THE PROBLEM

Strathbogie Shire is located in the Hume Region, approximately 90 minutes from Melbourne. It is comprised of the diverse townships of Avenel, Euroa, Nagambie, Strathbogie and Violet Town. The shire covers over 3,300 square kilometres and has a population of over 10,000 people.

The Strathbogie Shire's liveability and ability to attract residents, visitors and investment is significantly hindered by the quality of essential services in many of its townships. Many areas across the shire don't have natural gas, adequate sewage systems or potable water.

THE SOLUTION

Equality in infrastructure and services that is available in metropolitan areas will allow regional and rural Victoria to share in catering for the population growth that is currently placing pressure on Melbourne. These services are needed to make the Strathbogie Shire a great place to live, work and invest.

Council will work with gas and sewage authorities to create and implement a strategy to carry out these upgrades. We will also ensure zoning and overlays are in place and will liaise and consult with affected communities.

THE ASK

Project	Description
Natural gas	Extension of existing gas network to reach businesses and households in Avenel, Nagambie and Violet Town
Improved sewage systems	Goulburn Valley Water to sewer the townships of Strathbogie and Longwood and expand sewage services in Euroa
Potable water	Provision of potable water supplies for areas including Strathbogie and Kirwans Bridge and the upgrade of water services in Euroa
Alternative sources of energy	A feasibility study into alternative sources of energy including wind and solar

THE RESULT

- ✓ **Reliable supply of utilities** to service local community and more **regional industrial growth**

- ✓ **Direct and indirect jobs** as a result of required infrastructure

- ✓ Significant **reduction in CO2 emissions**

- ✓ **Enhanced liveability of the Strathbogie Shire** and the infrastructure to support the region as an attractive investment prospect

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