbying to progress this project for years and we are pleased that Council has identified it as a Priority Project.

We are also pleased that the Liberal Party pledged \$5m of funding during the election campaign.

It is now more than a decade since the last Township Plan.

Much has changed since then and we feel it is now time to revisit the Township Plan, to update it taking this into account, and make any changes that seem most appropriate.

We look forward to working closely with HVC and the Cygnet community to help achieve the best possible outcomes.

We recognise that this will be an expensive project and may also require Federal Government funding to complete but this is unlikely to be secured until it is advanced to "shovel ready" status.