

Living in Burnie

A short survey

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"I think all the parking meters around the CBD have a negative outcome. People go to Wynyard or Somerset to do there shopping, also Ulverstone because of parking meters. rent in the CBD area must be to dear a lot of empty shops. I also think the problem is to many people on welfare benefits, this is why we have all the shops like ship loads mission shop and all the other shops around the CBD area, there is not a good men's wear shop in town anymore, Our council needs to be a good shake up and a change with the mayor needs to be more proactive, she is to weak and NOT THE RIGHT PERSON FOR THIS POSITION. I live at Cooee the council has totally ruined this whole area with all the car yards, and what ever business want to do. Disappointed"

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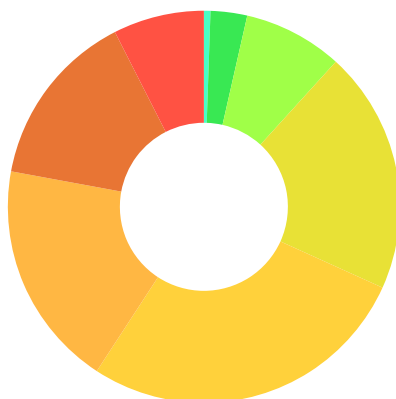
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Total unique respondents: 1294

2. How old are you?



	Option	Percentage	Respondents
	15 or under	1 %	7
	16 to 17	3 %	39
	18 to 21	8 %	106
	22 to 30	20 %	259
	31 to 40	27 %	355
	41 to 50	19 %	242
	51 to 60	15 %	189
	61 or above	7 %	97

Total unique respondents: 1294

3. How happy are you living in Burnie?

Take into consideration things like access to services, social life, employment, your financial situation etc...



	Option	Percentage	Respondents
		9 %	110
		19 %	247
		37 %	473
		27 %	353
		8 %	109

Satisfactory average: 0 %

Total unique respondents: 1292

4. What do you think are the main issues affecting you and/or your family?

Answer	Time
"Access to varied higher education"	2017-11-12 16:26
"Lack of employment opportunities."	2017-11-12 09:11
"Lack of employment/job opportunities"	2017-11-12 08:56
"No work"	2017-11-12 02:27
"Lack of jobs and financial stability"	2017-11-12 00:30
"Joblessness, my husband works as someone who looks after disabled people, but is unable to get a full time job in Burnie in that area. He is also unable to get a full time job in Burnie doing any job that does not require a uni degree because of the job shortage. When our lease ends in 7 months, we plan to leave Burnie."	2017-11-11 17:40
"The drugs picking on disability people"	2017-11-11 17:26
"Health education and employment"	2017-11-11 16:48
"Employment Community spaces Events"	2017-11-11 16:21
"Walking 'No Parking near shops"	2017-11-11 16:17

"Having traveled many places both overseas and within Australia, I think Burnie is a great place to live. My main concern with Burnie is the lower socioeconomic class who reside here and their attitude of expecting everything for nothing. Burnie has a lot of positives, however a great deal of these people focus on the negatives and have unrealistic expectations of what can be offered. Unfortunately there is nothing which can be done about Burnie's large bogan population, however they do make it less desirable to reside here, eg, when you can't walk through town without almost walking through a fight, breathing in their smoke or BO, or go to West Beach without them leaving their KFC packaging lying about on the grass. No one minds them enjoying Burnie's public areas, however they make it unpleasant for others. I think Burnie's CBD would be more attractive if there were less empty shops. I think advertising what is on in Burnie would also help bring people to the CBD. I often attend the trivia night at the Beach Hotel of a Thursday evening, which is free and sometimes there is barely 4 teams, yet people complain there is nothing on and nothing to do. The same occurs within sporting clubs and teams. There is actually plenty on, people just are too lazy to go, or it is not advertised properly or not to the right audience (eg, only put in the newspaper and SeaFM). I think the foreshore near the makers workshop could be a really beneficial area for Burnie also. It would be much more attractive if the car parking was moved and the whole area was park land (grass, bike tracks, trees). The area is prime land and is currently an eyesore. It would also help to link the Surf Club area to the Burnie Park. The beach front is Burnie's main asset. I think more businesses should be encouraged to open Sunday (at least the morning) when there is a cruise boat in also. I don't have children, but I feel Burnie also lacks some entertainment, there is no indoor play centre, no mini golf, no ten pin bowling, etc. Maybe some entertainment like this could open in an ideal location (CBD or waterfront area)."

"The state of many properties in Burnie. Unkempt gardens, rubbish on suburban streets and antisocial behaviour . No-one seems to take any pride in their surroundings."

"Aging population in combination with a real lack of pathways for education in the area. This results in huge amount of like minded people leaving the area to advance their education, career or social circles generally. Burnie has become increasingly closed minded with a 'small town mentality' that values having kids and a mortgage over real life experience, growth and happiness. When personal finance is the main determinate of social success and status it encourages people to continually act in self-interest and be less community minded."

"Activities in Burnie, for adults not children. Employment Attractiveness of the town Public transport Parking Cbd upgrade"

"The underprivileged youth are disrespectful to people and property and are becoming violent"

"We left Burnie in 1998 for work in Victoria. We'd like to come home but jobs for Mechanical Engineers Are scarce since the Paper Mill Closed"

"Lack of jobs, especially jobs accessible to the disabled, limited public transport (which reduces my job opportunities even further, as I can't drive), a lack of affordable things to do for non-tourists (especially when you have to pay \$30 in taxi fares just to get into town and back because the event is a nighttime one)"	2017-11-08 15:32
"Not enough eating places for families (food courts etc), not enough activities for children and youth."	2017-11-07 17:07
"The small variety of shops to go to and variety of activities for younger generations aged 18 and under to be involved in."	2017-11-05 23:33
"Work and living expenses "	2017-11-01 21:21
"The lack of venues open during the early evenings on weekdays. The city is dead as soon as shops close. Not a bicycle or pedestrian friendly city. Really poor public transport to Wynyard-Burnie-Penguin-Ulverstone-Devonport."	2017-10-29 15:24
"Upkeep of roads. High parking fees."	2017-10-26 16:10
"You'll hear this one a lot I'm sure mate, but it's jobs and growth that's the issue. Every industry that's available to us here is being so tightly restricted that we as a community can not fully benefit from what our city/coast has to offer."	2017-10-26 13:47
"social life and housing"	2017-10-20 17:18
"No family"	2017-10-17 15:09
"Not many fun things to do in Burnie. Eg, concerts, Ice-skating, bars, gaming arcade etc"	2017-10-17 07:11
"Lack of education possibilities- the uni course I want to do is in Hobart but I can't afford to move there Lack of jobs"	2017-10-17 06:42

"Employment. Cost of living ie electric costs."	2017-10-17 04:43
"Employment"	2017-10-17 00:02
"Expensive parking is taking a big chunk out of my wage. There needs to be more changing family activities"	2017-10-16 23:30
"Kids activities Parking"	2017-10-16 23:30
"Lack of employment opportunities"	2017-10-16 22:26
"The ridiculous cost of taking rubbish to the tip"	2017-10-16 22:05
"Quality of education, lack of medical doctors(always need to go to launie/hobrat), expensive parking everywhere, general condition of housing and buildings in town is poor."	2017-10-16 21:44
"Nothing to do as a young family. (Children's indoor play, activities). Can't buy a dress. Too many not so pleasant people hanging around the city centre."	2017-10-16 21:24
"Lack of jobs, Nothing fun to do except go to the movies"	2017-10-16 21:07
"Burnie "city by the sea." How can you call this a city with more shops closed than open, being a Burnie employee unfortunately I work six days a week and by the time I need to go get some basic things. I find that the 90% of the shops are closed or opened between limited times. I find that Burnie is intimidating with its residence I fear that the city is full of unemployed drugged bogans. Who do not represent the potential and beauty that the city could offer. The city has no opportunity for growth employment or even a city feeling. There is nothing I enjoy more than escaping the dullness of Burnie. I lookforward to going to Melbourne and being greeted with kindness and having a energetic feel where's Burnie lacks that. To sum it up. Burnie lacks soul."	2017-10-16 21:05

"Burnie is probably one of the most dirtiest, bogan "city" in tasmania, burnie has nothing good except for a frenzy for bogans and dirty people to hang out infront of kmart, Burnie "city by the sea" is not welcoming one bit i feel quite unsafe, the number of unemployed people/smokers smuggling up all our tax payers money is unacceptable and for a "city" which is attracted by tourist coming off the boat and being welcomed by grot. No shops are ever open the only option for food and clothes is mcdonalds or kmart a majority of the time and when shops are open its at stupid times, Burnie needs improvement i mean knocked down and rebuilt more modern with a better atmosphere. Burnie is just a "city" full of nearly deads or nearly weds meaning the people are either old or young very young dirty people that push prams whilst smoking darts and swearing around the bus stop out front of the reject shop. Burnie is not ok. Om behalf of all of tasmania(not including the old that dont like change and bogans"

"Dying town" 2017-10-16 20:25

"Decline in vibrancy, population and opportunities." 2017-10-16 20:17

"Environmental degradation" 2017-10-16 20:11

"Nothing" 2017-10-16 17:06

"Variety" 2017-10-16 17:01

"Lack of employment" 2017-10-16 16:17

"The feral people everywhere. Drugs seem to be a problem. Police aren't interested without 'solid evidence' - even though we have lots of videos of the neighbours obviously dealing drugs and the assaults in the driveway. "

"Non , the water is the best on the coast" 2017-10-16 12:42

"Low employment opportunities for people with no skills. Business shutting down constantly. No growth and high drug use."	2017-10-16 11:16
"There needs to be more working opportunities in Burnie , there are a lot of unused buildings and properties around that could accommodate company's like big w , jb hi fi etc"	2017-10-16 10:36
"Boredom"	2017-10-16 08:57
"The aesthetic appeal of Burnie. Lack of things to do."	2017-10-16 07:57
"Health and employment"	2017-10-16 07:41
"With a lot of small business closing, I feel from the loss of major industry, it is depressing walking through town, empty shops everywhere, it makes you lose confidence in the place"	2017-10-16 06:49
"School, health, jobs"	2017-10-16 05:14
"Lack of good Entertainment Venues No Public Transport Out Dated Council Chambers Exorbitant Council Rates Lack of Variety in shopping outlets"	2017-10-16 02:36
"Town is dead and there's next to no sense of community"	2017-10-15 23:35
"Nothing to do and no employment "	2017-10-15 23:08
"Getting on with life, not relying on others to make it right."	2017-10-15 22:51

"No industry/work people or social life in Burnie anymore"	2017- 10-15 22:50
"Social media bullying"	2017- 10-15 22:18
"lack of opportunity"	2017- 10-15 21:42
"Employment opportunities"	2017- 10-15 20:34
"Lack of job opportunities with businesses closing their doors"	2017- 10-15 20:26
"I'm a student, originally from Hobart. Burnie does not have many things to do for people my age. Lots of my fellow students crave culture and night life, but unfortunately there is not much to offer."	2017- 10-15 19:38
"Not enough fun things to do. Many NW councils have destroyed parks by making them "safer" which means worse"	2017- 10-15 19:25
"Burnie doesn't offer anything.... for us as a family we have to travel to do a family activity"	2017- 10-15 19:20
"Lack of employment"	2017- 10-15 18:21
"Not enough entertainment areas to do things or hang out with your friends"	2017- 10-15 17:07
"Public Transport not being able to go anywhere on public holidays not everyone has a car"	2017- 10-15 16:04

"Not enough family fun activities"	2017-10-15 14:04
"Burnie is a great place to live except every time I walk through the town with my daughter we passively inhale SO MUCH nicotine from people smoking in the streets! This seriously affects our ability to breathe, to utilise the shops that we need (especially when there is a crowd of smoking people right outside the entrance to supermarkets, the chemist, and on the stretch by the bus stops outside the Reject Shop), and enjoy the place where we live. It's crazy that these people are often smoking right underneath NO SMOKING signs, and yet Burnie Council does nothing at all to enforce these rules. Another health related issue is the amount of weedkiller (Glyphosate, which is being heavily criticised by scientists as being responsible for a number of chronic and deadly illnesses and is being found in our food and water) that Burnie Council, tenants, and farmers are spraying everywhere. It is a toxic substance and yet is used prolifically in public spaces, drainage areas, and fields right next to waterways, which is against legislation. Many Councils around Australia have found non-toxic alternatives to this weedkiller, and considering Tasmania has a higher percentage of chronic disease, respiratory conditions, and birth defects such as Plagiocephaly, Burnie Council should be proactive in changing its approach to these two major health issues which affect its residents on a daily basis, simply due to lack of education and inaction."	2017-10-15 12:49
"Cigarette smoke in Cattley st bus stops and around Coles entrance, or anywhere really..."	2017-10-15 12:09
"burnie is a hole and it stinks "	2017-10-15 09:23
"Work availabilty"	2017-10-15 09:17
"Having good mental health services and after hours crisis support. Funding for Palliative Care on the NW Coast. "	2017-10-15 08:42
"lack of transport"	2017-10-15 07:55
"Unemployment nothing for young kids and teenagers to do. Need more events"	2017-10-15 07:48

"Employment and cost of living "	2017-10-15 00:26
"Lack of entertainment"	2017-10-14 21:00
"Lack of opportunity for youth"	2017-10-14 20:56
"Lack of free/low cost family facilities (eg indoor play centre or similar) for when there is inclement weather"	2017-10-14 18:44
"Employment"	2017-10-14 17:27
"Lack of facilities, local growth and communal come together"	2017-10-14 16:26
"Not alot of employment opportunities in Burnie"	2017-10-14 13:09
"Ghost town"	2017-10-14 06:28
"Lack of entertainment in Burnie. Such as family events and attractions at an affordable rate"	2017-10-13 23:10
"Ensuring that I have a job that pays the bills"	2017-10-13 22:45
"Lack of family based activities, storefronts closing their doors because they can't afford the high cost of renting storefronts"	2017-10-13 22:03

"Cost of living wages do not increase when this rises."	2017-10-13 20:46
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"Nothing"	2017-10-13 20:08
"Not much work"	2017-10-13 19:39
"Jobs social activities paying for parking lower class on the streets daily"	2017-10-13 19:04
"Not many job opportunities, not many entertainment centres."	2017-10-13 18:52
"Meaningful employment"	2017-10-13 18:51
"Hardly any shops + business can be slow. And not much to do."	2017-10-13 18:37
"Cost of living. Rates etc"	2017-10-13 16:54
"Not many job opportunities low economical community no money to spend at businesses"	2017-10-13 16:44
"Lack of jobs, activities for children and teenagers, community fun."	2017-10-13 16:32

"None"	2017-10-13 16:26
"No where cheap and fun to take the kids"	2017-10-13 16:26
"Lack of employment opportunities"	2017-10-13 16:04
"Lack of parking in the cbd"	2017-10-13 15:09
"Lack of jobs and everything closing down"	2017-10-13 14:22
"Not many things to go out and do that people of all ages can enjoy together"	2017-10-13 13:30
"Jobs, not much going on"	2017-10-13 13:09
"Not enough business in burnie anymore. Not enough job opportunities"	2017-10-13 12:01
"Next to no sleep"	2017-10-13 10:50
"Complete lack of employment, social culture, decent police action against theft and violence."	2017-10-13 10:14
"Nothing to do for families that doesn't cost a fortune. No bowling etc. we travel often on weekends to do interesting things with the children(taking our money outside burnie a lot of the time is not great but unavoidable)"	2017-10-13 08:07

"Negative attitudes of people. Get of your bums and put in to life. Don't sit back and expect to be given everything"	2017-10-13 07:10
"Employment"	2017-10-13 00:29
"The lack of job opportunities. The crippling socio economic depression. Lack of resources for young people to not only become work ready but to entertain themselves beyond loitering and drugs."	2017-10-13 00:25
"Too many ferals, druggies and bogans"	2017-10-12 23:54
"Need more family indoors. A play center and cheap parking."	2017-10-12 23:28
"Nothing to do, shops disappearing, nothing to do on summer nights with families like you can do on the mainland etc."	2017-10-12 23:25
"Lack of services, poor employment prospects, drugs"	2017-10-12 23:20
"There is nothing in burnie any more we are getting out for a few reasons main ones being 1: no jobs or decent job opportunity for our children. 2: drug addicts. 3: no decent Family friendly and affordable entertainment. 4: schooling is slack and teachers worry more about their schools funding than the students and deliberately keep children at low under average academic test scores so the schools get funding. 5. Burnie has just turned to crap all together. "	2017-10-12 22:57
"Utas demoloshing burnie brass band rooms"	2017-10-12 22:29
"Town is run down. No regular family orientated activities."	2017-10-12 20:37
"Lack of full time employment Limited pediatric and specialist services "	2017-10-12 19:50

"Limited job vacancies"	2017-10-12 17:44
"Lack of family activities, e.g. Bowling"	2017-10-12 14:09
"Employment"	2017-10-12 13:21
"Lack of jobs, my mum keeps getting may redundant because all her businesses are closing down because the council won't support them financially"	2017-10-12 11:40
"having to move away to finish study or get a job"	2017-10-11 19:31
"No opportunities, little understanding for people that are "different""	2017-10-11 14:21
"Nothing"	2017-10-11 13:33
"It's a very gossipy town because there's not much to do in Burnie (especially when you live here), so people get bored and use gossip to entertain."	2017-10-11 12:32
"Health"	2017-10-11 11:17
"Minimal opportunities in education and workforce"	2017-10-11 10:48
"Hoons, drug addicts and cooked c#nts."	2017-10-11 10:10

"Job opportunities and the lack of entertainment in Burnie."	2017-10-11 08:46
"Low income even with a job. Not much to do,"	2017-10-11 08:03
"I think the lack of work was one of them. Employers have the right to be choosy but that was often at the expense of families."	2017-10-11 07:32
"Drugs"	2017-10-11 01:51
"i dont feel like there is enough work here to allow me to live the rest of my life here and not hate the my job/life Also it super boring here, nothing to do during the day and greens is shit house"	2017-10-11 00:11
"We miss out on a lot compared to the mainland"	2017-10-11 00:10
"As a young burnie teen, I'm all about fashion and well burnie? Doesn't need help. All we really have is cotton on, as few jeans stores and good all Kmart throwing in a jay jays, big w, factorie would not only bring in people from other city's but would also stop a lot of people leave this city to go to go to another to shop! This would increase \$\$\$\$\$ in burnie!"	2017-10-11 00:07
"There is not much on offer in burnie"	2017-10-11 00:03
"Lack of jobs, rent"	2017-10-10 23:32
"Living expenses"	2017-10-10 23:19
"Boring, no good clothes shops, Lots of smokers on Main Street, no cute guys"	2017-10-10 23:17

"Lack of employment and educational opportunities"	2017-10-10 23:06
"Lack of job opportunities for unskilled first job seekers."	2017-10-10 23:03
"Financial issues and travel"	2017-10-10 23:03
"Lack of stuff to do for young adults.. Lack of young adults"	2017-10-10 23:01
"Money, no employment available. And those of us that are fortunate enough to work are working low end jobs with bad pay that you just can't live in with a family. We struggle to pay bills every week/month because of this. I'm desperate to work but I can't because I cost too much to employ for fast food restaurants and shops like Kmart or Woolworths. Im left to do nothing but study my ass off, paying for courses I can't afford because of no employment. Just so I can't try to get employment! There is no job opportunities out there. I'm so sick of companies employing people with tons of experience or are currently working 1 or more jobs! There's people with children who can't get a job because someone got their 4th job when they live at home with rich parents. Leaving the poor to get poorer and the rich to get richer as usual"	2017-10-10 22:44
"there is no enough activities for young people the local Utas campus needs to offer more courses on campus so people do not have to move away to pursue their chosen careers"	2017-10-10 22:35
"Nothing to do."	2017-10-10 22:29
"Lack of employment opportunities. Lack of activities/fun things to do."	2017-10-10 22:28
"Not many opportunities job wise, which makes it harder to find a job that doesn't feel like labor and that you enjoy. All the young kids are only given hospitality opportunities, like KFC and maccas. We need to add more work experience in high school and not just college. "	2017-10-10 22:26
"The fact that there are some realllly annoying assholes on the road"	2017-10-10 22:25

"Not enough opportunities, activities, places to go, shopping"	2017-10-10 22:21
"Job availability"	2017-10-10 22:21
"Fear of brake ins"	2017-10-10 22:20
"Public transport Need good map of all the walking tracks around Burnie. "	2017-10-10 21:04
"Employment"	2017-10-10 20:40
"Boring place with nothing to look at or do"	2017-10-10 20:32
"Loss of small businesses, dated appearance of city, shops closing at ridiculous hours on weekends which are the only times a lot of working people can shop. Horrible Christmas decorations!"	2017-10-10 14:23
"Parking, smoking, nothing to do for young people, no jobs"	2017-10-10 13:46
"Having to pay for parking in the city; lack of good places to eat; lack of entertainment for young people"	2017-10-10 12:40
"Jobs"	2017-10-10 12:17
"Nothing to do"	2017-10-10 11:55

"A large portion of people my age travel overseas or to Hobart for Tertiary education simply because there aren't enough courses available at the Cradle Coast campus. Also, I am a passionate music lover and Burnie doesn't attract any of the bands I like."	2017-10-10 11:42
"The environment and atmosphere in Burnie is disturbing. Everytime you go into town you can be guaranteed to be blown in your face by a cigarette and not one but several scenarios of groups of people swearing up and down the street at each other. The amount of stealing that goes on and drug deals around burnie makes it feel like a very unsafe place. I do believe police do what they can to stop this but they worry too much about silly things that aren't particularly hurting people rather than the damaging things like theft and drug selling. Even though these offenders are young, they grow to become bigger problems in our society, as a young teenager I feel it needs to be stopped at a young age with larger punishments. I'm not a professional but I feel like a lot of the young teenagers in Burnie feel the same way as a I feel. Many of us want to finish school and start a family here but it isn't hopeful if a few immature teens ruin it for everyone."	2017-10-09 18:03
"Worries about the future of Burnie as it seems to be dying. We have 7 grandchildren who will probably have to leave town due to lack of opportunities. The council seem to have no enthusiasm or interest in progress and seem to be self serving in my opinion.Its time for the old guard to step aside and give some younger people an opportunity to instigate some progress and hope for the community."	2017-10-08 16:52
"Working"	2017-10-06 19:49
"Not much work. Good access to public healthcare. A broad range of shops and access to supplies. Plenty of rain for our veggie garden. A nice quiet town."	2017-10-06 13:01
"Lack of things to do"	2017-10-06 00:04
"Pollution House prices high rent"	2017-10-05 23:31
"Cost of living, entertainment"	2017-10-05 20:27
"Shopping. Not a lot of variety"	2017-10-05 20:02

"Rent payment are too high for the property that you get. Eg. You pay \$260 and live in a house with small bedrooms, steep lawn, bathroom and kitchen that need to be updated. Employment is also limited. Not enough uni subjects, no nursing course at uni in burnie, habe to travel or move to Launie. "	2017-10-05 19:11
"Shopping and areas around Burnie are disgusting"	2017-10-05 18:26
"Unemployment"	2017-10-05 18:14
"More allied health is needed . More family orientated places for kids to play in . Especially in winter"	2017-10-05 17:51
"Schooling support for my home schooled daughter. She was unable to cope in mainstream school but is too old for significant ongoing assistance. At ten, she is too old to help. We do it all."	2017-10-05 17:20
"Council rates and parking fees are so expensive that it actually becomes more enjoyable to drive into Wynyard or Ulverstone to do shopping without the fear of being hurried up. Anyway, there is a lack of "friendly" shops in Burnie. "	2017-10-05 16:34
"Nothing for kids to do and they need jobs"	2017-10-05 11:53
"Nil"	2017-10-05 10:21
"Not enough allied health for our special needs youngsters. Not enough support for special needs youngsters."	2017-10-05 09:49
"jobs"	2017-10-05 09:39
"too many non parking and it is very dear"	2017-10-05 09:01

"The Greens locking up the state. Not allowing the mining industry to take off in Tasmania is a joke"	2017-10-05 08:03
"None"	2017-10-05 06:54
"cost of living"	2017-10-05 00:05
"There are little to no exciting events or activities for children"	2017-10-04 23:49
"Local council"	2017-10-04 22:44
"Cost of food and electricity"	2017-10-04 22:19
"Empoyment"	2017-10-04 22:12
"The main issue is lack of enthusiasm. The town has little to offer in the way of entertainment."	2017-10-04 22:12
"Employment and we need more variety of stores, there are too many empty shops in Burnie. A Big W, a bigger Coles, Coles Express, Charcoal chicken, bigger Target, Gloria Jeans, bigger weekend markets. More training enterprises that lead to actual employment instead of government job agencies that do nothing to help you but want the credit if you find your own job."	2017-10-04 21:49
"This town is dead , nothing for the children , the youth of today nor the adults. This town is over run with drugs , ice use and distribution is rife. Stealing and shoplifting is at crazy levels. This town is an ugly sad shade of its old self."	2017-10-04 21:45
"Lack of employment opportunities for school leavers. Lack of things for kids to do. Town centre is dying."	2017-10-04 21:30

"Lack of things to do for family's "	2017-10-04 21:24
"Lack of employment opportunity for our young people"	2017-10-04 20:59
"Coming from a small friendly town it's been difficult settling in Burnie. There always seems to be roadworks where they aren't needed. Apparently under Burnie City Council landlords are not required to provide a wheely bin - resulting in littering."	2017-10-04 20:31
"More economic activity would be good"	2017-10-04 19:28
"I have owned a flat in Burnie for 10 years and spent alot of time travelling to stay here before moving here permanently. I love Burnie. I wish however that there was a passenger train service either to Lonnie or up to Stanley or even Devonport. I still stay at my flat a few days a month."	2017-10-04 19:10
"Not enough things to do for our younger generation"	2017-10-04 18:44
"Lack of industry and job opportunities..tourism will not fix it"	2017-10-04 18:24
"fuck all to do"	2017-10-04 18:24
"Employment for the kids "	2017-10-04 18:11
"General boredom"	2017-10-04 18:00
"There is not a lot of employment opportunities for young people. Having to travel to Launceston get for uni in order to get. Nursing degree a huge drain on the family budget ."	2017-10-04 17:40

"Lack of jobs"	2017-10-04 17:30
"Household income and access to medical services."	2017-10-04 16:25
"Outrageous Parking fines and costs for parking with very little cheap parking options. The parking officers are disgraceful standing by a meter and waiting for it to expire then dishing out a fine in the minute after expiry."	2017-10-04 16:09
"poverty pension,high cost of all utilities."	2017-10-04 15:58
"Access to medical equipment."	2017-10-04 15:57
"No decent shopping centres so you need to travel to get anything. No proper services"	2017-10-04 15:38
"Employment, access to education choices and lack of public transport."	2017-10-04 15:37
"Lack of educational prospects and jobs in Burnie. Also lack of social opportunities that don't require you to already have friends, can be very difficult to find opportunities for friendship for newcomers. Health services are very poor."	2017-10-03 13:16
"Lack of enthusiasm and action by Council. Am employed but sick of hearing clients complain about trying to get anything through council and all the red tape put in their way. Ratepayers money being wasted on TOO many council staff doing very little. SO TOP HEAVY. Surf Club fiasco prize example of inefficiencies and no responsibility taken by anyone other than to throw more ratepayers money at Council staff up. Removal of parking meters on each bay making elderly people walk further. A little encouragement to shop in town. Unfortunately businesses are closing and people leaving town daily unable to see any inroads being made to pick this town up again."	2017-10-03 12:58
"employment and things to do"	2017-10-03 08:50

"Job opportunities, lack of potential and forward thinking, low socioeconomic factors bringing the town down"	2017-10-02 20:56
"Lack of industry and employment"	2017-10-02 20:34
"Parking cost . if you just want to duck into shop ,you have to put money in metre , then the next stop ,more money in metre , as i can't walk far at a time , parking is the worst"	2017-10-02 20:12
"No employment for older people"	2017-10-02 19:14
"Employment, range of goods in shopping."	2017-10-02 19:09
"Shopping in the cbd is depressing, closed shops and most times it's like a ghost town."	2017-10-02 18:25
"Services, cost of living"	2017-10-02 17:45
"Job availability"	2017-10-02 11:32
"Lack of shopping opportunities. expensive public parking, especially at the Burnie hospital."	2017-10-02 08:36
"I'm happy living in Burnie, but just disappointed that the town is not moving forward. There seems to be no direction, overall vision for the future coming from our leaders. Everyone is so stuck in their vision from the past, that of Burnie being the makers town."	2017-10-01 13:13

"The shops, services, and everything isn't or doesn't have a holistic approach and isn't person-centred the prices for things are way too high we live on the north-west coast of Tassie, not Melbourne CBD and where are the fun exciting things to do or see where are the activities where are the arcades just like the ones in the old days where are the community events where are the local and state government rep out in the community having a chat getting to know everyone just like the movie head of state with Chris Rock that movie shows it's not about the politics it's about understanding, connecting and actually valuing people's opinions on things we vote politicians in and we can go in and rip them out just as easy they work for us the people the citizens, not the other way around it's about time they showed us respect and gave us what we want like free parking and the lack of police presence they don't care about people they just want their paycheck instead of giving someone a fine educate them or help them gain a certificate or something actually do something that will make a difference a fine does nothing getting suspended from school does nothing Burnie has to and needs to be the next Hobart but still keep out low key laid back way of life but also being more community focused and came at things from a holistic approach e.g. have a zip line from the lookout on Mount Street to the beach or the big slide down Mount Street have more activities more events and actually hold more forums and meetings and actually ask us what we want"

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"No issues"

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"Lack of activity in the town. Shops and businesses shutting"

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"Limited family activities during the winter time. Movies, laser tag, then nothing really. Theft. My clothesline was robbed. My clothes and underwear, my partner's underwear and our children's clothing and underwear. Gone. Makes us all feel unsafe and unable to use our clothesline ever again."

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"I think the reason I do not visit Burnie is that it is a slow city with little to do, when you have cities like Ulverstone and Devonport within 30 mins drive."

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"There's no mechanism to make new friends, unless you like the alcohol scene, or the church scene, or you're good at a sport. There's also no means by which adults on the autism spectrum can get to know each other & share interests."

2017-09-27
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"Not enough hang out places for young people. Teenagers just roam the streets because there aren't enough places to just chill."

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"No social life or activities (a ten pin bowling centre a ice skating ring or a roller skating place would be good a theme park) or something that Hobart, Launceston and Devonport don't have would help bring people here for a change"

2017-09-26
19:11

"People around us and the influences little kids are getting from older people."	2017-09-26 19:00
"Lack of cheap entertainment for young couples and children"	2017-09-26 17:11
"No real community, low incomes, not enough public transport"	2017-09-26 17:00
"Employment"	2017-09-25 09:02
"Kmart carpark is ridiculous. Carepark does not care. As a renter, i dont recieve tip tickets, surely the council and the realestates can work to improve this as I'm expected to keep the property neat and tidy. "	2017-09-24 16:25
"Mine is a personal circumstance why I'm not 100% happy in Burnie. Overall though I really like Burnie. It's quite central as I have family from Smithton through to Launceston and its central to a lot of attractions and eateries. I'm a bit of a home body though and Burnie has most of the facilities I require. The thing I really hate is how Burnie appears to compete with Devonport ALL the time and I don't see much resourcing or working together! I find this a bit sad. I also find councils unnecessary spending quite frustrating! I know first hand that meeting and eating out happens a lot now a days and what senior members are paid is very over the top!"	2017-09-24 08:43
"Young unemployment and its associated social issues"	2017-09-24 07:38
"Lack of community entertainment, Lack of public transport, The haves not caring about those doing it tough, ICE issues, Loss of sense of community eg. No one attending Dockers games, empty shops, Cost of young children to participate in sport and travel to get to games"	2017-09-24 00:30
"The weather! It would be fantastic to have an indoor play centre for children of all ages to utilise due to the long winter we have. Cost of living (esp rates, taswater and power) is very high and wages are low."	2017-09-23 22:37
"Attitude of those not contributing to the town becoming the general concensus of what Burnie is like."	2017-09-23 21:52

"Lack of decent paying jobs. Lack of activities/events for children, but more importantly for teens. Lack of original ideas from councillors"	2017-09-23 21:45
"Not enough opportunities for young kids/teens"	2017-09-23 21:26
"Creating opportunities for youth and making tourism much better"	2017-09-23 20:50
"Not enough employment from large business ! Main Streets filled with empty shops very limited for shopping choices, little entertainment for younger people and older people"	2017-09-23 20:39
"Very little things and activities do with the family and kids. Very little job opportunities. Very little for the teens to do."	2017-09-23 20:29
"Parents lost work through lack of tourism and had to move interstate, I moved interstate for real job opportunities"	2017-09-23 20:28
"Not much for young teens to do for amusement."	2017-09-23 20:03
"Not a lot"	2017-09-23 19:20
"Complete no existance of competitive/cheap flights out of Wynyard Lack of free parking.. both short term and all day Need to attract more high profile entertainment to Burnie... things like big music acts, sporting events etc "	2017-09-23 18:58
"The bogans. You can't walk up the street with out hearing constant swearing or seeing people being picked on. It's dreadful"	2017-09-23 18:54
"Lack of employment"	2017-09-23 18:21

"No kids entertainment, especially on wet days."	2017-09-23 18:20
"Community access for clients with disabilities"	2017-09-23 16:50
"Employment Crime "	2017-09-23 12:58
"Have lived here for eight years, moved for the children's education, husband struggled to get employment but qualified in many areas, now working overseas, away for six weeks at a time , and it's a struggle to keep the family mojo happening. We find it's who you know , but find we go to neighbouring towns for shopping and entertainment."	2017-09-23 12:46
"Lack of family friendly activities available"	2017-09-22 22:17
"Things to do after work and on weekends. Events etc night markets"	2017-09-22 20:56
"Time and money and the lack of both"	2017-09-22 18:55
"Poor health Low income Isolation "	2017-09-22 18:33
"Not alot of job opportunities."	2017-09-22 17:55
"Employment opportunities Access to appropriate and timely medical services "	2017-09-22 16:32
"No access to activities for families in comparison to launceston, markets, play gyms etc."	2017-09-22 12:45

"Not having Popular events/artists appearing regulary. Special food and wine tasting events. No place for older people to attend a night out apart from "night clubs"."	2017-09-22 11:06
"Trying to find a job is the main one for me and how expensive rent is today"	2017-09-22 10:53
"Availibility of 3 bedroom modern homes in nice areas of burnie so we can downsize now family has left home. "	2017-09-22 10:17
"lack of retirement accomodation"	2017-09-22 10:08
"Opportunity for family activity Opportunity for family income"	2017-09-22 09:07
"Nothing great place to live trouble people want things we can't afford live within your means"	2017-09-22 08:52
"Lack of employment oppportunities"	2017-09-22 08:31
"I live alone, but for me, the condition of the Bass Highway close to the CBD - - it gets hammered by heavy transport every day. Parking. If I need any of the medical facilities in the CBD, payed parking is the only option. Parking at the NW regional Hospital paid parking only."	2017-09-22 08:06
"Living in Burnie and surrounds can be hard, as the city is slowly going down hill due to rent prices and the waiting game with mining and forestry. i do love it here and i want opportunity for the next generation."	2017-09-22 07:55
"Lack of things to do, shops closing early"	2017-09-22 07:53
"Employment opportunities, industry and social entertainment."	2017-09-21 23:43

"Lack of employment opportunities within Burnie, events that are family friendly and also youth centered."	2017-09-21 23:03
"...."	2017-09-21 23:03
"The right to be around decent people"	2017-09-21 22:48
"Opportunities for children to pursue their dreams."	2017-09-21 22:43
"there is nothing todo. And what there is to do is so expensive "	2017-09-21 22:43
"Unemployment, lack of jobs"	2017-09-21 22:16
"No jobs and lack of stuff to do"	2017-09-21 22:13
"Lack of jobs "	2017-09-21 22:12
"Jobs and job security. Nothing to do of a weekend."	2017-09-21 21:48
"It's not what's affecting me now, it's what will affect my family in the future. Such as where will my kids have jobs? What jobs will they be? Will there be enough? Will my kids grow up in a city of stores or just a dead town? Etc."	2017-09-21 21:46
"Job propositions / opportunities"	2017-09-21 21:45

"Financial. Prices for daycare and parking. Things to take children and do"	2017-09-21 20:44
"Employment and availability of services as well as appropriate shopsto be able to buy the things I need"	2017-09-21 20:12
"Employment, education opportunities, health services."	2017-09-21 20:04
"Not enough things to do around burnie"	2017-09-21 19:47
"Lack of things to do on weekends, hospital resources and job prospects"	2017-09-21 19:47
"Not much to do as a family. Not easy to find work. Value of houses has mostly decreased."	2017-09-21 19:47
"Money"	2017-09-21 19:39
"No jobs, high crime rate"	2017-09-21 19:37
"Empty shops/buildings"	2017-09-21 19:36
"Lack of activities - especially for young adults."	2017-09-21 19:34
"Lack of work and industry"	2017-09-21 19:34

"Not much to do"	2017-09-21 19:31
"Not enough shopping options, not enough indoor child fun places for young children. Fear of crime occurring"	2017-09-21 19:27
"Lack of things to do. Lack of shops (I have had to turn to online shopping). Town is dreary, empty and sad. Lacking life and energy."	2017-09-21 19:17
"Lack of employment in chosen field even though i have a full time permanent job"	2017-09-21 19:13
"Parking costs in cbd for work."	2017-09-21 17:41
"No big UNI, people move away and therefore not enough people to actually sustain a business. Mainly in hospitality"	2017-09-21 17:25
"The council is awful. Busy lining their own pockets to care about making Burnie successful thriving city. As a result there are no jobs. Burnie is a town. So many closed shops. Shop rents are to high. Nobody wants to come to Burnie let alone live."	2017-09-21 16:07
"Fuel prices and lack of jobs to keep young people in the area."	2017-09-21 14:50
"employment opportunities Family activities Things to do in the community"	2017-09-21 14:02
"Lack of opportunities"	2017-09-21 12:17
"Lack of sporting activities for children on weekends, lack of shops, lack of job oportunites"	2017-09-21 11:38

"There is nothing to do, it's a pretty dismal town, not much shopping"	2017-09-21 11:32
"Very limited public transport beyond Burnie/Wynyard to far N/W, ie through to Smithton. Some Medical/dental not available in Burnie require treatment further to East, with no public transport, some don't have access to medical treatment. Can't grow some areas in tourism with decent public transport. This then affects businesses and employment opportunities."	2017-09-21 10:39
"Not a whole lot going on. Doesn't feel like a lot of initiative is being taken either by council to help give the boost that Burnie needs. Everything just feels slightly outdated compared to the rest of Tas."	2017-09-21 09:16
"I lived in Burnie for 12 years and only recently moved further south of Tasmania. The main issues I found in Burnie were the lack of culture and resources for the younger community."	2017-09-21 08:52
"Burnie has nothing going for it these days"	2017-09-21 08:19
"Lack of reasonably priced family activities"	2017-09-21 08:10
"Our council don't do anything for the people in our area, they let car yards do what they want. They don't do anything for the residents like bike lanes from Burnie to Wynyard as promised, will never happen."	2017-09-21 07:55
"Too many traffic lights..."	2017-09-21 07:39
"i work at a Respite centre for Adults there is nothing for them to do at weekend you can only go to so many markets and the movies are expensive usually we have to go to devonport to go ten pin bowling or travel futher to wildlife parks and its the same for my grandchildren nothing to do during school holidays no wonder there is so much crime."	2017-09-21 07:38
"Lack of quality restaurants and night spots that are clean with dress code"	2017-09-21 06:43
"Social activities"	2017-09-21 06:09

"Covered child play areas."	2017-09-21 05:55
"Lack of things for families and children to do. The state of the roads(mount st) The cost of rates. Cost of parking in town(rather go to Ulverstone shopping)"	2017-09-21 03:31
"There is bad parking and an empty atmosphere."	2017-09-21 02:59
"The way the outdated council is not effectively running the city, they are not looking towards the future and trying to develop a thriving community,"	2017-09-20 23:59
"Burnie has simply gone backwards. I lived here in 1994 to 96. I recently returned to Devonport but work in Burnie a week a month. The town is dead compared to early 90's. lots of empty shops."	2017-09-20 23:16
"Financial, as I am a single unemployed mother of 2 children with a physical disability"	2017-09-20 23:13
"No opportunity, very low socioeconomic demographic."	2017-09-20 23:00
"Lack of things for children and families to do. High price of parking. "	2017-09-20 22:37
"Not much entertainment. The only thing to do is eat take out."	2017-09-20 22:33
"Paying for parking is a crime. It's ruins the business in the area. I know many people who travel to shops else where so they do have to pay. "	2017-09-20 22:14
"Lack of employment or rather, finding employment when you are not a local. Lack of entertainment for all ages."	2017-09-20 21:55

"None"	2017-09-20 21:45
"Lack of entertainment for people under 30"	2017-09-20 21:23
"Lack of employment opportunities for young people seeking first jobs. Transport."	2017-09-20 21:04
"Lack of activities to do on the weekends"	2017-09-20 20:34
"Lack of attractive places to take children "	2017-09-20 20:18
"Lack of employment, lack of activities and things to do that are not costly."	2017-09-20 20:15
"Public transport, Carparks, Lack of activities Halal food"	2017-09-20 19:17
"Nothing"	2017-09-20 19:03
"Local parking, jobs (shops closed everywhere, entertainment (little to do for young people."	2017-09-20 18:49

"Me personally the cbd needs to move to Bunnings site parking is terrible and as I am a courier driver and there is not anywhere near enough loading zones and if I parked in a normal spot I get a parking ticket or have someone abuse me cause my van is bigger then a normal parking spot. There is nothing going for children of all ages (mine are aged 6-7) you will continue to have the issue of teenagers hanging round the cbd if they have no where else to go. Used to have a lot of sporting stuff happening basically every weekend where now I don't hear of any except for the burnie 10. It is also hard to get hold of people in charge of these sporting clubs as they never get back to you. the "upgrade" on the pool is a joke and may as well of let it continue sinking. The beach is no longer beautiful and is more rocks then beach. The port needs to be moved(which won't happen as that would cost a lot of \$\$\$) but may be able to move the wood chips to the other side of round hill and have a pipe line run to where it gets sent to the ships as a suggestion. The town does have some nice old buildings but are run down and need a face lift. The council does what they can with what funding they have. I will add it is not just burnie but basically the whole north west coast. And we don't need more ugly buildings like the makers workshop and uni accomodation in prime location. (better then what was there but a big ugly grey building is not the best thing to look at and most people don't even know what it actually is. It does have a beautiful land scape and could be thriving again but while we have the always aging look about the town all I see is elderly people living in a crumbling town. And other then shorewell park the bogan name shouldn't exist"

"Not enough decent shopping areas, I worry about my wife going shopping by herself especially the Coles Supermarket area due to the low class people that hang out there during the week. We need a good centralised shopping centre somewhere."

"Income versus expenses. Basic cost of living is increasing e.g. Petrol, water and electricity. Water cost more than council rates now! The major job losses (i.e. Caterpillar) have had a flow on effect to other business, including retail, recording lower turnover and subsequently more overall downsizing. If you notice the car park in Bunnings at the weekends you will see it is full of cars. My best guess is that it is the most affordable place for people to have a day out and save money by completing jobs at home without having to pay a professional."

"Council and state planning laws that put pressure on real estate prices making it harder for single income families to enter the property market and be forced into paying a large % of income on rent, which impacts on our ability to provide for our kids' educational and social needs as home educators and our time to invest into creative and small business pursuits to value add to community life."

"Parking in cbd So many empty shops in town"

"Lack of activities for children"

"Entertainment, Arts, Sports Facilities, Employment"	2017-09-20 16:43
"Lack of choice; good restaurants, shops, entertainment, things to do in the winter, places to go in the evenings."	2017-09-20 16:41
"Not enough work for younger unskilled people"	2017-09-20 15:53
"Lack of jobs, no future for the future generations to stay in burnie."	2017-09-20 15:42
"boredom and depression that are reflected by the environment"	2017-09-20 15:20
"Driving to surrounding cities to do shopping, due to the many empty shops in the CBD."	2017-09-20 14:30
"Lack of entertainment for children. Empty shops in Burnie with very high rent. Lack of employment"	2017-09-20 14:28
"The shops are empty, and what shops that are there aren't even worth going into. The unemployment rate is sickening therefore when you do visit the (can we even call it a city) It's over run by dole bludgers and single mothers. Don't get me started on the Ice problem."	2017-09-20 14:26
"Lack of opportunities.. Very boring here"	2017-09-20 14:01
"Parking - the new system sucks if your on a motorcycle. Limited employment opportunities for my children. Large number of store closures due to high rents."	2017-09-20 13:48
"lack of shops we don't all shop cheap and parking fees are to high just had 16 weeks travelled 10000k in the big aus no parking meters get off the couch and have a look how its done else where might get a few ideas of what we need."	2017-09-20 13:42

"Low income."	2017-09-20 13:28
"For me, personally, it is the lack of social entertainment for the older age bracket"	2017-09-20 13:27
"Employment"	2017-09-20 13:23
"Most schools are full or close to being full except for the 2 with the bad reputations, Parklands and Romaine. Plus there isn't much for children to do in Burnie"	2017-09-20 13:06
"The attitude of people that are regularly referring to the great days of the past ... those "great days" when the pulp mill and tioxide spewed toxic waste into our beaches / when we were so reliant on one industry for the town to survive ... not sure it's all that bad now."	2017-09-20 13:02
"Nothing for kids Nothing to do on weekends Small businesss is dead Job opportunity"	2017-09-20 12:59
"Lack of employment,"	2017-09-20 12:58
"I find burnie just plain boring"	2017-09-20 12:22
"Wharf, WoodChips & Logs. Employment, Hospital is well undersized lack of beds & specialists."	2017-09-20 12:04
"Lack of parking"	2017-09-20 11:42
"There is no free parking Empty shops No family activities or places to take my kids on a rainy day The town itself is very dull and drab looking there is no colour in the city the makers workshop looks like a concrete slab it needs colour Employment is high More trees are needed to soften all the concrete "	2017-09-20 11:32

"Unemployment, crime rate and the fact that burnie is infested with drugs" 2017-09-20 11:22

"lack of young professionals, allowing free camping in the area whereby at cooee and other carparks by the water in summer are swamped with freeloaders who spend little to no money in the town (save for woolworths and woolworths petrol) and leave rubbish strewn where they have been all whilst not supporting local accommodation providers that pay rent, rates and employ locals, having previously been a business owner in the CBD of Burnie and having family in business on the NW Coast the excessive commercial rents are not conducive to encourage people to 'have a go' at a venture. Its not just subjectively expensive for commercial rent, but objectively expensive when you compare it to other centres such as Melbourne. this has an affect on myself and family as you notice the large number of unrented shops all across the city which leads to a greater feeling that we are facing tough times which is not conducive to creating a positive mental affect on residents and visitors. Parking charges are ridiculous and discourages me from coming into town. the fact the Council spent plenty of money 3 years ago to install new parking meters with some solar cells is also disappointing as they didn't think to have them wired to take credit/debit cards. The Burnie City Council (like many Councils in this state) appear to be anti growth, anti development which is discouraging investment. they need to work with people under the planning scheme to have developments approved not against them. Finally, the lack of interest councilors take in local business is appalling. I bet very few if any small businesses in the CBD have ever had a councillor drop by to see how things were going and look for feedback on local issues. Little things like this go towards creating a better local community that people feel are supportive of their ideas and encourages investment and long term increases in population." 2017-09-20 11:14

"The main issues for my family and I would be lack of activities. For young children the options are limited to the Burnie Park, The beach if the weather is ok or the ride in Centro Plaza. As an adult my children's health and happiness are my main concerns. Taking the children through the CBD is like walking into a pub in the 90's, full of smoke, swearing and the occasional fight." 2017-09-20 11:06

"Lack of job oppurtunities and activities." 2017-09-20 10:46

"Employment opportunities; Welfare dependency for many families (we work with Vinnies and meet many of them); Young people, often highly educated, moving away to the mainland or Hobart where there are more oppourtunities and vibrancy; the 'cliques' in the Burnie community (we need to open our minds and hearts to the big world!" 2017-09-20 10:45

"Lack of job oppourtunities, lack of training oppourtunities, poor public transport, high rent on business properties, lack of recreational things for families and children to do" 2017-09-20 10:44

"Lack of oppourtunity, lack of extracurricular activities, lack of small business" 2017-09-20 10:41

"Lack of employment opportunities"	2017-09-20 10:35
"Lack of good paying jobs"	2017-09-20 10:34
"For a town like Burnie to be still aggressively chasing parking meter offenders beggars belief. It's the main reason I shop in Ulverstone"	2017-09-20 10:27
"Burnie has nothing to offer, you cannot pop into town without having pay for parking and the shopping precinct is too spread out, making it difficult to get around. No easy access to a supermarket."	2017-09-20 10:27
"Nothing to do."	2017-09-20 10:18
"No activities/events lack of shopping facilities i travel to devonport to do all shopping/activities and events rather than coming to burnie"	2017-09-20 10:15
"Not really anything for the younger generation to do outside of play sport"	2017-09-20 09:52
"Lack of services. Delay in access to medical care."	2017-09-20 09:52
"Community access - youth roaming the streets making town unattractive and unpleasant, especially for their peers. Cost of parking - you have to pay to park everywhere"	2017-09-20 09:45
"Parking and parking meters, council has lost the plot, wood chip piles not a good look for visitors, keep dogs away from foreshore and penguin colony, lack of signs enforcing this."	2017-09-20 09:34
"No shops that cater for the whole family Over priced Parking issues Having to pay for parking to shop "	2017-09-20 09:31

"There isn't much to do in Burnie (lots around but not in Burnie)"	2017-09-20 09:30
"Living expenses, accessibility / availability of childcare are minor concerns, but otherwise everything's pretty good."	2017-09-20 09:27
"The prevalence of 'rough' types around the city / Kmart etc, places where we all need to do our shopping but which can feel a bit threatening at times."	2017-09-20 09:15
"Lack of things to do in the city and lack of attractions to draw tourists and families to the city."	2017-09-20 09:14
"Having to travel an hour plus to work. Burnie's drug culture. "	2017-09-20 09:08
"living expenses rent power food clothing too expensive lack of family fun shocking swimming pool for the money spent not for families"	2017-09-20 09:07
"DRUGS and council not addressing problem"	2017-09-20 09:03
"Lack of employment opportunities"	2017-09-20 09:02
"Theres not a lot to do here and you have to drive 35 to 40 min to do something fun or adventurous"	2017-09-20 08:58
"The City Central is VERY tired, Wilson Street is dead. A Mall done correctly is always an option."	2017-09-20 08:55
"There are not enough family activities to do. I can take them to the park, and the cinema, but there aren't any services out there that maintain an educational activity."	2017-09-20 08:53

"Lack of things to do as a family"	2017-09-20 08:45
"Hospital waiting lists for surgery and seeking advice from a specialist. It's literally months before you can see one."	2017-09-20 08:40
"Boring"	2017-09-20 08:31
"Burnie is behind the times and only addressing issue now and not looking into future needs."	2017-09-20 08:22
"Lack of businesses in the cbd. Limited access for parking"	2017-09-20 08:21
"Employment opportunities, for the general community that is. There are little or no opportunities for young people as there is no real larger scale manufacturing, construction or capital spends"	2017-09-20 08:15
"We have a 2 1/2 year old.. apart from the park in summer what in the hell else is there to do?!?! My husband worked at cat that shut down which mosy definately affected our financial situation. There is NO WHERE for a 30 year old to go have a quiet drink with friends. The social night life is bloody appalling. Half of us are to terrified to go out with the fights and feral uncontrollable young people out there on drugs. The so called police are no help. When you ask for help because you have random druggies after you just because they are bored (don't even know these people) they chase and tell you to get out of thr CBD or they will arrest you!!!! Yea great protecting and serving.... walking around town in broad daylight is also frightening.... Kmart loiterers... i could go on all day..."	2017-09-20 08:12
"Money"	2017-09-20 08:12

<p>"Intensely high parking not many disabled parking spots. I have over \$600 in parking fines because i take my daughter to the doctors and there is no disabled parking for her. Just a visit to the pharmacy cost me a ticket nearly everytime. I never seem to put enough money in. And the have to constantly carry change is crazy i this tap and pay age. Maybe the council should come up with a system that everyone pays a certain graded permit if you own a business or house in burnie. I can nolonger shop in burnie due to the poor costly parking and terrible access. I shop in wynyard or ulverstone. Im a single mother of 4 children with my youngest being disabled. I own my house and loved burnie when i first bought here. Finding it a struggle now. I have plans/dreams to open a childrens play center which i believe would be a fantastic start to making burnie more family oriented. Plus i have many other ideas. Burnie can be great again!"</p>	<p>2017-09-20 08:02</p>
<p>"Parking"</p>	<p>2017-09-20 08:01</p>
<p>"Not enough income compared to rising prices of everything"</p>	<p>2017-09-20 08:00</p>
<p>"No incentive to invest for business. Council planning is obstructionist and dictorial and totally lacks common sense"</p>	<p>2017-09-20 07:58</p>
<p>"I grew up in Burnie and now work there. Expensive parking for workers, difficulty getting on street parking."</p>	<p>2017-09-20 07:55</p>
<p>"I've always compared Burnie and Devonport and previously they were always similar, but recently, Devonport has streaked ahead with new business, social activities, innovation and forward thinking from their council. It is utterly depressing to think that Burnie's best days were 30 years ago and the "leaders" of this once great little city are letting it circle the drain. "</p>	<p>2017-09-20 07:48</p>
<p>"Employment health safe affordable accessible places to walk dog have picnic"</p>	<p>2017-09-20 07:37</p>
<p>"lack of social activities, lack of employment prospects, lack of tafe/uni courses available in burnie"</p>	<p>2017-09-20 07:30</p>
<p>"No jobs"</p>	<p>2017-09-20 07:21</p>

"I rarely go into Burnie, the prices at parking meters is ridiculous. Don't even think of going for a coffee on a Sunday, nothing is open.. I'm embarrassed when a cruise ship comes in.. it must be such a disappointment for them"	2017-09-20 07:15
"Lack of access to tertiary education Lack of activities/ opportunities "	2017-09-20 07:13
"Conditions of roads Activates for kids"	2017-09-20 07:08
"Too many bogans."	2017-09-20 07:03
"poor roads"	2017-09-20 06:58
"Lack of employment opportunities"	2017-09-20 05:56
"Unemployment"	2017-09-20 04:55
"More activities for youth to do. Stop the availability of drugs, a national problem. better public transport system."	2017-09-20 04:19
"Lack of affordable social activities. Community things like Australia Day and activity/fun days should be free to encourage community. I am employed with two jobs but harder for younger family members. There is not much to encourage them to stay in the area."	2017-09-20 04:18
"poor and expensive parking, lack of "real" shops, especially mens clothing and too many charity 2nd hand outlets and food outlets"	2017-09-20 01:48
"-Unemployment -Cost of living -Lack of activities and shops and their pricing -Employment agencies in Burnie not helping as much as I think they should with unemployed clients -the council not willing to change and grow with the times"	2017-09-20 01:42

"Not enough playgrounds or community events for families. We have no where to take the kids in winter except the movies and that's if we can afford it and there's something suitable on. The community centre isn't even open 9-5. I can never take my kids there for a play because they shut to early."

2017-09-20 00:52

"No work, no motivation, no future prospects, no progress."

2017-09-20 00:46

"Bogan neighbours"

2017-09-20 00:21

"Although I currently live in Hobart for University, I spent my first 20 years of life in Burnie and have felt strongly, for many years now, that it has not reached it's full potential. The main issues are lack of opportunity and career development. For example, although many kids leaving Hellyer want to move somewhere new for Uni, many don't but are forced to due to the lack of variety offered at the Cradle Coast campus. Furthermore, many young adults do not return home to Burnie to settle down after university due to the lack of jobs and opportunities given their areas of expertise."

2017-09-20 00:20

"Not much for children to do during winter."

2017-09-20 00:07

"High Rent, Lower employment opportunities, youth violence drug use and crime"

2017-09-19 23:52

"Too much crime No jail time Nothing opened Parking fees"

2017-09-19 23:37

"Enter text here The place is dead, you could fire a gun up the main street and not hit anybody,"

2017-09-19 23:22

"Empty Shops , rates are way too high & most members on the council do not care about Burnie & have a mayor in the 20 years I've lived here would have to be the worst mayor weve had"

2017-09-19 23:21

"There's no atmosphere or night life in Burnie. There's nothing open on a Sunday or after 5pm during the week. Paid parking is an absolute joke, why would I want to stay in town and look at the few shops that are left when I know I'm going to get a fine because I only had a \$1 in change. If you really must have paid parking, justify it but reducing rents for the businesses and attract more businesses, also have the machines which will accept card payment. The society is going cashless keep up with the times."	2017-09-19 23:17
"Employment, health"	2017-09-19 23:13
"Limited activities for families and young children"	2017-09-19 23:09
"Ensuring we have a decent retail offering, affordable parking"	2017-09-19 23:06
"There isn't a great deal to do"	2017-09-19 23:05
"Lack of full- time employment opportunities."	2017-09-19 23:04
"Sustainable employment"	2017-09-19 22:51
"Lack of government funding in local schools"	2017-09-19 22:49
"No jobs and lack of health experts"	2017-09-19 22:45
"Finding a job "	2017-09-19 22:40

"Too many bogans"	2017-09-19 22:38
"Health and wealth"	2017-09-19 22:33
"Job opportunities and cost of rates, water and rent"	2017-09-19 22:31
"Not sufficient entertainment/activities for young people. Very limited employment opportunities, especially for the young people. Not sufficient affordable housing."	2017-09-19 22:28
"The sky rocket of rates for business owners. Council trying to bring in a no smoking policy in the CBD...will only deter people from coming into Burnie ."	2017-09-19 22:26
"Employment Petrol prices Grocery prices Electricity prices Health resource accessibility"	2017-09-19 22:24
"Employment, opportunities, attractions, lack of community."	2017-09-19 22:24
"Not much to do when it rains"	2017-09-19 22:23
"Cost of rates, things to do, lack of decent night life, cost of parking"	2017-09-19 22:23
"Burnie's social places and nightlife - great if you like endless mediocre coffees and/or passing out - and I didn't really rely on any of the closed shops but the CBD is a bit depressing."	2017-09-19 22:22
"Unemployment, no social life because everytime you meet someone new they're on drugs or an alcoholic.. i don't need that near me"	2017-09-19 22:20

"Employment"	2017-09-19 22:14
"Stunted growth! Places to eat, shop, family friendly places to play and eat."	2017-09-19 22:13
"Access to the dramatic arts, distance from retail choices and major cities, distance from foreign relations"	2017-09-19 22:13
"Lack of employment opportunities"	2017-09-19 22:10
"Well for starters my husband & I had to leave our house & lock it up & go to Sydney for work,we try to come back every year & when we do the shame of empty shops. rents are to high plus no work for people over 50. Just a big shame. To many older people don` t like change but we all have to think of the younger generation with job opportunity. Like Wynyard a few years ago people wanted a McDonalds in the town but the council would not approve it,we need places like pizza hut,McDonald,sandwich shops,Big W,also the shopping center is crap we need something like Westfilds shopping complex & KFC.... Make the towns Bigger & Better."	2017-09-19 22:07
"Lack of opportunity"	2017-09-19 22:06
"There is next to nothing for small children. I have a 2 year old and 6 month and i refuse to take them to town. People smoking everywhere, being rude and inconsiderate. Would be nice to have more shops around, more events for families. Restaurants that are child friendly."	2017-09-19 22:02
"Very little to do. Nothing at all seems to be moving forward. No wonder people move. The town is simply stagnant."	2017-09-19 21:58
"So many empty shops in and about town. Parking is ridiculously priced. Not a lot of activities around. And a lot of unpleasant people hanging about the streets swearing and intimidating."	2017-09-19 21:55
"Large rate of low socio economic people living in Burnie have no respect and behaviour impacts on people coming into Burnie to spend money. People are time poor and would prefer one stop shops with easy access however access to Burnie is not easy if you count all the traffic lights and the one way streets. The waterfront precincts could be more spread out to include playgrounds and BBQ facilities for families."	2017-09-19 21:49

"A lot of empty shops. When something does open it's just more of the same nothing new. Also next to nothing for the kids to do and no entertainment or night life for the adults just a couple of bars filled with teenyboppers."	2017-09-19 21:44
"Nothing for families Empty shops No jobs"	2017-09-19 21:43
"Quality of and access to education and health care"	2017-09-19 21:41
"No major retailers for a little bit of competition with other stores. We have only 2 or 3 expensive shoe shops, no shoe show, no Payless shoes, noting or it's Kmart and target. There is no variety in any shopping in Burnie. "	2017-09-19 21:40
"High unemployment for people approaching 50"	2017-09-19 21:38
"Limited shopping opportunities , costly parking & expensive entry to waste transfer station. Town appears drab and uninviting, place is dull with little nightlife."	2017-09-19 21:37
"High rates"	2017-09-19 21:37
"Employment opportunities for our young people so they can stay here"	2017-09-19 21:35
"Lack of Restaurants, Pubs and Shops in the town. (Maybe rent is to High?) Fire station falling apart and even though the old church was pulled down for the upgrades it seems the money has gone. The place isn't important to the government or heads of departments"	2017-09-19 21:33
"Downward home prices but increasing council rates and other expenses. Lack of shopping choices in the CBD - ie no competition for Coles - nowhere else to purchase groceries and fruit and veg."	2017-09-19 21:33
"We need healthier and better ranges of nice eateries. More pubs, more live music "	2017-09-19 21:25

"Expensive and restrictive parking. Council not sticking to basics of service."	2017-09-19 21:15
"The commute from Ridgley to Burnie now very slow due to speed limit dropping to 80km. Paid parking in the City makes it less desirable to want to shop and visit people for coffee when on a budget."	2017-09-19 21:13
"Tertiary education for my wife (once the children are older) and children (once they finish high school)."	2017-09-19 21:13
"The city of Burnie is slowly dying. Jobs are leaving the city. Opportunity is limited. The city is unattractive. Actually it is ugly and depressing. It is not a good place to raise children."	2017-09-19 21:11
"Access to services"	2017-09-19 21:10
"Stable income. Job security"	2017-09-19 21:05
"Employment social activities"	2017-09-19 21:04
"Expensive parking, population going down, dying town the list goes on"	2017-09-19 21:04
"No progress, empty shops, lack of vision from council, stagnating."	2017-09-19 21:04
"High number of people on welfare. Very frustrating. I am embarrassed to see the amount of young people down town smoking with nothing to do. No jobs. It's just devalues the place."	2017-09-19 21:03
"Specialist Jobs"	2017-09-19 21:00

"Lack of shops Lack of family activities Having to pay for parking Bogans"	2017-09-19 20:59
"There isn't many family friendly events during winter particularly. There isn't anything indoor to do with young children. Even the pool made the kids play sprinkler area outdoors!"	2017-09-19 20:58
"I am very positive about Burnie my family and grand children have had the opportunity to be well educated and obtain very good jobs. There is much to be thankful for."	2017-09-19 20:56
"Low employment, crime, not enough variety of shops."	2017-09-19 20:55
"Smoking in CBD - especially directly outside business doorways such as Kmart and reject shop, parking."	2017-09-19 20:55
"substance problems in the community, lack of opportunity and employment, low average wages that are not keeping up with the cost of living, our wages are lower than our mainland counterparts causing many to move away yet we pay more for things like fuel/power, lack of child and family activities especially when raining."	2017-09-19 20:54
"Lack of employment, the council, drugs and crime. Not enough for the young people to do"	2017-09-19 20:53
"Health & employment"	2017-09-19 20:53
"A lack of community pride and spirit. I feel that the powers at be (LOCAL MAYOR AND SOME OTHER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL NOT ALL) treat their positions of power to gain themselves a better way of life than putting in more of an effort for the town. Those activities that do exist for families and kids such as the 321Go and the Burnie shines need a whole new revamp to keep it more interesting to keep everyone going to these events."	2017-09-19 20:52
"Lack of help available for older adults trying to get there hours up for driving especially if a single parent"	2017-09-19 20:51

"Expensive parking, dirty streets, smoking in the cbd, lack of child friendly options for shopping mums, view of wood chips and dick is unappealing,"	2017-09-19 20:50
"Not enough jobs. Not enough for kids/families"	2017-09-19 20:49
"General economic state, "feel" and appearance when coming in."	2017-09-19 20:47
"Entertainment at affordable prices for seniors ,walking tracks are pretty good."	2017-09-19 20:46
"Not much opportunities for jobs, high shop rents kill most of the small retail businesses. children facilities and adequate outdoor events and facilities."	2017-09-19 20:42
"Crime rate. Lack of job opportunities and lack of activities for family's"	2017-09-19 20:40
"Lack of variety and choice in shopping. The city needs a department store where you can browse and shop for a variety of things under one roof."	2017-09-19 20:36
"Too many traffic lights and too little night life. We have a four lane highway dividing the town and sadly we are going backwards"	2017-09-19 20:36
"Lack of opportunity in all aspects, especially jobs including career paths and lack of amenities. There is a pervasive negative culture and a bit of a woe is me attitude."	2017-09-19 20:34
"Lack of shopping, access to services, parking and entertainment"	2017-09-19 20:29
"No Jobs. Nothing indoors for kids to do, we have to go to bunnings for a play when its raining..... Too many meth drug addicts hanging around town."	2017-09-19 20:28

"Unemployment rate. The ice epidemic and future for our youth."	2017-09-19 20:27
"Lack of education opportunities for young people post year 12. Lack of employment. Not very much for young people aged 14 to 17"	2017-09-19 20:25
"Job opportunities, entertainment, hospitality (food & beverage) and infrastructure."	2017-09-19 20:25
"I recently had to move to Hobart because there were not enough job opportunities in Burnie"	2017-09-19 20:24
"Lack of things to do as a family with young children. Although my husband and I both grew up in Burnie, the idea of our two children growing up here does not sit well with us at all. This is mainly due to the lack of opportunity they would have in the future - eg schooling, work, social activities etc."	2017-09-19 20:22
"negative growth in small business and falling population"	2017-09-19 20:21
"Expensive parking Nothing attractive for people aged between 35 to 45 to do Need more activities for things to do no one does Sunday sessions or have beer gardens with live entertainment on weekends "	2017-09-19 20:19
"Happy where we are"	2017-09-19 20:19
"The town is basically dead after 6 pm. Nothing on offer for kids and adolescents evenings and weekends. No decent pubs to go for a drink after hours."	2017-09-19 20:18
"Nothing to do, no shops due to expensive rent, parking so expensive, I pay \$1.00 an hour on Cairns CBD and \$1.70 in Burnie,"	2017-09-19 20:18
"Poor educational services."	2017-09-19 20:16

"Not enough to do with families."	2017-09-19 20:16
"Nothing to do"	2017-09-19 20:12
"Lack of work opportunities"	2017-09-19 20:10
"Isolation lack of activities Lack of shopping choices"	2017-09-19 20:08
"No job opportunities - gov could relocate service here to fix that. Empty shops everywhere. No opportunity for new business owners"	2017-09-19 20:08
"Education into the future - post secondary options and the need of students currently to leave the area to access better opportunities."	2017-09-19 20:06
"History of corrupt councillors, misrepresented rate payer/ residents on local decisions. No support for small business. Police targeting dependent drug users rather than dealers. Inadequate services for drug users seeking help. Outrageous parking council fees for cbd workers and small business owners. No youth services or activity. Extremely restrictive trade entry options for youth. Council DONATED million dollar waterfront realestate to a financial machine (UTAS) expecting high cashflow from uni students you can not get anymore out of touch with contemporary social issues or experience"	2017-09-19 20:06
"Not enough post about all the help people can get if they have children with all kinds of needs"	2017-09-19 20:04
"The fact that I have to travel interstate to work, every time I go into burnie I have to pay an astronomical amount of parking and there is never any events, it's almost as if the place is a grave yard. Also I'm attempting to open a business in the CBD, yet the council is ridiculously slow at approving anything."	2017-09-19 20:04
"Work / activities with kids"	2017-09-19 20:04

"Poor literacy in early childhood educators, primary teachers and lack of subjects in secondary and tertiary studies. A complete lack of understanding of chronic/pain by local GPs, spearheaded by an arrogant GP who sees a patient with pain and immediately judges them as addicts. Lack of employment opportunities. High rentals for shops. Obscene parking charges everywhere. You just hope the Cashless Welfare Card doesn't get added to the mix. House values will plummet, crime will spike, even more shops will go bust and Shorewell will become even more violent and crime ridden. Also, there is a lack of hygiene and oral health that can be quite confronting. Additionally, many residents seem to have very closed views around getting with the times around being environmentally more sustainable. People who do not keep their dogs and cats under control are also a big problem. Cats spraying, dogs crapping everywhere and threatening residents on footpaths, beaches and yards. The council does NOTHING. Not having a cat catcher or a pound or RSPCA outlet really does not work. There is a lack of natural bushland for access that does not have either dirt bikers, pollution or dogs. Sorry. It just really isn't a nice place to live. This is the place you come when you cannot afford elsewhere and want to have the illusion of being close to services."

"I am affected by the overall negativity of local , born and bred Tasmanians , I am bored with the laziness of people that have never been out of town and have no appreciation for what a great place the North West and Tasmania is . I have lived and worked all over the world and I chose to park myself in the North West because when I came to Tasmania over 15 years ago as a tourist I fell in love with the place. I bought a small business and I am making it work , but I have to work at it , it doesn't just happen, I also mostly mix with other people who have made the choice to live here and are enjoying the experience."

"We work extremely hard but give too much in bills. Rates, tas water, parking, shop rental. Poor work ethic from the general public. Due to having to work so hard to pay these bills we have little time with our children and the time we have we are grumpy due to being mentally and physically drained."

"Lack of specialist health care services; cost of living; lack of job opportunities; lack of recreational activities"

"Lack of employment opportunities"

"Access to more professional health care"

"lack of decent shopping, very limited parking in the main street (makes it very difficult if you want to nick into the bank for a couple of minutes), lack of vibrancy in the town"

"Lack of work"	2017-09-19 19:56
"I am a single person with an accredited therapy dog, he is my main support and I feel shunned and looked down upon if I try to take him to town."	2017-09-19 19:55
"Would be great to have more community events in accessible locations (eg. Festivals etc)"	2017-09-19 19:55
"Nothing to do for young families in winter. It's hard to get out in the colder, wetter months. Difficult to find employment."	2017-09-19 19:55
"Lack of public transport, lack of things to do with the family. We need to start filling stores back up and do more community activities we have s beautiful beach front that is never used"	2017-09-19 19:53
"Job opportunity. As a midwife there is no where for me to work across all areas since the government made changes to the maternity services"	2017-09-19 19:52
"Lack of jobs, and employment opportunities. Also a large low demographic society, with no respect"	2017-09-19 19:52
"We don't have any issues, but there is a lack of opportunities for future generations and compared to other cities we have lived in there is a lack of community, being from Burnie I find it less welcoming than other regional cities we have lived in."	2017-09-19 19:52
"It's boring, very backward. Very small minded. Nothing new ever happens. Not innovative at all"	2017-09-19 19:52
"Antisocial behaviour in the main streets. Buss mall is disgusting to even walk through. Not many thibgs to do as a family"	2017-09-19 19:50
"Youth Crime Lack of Parking in 10 min parking to just go & get coffee, etc... Smoking in the City"	2017-09-19 19:49

"Lack of employment"	2017-09-19 19:48
"The outrageously high housing market. Limited activities or leisures for families, younger adults, adults and elderly"	2017-09-19 19:47
"I can't find work which is very stressful. I do not drink, smoke or do drugs and it is very hard to find people to socialise with that are the same as me. The town is stagnant and there are no chances for growth for us here."	2017-09-19 19:47
"low cost of living"	2017-09-19 19:46
"High Rates. High cost Tas water. Lack of Employment. City parking costs are killing the town. Hospital parking rates are ridiculous"	2017-09-19 19:45
"Lack of attractions/ family entertainment."	2017-09-19 19:41
"Lack of social activities to engage in."	2017-09-19 19:40
"Nothing for teenagers to do. This is what leads to teens walking the streets and causing a mess for locals"	2017-09-19 19:39
"Lack of family attractions, parking isnt a huge issue most people are simply too lazy to park in the multi story and walk. small business in the burnie cbd is impossible with the outrageous weekly lease prices (im a former business owner)"	2017-09-19 19:39
"No good shops anymore, poor parking, council wasting money on ridiculous things instead of fixing what needs to be done"	2017-09-19 19:37
"Town is really hard to access. Parking is expensive."	2017-09-19 19:37

"Poor public school funding, welfare dependent culture in some areas"	2017-09-19 19:35
"Coming from the Burnie area and now living in Canberra I think a lot of the issues with the city itself and things that we were affected by (aside from general attitudes and closed-mindedness which are not easily fixed by anybody) are too higher rent and local council being generally inconsiderate to businesses - it drives local and larger business away (e.g. Harris Scarfe) and makes the city look like a ghost town - there are less resources, its hard to get things, the whole town closes on weekends and shopping is not enjoyable. There is also a considerable lack of a sense of community and community based events (e.g. things like the new year celebrations which get people out and enjoying the city), which makes going into town drab and unenjoyable - there is never anything on and young people get incredibly bored (part of the reason we left). All of this led to a lack of opportunity and passion which inevitably made us and many people we know leave."	2017-09-19 19:33
"Job availability. Lack of community spirit. Too many empty stores in the city centre"	2017-09-19 19:31
"Lack of a vision to reinvent Burnie to a sustainable place of thriving."	2017-09-19 19:30
"Lack of Employment"	2017-09-19 19:30
"Lack of house rentals"	2017-09-19 19:29
"All the negativity - wake up and smell the roses! We live in a beautiful place - it is up to us to make the most of it"	2017-09-19 19:29
"Cost of daycare Lack of good consistent children's medical services Lack of children's activities"	2017-09-19 19:26
"Lack of jobs Too many business closing down."	2017-09-19 19:25

"Parking, closing shops, vandalism"	2017-09-19 19:25
"Brain drain. All of my friends move away for uni (same as me) but would never return back to live in burnie as there are no jobs for me. I returned due to be a teacher so finding employment was easier."	2017-09-19 19:25
"Lack of employment"	2017-09-19 19:24
"Few professional employment opportunities, resulting in a brain drain of our children"	2017-09-19 19:24
"There is no nightlife"	2017-09-19 19:24
"Nothing for families to do. The rude loitering in and around shops."	2017-09-19 19:22
"There is no night life or a place for family's to enjoy family time like other city's to wander and enjoy activities after a family tea out. Parking is impossible on the streets. The lack of atmosphere. It's a place of grab and leave, not grab and take a seat."	2017-09-19 19:21
"People being negative about Burnie, internet shopping"	2017-09-19 19:20
"Lack of family activities and things to do around burnie"	2017-09-19 19:19
"Hoons, seems to be heaps of them that speed through CBD and surrounding suburbs all week. Maybe lower speed limits in CBD or add speed bumps on streets like Hodgman, Williams, Princess, Jones & Wilmot Streets Soft penalties for repeat offender. The amount of parents who abuse their children via neglect and the fact that there is not enough resources in the Health Department to handle this. Questionable health services, wait times and patient satisfaction are not great."	2017-09-19 19:19

"lack of activities for preschool age children. Employment opportunities."	2017-09-19 19:19
"there is nothing for families!! Adults who want to relax have the beach hotel which is OK but greens is an absolute nightmare...oy for teenies"	2017-09-19 19:18
"Lack of activities, nothing to do on weekends and running out of ideas very quickly"	2017-09-19 19:18
"Traveling to state sport opportunity Not having the funding for bigger operations and opportunities for places like the burnie netball association to expand and grow. Little entertainment, sets by the sea getting cancelled. Stuff like that "	2017-09-19 19:18
"The 'university' campus in burnie does not offer much at all. Unemployment has also effected me. Even with 10+ years of volunteering, employment is pretty much impossible to find. Also, there is only one place in Burnie for young people to go and that's Greens, which is a dive. For those who can't drive, the metro system is horrid and just adds further limitations to an already restricted, basic lifestyle"	2017-09-19 19:17
"Employment Nothing to do in area No enough to help 14-18 yr olds with special needs Parking"	2017-09-19 19:16
"Lack of opportunity and facilities available for young kids growing up. The movies is great, however, you can only go so much before the novality wears off"	2017-09-19 19:15
"Parking is atrocious. Hard to access the local shops without going into multistory. Lack of employment"	2017-09-19 19:13
"Graduate employment opportunities"	2017-09-19 19:13
"Nothing for families to do."	2017-09-19 19:12
"Opportunities with employment, progressing with employment, things to do places to go of a night and weekend"	2017-09-19 19:12

"There is a lack of facilities for families and children. I also have issues with where and how the council are spending our money. I also have an issue with rates, I do not see any return for residents for the amount of money we pay the local council."	2017-09-19 19:12
"No indoor space for kids"	2017-09-19 19:12
"Lack of social activities and networking for people in our age group"	2017-09-19 19:11
"Rent"	2017-09-19 19:11
"Unemployment and nothing to do"	2017-09-19 19:11
"In relation to what?"	2017-09-19 19:10
"Low job availability, not many events to attend for young people like myself and a declining number of restaurants to attend"	2017-09-19 19:09
"lack of services, job opportunities, very poor health care, lack of specialists, long wait times, high drug and crime rate. High rents comparatively with low house sell costs."	2017-09-19 19:09
"We are all ok"	2017-09-19 19:09
"Nothing to do for kids Parking is a bloody disgrace for the cost Being a sea side town with not many events/markets etc"	2017-09-19 19:07
"Employment. Local council not listening, not implementing changes. Councilors being out of touch "	2017-09-19 19:07

"I wish there was a massive indoor play centre to take my daughter. A beer garden would be amazing too, when I have a child free night I'd love to just chill out outside with live music."	2017-09-19 19:06
"Many closed stores and lack of activities"	2017-09-19 19:05
"Low employment / under employment (short term contracts, no job security), rates going up every year (Waratah-Wynyard council), cost of living pressures."	2017-09-19 19:03
"Lack of indoor sports/activities for children. Parking limits everywhere."	2017-09-19 19:00
"Not enough work. Too many druggy ferals"	2017-09-19 18:57
"Lack of activities and good parks for the children!"	2017-09-19 18:37
"disabled parking and lack of enforcement in supermarkets car parks and public streets and the price of parking in burnie"	2017-09-19 18:34
"The town centre is dead. Shops and businesses closing."	2017-09-19 18:31
"cost of living"	2017-09-19 18:23
"No employment"	2017-09-19 18:22
"Limited social activities"	2017-09-19 18:21

"There are not enough positive thinking people in this town . I have live here all my life and love burnie but if we are to turn the corner and move forward we all need to work harder and stop looking for someone else to fix our problems. We need more people like Dale Elphinstone in this town he is a worker and continue to put back into the Community and asks for nothing in return.People need to stop taking and give back this will make burnie strong again "

"Work" 2017-09-19 18:12

"Lack of jobs, shops and a booming trend" 2017-09-19 18:10

"I've recently returned from the mainland to live back in Wynyard - I don't like going into Burnie at all now. So many shops have shut and I actually don't feel safe walking around once I am away from the main shopping street. The meter parking everywhere is insane. I parked up in KMart once but the day I was there the escalator was broken - it seemed the only way up and down was one tiny lift. I don't park there anymore. I now park at Target but it costs me \$1 an hour as it does on all the meters. And will someone PLEASE paint the wall at the back of Kmart? It is an EYESORE. And there is a distinct lack of public toilets."

"Lack of services for family, interaction is lacking from the council. city seems disjointed and spread all over the place." 2017-09-19 17:47

"Employment" 2017-09-19 17:41

"Lack of action by Council in Burnie, not worried about employment happy to see businesses close down" 2017-09-19 17:39

"Lack of jobs growth, limited options for someone my age" 2017-09-19 17:24

"It is great. But given the way you have framed up the introduction to the survey I don't think you want to hear positive responses." 2017-09-19 17:21

"Burnie is a fantastic place to live but it feels like it's 'treading water' at the moment. The potential of the place isn't being realised when the same old ideas (mining, forestry) continue to be perpetuated. We need to be more broad minded in our thinking and look beyond to offer our young people a sense of hope and inclusion."

"Employment opportunities amid a township that sometimes verges on being a ghost town and is highly dependent on welfare."	2017-09-19 17:10
"none"	2017-09-19 17:05
"I am reformed drug addict. The support is pitiful and rehab is 400 klms away. Safety for yourself and your assets is at all time low. "	2017-09-19 15:22
"The lack of free entertainment for family's. there is not a lot to do and we constantly travel to Ulverstone and Devonport just to find a decent park to play in."	2017-09-18 21:10
"Lack of positive energy...."	2017-09-18 20:46
"Rent. Terrible NBN - thanks Brett Whiteley General malaise around the town."	2017-09-18 19:01
"The depressed feeling in the town of Burnie doesn't encourage us to shop there. Parking meters also turn us off. More development is needed on waterfront, petrol stations shouldn't be occupying prime real estate, where cafes and restaurants should be located."	2017-09-18 18:19
"Excessive government support for chopping it down and digging it up"	2017-09-18 17:56
"I work in Burnie, not live ... variety of business perhaps?"	2017-09-18 16:39
"Jobs, crime rate, hooliganism, road surface conditions"	2017-09-18 15:58
"Economic stability, availability of services, health, education etc. Cultural life."	2017-09-18 14:37

"Lack of job opportunities and narrowed minded citizens"	2017-09-18 10:58
"My son having to move interstate for uni. Burnie seems to have no plans for moving forward, lack of vision, improvement, making it a place that tourists want to stop in and residents are proud to live in. Petty fighting which has led to 2 markets on the same day."	2017-09-17 10:39
"Lack of medical specialists. Nothing fun to do on the weekends for the kids."	2017-09-16 17:31
"Lack of late night shopping. Crime rate, drug associated crimes. Vehicles driving too fast in the main streets"	2017-09-16 09:57
"lack of employment , cost of living"	2017-09-15 22:40
"Burnie is a fabulous place to live.....it is a shame it does not have ONE Chinese restaurant where the chef can actually cook Chinese food.....lol....my husband cooks better Chinese :) Main issues.....getting rid of that F****g wood chip pile off the main waterfront area of the city.....what an eyesore...."	2017-09-15 12:27
"We need more live events in Burnie."	2017-09-14 22:52
"will utas education opportunities be available for our children to adequately prepare them for what employment opportunities will be in NW in future."	2017-09-14 20:57
"Financial side of things"	2017-09-14 19:59
"I need to add, i dont LIVE in burnie, i WORK in burnie and my partner is a builder employed by a burnie based bisness. At the moment main issues would probably be feeling like we earn a low combined income"	2017-09-14 18:56
"I work all around burnie and the empty shops are not a good look."	2017-09-14 17:34

"Lack of things to do and jobs"	2017-09-14 16:56
"Access to things to do for families"	2017-09-14 15:15
"Jobs"	2017-09-14 14:57
"I think there are many opportunities for activities, if you can afford to pay. I would like to see clubs and groups be a little cheaper to attract all families interested"	2017-09-14 14:24
"Nothing to do as a group. "	2017-09-14 14:09
"Not many shops and sooo many bogans"	2017-09-14 13:34
"Not much for teenagers to do in spare time "	2017-09-14 13:00
"Nothing really, there are still fun thing to do around the place and jobs etc"	2017-09-14 12:56
"Inability of the council to act within normal time to fix major needs. eg. Burnie Surf Club (now starting to move) Mount Street resealing (part complete Upper Burnie CBD shocking) the Blythe fiasco (now working on it)."	2017-09-14 11:11
"Activities"	2017-09-14 09:59
"no jobs - boring"	2017-09-14 09:20

"Tertiary education Employment opportunities"	2017-09-14 08:45
"Public transport frequency sucks. It needs to be less waiting time between busses. There is zero motorbike parking in cbd Burnie unlike every other tassie town. The council needs a serious shake up. They are self interested and create to much read tape. Fix the bloody eye sore (empty lot) near Bunnings. For example a shopping centre or even an office works."	2017-09-14 08:38
"Not many job opportunities for unqualified workers"	2017-09-14 08:30
"The biggest issue for us with Burnie city is the parking situation. The council makes it feel like they just dont want you there. There isnt even anywhere for me to pull over to pick up my partner when he finishes work. I have been standing in a car park on the side of the road for 3 minutes waiting for my partner to finish when a parking inspector has knocked on my window and said i need to pay or leave. We dontgo shopping in town unless we have mutiple items to buy because you have to be in town for an hour to make it worthwhile"	2017-09-14 08:18
"Employment. Social issues"	2017-09-14 08:17
"Not enough positivity around"	2017-09-14 08:05
"Lack of jobs"	2017-09-14 06:53
"Suitable play grounds for children"	2017-09-14 06:14
"Expensive Parking .. Not enough areas for family time with pets. To encourage them to get out more. Bus shelters with cover from the weather. Lack of community spirit"	2017-09-14 06:05
"Too hard to find a job"	2017-09-14 00:21

"Lack of opportunity, crime, bogans running amok, safety, access to facilities"	2017-09-13 23:24
"Lack of things to do for kids Businesses continuing to close making people to go else where to shop or online shopping More family/community events needed "	2017-09-13 22:30
"Lack of entertainment for all ages. Over priced parking. The white elephant that is the makers workshop costing rate payers since it has been built....."	2017-09-13 22:23
"Too many poker machines every pub you go in."	2017-09-13 22:02
"My unemployment is affecting me, my family are happy."	2017-09-13 19:56
"Empty shops so therefore buying online, rent of shops is ridiculous, and the parking meters are a joke!!!"	2017-09-13 19:53
"employment "	2017-09-13 19:02
"-Lack of employment options. -Lack of things to do with family and friends."	2017-09-13 18:24
"poor and expensive parking, especially in the cbd, poor facilities for kids (ages 3 and up)"	2017-09-13 17:03
"Cost of rates, power"	2017-09-13 16:41
"Lack of employment opportunities for young people. "	2017-09-13 14:18

"No work"	2017-09-13 10:11
"Future employment opportunities, cost of living , expendable income wages going backwards or not rising , out of control property prices ,older people unemployed, A lot of people not eating correctly , employment training opportunities that give no qualifications to people to get jobs and huge dependence on healthcare."	2017-09-13 07:51
"Lack of entertainment for kids, family friendly environments, price of parking, parks are poor and hardly enough things for a large amount of kids to be there at once and our beaches are unsafe due to needles and only one beach has life guards and the general cost of living"	2017-09-13 07:15
"The amount of psychotic bogans in the town. "	2017-09-13 01:57
"Not sure"	2017-09-12 22:20
"Work"	2017-09-12 21:05
"Lack of family focused events, eg music and using our fabulous beach front for v free v events such as music events or volleyball on beach, the meal events at beach were great but fizzled due to a lack of food trucks"	2017-09-12 20:57
"the negativity in the town"	2017-09-12 20:56
"Looking at some of the youth these days who do not want to contribute anything to the society wasting time doing burnouts and wheelies"	2017-09-12 20:42
"Employment is low and so are working hours"	2017-09-12 20:24
"Lack of employment opportunity's "	2017-09-12 19:58

<p>"Don't live in Burnie but wanted to do the survey as I feel it is not much different to anywhere on the NW Tas. Main issues are lack of full time employment or over 25 hours per week. The cost of home rentals but especially Business/shop rentals. If work is not found there are many talented people who could create their own business but I cannot understand how a small shop front can be \$400 - \$1000 per week (and many in between) for an empty room. A home to rent for \$400 has 3-4 bedrooms and all the rest that is in a home and a garden, not sure there are even homes to rent for a \$1000 per week. It would be one of the main reasons business close their doors. Winter months Tasmania seems to shut down, people just don't come out of their front doors which impacts on businesses hugely. The reasons ?. perhaps because the shopping areas are not enclosed to protect from the weather. Hence more indoor shopping centres (rents would skyrocket in them though) or more planning for protection for wind/rain factors along 'rows' of shops in the streets."</p>	<p>2017-09-12 19:43</p>
<p>"Lack of intelligent planning."</p>	<p>2017-09-12 18:48</p>
<p>"Would like to see better parking and shopping. An updated, larger Coles store would be great!"</p>	<p>2017-09-12 18:40</p>
<p>"Recently moved here. Relocated from SW Victoria, spending 18 months in Smithton before moving here. Lack of shopping is an issue. Shocked at how few supermarkets there are and how small the Coles is. Trying to grocery shop to a budget is hard. General shopping, like clothing is OK but could be better considering size. Rentals are expensive"</p>	<p>2017-09-12 18:36</p>
<p>"Roads need maintenance especially mount street"</p>	<p>2017-09-12 18:22</p>
<p>"No employment"</p>	<p>2017-09-12 18:09</p>
<p>"Affordability"</p>	<p>2017-09-12 18:01</p>
<p>"Lack of employment opportunities for young people"</p>	<p>2017-09-12 17:36</p>
<p>"Lack of employment opportunities which enables people to have independence and start their career. Lack of activities and places to go which effects people socially and drives people into drug and alcohol addiction."</p>	<p>2017-09-12 17:28</p>

"Their is nothing too in the sense that their is no family activitys expect the movies and laser tag"	2017-09-12 17:17
"Town, schools, traffic"	2017-09-12 17:15
"There is not enough jobs. Also keeping children entertained in holidays and weekends is impossible."	2017-09-12 08:24
"Definitely work, more so the lack of jobs. As an expectant mother I just left my part time job and I'm terrified it wont be there when I'm ready to go back."	2017-09-12 03:44
"Places like this live and die on industry and the employment situation. Small business depends also on where people choose to spend their money. This area is dependant on people like Dale Elphingstone continuing to support tge region. Maybe you should meet with him and see what he thinks."	2017-09-11 20:10
"Lack of jobs , cost of rates"	2017-09-11 19:58
"Social implications of large numbers of generational unemployed people residing here. "	2017-09-11 12:31
"Poor social options. NOthing open on friday night. poor public transport"	2017-09-11 09:37
"Lack of jobs in the area"	2017-09-11 09:12
"Employment and family activities."	2017-09-11 09:11
"Nothing for families to do during colder months which is 50% of the year expect movies which not every family can afford"	2017-09-11 08:48

"Lack of employment and opportunity... very little support for small business"	2017-09-11 08:45
"Lack of interesting/innovative retail stores, poor housing market, limited nightlife options, socio-economic culture"	2017-09-10 19:16
"Social and future employment for siblings"	2017-09-10 13:39
"Unemployment, Crime"	2017-09-10 12:04
"Jobs, lack of activities for young people, ever-decreasing retail sector..."	2017-09-10 11:18
"Medical services, employment and activities for families"	2017-09-10 09:17
"We need more activities for the kids and families!"	2017-09-10 09:09
"No work"	2017-09-10 08:03
"There's a depressed vibe around town Parking is crap Cafes etc close early"	2017-09-10 03:03
"Empty shops, unemployment, drugs"	2017-09-09 23:34
"-There are hardly any shops in Burnie anymore, no choice -Nothing to keep youth/adults entertained -No jobs"	2017-09-09 23:31

"Poor employment opportunities. Everything feels second-rate like Burnie and the NW is the 'poor cousin' of Tasmania. No opportunities for our children, no industry, no good family oriented activities for kids to enjoy at a reasonable cost. Movies- expensive and it's just the damn movies not SeaWorld. Lazer tag expensive and it's just a hyped up piece of second rate junk. Shops empty everywhere and the whole place feels down and out. It's a sad state of affairs, we're stuck here but have plans to get out and can't wait. We pay high prices on absolutely all services, food, rates, power, water, petrol, phone (don't get me started on our NBN service), and the list goes on...and what do we get for it? Absolutely nothing and treated like we don't count by the state government to boot!! This place can't be saved- it's too late, get me out of here with my family before it's too late."

2017-09-09 23:05

"Full time employment"

2017-09-09 22:06

"There is no family fun things to do, especially of a weekend! Job opportunities are poor!"

2017-09-09 21:54

"Being a young family of 5 there is nothing to do with young kids indoors during winter. There's the burnie indoor pool but it's cold because it's for exercise, and also there's nothing for little ones there in summer except a sprinkler. If my kids want to swim in the outdoor pool they can't touch the bottom in the shallow end so we can't even just be on the side watching we have to get in and the indoor one my 4 year old can only just touch the bottom of the shallow end. Besides that there is nothing. You have to drive to Devonport or Launceston. The amount of stores closing due to rising rent. A lot of roads still need fixing also."

2017-09-09 21:51

"We need more things for our young adults to do like Race tracks for them to legally race on instead of our streets ect. I think we need to attract more psychiatrists and psychologists as they are hard to get into with a huge waiting list..."

2017-09-09 21:41

"All the businesses closing down in town high rents business people have to pay coming from experience as a cafe owner"

2017-09-09 20:35

"Rental prices. "

2017-09-09 20:14

"Limited full time jobs"

2017-09-09 20:09

"Lack of variety"

2017-09-09 20:03

"Burnie is boring, empty shops, shops are cheap looking, not enough variety. Lacking free exercising opportunities like parkrun, no entertainment venues for older people to go out to if they have eaten dinner and want to go for a drink somewhere and listen to some music. Nothing for younger adults to do of a weekend if they don't drink or go to places like Greens."	2017-09-09 19:09
"Fascism and capitalism, murder by the means of money from our local corporations. Corporations pay little to no power costs, the residents who work their bones to death and the people on welfare and pulling the weight."	2017-09-09 18:48
"The hospital is incredibly lacking, I wouldn't feel safe being treated there. Parking costs. Rates are huge."	2017-09-09 18:19
"Nothing for kids to do we need some decent indoor and outdoor entertainment. The upgrade to pool was so disappointing"	2017-09-09 17:34
"I think charging for parking if you look in Wynyard and Ulvestone dont charge for parking they have no empty shops and are always busy Burnie Devonport charge for parking and are empty"	2017-09-09 16:21
"Youth have very little to do in Burnie. Skate park and swimming pool are about all on offer"	2017-09-09 16:04
"There are no issues affecting my family"	2017-09-09 15:17
"Employment."	2017-09-09 15:14
"Lack of things for children to do"	2017-09-09 14:33
"Employment"	2017-09-09 14:25
"Lack of employment opportunities."	2017-09-09 14:22

"There is not much for young kids to do that does not cost an arm and a Leg..."	2017-09-09 13:44
"the lack of oppurtunity and activities."	2017-09-09 13:25
"Little family activities"	2017-09-09 13:05
"Burnie seems to be quite expensive and not offering enough opportunities for growth/employment."	2017-09-09 11:04
"Lack of business and innovation. Business rents are too high for someone to even start a business in Burnie. The council also has was too much red tape for business. Also I think parking in Burnie is what has killed us."	2017-09-09 09:53
"Lack of commercial diversity, feeling unsafe at times"	2017-09-09 08:04
"living affordability and job propsects for younger people"	2017-09-09 07:48
"The lack of opportunity for jobs, education has to be Launceston or Hobart, the buying situation is hard because finance is tight due to stamp duty and no first home buyer grant which makes us younger ones unable to boost the economy. Nothing new is changing in Burnie due to the council being set in their ways. They are going backwards not forth. There are more things are issue but these are the biggest 3, without us young ones the economy won't boost. And I'm sorry but they are driving us away"	2017-09-09 07:36
"Lack of work. Nothing for the kids to do"	2017-09-09 07:02
"Not enough growth in the retail and entertainment dept"	2017-09-09 06:51

"Not enough family friendly activitys"	2017-09-09 01:35
"Lack of shopping opportunities, lack of entertainment for my children when growing up and now as teenagers, lack of job opportunities. Just feel the town is dying and as a result we are moving so our children will have better opportunities as 16 & 18 year old."	2017-09-08 23:56
"Money"	2017-09-08 23:44
"lack of entertainment or activities to do locally (Burnie area). The political correctness and Over Achieving of council and other groups constantly changing things we already have instead of thinking of NEW attractions at minimal cost"	2017-09-08 23:38
"Lack of employment Lack of community connection"	2017-09-08 22:46
"Provision of heating"	2017-09-08 21:55
"Declining Industries."	2017-09-08 21:52
"Need change from the Burnie council"	2017-09-08 21:49
"Lack of good different shops and not very dog friendly"	2017-09-08 21:42
"Empty CBD shops, lack of jobs and expensive council rates"	2017-09-08 21:15
"No shopping, nothing to do on weekends"	2017-09-08 20:57

"Parking is so bad and to have to pay is unbelievable No forward thinking by the council eg moving coles to the old pulp site would create more jobs plus open opportunities for other businesses"	2017-09-08 20:13
"modern issues of being a separated family"	2017-09-08 20:10
"Too many housing clusters together they need to be sold off and Renovated"	2017-09-08 19:54
"Lack of employment opportunities"	2017-09-08 19:48
"My wife & I love doing fun things. Apart from laser tag there is absolutely nothing to do...no ten pin bowling, roller skating, putt putt golf...nothing. We have to go to Devonport or Launceston to do something fun"	2017-09-08 19:39
"Enter text here lack of entertainment for all ages"	2017-09-08 19:21
"Lack of employment opportunities and lack of entertainment venues for family's"	2017-09-08 19:19
"Lack of variety for university courses, retail spaces way too high, jobs low."	2017-09-08 19:07
"Lack of industry and employment. High rental prices for empty shops"	2017-09-08 19:02
"Not many jobs Nothing for children teenagers to do except hangout in town Increasing criminal activity "	2017-09-08 18:59
"employment good retail shops"	2017-09-08 18:56

"Things to do, entertainment and family activities."	2017-09-08 18:45
"Hospital services. Lack of activities to do with children"	2017-09-08 18:39
"Diminishing employment opportunities, increasing drug abuse, increasing lower socioeconomic population."	2017-09-08 18:30
"Work"	2017-09-08 18:23
"Parking costs in burnie! Nothing to do indoors for children on weekends!"	2017-09-08 18:22
"Not enough things to do places to go for families e.g: playcentre, bowling alley, indoor pool to suit all ages"	2017-09-08 18:08
"Lack of jobs for our kids Rates, water high costs"	2017-09-08 18:00
"Not enough to do with children"	2017-09-08 17:55
"not enough shops llike big w and myres"	2017-09-08 17:35
"There is nothing to do in Burnie"	2017-09-08 17:15
"Nothing to do with children as a family on holidays and weekends unlike other cities"	2017-09-08 16:58

"lack of opportunities, employment, High cost of living in our city (rates, water, power)"	2017-09-08 16:51
"The lack of jobs and people willing to hire a older apprentice. Not much for children to do we need something to keep youth off streets and out of trouble"	2017-09-08 15:56
"Family activities"	2017-09-08 15:21
"Not feeling safe in our own community due to lack of consequences for criminals. Not enough police presence. Lack of jobs. Not enough accessible mental health care."	2017-09-08 15:09
"Lack of work opportunities"	2017-09-08 15:01
"the loss of vibrancy in our CBD."	2017-09-08 14:54
"Things to do...(recreational) Cost of living... Good health care..."	2017-09-08 14:26
"Lacking Work opportunities Limited University units Not a Pet friendly city Lacking community events"	2017-09-08 14:21
"Nothing here to do with young children, especially during winter"	2017-09-08 12:35
"Job security...kids education"	2017-09-08 12:19
"Health and jobs"	2017-09-08 12:04

"fun"	2017-09-08 11:55
"No jobs, nothing for kids to do and losing shops"	2017-09-08 11:29
"Jobs. Education"	2017-09-08 11:13
"Lack of interesting events and things to do on a Sunday. Lack of work"	2017-09-08 10:58
"Low employment, lack of entertainment for families"	2017-09-08 10:54
"The cost of most things is horrible and too dear once you do the shopping and pay bills there no much left over to do things with your kids/family"	2017-09-08 10:04
"Drug affected people on the rise"	2017-09-08 08:30
"For us it's about the capacity of the Cradle Coast UTA campus to deliver on campus courses relevant to the needs of the community."	2017-09-08 08:10
"Lack of activities Money "	2017-09-08 06:15
"I find Burnie dead and boring."	2017-09-08 00:33
"Insufficient shopping opportunities - lack of competition with many smaller retailers forced out by online and national retailers Difficulty accessing specialist medical services Rates far too high"	2017-09-07 22:49

"Work stress and family issues"	2017-09-07 22:36
"Employment, education & health"	2017-09-07 22:05
"Lack of shops and entertainment that larger places provide. Also shopping trolleys left outside and lack of care in our environment that some people show"	2017-09-07 22:00
"Lack of employment opportunities; lack of culture, the arts and cultural diversity; lack of entertainment options"	2017-09-07 21:18
"We have nothing like the other larger citys "	2017-09-07 21:00
"Economic growth Government services better access Parking prices"	2017-09-07 20:51
"Lack of opportunities, poor transport, lack of things to do etc."	2017-09-07 20:43
"Access to health professionals Recreational opportunities for younger people that are affordable to all. "	2017-09-07 20:31
"High unemployment rate and few available jobs"	2017-09-07 20:29
"Drugs lack of things to do for teenagers! No park run even devonport have one!!"	2017-09-07 20:28
"No multiculturalism. Isolationist thinking. Poverty. Unemployment. Inadequate drug rehabilitation services. Family violence."	2017-09-07 20:17

"Lack of employment"	2017-09-07 20:10
"Work, rates,"	2017-09-07 20:06
"Lack of diversity, culture and education in the community"	2017-09-07 20:05
"Nothing family friendly to do in Burnie, we always have to drive to Devonport for undercover activities that's convenient for our children."	2017-09-07 19:55
"The town is dying, council makes stupid decisions which benefit businesses (eg. University) but not its residents who pay the rates. Council facilities for residents are terrible. I prefer to go to Devonport for a relaxing family afternoon at the beach than Burnie."	2017-09-07 19:39
"Lack of industry and manufacturing jobs with security and well paying wages."	2017-09-07 19:35
"Its a sad place to live..They are trying to take away the surf clubs club rooms... Knock down the Burnie Brass band rooms.. (for lawn)"	2017-09-07 19:33
"Lack of employment- Tassie issue in general."	2017-09-07 19:29
"The inability for our daughter to get work and/or uni classes without having to move away"	2017-09-07 19:24
"The lack of things for familys to do, Burnie is beautiful where its situated but there isn't much to do"	2017-09-07 19:19
"low standard of living and ice users ruining society"	2017-09-07 18:56

"No indoor space for kids to play besides hub."	2017-09-07 18:47
"The lack of entertainment for our kids... A huge block of land (burnie park) with 2 swings.. really... school holidays we spend so much time in ulverstone snd devonport..."	2017-09-07 18:44
"Distance from family. "	2017-09-07 18:44
"Unsocial uncaring people no manners or respect"	2017-09-07 18:32
"Job opportunities for young people are limited."	2017-09-07 18:17
"oportunities for young people."	2017-09-07 17:34
"Lack of employment, high cost of living, cost of rates."	2017-09-07 17:24
"I no longer live in Burnie. I grew up there and I still have family living there. Id like to be living there - but for me the issues are employment opportunity and access to travel, health and other services. "	2017-09-07 16:54
"Employment opportunities."	2017-09-07 16:35
"*Lack of family friendly and cost effective activities. *Lack of employment "	2017-09-07 16:33
"Ecommony Paid Parking Lack of community spirit in the youth"	2017-09-07 16:18

"Lack of access to tertiary education and career opportunities"	2017-09-07 16:15
"It's a dying town. No one cares and/or passes the buck onto another person/company. Nothing to do and no where to go and if something does happen/come to burnie its \$\$\$"	2017-09-07 16:13
"nothing major"	2017-09-07 15:40
"nit unhappy with the direction Burnie is headed, but would love to see more places (that don't cost a fortune) for young/mid teens to hang out and do over the colder months."	2017-09-07 15:39
"Business seem to have slowed down. We dont need more food enterprises or multinationals here. We need more specialty shops. Sadly those businesses are struggling or closing down."	2017-09-07 15:34
"We are retired and are delighted to be here. A few more shops would be a good thing. Shopping the CBD would be improved if the council could lose the parking meters."	2017-09-07 15:13
"N.a."	2017-09-07 14:59
"The amount of crime that goes unpunished. Vandals, thieves, people who go around hooning not only causing damage but injuring/killing people. Slap on the wrist is all they get so of course they are going to do it again, how are we suppose to feel safe. That's right we don't feel safe."	2017-09-07 14:55
"Not enough employment opportunities and lack of areas for all ages of children (2-18) to enjoy and play. Even for adults also"	2017-09-07 14:32
"Safety, lack of services, employment, nothing for teenagers and kids to engage in, such a prolific drug problem etc."	2017-09-07 14:29
"Work is a big issue, having to have a 2 income family with not very family friendly hours. Could live on the 1 income however then wouldn't be able to afford sporting activities etc for our 3 children. Next to nothing as far as shops are concerned and no future job prospects for our children as they grow up."	2017-09-07 13:59

"Lack of people and jobs "	2017-09-07 13:55
"Education and sports"	2017-09-07 13:32
"No help for teenagers that are in trouble with the law and running away, health system sucks and nothing to do with kids"	2017-09-07 13:29
"No where for kids to go Too much welfare Need to do something in regards to retail no menswear shop City is not very clean Rent for businesses The way in which areas are zoned"	2017-09-07 13:29
"Employment, housing, cost of living, water and rates. No employment ,shops closing, nothing for young teenagers and young adults"	2017-09-07 13:21
"Recreational activities Childrens events Lack of retail"	2017-09-07 13:04
"Work"	2017-09-07 12:41
"Employment"	2017-09-07 12:32
"Shopping in burnie is horrible, and the fact you have to pay for parking to do your shopping is ridiculous, I would rather go to Ulverstone and shop"	2017-09-07 12:22
"Most issues are positive - ie Council run parks, walks, etc. The only negative we have really is having to dodge broken glass on footpaths when walking our dog."	2017-09-07 11:36
"For my children there is nothing to do future wise burnie has gone backward, drug use is getting worse, unemployment is high there are simply no jobs."	2017-09-07 11:09

"Lack of jobs"	2017-09-07 10:50
"empty businesses, high rate and rents and no vision from those that should have vision"	2017-09-07 10:45
"Job opportunities."	2017-09-07 10:41
"No job opportunities and not much to do activity wise."	2017-09-07 10:26
"We live in town and have had people try to break in on more than one occasion. Walking around town trying to avoid smokers. I have a 2.5 year old and am 37 weeks pregnant. "	2017-09-07 10:08
"coffee shop and takeaway shop ratio to general shops is way out of proportion, my kids prefer to go to Devonport to do clothes and household shopping"	2017-09-07 10:02
"Lack of youth activities"	2017-09-07 09:47
"Burnie is becoming a ghost town. We need more retail"	2017-09-07 09:45
"The lack of opportunities for young people. Between 16 and 20"	2017-09-07 09:19
"Steady jobs "	2017-09-07 09:15
"Employment opportunities Access to services"	2017-09-07 09:10

"No activities for children. Devonport has mini golf, ten pin bowling, awesome indoor pool, play gym and we have nothing. Even our indoor pool isn't appealing to children. We also have a lack of adequate shopping. We need something that the rest of the north doesn't have to encourage people to visit our city."	2017-09-07 08:44
"Cost of living. Health."	2017-09-07 08:39
"Nothing to do"	2017-09-07 08:34
"More employment options Myself I live in Burnie but work in Ulverstone .. I would rather work in Burnie or even open my own amusement centre in Burnie (just don't have confidence in our local economy)"	2017-09-07 08:17
"I have a good job. My son is in a great school. I'm a home owner. Things are actually pretty good currently"	2017-09-07 08:14
"The way the place is run. "	2017-09-07 08:04
"Lack of family activities"	2017-09-07 06:48
"Notnkich to do no employment"	2017-09-07 06:39
"Lack of appropriate action by the Council Lack of employment Lack of businesses in Burnie All of the above meant moving. However, I only had to move 20 minutes to be in a cheaper area. Lower rates and free parking, with every shop in the main street full."	2017-09-07 06:34
"Employment"	2017-09-07 05:30
"lack of employment, lack of affordable social activities and lack of competition for Bunnings."	2017-09-07 00:37

"Employment"	2017-09-07 00:36
"Insecurity of Community groups remaining available"	2017-09-07 00:23
"Power and rates prices"	2017-09-07 00:20
"Lack of family activities/community events"	2017-09-07 00:20
"Lack of work and variety of work. Lack of entertainment for locals and tourists. Cost of parking is not fair. Amount of bogan scummy people who are a bad sight for tourist and trouble for locals. There are a lot of drug users and dealers that keep getting away with it"	2017-09-07 00:10
"Decreased house prices, limited further education opportunities in the state not just region."	2017-09-07 00:00
"Jobs, education, health services"	2017-09-06 23:44
"Health"	2017-09-06 23:38
"Lack of things to do."	2017-09-06 23:33
"None"	2017-09-06 23:33
"Lack of entertainment and recreational areas for children and families"	2017-09-06 23:30

"Not enough wood chip piles. We need more roundabouts like Wynyard"	2017-09-06 23:30
"Activities to do Lack of jobs"	2017-09-06 23:26
"Lack of things to do, places to shop, lack of jobs, parking in the town is terrible, no where to take kids, especially when it's raining eg indoor playgrounds, sport centres ect."	2017-09-06 23:19
"The lack of liveliness around and the attraction we have to other people out of town"	2017-09-06 23:19
"I grew up in burnie but now live in devonport. There are so many empty shops around! If you don't want to go to the pub at night there isn't really anything else to do"	2017-09-06 23:15
"No jobs. Not enough tafe positions for getting jobs"	2017-09-06 23:15
"Lack of entry position jobs,"	2017-09-06 23:14
"There is nothing for kids to do here. No really good, high quality restaurants to dine in. Shopping hours are not practical for a lot of people."	2017-09-06 23:14
"Employment opportunities"	2017-09-06 23:11
"S"	2017-09-06 23:11
"Lack of entertainment options for families, bowling, indoor cricket, children centres ect"	2017-09-06 23:11

"Lack of jobs and disrespectful people"	2017-09-06 23:10
"Lack of entertainment"	2017-09-06 23:10
"No issues are affecting my family"	2017-09-06 23:09
"Job availability"	2017-09-06 23:05
"Drugs are getting out of control"	2017-09-06 22:57
"Employment drug problem"	2017-09-06 22:55
"Opportunities for work advancement and growth of the region"	2017-09-06 22:47
"Employment"	2017-09-06 22:40
"Lack of things to do. Lack of variety to do shopping. All the bogans that give the city a bad name. Untidy streets, housing department houses with many unregistered vehicles and rubbish on the property giving the city a dirty feel."	2017-09-06 22:33
"The amount of employment, and the amount of affordable houses are nearly not existing."	2017-09-06 22:32
"Not enough stable employment"	2017-09-06 22:29

"Employment and opportunities"	2017-09-06 22:19
"Employment, but also motivation."	2017-09-06 22:18
"Lack of employment and opportunities for young ones to get a start in Burnie. .lack of shops and businesses to sustain the area"	2017-09-06 22:01
"Employment "	2017-09-06 22:01
"Employment, lack of opportunity"	2017-09-06 21:57
"Jobs"	2017-09-06 21:51
"Lack of employment opportunities for young people and a lack of entertainment"	2017-09-06 21:47
"Drugs, unemployment, lack of opportunities"	2017-09-06 21:44
"lack of employment"	2017-09-06 21:43
"Cost of living paying ridiculous amounts to park my car to go to work. High rates. Job opportunities"	2017-09-06 21:33
"Nothing"	2017-09-06 21:24

"Excessive council rates."	2017-09-06 21:21
"Money Jobs Housing"	2017-09-06 21:07
"Pretty much we are ok but the empty shops in town, parking fees stopping people going down town, there needs to be more help for people attempting to start new businesses"	2017-09-06 20:51
"Nothing to do on weekend, family friendly"	2017-09-06 20:49
"Employment, health,"	2017-09-06 20:43
"Entertainment and safety"	2017-09-06 20:22
"People's poor attitudes towards work ethics. Lack of respect for themselves."	2017-09-06 20:01
"No assistance to people attending uni"	2017-09-06 19:58
"Crime rates"	2017-09-06 19:19
"Can't park easily downtown, three cheers for Upper Burnie Woollies."	2017-09-06 18:53
"Poverty, crime and drug addiction"	2017-09-06 18:52

"Lack of opportunities for young people and good job prospects"	2017-09-06 18:45
"Medical and employment"	2017-09-06 17:54
"Employment & the cold ."	2017-09-06 17:42
"Cost of parking Limited things to do"	2017-09-06 17:32
"Need more for kids to do and city need brightening up"	2017-09-06 17:26
"Employment opportunities shopping and social activities competent healthcare "	2017-09-06 17:10
"Employment opportunities. Degenerates hanging around the main shopping areas. Levels of safety."	2017-09-06 16:58
"Job opportunities. Nothing for children indoors (play centre ect)"	2017-09-06 16:39
"Lack of jobs Limited services Not a lot for kids to do"	2017-09-06 16:13
"Not enough jobs"	2017-09-06 16:06
"Lack of things to do with children"	2017-09-06 15:55

"Lack of employment opportunity. Lack of entertainment for all ages. Boring."	2017-09-06 15:50
"There is no life in the city of Burnie"	2017-09-06 15:19
"Community activities for people with disability"	2017-09-06 15:18
"No Park run and general deterioration of walking/running tracks."	2017-09-06 15:08
"Parking meters"	2017-09-06 14:59
"Unemployment, therefore drugs and/or alcohol abuse. Lack of opportunity for youth. Lack of faith by the local poli's that Burnie could be A LOT better than it is right now with a little vision and patients. Local poli's inability to look outside the box when it comes to attracting tourism/new residents. "	2017-09-06 14:29
"I don't think there is enough things for the youth and jobs are a bigger issue for them"	2017-09-06 14:18
"No work Ineffective local government Unrealistic view on tourism"	2017-09-06 14:15
"Lack of work and lack of good medical"	2017-09-06 13:56
"Housing, people and their behaviour. Hospitals, doctors, specialists, ambulances, GP's the absence of medical needs. Not enough for children or teenagers to do outside of school"	2017-09-06 13:51
"Climate change, apathy, deflation, lack of work opportunities"	2017-09-06 13:47

"Health care Affordability Lack of services"	2017-09-06 13:40
"It's like a ghost town"	2017-09-06 13:26
"Employment, Financial Hardship, Social Life and Public Transportation"	2017-09-06 13:14
"The amount of unemployed "kids" and dole bludgers"	2017-09-06 13:14
"Lack of employment opportunities"	2017-09-06 13:09
"Lack of employment, lack of things for the youth and a council not listening to the community"	2017-09-06 13:08
"Lack of indoor activities for little kids"	2017-09-06 13:02
"Employment and opportunities for wealth creation."	2017-09-06 12:58
"Lack of local employment"	2017-09-06 12:56
"There is not enough to do around burnie for young kids to enjoy"	2017-09-06 12:56
"1. Cost of living. 2. Law and order. 3. Burgeoning, bloated, financially unviable local beaurocracy. "	2017-09-06 12:47

"Affordable indoor entertainment for children and youth" 2017-09-06 12:45

"The young people ruling the streets, no longer feel safe going shopping in CBD. The number of empty shops in CBD give a feeling of impoverishment to the area. Burnie City Councillors appear to me to be head nodders but not doers. There seems to be only one councillor who perceives that Burnie is heading down the googler and he has made attempts to rectify this but is unsupported in his endeavours. Burnie needs councillors who can visualise the whole picture and not be steered along the "touchy feely" route. Not enough thought has gone into the development of Upper Burnie, it appears to be a third world area once the top of Mount Street is reached. Council should be chasing down the owner of what was Bells Bargain Centre on the corner of Pine Ave and Mount Street, and insisting that he/she does something about improving the exterior of the building. It is an absolute eyesore. The rest of Mount Street/Mount Road needs sealing, not patching, to bring it up to the quality of the work done going down the hill into the town centre. The council needs to be congratulated on the work done on Fern Glade Road. Perhaps consideration can be given to extending the walking track from Wattle Avenue into the bridge, not up over the hill but along side the road. This would encourage more walkers, cyclists to visit this interesting area. "

"Lack of medical services, employment, teenage entertainment" 2017-09-06 12:36

"jobs, boredom " 2017-09-06 12:36

"Unemployment" 2017-09-06 12:35

"Lack of employment opportunities for people with limited skills or entry level jobs. Marriage equality - being allowed to become defacto with centerlink but not get married for security. Cost of living " 2017-09-06 12:34

"High unemployment and the issues that come with it A few public figures seem to run the whole show" 2017-09-06 12:27

"Lack of children's and family-friendly activities " 2017-09-06 12:17

"low income = living below the poverty line"	2017-09-06 12:03
"Employment that pays a decent wage, social activities, need more things to do, recently had friends from mainland and there was very little to actually do, only sight see."	2017-09-06 11:55
"Lack of resources for health, children who need "extra" help and lack of jobs..lower rent prices for houses and businesses would help a massive amount"	2017-09-06 11:31
"We have young children, it is hard to keep them entertained in cold weather, lack of customer service in a lot of stores, minimal vegetarian options to go out and enjoy a meal, the feeling I need to lock my doors at all times due to fear of someone breaking in and the amount of stealing im stores has me paranoid about taking my children out. Drugs are everywhere and I dont want my kids growing up around addicts. Im honestly just afraid and waiting until one day, we get broken into, get attacked in the street or get run over by someone driving recklessly. I live near Burnie High and if myself and my kids went for a walk the other day, we would have been wiped out by that moron that wrapped his car around the pole."	2017-09-06 11:29
"As a visitor twice weekly, it's hard to get child friendly parking and having to find coins for them. Not enough child feeding spaces/places for small new babies/mum's visiting from out of town."	2017-09-06 11:04
"Lack of Council leadership.Surf club issue, Issue at Hey ridge re sludge. Empty shops in the CBD no encouragement for new businesses."	2017-09-06 10:28
"No employment , and older people are rejected with jobs."	2017-09-06 10:15
"Employment social life"	2017-09-06 10:06
"Disability parking and access into shops for wheelchairs or motorised scooters. "	2017-09-06 10:00
"We have a great university but would be great to see more full courses running here. Nursing, social work etc."	2017-09-06 10:00

"Spending money on things that don't matter & are an eyesore , eg ; Rusty monoliths , west & south . Cladding on the Makers Workshop. The stinking wood chip pile at the docks that takes your breath away every time you pass it . Width of access / rural roads."	2017-09-06 09:50
"Closing of small local businesses has become common, rent & rates are too high for small business and I don't see a bright future for burnie"	2017-09-06 09:44
"There are no fun recreational activities to do"	2017-09-06 09:39
"Unemployment. Growth. Services"	2017-09-06 09:30
"Employment for our kids & antisocial behaviour"	2017-09-06 09:27
"Lack of university education available here so the kids have to leave and go to uni elsewhere. Lack of jobs across the board. Short sighted, narrowed minded council who don't look to long term improvements or opportunities. Poor funding decisions made eg moving the cradle coast uni to forshore, instead of improving the range of study that is available to locals."	2017-09-06 09:26
"Not enough indoor things for primary school ages children in winter."	2017-09-06 09:25
"i have a young family so not enough activities for young kids. not enough child friendly cafes/restaurants(with an actual kids play area not just a kids menu)"	2017-09-06 08:59
"Access to educational opportunities close to home"	2017-09-06 08:55
"Employment opportunities, good retail stores"	2017-09-06 08:51
"Employment and affordable housing"	2017-09-06 08:46

"Council wasting our rates"	2017-09-06 08:37
"The lack of business, nothing big and exiting"	2017-09-06 08:36
"employment health care house prices drug problems"	2017-09-06 08:34
"Lack of employment."	2017-09-06 08:30
"Employment. Small mindedness. Low levels of education. Lack of common courtesy of many. Nothing to do and nowhere to go."	2017-09-06 08:22
"lack of things to do"	2017-09-06 08:18
"The city has become less safe, a drug culture is increasing (ice), generational welfare dependence. A council where the majority of members are focussed on a personal agenda rather than the needs of the city."	2017-09-06 08:06
"Lack of variety with shopping"	2017-09-06 08:04
"Health and medical services. North west regional hospital looks great now but the drs are useless esp if you have a child with complex care issues"	2017-09-06 07:55
"Nothing major, everything is heading in correct direction with industries like forestry etc back up and running and the mines are about to turn the corner. It will not be long and Burnie will be back to its former glory."	2017-09-06 07:50
"Entertainment for our families, youth and older generations- opportunities for making social connections limited or not known about. Employment opportunities limited. Public transport limited. Infrastructure lacking Money not well spent by council"	2017-09-06 07:38

"Living costs"	2017-09-06 07:30
"Employment opportunities Lack of things to do of a weekend"	2017-09-06 07:27
"Jobs opportunities "	2017-09-06 07:26
"Employment, medical services and youth disruption"	2017-09-06 07:25
"The uni expansion is a positive but I have 3 young children and I would hope there are study/work opportunities available so they won't have to move away to undertake."	2017-09-06 07:24
"Opportunity to access quality further training & education."	2017-09-06 07:22
"I don't live in Burnie but own a small business. The city needs a jump start, new industry, not sure of the answer"	2017-09-06 07:09
"empty shops no future for family's. Crime rate is disgusting. It's to a point where I don't feel safe in my own town"	2017-09-06 06:56
"Businesses closing"	2017-09-06 06:55
"Lack of job security, lack of arts investment"	2017-09-06 06:53
"Lack of parking, parking fees. We need a shop like Big W which would provide a much bigger range of goods, would also provide more jobs for those who need. Would also save my family travelling to Hobart or buying online whenever we needed something."	2017-09-06 06:43

"The lack of action taking to the people who are stealing and breaking into houses and cars"	2017-09-06 06:43
"Isolation, my family are in Hobart."	2017-09-06 06:35
"Jobs , internet shopping has killed retail , greenies stopping any growth and all my family gave jobs , council are hopeless on decisions they make"	2017-09-06 06:33
"Lack of employment when children Finish college Lack of employment in general Long term unemployed"	2017-09-06 06:26
"Lack of jobs. Red tape. Parking meters have killed cbd"	2017-09-06 06:23
"A demoralised culture"	2017-09-06 06:19
"No stable work, drugs, thugs sitting outside of the Plaza makes me feel unsafe to have to go out with my kids across the street, if their not at the plaza they are at the bus stop. It definitely should be a no loitering section"	2017-09-06 06:11
"Primary age education "	2017-09-06 06:05
"Standard of living"	2017-09-06 05:52
"Not enough entertainment"	2017-09-06 05:27
"Lack of facilities for teenagers to socialize. Lack of big name retailers to draw shoppers. Paying for parking...why? makes want to shop elsewhere."	2017-09-06 05:24

"The social scene. No where to go for a quiet quality craft beer or wine where there are not young drunk idiots"	2017-09-06 05:17
"Limited employment opportunities, lack of activities for children of all ages (especially in winter), increase in the amount of 'bogans' about..."	2017-09-06 04:35
"Main issue is lack of doctors at hospital or only locums and having to explain everything all of the time as a result"	2017-09-06 03:57
"Jobs and nothing here to do"	2017-09-06 03:57
"Not much to do on weekends"	2017-09-06 03:08
"Not enough employment or secured work"	2017-09-06 03:02
"Low employment, limited things for teenagers to do,"	2017-09-06 02:35
"Unemployment"	2017-09-06 02:34
"There is a lack of certainty about things such as employment. Most businesses and organisations are living on one contract to the next making growth and surety limited to funding cycles. Community services are feeling particularly vulnerable at the moment and these are the people trying to help the city's most vulnerable members."	2017-09-06 02:30
"Lack of disability support services. When we have the funding, we have trouble finding services/individuals who can actually use the funding to provide support. It's not about money, it's about people who can do the work."	2017-09-06 01:59
"So little for familys to do"	2017-09-06 01:58

"Lack of affordable housing and jobs to secure employment"	2017-09-06 01:38
"Lack of jobs available. Smokers hanging around outside Kmart blowing disgusting clouds at pedestrians including small children"	2017-09-06 01:34
"I think that we don't have much to do for entertainment right across the board.. our supermarkets are very sad always packed I often find myself in a que while checkouts are closed and food costs are way to expensive no competition we have so much unemployment problems as for medical... shame We have to travel to the mainland ... burnie needs a real facelift it's depressing even though we have the beautiful beaches the port looks bad the shops and building are empty and failing apart from centerlink that says unemployment lives here however if you can afford it the old building restaurants and coffee shops are not bad ... the parking meters are ridiculously expensive and adds to the cost of your shopping everything closes to early"	2017-09-06 01:11
"Lack of jobs, insufficient healthcare services and staff."	2017-09-06 01:10
"Lack of Innovation"	2017-09-06 00:53
"Access to services, employment, entertainment, lack of opportunity"	2017-09-06 00:38
"Nothing and now where for you kids to go and do any think not enough help out there for the homeless"	2017-09-06 00:37
"We would like to see more tourists attracted to Burnie. We believe that we should make more use of our natural flora and fauna assets."	2017-09-06 00:30
"More jobs. More smoking areas so us non smokers dont have 2 put up with it especially outside the chemist. Pools that our toddlers can access (touch the bottom of the pool). A mall, shut one street off so its safer for pedestrians. Police booth for police presence. Undercover crossings a must in Tassie."	2017-09-06 00:30
"Employment opportunities"	2017-09-06 00:27

"Lack of discipline, political correctness, cost of living, taxes, media sensationalism."	2017-09-06 00:12
" lack of jobs (especially for our young people), lack of opportunity, It is depressing the amount of empty shopfronts in the CBD. Surely the Council can try to offer some sort of incentive to attract small business operators. Subsidise leases/free leases etc DO SOMETHING."	2017-09-06 00:08
"Employment for older people e.g. 40 plus. Also incentives to be community responsible."	2017-09-05 23:48
"Job opportunities"	2017-09-05 23:42
"Not much to do as a family here, even the parks aren't sufficient for a family with a variety of different aged children"	2017-09-05 23:34
" "	2017-09-05 23:30
"The fact that people shop/bank/watch movies/order food in fact do everything online then bitch and whinge about empty shops in CBD"	2017-09-05 23:27
"Lack of jobs Things to do in general"	2017-09-05 23:25
"Lack of opportunity and incentive to stay in burnie after graduation."	2017-09-05 23:23
"Nothing opened"	2017-09-05 23:20
"No jobs and not enough support for the community"	2017-09-05 23:19

"Lack of opportunities for our children. Nothing for children to do on weekends and school holidays."	2017-09-05 23:12
"Lack of jobs Limited shops often have to buy things like bedding online."	2017-09-05 23:09
"Employment opportunities Recreation and entertainment options"	2017-09-05 23:05
"Lack of opportunity for young people regarding work. Lack of provisions to entertain youth to keep them busy rather than in trouble. Indoor sporting complex that offers cricket, volleyball, netball for all ages would support young people I believe. I also think there are parental "	2017-09-05 23:01
"A lack of modern employment options for my children's future and the current social issues in the Burnie region."	2017-09-05 22:59
"Work and social and economic security"	2017-09-05 22:58
"Education,"	2017-09-05 22:54
"Employment stability"	2017-09-05 22:54
"Family activites"	2017-09-05 22:51
"Lack of family friendly entertainment, particularly indoors. No late night shopping opportunities from smaller retailers. Nowhere to play indoor soccer, cricket or netball on a casual basis as a bust adult."	2017-09-05 22:43
"Limited activities for kids, CBD street parking poorly designed and how many different ways of paying??"	2017-09-05 22:40

"Me. Daughter left for qld no opportunities or different things to do here"	2017-09-05 22:39
"Unemployment, nothing to do for young people, very few indoor activities with frequent inclement weather. No new initiatives and a council that doesn't represent the Burnie community."	2017-09-05 22:38
"I think that extreme lack of activities for children and teens to participate or have fun THERE IS NOTHING TO DO HERE"	2017-09-05 22:38
"Limited leisure activities for children/ teenagers"	2017-09-05 22:34
"Lack of entertainment"	2017-09-05 22:32
"Keeping young people engaged and entertained. Employment opportunities for young people."	2017-09-05 22:29
"Lack of family orientated venues such as indoor play areas attached to an eatery. (The pool is freezing, there is no indoor play area so we travel)"	2017-09-05 22:29
"No jobs"	2017-09-05 22:29
"All of the thieves and junkies , syringes all around"	2017-09-05 22:28
"Employment"	2017-09-05 22:26
"Unemployment"	2017-09-05 22:25

"Job opportunity and university opportunity"	2017-09-05 22:24
"Not enough for teenagers to do To high of rents on shops in cbd"	2017-09-05 22:20
"Making a living"	2017-09-05 22:19
"Our lack of specialist doctors and beds at the hospital. Lack of jobs for our kids"	2017-09-05 22:18
"Not a lot to do, particularly on a rainy day. Also not much variety in shops"	2017-09-05 22:18
"Not enough business to generate more money being turned over locally."	2017-09-05 22:17
"Unemployment"	2017-09-05 22:17
"Youth employment. Youth entertainment"	2017-09-05 22:13
"access to the mainland, job availability, electricity prices"	2017-09-05 22:12
"unemployment lack of social activities"	2017-09-05 22:12
"Jobs Fun things for the kids to do"	2017-09-05 22:11

"work opportunities, no heart in the city, being over run with bogan behaviour,"	2017-09-05 22:09
"There is nothing to do"	2017-09-05 22:09
"Parking prices Shops and opening times and days (Sunday most shops are closed)"	2017-09-05 22:05
"Lack of education support for children with disabilities "	2017-09-05 22:05
"I work in Burnie but do not live there. I see so many families struggling with unemployment and a level of disconnection from community. Burnie seems like a ghost town most of the time which is not good for the people who live there."	2017-09-05 22:04
"- Job security - Access to health services - limited retail options"	2017-09-05 22:04
"Access to quality health services"	2017-09-05 22:02
"Lack of entertainment, lack of jobs."	2017-09-05 22:02
"Limited family entertainment opportunities."	2017-09-05 22:01
"There is literally NOTHING to do. The place is dull and dying. I made the choice to move only an hour and a half away and it has been the best decision of my life."	2017-09-05 22:01
"Child care fees"	2017-09-05 21:58

"Lack of places to buy clothes for my age group. Limited places to socialise and meet new people."	2017-09-05 21:57
"Lack of children activities. Lack of employment. Not alot for our teenagers to do."	2017-09-05 21:55
"Lack of access to services, no family inclusive environments and attractions."	2017-09-05 21:55
"Price of rent. Bigger airport so we don't have to travel to Launceston for cheap flights. I would also live to see bigger department stores, big w"	2017-09-05 21:54
"No opportunities and nothing for families to do"	2017-09-05 21:54
"Lack of entertainment for the youth"	2017-09-05 21:53
"Lack of opportunity"	2017-09-05 21:53
"Lack of employment and decline in shopping choices"	2017-09-05 21:53
"employment, affordable entertainment,"	2017-09-05 21:51
"For a young family we leave the city everyweekend to find entertainment. The parks here are terrible"	2017-09-05 21:51
"Walking through smokers to get from one place to another ."	2017-09-05 21:51

"The Parking, not everyone wants to use the Multi story csr park & an Activity Centre for Children of all ages, somewhere to have parties & not just Macca's"	2017-09-05 21:51
"Limited employment opportunities."	2017-09-05 21:51
"Burnie is slowly dying an undignified death. There have been so many businesses closed down over the last few years"	2017-09-05 21:50
"Lack of further education oppourtunities. Utas on the NW coast is a joke."	2017-09-05 21:50
"Lack of employment opportunity"	2017-09-05 21:49
"There are not too many job opportunities here."	2017-09-05 21:49
"I have a 17yo & 19yo who have applied for many jobs with no success."	2017-09-05 21:48
"Access to services, general cleanliness, unemployment"	2017-09-05 21:46
"Lack of family friendly activities, job prospects"	2017-09-05 21:45
"Lack of facilities for children in winter/cold weather. "	2017-09-05 21:44
"High rates from the council"	2017-09-05 21:44

"Poor public transport options. Poor bus timetables to wynyard"	2017-09-05 21:43
"health"	2017-09-05 21:39
"There's so little going on"	2017-09-05 21:37
"No nightlife"	2017-09-05 21:37
"A council without leadership."	2017-09-05 21:35
"Delinquents in the Burnie CBD"	2017-09-05 21:35
"It is like their is no pride in the city, no vibe no enjoyment. The public transport is not the best. It really needs something done about it."	2017-09-05 21:34
"Social life options"	2017-09-05 21:33
"The lack of activities available to families. Burnie basically shuts down and only comes alive December and January. Empty shops make you feel depressed just walking through town! The youth loitering the streets, nothing for them to do and as a result the high incidence of drug use and delinquent behavior! An aging council with no clean drive and direction for Burnie."	2017-09-05 21:33
"Lack of jobs for people who are unskilled but over 25. Lack of clubs/classes for non-seniors (e.g. Adult Ed, language classes, cooking, craft, dance, exercise)."	2017-09-05 21:32
"Available activities for children and teens. Future employment opportunities."	2017-09-05 21:29

"Nothing to do for kids except laser tag, pool or movies we have to travel to Devonport or Launceston for the kids to do something. Bring back ten pin bowling or bring airtime 360 or a play area like the big big house"	2017-09-05 21:28
"Little to do for families. Lack of variety with clothing and other shops yet too many coffee shops and things that aren't needed"	2017-09-05 21:27
"Employment opportunities. Lack of investment and manufacturing within the region. Rely too much in tourism."	2017-09-05 21:27
"Not enough for kids to do Everything is too expensive like parking,rates,meals"	2017-09-05 21:27
"lack of jobs, lack of services for youth and alternatives for them to do to keep them busy and productive and out of trouble, lack of affordable family housing."	2017-09-05 21:26
"Employment Economy"	2017-09-05 21:26
"Lack of entertainment/services for young children"	2017-09-05 21:23
"Just too many negative & non achievers in Burnie."	2017-09-05 21:21
"Lack of opportunity and variety of jobs. Not much to do on a weekend, many businesses close early or don't open at all . For those of us who work full time it's disappointing to attempt to go out time everything is closed."	2017-09-05 21:20
"Making sure SSM doesn't pass"	2017-09-05 21:17
"Lack of employment Community connectivity Expensive parking Empty shops "	2017-09-05 21:15

"Employment,rates too high,parking prices"	2017-09-05 21:15
"Lack of career opportunities, even though I have a full time job. Lack of transport"	2017-09-05 21:06
"UNEMPLOYMENT AND DRUGS"	2017-09-05 21:00
"No jobs, easy accessible drugs."	2017-09-05 20:59
"Lack of employment Lack of 'things to do' - quality parks, bowling, entertainment etc "	2017-09-05 20:58
"Parking.....nothing to help small business....and a council that just doesn't care when concerns are raised"	2017-09-05 20:58
"Mostly global, I'm pretty happy with my lot."	2017-09-05 20:58
"Not much to for teenages young adults to do"	2017-09-05 20:55
"Fear of gainful employment for my son when he grows up. The level of crime continuing to grow, particularly crime committed by minors."	2017-09-05 20:53
"Housing affordability, the houses we can afford aren't in great areas. We can't afford a deposit to buy, and can't afford higher rent due to being on one income. We can't afford for both of us to work, because the only jobs available for someone without a Uni degree won't pay enough to cover daycare and after school care for 3 kids. Burnie has no work unless you are a teenager/student or have a qualification."	2017-09-05 20:49
"It seems most organised events are aimed at families with kids. As someone who doesn't want kids, and with many friends in the same situation, it would be nice if there were some social options outside of drinks and dinner at a restaurant that wants you out by 2200 of a weekend."	2017-09-05 20:46

"High rates. The general lack of class that most Burnie residents display in public."	2017-09-05 20:43
"Job opportunities"	2017-09-05 20:36
"Shop closures! The city has become a ghost town!"	2017-09-05 20:32
"Access to free activity , employment , council inefficiency, parking,"	2017-09-05 20:31
"More entertainment for children, eg much improved playground for young kids"	2017-09-05 20:31
"Employment opportunities and sustainability, access to a range of quality services"	2017-09-05 20:30
"Worries for safety, around the streets even in town. unstable jobs, financial stress."	2017-09-05 20:30
"Lack of decent mid range shopping options. I need to go to Launceston, Hobart or Melbourne"	2017-09-05 20:27
"Family activities. Lack of university option."	2017-09-05 20:27
"We are reasonably content with our lot, are concerned about the drug situation, the violence associated with it, the cost to the community "	2017-09-05 20:22
"Employment"	2017-09-05 20:19

"Lack of jobs"	2017-09-05 20:18
"Lack of entertainment, rising cost of living, particularly rent prices. Lack of employment opportunities and lots of shops seem to be empty. Not a lot to offer young people or encourage them to stay here"	2017-09-05 20:17
"Crime and shops closing"	2017-09-05 20:15
"Lack of jobs & things to do"	2017-09-05 20:12
"high cost of living -"	2017-09-05 20:12
"Cost of living, fuel, food"	2017-09-05 20:11
"Lack of indoor activities for 0-12yo on weekends. Burnie pool is an icy joke. "	2017-09-05 20:02
"Employment Activities "	2017-09-05 20:02
"Unemployment Lack of industry Drugs Education"	2017-09-05 20:02
"Lack of vibrancy. Lack of progress and desire to change."	2017-09-05 20:01
"Lack of opportunity, Not much for families to do, deadbeats constantly hanging around town, shopping in burnie is terrible! Too many empty shops."	2017-09-05 20:00

"Too much oppression, not enough freedom"	2017-09-05 19:59
"Unemployment health care"	2017-09-05 19:58
"Money"	2017-09-05 19:53
"Access to affordable timely healthcare"	2017-09-05 19:46
"Lack of employment opportunities. Lack of variety and quality in shopping, eateries and fast-food chains."	2017-09-05 19:40
"Employment Education (post year 11) Lack of activities available for older children (13-18) Businesses closing all around our local area :("	2017-09-05 19:40
"The many undesirables that we share our city with. Lack of facilities and shops that other cities have."	2017-09-05 19:37
"Employment"	2017-09-05 19:35
"Access to health providers."	2017-09-05 19:34
"Financial issues"	2017-09-05 19:33
"Lack of career choices"	2017-09-05 19:33

"Lack of employment opportunities and social activities"	2017-09-05 19:33
"No work and the average wage is so far behind the rest of the country"	2017-09-05 19:31
"Employment opportunities, lack of educational opportunities, poor educational outcomes, few specialist services, cost of living in proportion to average net income, cost of rates and govt services, public transport cost and availability, poor health outcomes and health statuses, little availability for young people to participate in extra curricular activities that are not sports based, all the empty shop fronts in burnie,"	2017-09-05 19:29
"Job oppirtunities"	2017-09-05 19:28
"Lack of development. Not many options for younger people. Not much entertainment."	2017-09-05 19:27
"Aged care, children's activities, weather (covered areas) events (tulip festival, shows etc)"	2017-09-05 19:26
"Parking, employment opportunities."	2017-09-05 19:24
"Lack of employment /education for my children"	2017-09-05 19:23
"Declining population, services and opportunities"	2017-09-05 19:23
"The crime rate. How the young ones walk around doing what they like and nothing gets done about it"	2017-09-05 19:18

"Lack of opportunities for youth. Lack of entertainment. Lack of jobs. Lack of a wide variety of education at Tafe and Uni. Unemployment. Too many people on the crack pipe. being forced onto Newstart as a single parent, living below the poverty line even though i am working part time."	2017-09-05 19:16
"Lack of new and affordable housing for investing"	2017-09-05 19:12
"There is nothing here. From employment to things for young children/teens to do. No opportunities. It also isn't what I call an inclusive town- extremely difficult having a child with a disability here. (Don't get me started on our health system or lack there of, but I guess that's more a Tasmanian issue than just Burnie)."	2017-09-05 19:09
"Money, Being judged for differing beliefs"	2017-09-05 19:09
"Lack of things to do and see"	2017-09-05 19:08
"NO WORK FOR YOUNG PEOPLE"	2017-09-05 19:03
"Leadership or lack thereof"	2017-09-05 19:02
"Crime and lack of activities/things to do "	2017-09-05 19:02
"Job opportunities. Dor my husband who would love a career change but it's just about impossible with most entry level positions going to juniors - which is great for them but not so much for us. I also wonder what opportunities our daughter will have here for her future... "	2017-09-05 19:00
"Cold"	2017-09-05 18:54
"Lack of experiences. It drives us to other towns on weekends, therefore Burnie loses the money spent on activities, lunch and shopping."	2017-09-05 18:51

"Access to services and lifestyle choices"	2017-09-05 18:51
"Crackheads"	2017-09-05 18:51
"Lack of jobs. Lack of affordable things for families with young children to do. Lack of diversity in businesses. Be realistic.. how many hairdressers do we need and little cafes? We need big business with lots of jobs preferably full time!"	2017-09-05 18:50
"Unemployment, not much for families to do"	2017-09-05 18:48
"Lack of things for children and families tondo. Especially in winter"	2017-09-05 18:47
"Poor economy, poor customer service, lack of employment opportunities, over regulated, high rents, rates and taxes, poor services, shops and business closures."	2017-09-05 18:43
"Jobs for my family members"	2017-09-05 18:42
"Power prices."	2017-09-05 18:39
"Lack of work and poor infrastructure"	2017-09-05 18:39
"Public transport, parking costs"	2017-09-05 18:31
"Lack of job opportunities also lack of support for the kids with anxiety and drug issues ."	2017-09-05 18:30

"-Lack of jobs -Lack of family friendly indoor venues -Crime rate increasing"	2017-09-05 18:25
"Councils are completely out of touch with community need"	2017-09-05 18:20
"Lack of employment opportunities, lack of entertainment for kids/teens"	2017-09-05 18:18
"Children leaving the city for stable employment or tertiary studies, crime, boredom, ongoing business closures"	2017-09-05 18:16
"The only big Carpark that is free is Woolworths in upper burnie. And I don't carry coins on me for parking meters. There isn't much to do either."	2017-09-05 18:12
"Not affecting my family but affecting the city, would be cost of commercial leasing"	2017-09-05 18:02
"Cost of living including power/telephone"	2017-09-05 17:58
"Parking! Sick to death of having to pay 1.20 for parking to just run in a grab something... ulverstone, somerset, wynyard.. they dont have meters "	2017-09-05 17:47
"There is nothing here for the kids, shops are disappearing, cost of rates, and water bills are way to expensive"	2017-09-05 17:45
"Lack of skilled and professional jobs. Child Care after 11 years of age. Public schooling opportunities."	2017-09-05 17:45
"Youth unemployment"	2017-09-05 17:37

"lack of employment for older people especially, but aslso people in general" 2017-09-05 17:36

"I don't live in Burnie but I work there often. There is heaps of new car yards and the Woolies there is the highest turn over Woolies in the state. The City Centre and parks are well maintained. On the face of it it does look pretty good...we go shopping there as it has target and Kmart which my wife likes and an awesome music shop that I have bought numerous items from. The opshop on the corner in town hss great buys and my likes going there too...that servo with the antiques and such is cool and I've bought a few things from there. I do my banking there at my state and anz and the Chinese restaurant across the road from my state doead great food...as a fairly new resident in the greater area, Burnie is pretty cool" 2017-09-05 17:30








"No Parking,Parking Metters too expensive" 2017-09-05 17:16

Total unique respondents: 1238

5. How would you describe your employment status?

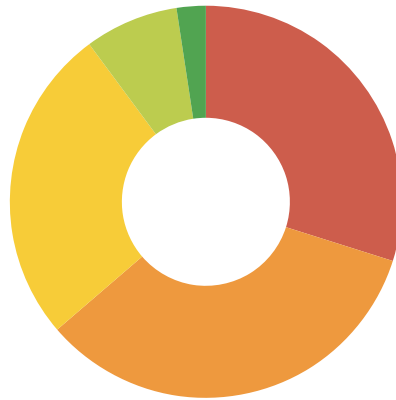
This question is purely to see if employment status creates trends in other responses.





	Option	Percentage	Respondents
	Student	7 %	94
	Unemployed/Pension	15 %	193
	Casual/Part time	27 %	345
	Full time	35 %	458
	Self employed	11 %	137
	Retired	5 %	65

Total unique respondents: 1292

6. How do you feel about job opportunities in Burnie for yourself or others?







	Option	Percentage	Respondents
		30 %	386
		34 %	437
		26 %	338
		8 %	100
		2 %	31

Satisfactory average: 0 %

Total unique respondents: 1292

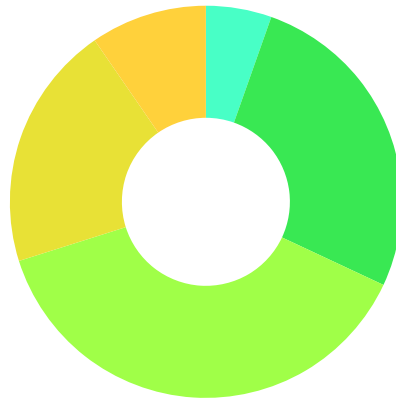
7. How do you see the progress of Burnie as a city?




	Option	Percentage	Respondents
	Burnie is declining	61 %	790
	I see no significant change	29 %	375
	Burnie is steadily improving	10 %	127

Total unique respondents: 1292

8. Do you shop in the CBD?








	Option	Percentage	Respondents
	No	5 %	70
	Rarely	27 %	343
	Sometimes	38 %	493
	Quite a bit	20 %	262
	Nearly all of the time	10 %	124

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9. Do you think there is enough parking in the Burnie CBD?

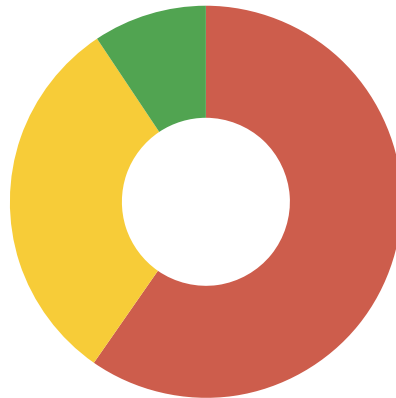









	Option	Percentage	Respondents
		56 %	728
		44 %	564

Satisfactory average: 0 %

Total unique respondents: 1292

10. What do you think about the price of parking in the CBD?

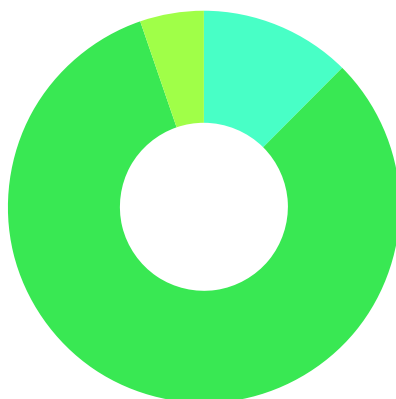






	Option	Percentage	Respondents
		60 %	771
		31 %	400
		9 %	121

Satisfactory average: 0 %

Total unique respondents: 1292

11. Are you a business owner?



	Option	Percentage	Respondents
	Yes	12 %	161
	No	82 %	1063
	Used to be	5 %	68

Total unique respondents: 1292

12. What do you think are the main issues that businesses are facing in Burnie?

Why do you think a lot of businesses are struggling?

Answer	Time
"Falling population."	2017-11-12 16:26
"Expensive parking"	2017-11-12 09:11
"Competing with online shopping and affordability for locals. With stores like Bunnings which is a one stop Shop that puts a lot of other business's out of mind!"	2017-11-12 08:56
"Rental prices, theft"	2017-11-12 02:27
"They target specific persons instead of giving the less fortunate a chance to become an employee and showcase their skills and knowledge"	2017-11-12 00:30
"The cost of parking. As a family, we drive to Wynyard for our shopping needs. As we do not have to pay parking and can remain parked in one area for more than one hour. The paid parking and the closure of the paper mill destroyed Burnie. The council made things worse by wasting money on the "makers workshop", a dumb arse big hideous building that does virutally nothing to provide real jobs. They should have used that money to preserve the paper mill & keep it here along with all those jobs."	2017-11-11 17:40
"The young youth harassing people"	2017-11-11 17:26
"Unemployment"	2017-11-11 16:48
"Lack of council and others to create vibrant and appealing events"	2017-11-11 16:21
"No Parking in front of shop (Look At Ulverstone & Latrobe even Somerset & Wynyard) Burnie is sending their shopper to other Towns that go to upper Burnie"	2017-11-11 16:17

"I think online shopping is a huge issue and not much can be done about that. As a 28 year old female in Burnie, there is no where that sells clothes I want (unless I want super cheap, sports or jeans). There is no where for me to buy mid-range priced clothes or dresses. Therefore I am always going to not even bother looking in Burnie but go straight online. However Burnie does not have the population to support too many stores and instead of trying to look in town, I go straight online, or to Hobart or Melbourne. I don't think this issue can be easily solved and there isn't point trying to compete with the range and cheap price online stores offer. Instead we should be looking to keep local businesses and ones which have a historic connection with the town, eg Joyce Jewelers, AH Pease Shoes and stores which sell locally made goods, as well as the essentials like chemists, supermarkets, etc. I have heard that many shops are empty due to high rent, which in an already struggling economy, is not going to help new businesses make a start."

2017-
11-11
14:15

"High rents, fragmentation of the central shopping precinct - esp. now Woolworths have closed as this has taken business from the centre of town."

2017-
11-09
22:48

"Access to customers"

2017-
11-09
19:06

"Lack of appreciation for the quality of products and/or services provided. Business have to diversify to the point where they struggle to follow their core values in order to be profitable. A significant portion of the population aren't willing to open themselves to new experiences and just expect business to cater for the limited comfort zones. Lack of skills and competitive attitude for workers. The lack of young people after part time work, like students, creates a sense of entitlement in staff that don't have a lot of pride in their work. Service becomes poor with a general lull in work ethic. Business owners would rather close on periods where penalty rates are a factor rather than shouldering the burden as a owner/salaried worker for the business to achieve. In a more competitive business environment owners/salaried workers are just expected to shoulder responsibility. Lower or less competitive expectations produce poorer results."

2017-
11-09
15:15

"Rates! Shop fronts Lack of foot traffic "

2017-
11-09
14:23

"Landlords are maintaining high rents and refuse to negotiate despite high vacancy"

2017-
11-09
08:12

"Not home often enough to know"

2017-
11-08
18:34

"Everybody is leaving for Launceston, Hobart, or the mainland, so there are less customers. Lack of jobs for youth and families, and an aging population relying on low pensions also means less people are able to spend money, and when they do they spend it online because it's cheaper." 2017-11-08 15:32

"Trying to stay open and competing against other like minded or similarly stocked stores. High rents that drive them out of places like the plaza etc to other shops. People preferring to travel to Devonport, Launceston even Hobart as for many it is an outing, a daily one that includes activities for children and an array of food choices for families within one venue." 2017-11-07 17:07

"The minimal amount of customers that come into their store. Because Burnie is a small city, it's hard to hype up businesses enough so they revive enough funding." 2017-11-05 23:33

"Dunno" 2017-11-01 21:21

"High rentals, not pedestrian friendly." 2017-10-29 15:24

"Lack of customers. High rent." 2017-10-26 16:10

"The cost of renting/leasing the building or premissis I think is the biggest challenge that small business owners face in Burnie. Cheaper rates and better leasing conditions I believe could see a rise in younger business owners and entrepreneurs." 2017-10-26 13:47

"not relevant to what is wanted" 2017-10-20 17:18

"No business" 2017-10-17 15:09

"People shop online because there isn't a huge variety of cheaper options in town. The only clothing store I shop at is Cotton On because it's as cheap as things I can buy online." 2017-10-17 07:11

"Commercial properties are so expensive that it is seemingly impossible for business owners to succeed. The same with the prices of rent" 2017-10-17 06:42

"High overheads"	2017-10-17 04:43
"Rent to expensive, parking costs also very expensive."	2017-10-17 00:02
"Rates and expenses! Struggling to find decent people to employ"	2017-10-16 23:30
"Parking"	2017-10-16 23:30
"People can find stuff cheaper online like clothes ect. So not as many people are willing to pay higher prices to shop in stores"	2017-10-16 22:26
"Huge rent Theft"	2017-10-16 22:05
"Too much rent for shops, poor quality of shops and buidings causing shops to push prices so everyone buys on fhe internet, way cheaper and free delivery too."	2017-10-16 21:44
"Too many unemployed people to support them."	2017-10-16 21:24
"Everyone is shopping online due to more verity and lower prices"	2017-10-16 21:07
"Burnie lacks the quality of people that need to adapt to change instead of embracing old habits. Why does the council invest their properties and their land into discount shops such a the reject shop and shiploads, why are they tailering their city to the people that live there? The city itself needs to adapt to change and in result the people need to change."	2017-10-16 21:05
"High rent prices, extreme prices on products to be sold, the only shops to stay open are ones not local that can afford it, mcdonalds, kfc, hungry jacks, hudsons etc etc"	2017-10-16 20:47

"Cost of parking is way too high and rent is bad plus we have a council that don't care"	2017- 10-16 20:25
"The de-centralising of the already struggling CBD business precinct, declining population, lack of genuine council initiative to lead and foster investment and progress."	2017- 10-16 20:17
"On line shopping Parking metres"	2017- 10-16 20:11
"Not enough people get out anymore"	2017- 10-16 17:06
"Resources and population"	2017- 10-16 17:01
"Excessive rent, no customers as parking is ridiculous"	2017- 10-16 16:17
"Shop lifting, high rent prices, trying to go against online shopping. Burnie is a low social-economic area. It's declining and no one is doing any good."	2017- 10-16 16:05
"High rent"	2017- 10-16 12:42
"Theft is a huge factor. And just general hooligans and decline in business. Social media also plays a part."	2017- 10-16 11:16
"It really depends what industry it is that is struggling . The hospitality and tourism industry is very up and down. The manufacturing and agriculture has fallen a lot ever since the pulp mill has ceased . Burnie needs a industry that can sustain citizens with work all year round."	2017- 10-16 10:36
"Poor street atmosphere, declining patronage."	2017- 10-16 08:57

"High rent and incentives to entice shoppers. The cbd is now spread out to South Burnie, no longer a cbd"	2017-10-16 07:41
"The loss of major industry has taken away a lot of people that had the money to spend, and high rent in cbd turns a lot of people away before they even start"	2017-10-16 06:49
"Lack of jobs around the area to increase the population and peoples "extra money" not needed for essential . E.G mining ect."	2017-10-16 05:14
"Cannot compete with Online Stores I'm sure many mean well, however they are confined to regional thinking instead of a more Statewide approach to running a business Stuck in the past "	2017-10-16 02:36
"Cost of rent is way too high because half the city is owned by 1% of the population"	2017-10-15 23:35
"Not enough tourist attractions to bring travelers in, no tourist so money only coming in from the community there needs to be more"	2017-10-15 23:08
"As I'm not a business owner or had one can't not answer."	2017-10-15 22:51
"Lack of shoppers declining population no tourists shopping local"	2017-10-15 22:50
"Absentee landlords"	2017-10-15 22:18
"to many bogans hang around cbd"	2017-10-15 21:42
"Online shopping "	2017-10-15 20:34

"Lack of visitors to our beautiful town"	2017-10-15 20:26
"Low socio-economic customers. There is not a lot of money to go round."	2017-10-15 19:38
"Demand and hard to compete"	2017-10-15 19:25
"High rent Rates/water Internet shopping The demographic of the people that live in Burnie... ie high unemployed Bogans that are after cheap shit... that is why you look in town there are more than ever stores like red cross vinnies lifeline etc etc then you have reject shop shiploads. It's nothing that entices people to come to burnie to shop for the day... could you imagine people from Launceston say let's go to burnie for the day to go shopping atvinnies"	2017-10-15 19:20
"Lack of industry and low nob rates"	2017-10-15 18:21
"I'm not really sure. Don't know much about it"	2017-10-15 17:07
"Rents are to high and far to many empty shops making the place look as if it is dying"	2017-10-15 16:04
"I don't know"	2017-10-15 14:04
"I believe that unreasonably high parking prices are having a major impact on businesses in Burnie, as there are many other major towns along the North West coast which provide free parking for their customers. I also suspect that lack of employment opportunities have a negative impact as Burnie's residents are mostly unemployed, not very well educated, and living in poverty, resulting in consumer choices being limited to budget shopping chains like Best and Less and unhealthy fast food stores such as McDonalds. This makes it extremely difficult for smaller, local, healthier, and more environmentally ethical businesses."	2017-10-15 12:49
"Rents and parking costs "	2017-10-15 12:09

"no one has much disposable income."	2017-10-15 09:23
"Decline in population"	2017-10-15 09:17
"Price of rent Some people don't utilise the multi story car park or want to park really close to where they want to go. This chokes up the parking bays in the streets. If they were in a big city they would have to walk a distance to shop. Cost of advertising "	2017-10-15 08:42
"lack of customers, rent and other costs"	2017-10-15 07:55
"No jobs people don't have the money to spend. Not enough variety thats why i job up the coast"	2017-10-15 07:48
"lack of employment has had a massive flow on affect for our little city. working in hospitality for ten years i see how much of a down turn in trade we have had. Cuts to low income earners wages is also going to have an effect in the long term "	2017-10-15 00:26
"I'm guessing the cost of rent? Lack of support?"	2017-10-14 21:00
"People don't like to pay for parking and will go elsewhere"	2017-10-14 20:56
"High commercial rent, low socioeconomic areas within the Burnie postcode"	2017-10-14 18:44
"Rent and parking prices"	2017-10-14 17:27
"Need to create jobs within burnie, keep the locals in the town so that can there money back into the community. Also lack of attractions to really drive tourists into burnie and spend their money. Nothing stands out and brings people back. "	2017-10-14 16:26

"A lot of unnecessary shops going into Burnie that we don't need. Big W, Aldi shops like that we need."	2017-10-14 13:09
"All the small companies aren't lasting because the bigger company's get all the customers"	2017-10-14 09:35
"Rent and rates too high"	2017-10-14 06:28
"An increase of people either stealing or internet shopping"	2017-10-13 23:10
"Rent prices. Many of the same type of store e.g. lots of cafes, clothing stores, resulting in not much in unique stores."	2017-10-13 22:45
"The cost of rent"	2017-10-13 22:03
"Not enough variety of stores"	2017-10-13 20:46
"No customers"	2017-10-13 20:42
"Online shopping"	2017-10-13 20:08
"Too much cost"	2017-10-13 19:39
"Lack of jobs creates low income and no spare money for extras also most are not friendly and overpriced"	2017-10-13 19:04

"Not many people are going to these businesses"	2017-10-13 18:52
"Lack of employment and therefore lack of disposable income"	2017-10-13 18:51
"To many of the same ones and not many people."	2017-10-13 18:37
"High cost of leases etc"	2017-10-13 16:54
"No money people arnt spending as cost of living takes what they have. Dosnt leave much left over"	2017-10-13 16:44
"Lack of parking, lack of jobs which means people can't afford to shop in our local businesses"	2017-10-13 16:32
"Possibly poor management. Additionally; more tourism would most definitely help local businesses."	2017-10-13 16:26
"Rent price gouging, not who you know but who you will blow. Too many businesses selling goods at exorbitant prices"	2017-10-13 16:26
"Rent"	2017-10-13 15:09
"No ones buying"	2017-10-13 14:22
"Rates are getting higher probably to high for such a small town/ community"	2017-10-13 13:30

"High rental costs Rate costs high Council too set in ways and need younger people on council as well Online purchasing Employment - trying to get people with right values. Today everyone knows their RIGHTS and want to start at the top with little or no experience (not all but majority) Employment costs"	2017-10-13 13:23
"probably online shopping, there just isn't a big enough variety"	2017-10-13 13:09
"Not enough customers"	2017-10-13 12:01
"Price. Cant compete with online stores and there is a lack of choice as population cant support very much."	2017-10-13 10:14
"Lack of activities other than eating out and the movies there is no reason to prolong our outings."	2017-10-13 08:07
"Peoples attitudes as per my previous answer, plus internet shopping. Council needs to become more engaged with businesses"	2017-10-13 07:10
"Opening hours restricted"	2017-10-13 00:29
"Lack of repeat customers due to the competitive nature of online businesses"	2017-10-13 00:25
"Theiving bogan druggie scumbags; Centrelink payments going on piss smokes and drugs; lack of work ethic in many"	2017-10-12 23:54
"Prices of rent and stuff "	2017-10-12 23:28
"The high rent!!"	2017-10-12 23:25

"Low socio economic population, overpriced rent, online shopping, chickenfeed mentality of population"	2017-10-12 23:20
"No money to spend in their stores because there are no jobs in burnie ,over supply of same shops(food &coffee shops)"	2017-10-12 22:57
"High rent and high rates and water charges"	2017-10-12 22:29
"I often buy online because with health issues and young children it's too hard to park close to the shops. Parking is too expensive. I've also stopped buying from a lot of businesses due to their poor customer service. At least Kmart will refund products. If I received better service and could park I'd be happy to shop in town more often. I also have a low income dueto health issues and my husband only finding seasonal work. Hes a hard worker and highly skilled. Previously he did fly in fly out work but it's no longer avail. The upgrades to town are embarrassing, they look like second hand barriers etc from Sydney in the 80s."	2017-10-12 19:50
"On street parking prices"	2017-10-12 17:44
"People are sick of the same old thing and prefer to venture else where to somewhere more appealing"	2017-10-12 14:09
"Rents"	2017-10-12 13:21
"No council support"	2017-10-12 11:40
"I think this is a broader issue than what is or isn't in Burnie. The cost of living is higher, with a mismatch to wages and employment/unemployment. Meaning it just costs more to live and there's less left to spend. Technology is an added cost to families, internet and kids mobile phones etc, this has also changed the way we live and affects what we have left to spend."	2017-10-12 09:50
"i didnt know they were"	2017-10-11 19:31

"Employing people that aren't friendly to customers"	2017-10-11 13:33
"There's less people in Burnie to check out their businesses because people are being drawn to surrounding areas such as Devonport and Wynyard. Another thing is that places like Upper Burnie Woolworths (for example) are far too busy so that deters some people from going to that area as a whole unless they need to."	2017-10-11 12:32
"People"	2017-10-11 11:17
"Income, majority of our population have stopped buying local and have turned to travel and online shopping which in turn is decreasing Burnie's economy"	2017-10-11 10:48
"Economic issues i.e bills, ect."	2017-10-11 10:10
"Foot traffic is directed around certain areas hence any bussiness near the edges of the CBD tend to miss out on this high traffic flow and are simply missed or not seen."	2017-10-11 09:42
"Not enough people are going to the business."	2017-10-11 08:46
"Not getting the funding. "	2017-10-11 08:03
"Bogans. The people that hand around outside their buildings smoking and carrying on, despite the laws saying they can't do that."	2017-10-11 07:32
"Not sure"	2017-10-11 01:51
"because there inst enough people to have niche shops and the average socio-economic level is low. meaning places like woolies make a killing but I'm usually one of the only customers in any other shop in town"	2017-10-11 00:11

"We live in a low income area"	2017-10-11 00:10
"Online shopping!!! Why buy a shirt for \$50 in store when you can it half price and delivered straight to your door!"	2017-10-11 00:07
"The community does not support local businesses"	2017-10-11 00:03
"High rent, lack of business"	2017-10-10 23:32
"Unable to compete with multinational companies opening stores in Burnie"	2017-10-10 23:19
"Lack of customers due to lack of parking and high parking prices, also no starbucks"	2017-10-10 23:17
"High cost of business with little demand for product or service"	2017-10-10 23:06
"Perhaps not enough people with the money for their products?"	2017-10-10 23:03
"Too many shops aren't targeting the teenage audience, who are most likely to be the ones to travel through Burnie the most (ie. hellyer college, Marist etc.)"	2017-10-10 23:03
"Price of rent is very high, parking price for customers. Lack of regular customers"	2017-10-10 23:01
"Resources."	2017-10-10 22:44

"high rentals"	2017-10-10 22:35
"Lack of people."	2017-10-10 22:29
"Small town, not many people"	2017-10-10 22:28
"Employment. For example, in fast food places like KFC and maccas, they hire so many people that you would only get one or two shifts a week. But in other businesses, like a butchery, you only have two or three workers part time or full time. Burnie needs to give younger people the opportunity to explore ALL aspects of the work force"	2017-10-10 22:26
"Well, there's the fact of money issues and sometimes there's the fact of how well the business goes or the workers etc. It varies."	2017-10-10 22:25
"Expensive overheads and lack of customers because no one has jobs therefore no one can spend money"	2017-10-10 22:21
"It's easier and cheaper to go elsewhere"	2017-10-10 22:20
"Expensive rent People are buying things online"	2017-10-10 21:04
"Rise of rent Decline of population "	2017-10-10 20:40
"Not enough people and not generating enough money"	2017-10-10 20:32
"I think that part of the problem is that small businesses have been forced to up prices, so people just shop online now! And the shops all close very early on weekends which limits the time people who work 9-5 during the week can actually go to shops and purchase things."	2017-10-10 14:23

"Parking, time limits on parking, cost of parking, no jobs means no one is buying food"	2017-10-10 13:46
"Poor choice of retail outlets"	2017-10-10 12:40
"Not making enough profit"	2017-10-10 12:17
"High rent prices"	2017-10-10 11:55
"With the introduction of stores of large brands such as Shiploads, and The Reject shop, small businesses are struggling to compete because a lot of people go there for their goods rather than supporting the locals"	2017-10-10 11:42
"As many people have realised, the rent prices in Burnie are too high. Starting a business wouldn't be an easy job and the high amounts of rent wouldn't be as big of an issue if the community didn't struggle to find stable work. As a young teen myself, the price of clothing especially in Burnie is highly priced making online shopping a more ideal area that has cheaper clothing for someone who has a low income. There is also another issue with the amount of stealing, a company cannot make their profit back on stuff that has been stolen. Yes, they can call the police but by then it is too late, the products are gone and half the time the police from then can't do anything about it."	2017-10-09 18:03
"The obvious one is high rent. CBD is looking very drab and uninviting"	2017-10-08 16:52
"Parking is too expensive"	2017-10-06 19:49
"People are not spending enough money. Often business charge too much for goods and services."	2017-10-06 13:01
"Lack of vistors to our town walking around spending money"	2017-10-06 00:04

"Banks are demanding 50% and too much competition from corporates who pay no tax have massive advertising budgets. And get granted all the car parks."	2017-10-05 23:31
"Internet shopping is a problem. The issue is them getting their stock cheap enough across the bass straight to warrant supporting if the locals"	2017-10-05 20:27
"People are buying good on-line. That's because there's not a lot of variety and what is available is too expensive"	2017-10-05 20:02
"Many close down when they haven't been open for very long. Mostly food places like cafe's. Unsure if they just can't afford to stay open or if people aren't interested?"	2017-10-05 19:11
"They need to be more polite and outgoing instead of moaning about there businesses"	2017-10-05 18:26
"High rents no work in the area"	2017-10-05 18:14
"Not enough parking and shop leases are too expensive"	2017-10-05 17:51
"The high lease costs of shops have forced some wonderful businesses to the wall, & not all of them new businesses. Consequently we are restricted in what is available to us as consumers. Excessive parking costs has put a lot of people off spontaneous shopping & errands."	2017-10-05 17:20
"Clients struggle with the time allowed for parking and the associated costs. Rates and rent are also of concern. Everybody feels rushed to spend money and move on but people that I speak to, like to take their time when shopping and also like to catch up for a coffee with friends in one of the many cafes. But parking makes this difficult."	2017-10-05 16:34
"People are moving away for jobs"	2017-10-05 11:53
"If I don't remain relevant you won't survive. You can't expect what worked 25 years ago to remain working today. Businesses need to have a look at the model they are operating on and adapt to consumer expectations"	2017-10-05 10:21

"Lack of on street parking, excessive parking fees. Not enough weather coverage."	2017-10-05 09:49
"cost of parking/inconvenience of parking metres"	2017-10-05 09:39
"parking and rent !!1 "	2017-10-05 09:01
"People just don't have the money to go shopping anymore. If industry is booming it creates a follow on affect which ends in people spending more money"	2017-10-05 08:03
"The cost of parking, im sure council make enough, i prefer wynyard or ulverstone where parking is free"	2017-10-05 06:54
"parking,poor business plans,poor customer service,overheads."	2017-10-05 00:05
"Expensive options. People want affordability. The counsil charge a fortune to park and even more for their fines"	2017-10-04 23:49
"Rates and rent"	2017-10-04 22:44
"High rents"	2017-10-04 22:19
"Lack of government support"	2017-10-04 22:12
"For established businesses ide say due to the low customer pool, overheads would be putting pressure on the bottom line. Secondly new business owners & entrepreneurs useally struggle in a well populated area for the first 2-3 years little own in low income low populous town. The first 2-3 years leads to many premature business closures."	2017-10-04 22:12

"The council and landlords charge too much rental probably. Need new stores, takes too long for new stores to come to Burnie. E.g. Bunnings"	2017-10-04 21:49
"There is a huge drug problem in Burnie. Half the people have no money and the other half like me shop elsewhere. There is no range or competitive pricing in Burnie. Much rather shop in Hobart or Launceston."	2017-10-04 21:45
"Online shopping. Overpriced rent."	2017-10-04 21:30
"Parking is a massive inconvenience "	2017-10-04 21:24
"Online competition Anti social behaviour on the rise in the city centre"	2017-10-04 20:59
"The ridiculous parking metres, only accepting certain coins. Why are there different types of metres on each street? Keep the old ones that allow you to only park for say 15 minutes rather than a 'minimum' hour \$1.70"	2017-10-04 20:31
"Big rents and running costs.... street parking is too costly and those rip off paper ticket parking stations are too expensive"	2017-10-04 19:28
"parking"	2017-10-04 19:10
"The cost of parking is the main issue especially places like the hospital where you don't know how long you are going to be somewhere but for example have to pay for an hours parking when you might only be 5-10 minutes"	2017-10-04 18:44
"Greedy landlords and real estate agents"	2017-10-04 18:24
"parking too expensive"	2017-10-04 18:24

"Well we pay for parking like we are in Melbourne when Burnie is declining and getting worse.get rid of metres and get people in our town"	2017-10-04 18:11
"High rents, not enough customers"	2017-10-04 18:00
"High rent"	2017-10-04 17:40
"Not sure"	2017-10-04 17:30
"I work on a freelance basis but do not run a business."	2017-10-04 16:25
"Poor and expensive parking driving away shoppers. Poor planning allowing two same type business' to open just next to each other and automatically kills both of them for long term trade. Council are way behind in promoting a shopper friendly centre, they are just interested in revenue. But when they annoy the last person one time too many then they will not have a Burnie anymore. "	2017-10-04 16:09
"Far too many people unemployed and far too many only employed on casual basis."	2017-10-04 15:58
"Cost of bringing stock to Tasmania. Not enough spare cash for people to shop with."	2017-10-04 15:57
"People won't come into Burnie to shop because there's not enough of what we need"	2017-10-04 15:38
"Rents and a declining population."	2017-10-04 15:37
"High rental prices"	2017-10-03 13:16

"Excessive overhead costs, lack of customers. People not supporting one another business wise."	2017-10-03 12:58
"getting the people back into the city and deal with the internet we need progressive shopping "	2017-10-03 08:50
"Ridiculously excessive overheads, I lost casual work because my boss had to close doors due to phenomenal rent prices despite having been there for a long period of time. Volume of people in town for retail is not enough to be sustainable"	2017-10-02 20:56
"Larger industry needs to be encouraged to set up in Burnie so that other small and medium sized businesses can benefit from it."	2017-10-02 20:34
"parking cost , stopping people like myself from going there"	2017-10-02 20:12
"People don't want to pay for parking. Many people drive to Wynyard or Ulverstone because it is easier to find a parking spot and it is free"	2017-10-02 19:14
"Competition from online. Small population. Paid parking."	2017-10-02 19:09
"No employment-people Moving. Cost of parking so therefore people going to Ulverstone. Variety of shops are repetitive"	2017-10-02 18:25
"Competition from outside Inability to evolve - or "stuck" in a rut Lack of high visibility events that would draw people into the town "	2017-10-02 17:45
"Rent prices"	2017-10-02 11:32
"High rents"	2017-10-02 08:36

"Inflexibility and lack of innovative ways of doing things, like staying open when the cruise ships are in and not catering to the range of customers in the market place. When a business does hit the mark, people do come."	2017-10-01 13:13
"everything i listed previously but also the rent some of them have to pay if it was cut back they could hire someone else or if the council chipped in they could hire someone also the lack of support, awareness, engagement from them in the community like why can't they have open days, events giveaways etc be more interested and engaged in the community which will help drive business"	2017-09-30 01:52
"Lack of diversity in businesses"	2017-09-28 18:49
"Parking, high rents and rates"	2017-09-28 17:59
"Noone can afford their rent"	2017-09-28 16:05
"I think the issues are that the turn over is not high enough, which is probably due to high rent. Meaning that buildings that are vacant stay vacant."	2017-09-28 13:13
"High rents charged by landlords have resulted in all the empty shops. The landlords can then claim their loss of rental income as a tax loss each year."	2017-09-27 00:35
"The price is too high for rent and people only shop around the kmart plaza the multi story and the fast food places plus reject shop and target"	2017-09-26 19:11
"People's attitudes, work spaces aren't organized, people are quoting or having nervous break downs due to the stress or lack or time off"	2017-09-26 19:00
"Lack of people's interest"	2017-09-26 17:11
"Insufficient local income and insufficient public transport"	2017-09-26 17:00

"Possibly rent etc but the businesses have a responsibility to promote themselves and be interactive and inclusive in what is happening in Burnie. They appear to sit on their hands and whinge rather than be proactive and support the community."	2017-09-25 09:02
"The burnie city council. Why else would there be so many empty shops in burnie cbd? Rates, rent etc are expensive and that's the council's fault. They are too worried about flowers and making it pretty they forgot the shops are empty and the flowers only get ruined by the drunks anyway. Stop wasting money trying to make things pretty and keep rates and rents etc down!"	2017-09-24 16:25
"Rent, over priced and sneaky parking meters which are quite new and low income families. I think there is a VERY BIG gap in wages now between the white collar and blue collar workers. I think this is felt very strongly in Burnie and it clearly stands out which is a shame as it's definitely become worse."	2017-09-24 08:43
"High unemployment equals less disposable income"	2017-09-24 07:38
"Prices too high compared to internet, Customer service is lacking, Hospitality workers generally rude. No point of difference in many businesses, 20th Century business plans"	2017-09-24 00:30
"High rental prices. Not enough customers."	2017-09-23 22:37
"There is plenty of work in Burnie, but not enough permanent work so commitment and consistency in purchasing goods is inconsistent."	2017-09-23 21:52
"Can't compete with online shopping. Prices are too expensive in Burnie - well in Tasmania as a whole. "	2017-09-23 21:45
"It's cheaper to shop online business have to pay such high rent so the on costs are killing the business we have way too many cafes/eateries and not much else"	2017-09-23 21:26
"Expensive rates and water. Rent can be expensive"	2017-09-23 20:50
"Competition with on line shopping because of the lack of choices and price also due to the fact of the loss of large business eg the pulp"	2017-09-23 20:39

"Large corporations are taking more it over and franchises and local ppl are being pushed out."	2017-09-23 20:29
"Lack of tourism, events, huge unemployment rate and people from poor areas always causing trouble by hanging around and leaching off people"	2017-09-23 20:28
"People seem to shop on line. Plus not enough people earning money, unemployment."	2017-09-23 20:03
"On line shopping + quality of product & service"	2017-09-23 19:20
"Cost of rent of property "	2017-09-23 18:58
"Again it's the atmosphere in the town centre. The friendliness has gone. Also on line shopping has taken its toll"	2017-09-23 18:54
"Lack of Population"	2017-09-23 18:21
"No not options for shopping, lack of support"	2017-09-23 18:20
"Not getting enough people in the door."	2017-09-23 16:50
"Poor economy, not enough employment means not enough customers "	2017-09-23 12:58

"I grew up here , and used to love coming into town with my grandparents from the farm as a weekly treat, free parking and Burnie was alive and fun. Now I have moved back with my family I get uptight every time I have to go into town. Why? Well because of the parking meters, twenty cents gets you eight minutes, I had a 93 year old grandmother and it took me that long to get her and the walker out!! And after you've done that, I had to leave her there and go park in the multi story car park , run back and hope she's still in the same spot I left her, as shopping with the elderly isn't a fast exercise, so parking on a meter is a \$\$\$\$, also find the meter ladies have no patience for getting change, and the last time I looked there was no time limit on this either, the council is killing their own town, excessive rates for shop owners then slogged them with over the top parking permits! Every second shop has closed , the vibrancy of spending a day out shopping is not there if you park on a meter you feel under the pump to hurry! And that's all you seem to do in Burnie is rush, so to go from shop to shop you can't do it otherwise a nice parking fine is awaiting you, and if you choose to park in a multi storey car park your walking to get from a to b, and buggered if you have someone incapable of walking the miles. My suggestion is to get rid of the meters , shop owners wouldn't abuse the free parking out the front of their shops as it would be deprimental to their business, and lower their parking fees! It would allow other business to open as well. To justify meters, it's only paying for the rude meter ladies jobs. So win win get rid of them both. We shop in Wynyard and ulverstone, I suggest councillors should go have a look at these towns and see how wonderful and vibrant and happy the locals are there, or see if you can find an empty shop? I only in the last two years got council to pass free parking for Red Cross donators, we had to pay on a meter out the front , whilst inside saving lives in need of blood, may get a free cuppa and a biscuit but didn't outway the \$50 fine on the windscreen once finished, that took twelve months to humanly make them see logic , so bum on the moon to get Burnie back to a happy place to visit ."

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"High operating and distribution expenses compared to the amount of revenue that they earn back"

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"Rent in Burnie CBD is far to expensive"

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"Prices"

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18:55

"High rent Low customer numbers "

2017-09-22
18:33

"Paying for parking in the cbd. Ridiculous prices for rent. "

2017-09-22
17:55

"High rent marker Residents with low levels of disposable income to support local businesses"	2017-09-22 16:32
"Low income household are not able to put money back into the small, independent businesses. Major chain stores seem to be the only consistent surviving stores (k-mart, Woolworths etc)"	2017-09-22 12:45
"Not enough tourist passing through. Excluding cruise ships. More incentives for people to come to Burnie."	2017-09-22 11:06
."	2017-09-22 10:53
"Lack of consistent business especially in winter. People buying online or going to other areas. Shoplifting and general antisocial behaviour in cbd at times."	2017-09-22 10:17
"I dont think there are any major changes in the past 20 years as we progress from post industrial to a regional centre"	2017-09-22 10:08
"Not enough local are supporting the locals"	2017-09-22 09:07
"Successful business are well run people try to run business with no exp"	2017-09-22 08:52
"Lack of support from the community."	2017-09-22 08:31
"Paying for parking. I live in Parklands, so often drive to Somerset - - free parking ! "	2017-09-22 08:06
"cost of parking to get people into burnie for one, cost of rent for shop owners to survive for two, the slow decline of youth leaving the coast for three."	2017-09-22 07:55

"Lack of population, no buzz about the town. Lack of community open-mindedness"	2017-09-21 23:43
"Because of raised rent prices and lack of customers"	2017-09-21 23:03
"..."	2017-09-21 23:03
"On street parking"	2017-09-21 22:56
"Rent high.. The full potential of people don't shop in town because they have to pay for parking.. It is a deterrent"	2017-09-21 22:48
"Customers are purchasing online due to price. Business are increasing prices due to inflated rental prices."	2017-09-21 22:43
"No one can afford to shop any more."	2017-09-21 22:43
"Lack of a department store or more variety in shops"	2017-09-21 22:16
"There are not enough jobs, there for unemployed people arnt spending the money as they don't have spare money to spend in the cbd, so then money isnt going into the businesses, so because they dont have the money the arnt employing people, its just one vicious cycle"	2017-09-21 22:12
"Cost of rates and rent. Competition from online traders"	2017-09-21 21:48
"•Rent first and foremost. •Cost of shipping goods to tas. •raging internet sales •lack of parking in some areas •lack of council/community support for stores •probably worth mentioning the intensity of policies that need reading time and time again ex. Work place health and safety.."	2017-09-21 21:46

"Price competitiveness, shoplifting and rental costs"	2017-09-21 21:45
"Lack of customers due to lack of work and having to move families to find work. Just have to look at the empty shops around. Growing up i knew a time where these were full"	2017-09-21 20:44
"High unemployment, lack of industry to employ blue collar workers - this leads to theft, break in's etc"	2017-09-21 20:12
"Too many of the same things- teenager clothing etc. we need new and unique shops and experiences."	2017-09-21 20:04
"Because things are too dear and you can get things off line"	2017-09-21 19:47
"High rent, increase in shop lifting, online competition"	2017-09-21 19:47
"Not enough people using the local businesses. A lot of people now shopping online. Not a lot of choices around Burnie (shopping)."	2017-09-21 19:47
"Price in renting"	2017-09-21 19:39
"Theft, violence, bullying on social media, people have no money to put into businesses"	2017-09-21 19:37
"Competitive prices online"	2017-09-21 19:36
"Businesses do not survive in Burnie."	2017-09-21 19:34

"Lack of initiative and people"	2017-09-21 19:34
"Rent too high"	2017-09-21 19:31
"Paid parking in the city stops me from shopping there. Lack of diversity in shops. Crime and stealing by young adolescents in the city."	2017-09-21 19:27
"Not being a business owner myself, it is hard to say. But something is seriously wrong. So many empty shops. I now prefer to shop in Devonport."	2017-09-21 19:17
"High rent and power costs and poor economy"	2017-09-21 19:13
"Parking."	2017-09-21 17:41
"People don't want to stay, especially young students. There are also so many people that can't get decent jobs so people just stay at home and can't afford much"	2017-09-21 17:25
"High rents, rates, water (extremely over priced for the quality) The council has stopped so much progress nobody wants to open or start a business in Burnie"	2017-09-21 16:07
"Fuel prices affect delivery charges and the chains have taken over eg Hudsons, KFC, Cotton On etc"	2017-09-21 14:50
"Price of rent in the cbd is far to high There needs to be more big businesses in the cbd to draw people in for the small operators"	2017-09-21 14:02
"Rent is too high- buildings are owned by mainland investors who don't understand the lower cost of living in Tassie and it's driving businesses out of the city"	2017-09-21 12:17

"lack of people with jobs and therefore money to spend. Some people willing to travel to Dev or Launy to purchase goods"	2017-09-21 11:38
"The price of rent"	2017-09-21 11:32
"I'm in process of establishing a business on fringe of Burnie. Little public transport to help my potential business. Area needs a niche and massive draw card to get people to visit."	2017-09-21 10:39
"People aren't earning enough to have cashflow to spend. There's a lot of people who are just getting by."	2017-09-21 09:16
"A lot of businesses are struggling because they aren't targeting the right audience"	2017-09-21 08:52
"Parking is a big issue. When I lived in burnie I would do trips to ulvie instead. Lot easier to find a park and free parking. Burnie doesn't have the shops it use to. Bring back Priceline to burnie, chemist warehouse was like a jail and the new one there now feels the same"	2017-09-21 08:19
"Lack of variety"	2017-09-21 08:10
"UNEMPLOYMENT,TO MANY ON CENTRELINK PAYMENTS, not good for the city."	2017-09-21 07:55
"Finding suitable employees ie. ones that want to work AND have the skills....."	2017-09-21 07:39
"the bigger chain store seem to have pushed the smaller shops out of business lots of empty shop doesn't help when it is cheaper to shop online."	2017-09-21 07:38
"We are a low socio city, no money, no buying things"	2017-09-21 06:43

"Sales"	2017-09-21 06:09
"Lack of variety. Everything is too expensive. Little family activity"	2017-09-21 05:55
"Population. People are moving away since closure of the pulp and Caterpillar."	2017-09-21 03:31
"not enough choice of stores, parking or 'new' or 'updated' feel of the stores. Feels old and forgotten."	2017-09-21 02:59
"High rent, cost of parking, nothing to bring people from out of town to shop in Burnie."	2017-09-20 23:59
"Decreasing population with disposable income. People with \$ travel interstate or to Launceston to shop. Internet has also impacted on shopping."	2017-09-20 23:16
"I believe smaller businesses are struggling due to the ease of parking in Kmart carpark and doing all the shopping between Kmart and Coles. I personally find it difficult to get parking near shops I would like to visit, on Mount Street the last block before the beach where Indigo House, Red Herring are there isn't a disability park, the closest one is the ticket machine one along the beach front, oh and the ticket machines every do my head in, I parked along outside Target on Mount Street, went and got my ticket and as I was wheeling along in my wheelchair the wind blew it out of the top of my hand bag onto the road, I managed to catch it by wheeling onto it and pinning under my wheel, after that experience upset me a lot"	2017-09-20 23:13
"Closed mind sets"	2017-09-20 23:00
"High rent High parking costs No reason for visitor to stop and shop"	2017-09-20 22:37
"The amount of drug use and pokie machines are crippling Burnie economy. After the pulp closes and CAT moves to Thailand? What government lets that happen? Also throwing police at an escalating crime rate is not working! Myself and ten mates would do a better job."	2017-09-20 22:33

"Low socio economic area. Not a lot of spare income. Paying for parking."	2017-09-20 22:14
"A lot of people are unemployed and naturally those people can't lash out on things that are deemed a luxury. The parking situation in the CBD is ridiculous"	2017-09-20 21:55
"Are they?"	2017-09-20 21:45
"Rent and power"	2017-09-20 21:27
"Lack of progression. Stuck in the old days. With the older generations trying to fight every time the younger generation want or try something new."	2017-09-20 21:23
"Staff politeness. Don't stock new/ original things"	2017-09-20 21:04
"Poor reputation"	2017-09-20 20:34
"Lack of population visiting businesses. The style of businesses are different if you goto other cities eg hobart, businesses need to move with the times"	2017-09-20 20:18
"Expensive rent."	2017-09-20 20:15
"Lack of opportunity"	2017-09-20 19:17
"Whinging customers over first world problems"	2017-09-20 19:03

"Theft Online shopping " 2017-09-20 18:49

"There is to many cafes all serving basically the same food and all competing against one another. There is not a lot of choice for where to go for clothing. Our kmart target best and less has the smallest variety I have seen. The bottle shops are pointless but the biggest problem I see for most businesses are the cost of rent/demand of product and competing with online shopping. And most of them aren't willing to go into the online shopping era as it is harder to get stock in then it is to get it out so wouldn't be able to keep up with supply and demand. There is a lot of office spaces who do almost the same thing. And while we keep going to retail giants then local shopping will continue to be expensive" 2017-09-20 18:48

"Lack of skilled employees, there are a lot of trades people which is a benefit to a certain extent however the business also need professional staff to market and sell the product / service that the business is offering. Businesses should also be looking outside the square and selling more outside of Tasmania." 2017-09-20 18:33

"Increased costs. Not necessarily local government related. Perhaps cost of parking is an issue locally. Definitely rates and water. Wages and super are a killer especially on weekends. Perhaps parking should be free on Saturday to generate more traffic and help businesses overcome the penalty rates they have to pay in wages. Council can certainly reduce costs internally if they made the effort which would have a natural reduction to the rate payers. In addition - reduced turnover is hurting business. Perhaps we need a significant draw card in the area?" 2017-09-20 18:00

"I would have to see statistics on Burnie business profit margins, but if they are it means that consumers are not putting their money into those businesses (limited revenue) and / or there are expenses that impact to greater than expected levels. There may be legal or financial barriers to this, or maybe the digital disruption is slowly having an impact pushing more consumers to shop, purchase, and work online. Lots of economics involved. No single factor for 'struggling' businesses. Possibly local fringe markets are becoming more attractive for buyers and sellers at the local level and bigger chains that operate outside the local business model and can absorb fluctuations in demand and adjust accordingly with big profit margins and high borrowing power. Investment in a particular area is always limited expenditure in a community cannot exceed whats available without credit and foreign dollars. Maybe credit has tightened or been exhausted by those able to lend for expensive assets? At a guess I would say that bottleshops are doing well enough as there appears to be an abundance of those around. Mechanisation and automation of manufacturing, agriculture and other industries means disruption for the economy. Maybe less employment opportunities and lower incomes means more opportunities for creativity and low cost social and leisure time to create products and services for niche markets that already exist and continue to expand. Many factors, many unknowns. Complex!" 2017-09-20 17:26

"High rent Parking Theft" 2017-09-20 17:26

"Expenses"	2017-09-20 17:12
"Inability to remain in touch with market trends"	2017-09-20 16:43
"Parking needs to be cheaper and easier in order for people to access the businesses."	2017-09-20 16:41
"Population declining - there is no way there is a population of 20,000 in Burnie. It really is no longer a city and am generally embarrassed to refer to it as a city. The general population are a "go to work and then go home" type of people...so no people in general about the place to give it a good vibe. Too many empty shops, making the CBD look terrible to visitors and the community. The council should be ashamed of themselves implementing the parking voucher system. It's terrible."	2017-09-20 15:59
"High council rates and rent. Too many people doing online shopping"	2017-09-20 15:53
"Local businesses cannot compete with others. Not enough options, missing out compared to Launceston and Hobart. Always want To go there or beyond and to the mainland for decent shopping"	2017-09-20 15:42
"It depends. There are some terrific businesses that flourish year after year (example Sharmans Butchery) - this must mean that once a good business reputation is established, it continues to bring in customers. On the other hand, some businesses have no idea. For example, whoever attempted to open shop at the old Mensland space had no idea and this was reflected in a lack of customer interest and the business quickly folding. Businesses affect each other and when there are increasing vacancies, there is a loss of appeal that detracts. Also, Burnie is struggling. There are high levels of unemployment and under-employment and this has to affect local businesses because people living in poverty do not have enough to get by on - it's basics only. If the economy improved (unlikely in Burnie), businesses would stand a better chance"	2017-09-20 15:20
"Rent is too high for local shops to afford."	2017-09-20 14:30
"High rents"	2017-09-20 14:28

"Lack of employment means no one has the money to spend in shops which therefore means shops can't afford to pay the stupidly high rent prices."	2017-09-20 14:26
"Because many that open are very similar"	2017-09-20 14:01
"High Rents"	2017-09-20 13:48
"aging population and no new industry and as soon as one town gets a Bunnings etc Devonport wants one too why not spread the big things along the coast."	2017-09-20 13:42
"Competition from web sites."	2017-09-20 13:28
"People without sufficient disposable income, number of people out of jobs, online shopping, high rent for business owners"	2017-09-20 13:27
"Everyone online shops these days"	2017-09-20 13:23
"High rent, people preferring to go to the smaller towns, shoplifters, online shopping"	2017-09-20 13:06
"The internet is both negative and positive for a business owner ... I do agree that it appears the rents of some cbd shops are too high, making it difficult to compete against the internet.... but I also feel the customer experience needs to be a constant focus ... if the customer feels the service (or lack of) is not at their expectation they will quickly look to go online ... this can be to purchase anything from a toothbrush to a car ..."	2017-09-20 13:02
"No money in Burnie so no revenue or turn over and getting worse"	2017-09-20 12:59
"Expensive rent, and people don't have the money to spend, also you can buy so much stuff online cheaper"	2017-09-20 12:58

"High rent, high rates and a dead cbd"	2017-09-20 12:22
"wages, staff & overheads"	2017-09-20 12:04
"High rent"	2017-09-20 11:42
"High rent no one comes to Burnie or shops in Burnie because all the parking fees. We can go to ulverstone where you can park for free. People are struggling with high living costs too. "	2017-09-20 11:32
"Attracting customers with bogans on the street"	2017-09-20 11:22
"excessively high rents, excessive numbers of vacant commercial premises, local Councillors and politicians taking no interest in local business unless it comes with a photo opportunity, parking charges (particularly on weekends) discouraging people from coming into the CBD, a decline in population in the area, a lack of higher pay paying jobs in the region that reduces local disposable income, the Burnie City Council's anti development attitude"	2017-09-20 11:14
"High rents, low foot traffic. Burnie as a town is bland and boring. There is no appeal to the town. I go into town when I need new socks, underwear or medicine from the pharmacy. There is no reason for me to walk around, as such businesses are missing an opportunity for me to wander by and buy something. High rents by the money hungry, declining sales due to low foot traffic all lead to no revenue. No revenue means bills go unpaid and staff are no longer affordable. This then results in lower job opportunities which leads to high unemployment. High unemployment means less people shopping which leads to declining sales. I think you can see where this is going."	2017-09-20 11:06
"Lack of customer service and after hours shopping"	2017-09-20 10:46

"Lack of people to access the businesses; we need more people to be attracted here. Agriculture and aquaculture here needs to 'get with it' and study trends in places like Holland which are becoming the food bowls of the world. We could be that too with the soil, water, sunshine and sustainable energy, not to mention IT savvy young people we have in the state. NO excuses!! The government needs to be more adventurous and courageous in sponsoring venture capital. Australia (Tasmania) is complacent. Let's try harder. We have all the assets in the NW to be world beaters in Agriculture and VALUE ADDITION for agricultural and food production generally."

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"Rent in Burnie is way too high and puts business ideas out of reach of most people and causes established businesses to struggle so they have to raise prices and then people just shop online. There is also a lot of shoplifters in Burnie."

2017-09-20
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"No investment, no co-ordinated strategy at local council or state government level."

2017-09-20
10:41

"High rent price in cbd"

2017-09-20
10:35

"High rent I suppose and a shortage of people with any surplus money. Low wages means low or NO discretionary spending money."

2017-09-20
10:34

"Not enough people shop in the CBD, for me it's parking"

2017-09-20
10:27

"The removal of Woolworths and the difficulty of accessing Coles. The Kmart complex is not very inviting and as i mentioned earlier shops are too spread out. "

2017-09-20
10:27

"Lack of shoppers - mainly due to poor stock and over inflated pricing."

2017-09-20
10:18

"Pricing in in the cbd to own a business lack of variety"

2017-09-20
10:15

"Higher rents for little yield of income"

2017-09-20
09:52

<p>"The bus stops need to be moved from their current location. The undesirable activities that occur on the stretch that the buses are on has led to closure of businesses and I personally avoid the area as much as possible. The front of the Kmart complex and Best and Less is on par also for undesirable interactions. I believe the parking situation needs to be addressed to encourage more shopping in the CBD, free parking on weekends or the like. Look to Wivenhoe or West Park Grove, where I will drive out of my way to be able to slip in and out of the store, get what I need without parking issues or dealing with abuse or the toxic cloud of cigarette smoke you get in the CBD."</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:52</p>
<p>"Access, trading hours, competitive online prices Mainly as someone who works full time and children have Saturday sports, the shops are never open when I am free, so I need to shop online."</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:45</p>
<p>"High rent, less people able to spend money though lack of employment, having to pay for parking their cars, cost of freight from the mainland"</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:34</p>
<p>"High rental not enough shops that bring more people"</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:31</p>
<p>"Costs too high to run a business compared to the amount of people that buy stuff from them"</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:30</p>
<p>"For a "city" of only around 18,500 populace, there's too many businesses trying to do the same thing as others. Needs to be more investment, consultation and support to help businesses thrive that will have a regional / state / national / international influence and customer base, rather than trying to support customers that are local only. Don't get me wrong; local cash exchange is needed, but the net cash flow needs to trend more towards bringing money in from elsewhere."</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:27</p>
<p>"Competing with online stores. Hi rent in CBD."</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:24</p>
<p>"I'm not sure, they're better placed to answer that question themselves. How can businesses ensure they remain relevant and attract customers? It's not just up to the city. Perhaps there are issues with rent costs, large number of empty store fronts, the CBD is relatively spread out, especially if you consider the walkways / plazas through the blocks - they are in effect extra 'streets', but with no parking and for some reason they don't attract the amount of foot traffic they need. The Centrepoint plaza needs work - I don't know what though. It needs to be modernised and could be made into a real feature of the centre of town - look at what Hobart did with the Cat & Fiddle Arcade."</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:15</p>

"The cost of parking in Burnie is ridiculous and with parking inspectors constantly waiting nearby to book you, people prefer to turn around and go home than risk getting a ticket instead of paying for parking and then spending money in the CBD"	2017-09-20 09:14
"No one in Burnie has any money"	2017-09-20 09:08
"Parking fees, limited time on metres. Ulverstone and Wynyard far better shopping choices"	2017-09-20 09:03
"Lack of customers due to their financial duress."	2017-09-20 09:02
"Rent is too high, not enough business"	2017-09-20 08:58
"RATES / WATER AND LANDTAX is the killer for local business."	2017-09-20 08:55
"The demographic is declining. All the young and talented people are leaving to Launceston or Hobart for university. Our campus only has a limited number of degrees available."	2017-09-20 08:53
"Excessively high rents and online retail"	2017-09-20 08:45
"High rent and high wages"	2017-09-20 08:40
"The internet on line shopping. I am happy to pay \$10 or \$20 more for a product for instant gratification however when items are overpriced due to what I believe must be high rents, I'd rather wait"	2017-09-20 08:31
"Junk shopping not enough quality stores anymore"	2017-09-20 08:22

"From what I've heard, rent prices."	2017-09-20 08:21
"As before, no major manufacturing industries or capital funds being injected, hence the spending flow on effect. Its sad to see good small businesses closing and the likes of discount retailer chains taking over."	2017-09-20 08:15
"Apparently rent Also from Facebook BLOODY SHOPLIFTERS!!!!!! What do the police actually do in Burnie?!?!?@?@?@?"	2017-09-20 08:12
"Lack of support from goverment and local council. Councillors who are delusional and choose not to see Burnie as it really is. Rent is too high!"	2017-09-20 08:12
"Parking is a major issue not to mention it is poorly designed. Also what is there for shopping mothers to do? Or for that matter for kids/teens to do..."	2017-09-20 08:02
"Access due to parking"	2017-09-20 08:01
"High rent not enough shoppers."	2017-09-20 08:00
"Ridiculous planning controls and shops that retail goods that are the same as next door and rents are too high."	2017-09-20 07:58
"People have no disposable income to spend on non-essentials, therefore we are seeing the demise of small business in Burnie."	2017-09-20 07:55
"Decline in customers and high rent prices for a start. There is nothing drawing new business here (obvious when you walk around and see the plethora of empty shop fronts) and I believe that not enough is done to promote Burnie."	2017-09-20 07:48
"Not a welcoming place Cattley Street full of morons"	2017-09-20 07:37

"rent is too high, parking is too expensive and people go other places to shop where there is free parking"	2017-09-20 07:30
"High rent, not enough options, online shopping is killing local shops"	2017-09-20 07:21
"Rental costs"	2017-09-20 07:15
"Everyone goes elsewhere to shop (launceston ect). I have personally found that a lot of small businesses in town aren't friendly or welcoming or can't offer me something different. Which makes me Less likely to shop there."	2017-09-20 07:13
"Rent prices and also the poor condition of some of them buildings"	2017-09-20 07:08
"Lack of employment and even for those employed a high % on low incomes"	2017-09-20 07:03
"high rents"	2017-09-20 07:02
"Lack of people"	2017-09-20 06:58
"High rents in CBD, online shopping, lack of disposable income for many residents"	2017-09-20 05:56
"On line shopping, declining population"	2017-09-20 04:55
"They need to better advertise their businesses, especially for the tourist visitors. One night a week, all shops open till at least 8.00pm."	2017-09-20 04:19

"The same as those affecting businesses everywhere - cheapness of online goods, greedy councils re parking, paying high rates and water rates (for a kettle and toilet). Businesses would do a lot better if they opened shops longer especially on public holidays and when the ships come in."	2017-09-20 04:18
"too many people struggling financially, overpriced rental, poor parking in cbd, too many fast food outlets and big box businesses"	2017-09-20 01:48
"-Cost of rent -population declining -unemployment causing no money to spend in these shops"	2017-09-20 01:42
"Because they all shut up shop to early and hardly even open on Saturday and Sunday well that's a joke. Even late night shopping is only till 5.30 and only a few shops. Stay open later will get in more buyers providing profits and create more jobs as they will need more staff."	2017-09-20 00:52
"Lack of customers, due to lack of income, due to lack of employment."	2017-09-20 00:46
"High rent rates and lack of confidence"	2017-09-20 00:21
"Businesses are struggling because the population of Burnie does not allow for a variety of businesses. People do shop a lot online nowadays, but a lot of people still enjoy going into stores. If Burnie's tourism was boosted then businesses would get a boost in customers, as Burnie's population (given the amount of people who shop online, can't afford to, etc) isn't sufficient to sustain many small businesses."	2017-09-20 00:20
"High rent. Pricey parking/ parking fees so people usually go to the CBD and do what they need then leave. Too expensive to browse anymore"	2017-09-20 00:07
"High Rent, Lower Foot Traffic, Lack of Parking and exuberant prices"	2017-09-19 23:52
"High rent. Theft. Bad customer service"	2017-09-19 23:37

"Enter text here The bogan element people don't like shpping here,"	2017-09-19 23:22
"High rates , a council that doesn't care about growing /improving Burnie"	2017-09-19 23:21
"Large rents, lack of customers due to lack of parking and having to pay for parking."	2017-09-19 23:17
"Lack of workers, lacklustre city"	2017-09-19 23:13
"Not sure"	2017-09-19 23:09
"Being lured to other centres because the offer free parking but not necessarily better offering in retail. On-line shopping is sometimes a better offer price wise. Lack of variety in shops - stops people from coming to town"	2017-09-19 23:06
"I don't know"	2017-09-19 23:05
"The socio-economic status of a large proportion of Burnie means that many people aren't interested or can't afford to shop at small businesses that often have higher prices. Too many young people leave because there is not enough university opportunities which also hinders the success of small businesses."	2017-09-19 23:04
"On line internet shoppers"	2017-09-19 22:51
"High rental prices"	2017-09-19 22:49
"There's no money and young people are leaving in search of jobs and a different lifestyle"	2017-09-19 22:45

"Renting of building to much"	2017-09-19 22:40
"No one with money in the area. I rarely go shopping there anymore because so many shops have closed."	2017-09-19 22:38
"Because they provide inferior customer service, over priced stock and limited trading hours"	2017-09-19 22:33
"Rental cost, and parking cost restricting CBD shopping"	2017-09-19 22:31
"High rentals and online shopping"	2017-09-19 22:28
"Rates! Upper Burnie needs to be looked at too....the eye sore i see every day needs to be dealt with..."	2017-09-19 22:26
"Cost of rent No buyers"	2017-09-19 22:24
"Theives, no job opportunities therefore less money circulating therefore no spending"	2017-09-19 22:24
"Online shopping"	2017-09-19 22:23
"Shoppers dont want to come to burnie, parking is ridiculous and you have towns right next door such as ulverstone and wynyard that dont charge for parking. So many businesses have closed that were of a wide variety and customers can't get that variety anymore. Economic and Financial issues impact on the amount families and individuals have to spend in town. At the moment with so many empty stores, the town is not inviting to walk around and people don't want to shop in burnie."	2017-09-19 22:23

"No-one has any money to spend"	2017-09-19 22:20
"I know that I drive to other towns to shop because of the parking costs I think this would have to be an issue in Burnie for businesses."	2017-09-19 22:14
"There's no reason to go into town. It's boring. So there'd be limited traffic"	2017-09-19 22:13
"Council not supportive of new business, moving large businesses like bunnings outside the city discourage visits to cpd. Lack of broader consideration of uses of cpd for all burnie residents to encourage its use"	2017-09-19 22:13
"Other towns take Burnie trade because people don't want to walk to multi-storey parking or don't want to pay when you don't need to in other towns"	2017-09-19 22:10
"read what i`ve already wrote?"	2017-09-19 22:07
"It's a depressing place to spend time. Too many empty shops. Too few decent places to eat that are always crowded. Dismal arcades that you only want to walk through as fast as possible. It's just ugly and full of bogans. A council without ideas."	2017-09-19 22:06
"There is nothing new! Its al the same thing. Would be nice to have places that are different. Not many people buy local anymore, everything is online because it is cheaper and more efficient for people with children"	2017-09-19 22:02
"High rent, ridiculous parking fees for a small town."	2017-09-19 21:58
"I hear the rent prices are pretty high. We don't have a lot of variety and online shopping is on the up."	2017-09-19 21:55
"The rent is certainly cheaper if you are not positioned in the Main Street of Wilson street however people are lazy and will not walk an extra couple of streets to access shops which in turn suffer"	2017-09-19 21:49

"Lack of jobs so lack of money to spend. Also as stated before not much variety in shops so people aren't enticed to shop in town. Doesn't help that half the shops are empty. High parking fees so most people shop in towns like ulverstone where parking is free."	2017-09-19 21:44
"Expensive rent"	2017-09-19 21:43
"High rents"	2017-09-19 21:42
"No one wants to pay for parking. People online shopping. Businesses not able to be competitive with prices due to high rents"	2017-09-19 21:41
"There is no money in Burnie for people to spend because there are no jobs, in turn there are no jobs because Burnie doesn't have much money, it's a tricky situation"	2017-09-19 21:40
"High rent and high prices for goods to pay high rent. Cheaper to shop in Devonport"	2017-09-19 21:38
"Expensive parking costs, high council rates and more unemployed. You can travel to Wynyard or Ulverstone access all services and park free."	2017-09-19 21:37
"Rent fees"	2017-09-19 21:37
"I think rents in the cbd are high and parking is very limited. I think council needs to consider doing something about the parking meters/costs and think about attracting people to the cbd."	2017-09-19 21:35
"Rent Prices Lack of shops and prices over the top compared to other centres in tassie"	2017-09-19 21:33
"Parking - get rid of the meters, and replace them with 30 minute free parking. You should never have let Woolworths go - or at least ensured they were replaced by a Hill Street style store or ordinary IGA - there is nowhere but Coles to buy fresh fruit and veges, and other foods."	2017-09-19 21:33

"Really expensive rent & rates, expensive parking"	2017-09-19 21:25
"Limited and expensive parking. "	2017-09-19 21:15
"Alot of it would be due to having to pay to park. Even though its very little, every bit counts for those that are on a pension or centrelink payments."	2017-09-19 21:13
"Competition with online stores; high rents as per recent Advocate article; anecdotal stories of poor customer service so perhaps the attitude of the employees is a factor as well?"	2017-09-19 21:13
"There are fewer businesses of substantial scale that employ. There is high unemployment. Low quality of education. Anyone of capability has left the area. Brain drain."	2017-09-19 21:11
"High rent. Online shopping"	2017-09-19 21:10
"High rent. People don't have the money to spend due to unstable income"	2017-09-19 21:05
"There's no employment ie major manufacturing anymore people more away things also cost a small fortune as happens with population declin not everybody suited to the tourist jobs"	2017-09-19 21:04
"Expensive rent with their other bills. People shopping out of the town due to free parking. Population going down therefore affecting their sales etc etc"	2017-09-19 21:04
"On line shopping, high rents"	2017-09-19 21:04
"people unwilling to shop around town due to the "groups" of unemployed people standing around smoking."	2017-09-19 21:03

"Similar businesses together"	2017-09-19 21:00
"Lack of customers Rent is expensive Shops are unattractive "	2017-09-19 20:59
"Online shopping is cheaper and more time efficient for myself with a young family."	2017-09-19 20:58
"The retail businesses are finding it challenging (online shopping has had an impact) however there are many business eg trucking, mining, well run cafe's/ restaurants, rural industries and the Burnie Port as examples of a lot of upside"	2017-09-19 20:56
"High rents, declining shoppers, no money."	2017-09-19 20:55
"high rent, high parking fee's, increased theft"	2017-09-19 20:55
"high rent in the cbd, high running costs due to increasing power and water prices, people not having much spare money so could be reluctant to spend"	2017-09-19 20:54
"Broken economy, low socioeconomic area, rental prices"	2017-09-19 20:53
"Online competition & lack of service"	2017-09-19 20:53
"A huge lack of help. In my business the rent was \$3000 a month plus all out goings and no help from our landlord when we needed a new fence, when the building leaked or when the toilet pipes blocked up which he was told from the plumber that the pipes were broken and needed replacing. The rich just keep getting richer and for those of us having a red hot crack there is no help at all. Government and councils may say they help small businesses but that's only to get votes"	2017-09-19 20:52

"Need more variety"	2017-09-19 20:51
"High rent, lack of quality employees, shit parking, theft."	2017-09-19 20:50
"Rent is too high so shops cant afford to stay open"	2017-09-19 20:49
"No draw card for the city. Poor reputation as a place in general. Nothing to really keep people in Burnie."	2017-09-19 20:47
"High rentals,online shopping due to high prices in shops."	2017-09-19 20:46
"High rent, high council fees, high parking fees, no shopping varieties to attract public."	2017-09-19 20:42
"Lack of variety and quality or far to expensive"	2017-09-19 20:40
"High rental could be an issue. Short term parking doesn't allow you to shop properly before you need to feed the meter. Sometimes it's easier to shop on the internet and this would definitely be affecting business."	2017-09-19 20:36
"I think business is well patronised but we lack variety"	2017-09-19 20:36
"There is not enough people to justify opening a business with required scale. Lots of businesses are the same and cannibalise each other. There are lots of cafes for example. There are too many vacant shops. I think it's questionable as to whether there is enough disposable income to expand range on offer."	2017-09-19 20:34
"Lack of parking and nothing enticing customers to continue shopping in Burnie"	2017-09-19 20:29

"Expensive rent."	2017-09-19 20:28
"Lack of clientele"	2017-09-19 20:27
"Lack of variety. Rude sales people. Bogans hassling people"	2017-09-19 20:25
"Telecommunications infrastructure - particularly internet. Skilled: IT management, competitive suppliers, telecommunications, labour and a restrictive council."	2017-09-19 20:25
"People don't have enough disposable income to support local businesses"	2017-09-19 20:24
"I don't enjoy venturing into the CBD purely because of the type of people who it is usually filled with. I hate to label, but the CBD is usually filled with bogans!! I cringe whenever I pass them in the street and hope to god they don't say something that my impressionable 5 year old might pick up on, eg a vulgar swear word. If I do go into town I usually just go to the particular shop I need to go to and then get out of there. It's not a place I would stroll around for an afternoon."	2017-09-19 20:22
"doesnt seem to be any confidence in spending"	2017-09-19 20:21
"Prices of rent Online shopping"	2017-09-19 20:19
"High rent from what I am told"	2017-09-19 20:19
"Parking to expensive. No mall. Too many people with to little money."	2017-09-19 20:18
"Rent price, council rate, water bills, power bill. You looks at place like Brisbane, Cairns , they are alway go community activists on. People drive hours to go to the town to do the activities . Silly things like having 2 farmer markets on the say weekend instead on opposite weekends."	2017-09-19 20:18

"Poor education and knowledge going into business. Too many go into business without the tools they need."	2017-09-19 20:16
"Parking and parking fees"	2017-09-19 20:16
"No one wants to come into burnie"	2017-09-19 20:12
"No employment"	2017-09-19 20:10
"Unattractive stores poorly maintained. Rude incompetent service"	2017-09-19 20:08
"Need more business diversity, but that can't happen all at once. Need a big helping hand like gov relocating centralized services here."	2017-09-19 20:08
"I have read that rent prices are high. Also the general population are on a fairly low income so the cut price and chain stores do better as they are able to offer things at lower prices than local stores."	2017-09-19 20:06
"High unemployment = low cash flow. Shop front rent is ridiculously high, council gives away prime realestate. Business owners struggle to keep or get staff due to providing low unreliable hours, unwilling to train . Customer service is nonexistent from staff and business owners/managers. Long term parking is out or reach for average income"	2017-09-19 20:06
"Yes the small business are"	2017-09-19 20:04
"Council approval, parking and the fact that so many people are out of work."	2017-09-19 20:04
"They need to open longer"	2017-09-19 20:04

"Rent Household incomes Parking costs Potentially the Cashless Welfare Card (increased crime/decreased accessible cash) Lack of tourists due to cost of accommodation etc etc. "	2017-09-19 20:03
"Our struggle is outsiders coming in to our town and region and undercutting our prices , but in our experience you pay for what you get and our clientele is predominantly other local business and we all support each other."	2017-09-19 20:02
"Council wants wants wants."	2017-09-19 20:01
"High running costs (rent, power etc), competition with online shopping, lack of customers who can afford local prices"	2017-09-19 20:01
"The lack of local economic growth"	2017-09-19 19:58
"A big battle with online shopping. A lack of high paying jobs in the municipality to provide families with money to spend on things other than staples"	2017-09-19 19:57
"high rents, lack of people shopping in the cbd (if I need to do shopping I either go to Launceston or Melbourne) most of the shops are cheap trinket shops i.e. reject shop, shiploads"	2017-09-19 19:56
"Stealing"	2017-09-19 19:56
"Online shopping is cheaper and more convenient."	2017-09-19 19:55
"High level of unemployed people means less disposable income, and a lot of people shop on the internet. Not problems isolated to burnie!"	2017-09-19 19:55
"The population of the Burnie area are largely low income earners and with costs always increasing, it's difficult for most to have the means to spend on anything other than necessities."	2017-09-19 19:55

"Prices of renting a space. It's cheaper in the Melbourne cbd to rent than in Burnie. Most of us that have a business idea just use online sources to start a business. Also lack of parking, parking prices and tiny partaking spots that leave parents anxious to take the kids out"	2017-09-19 19:53
"Not enough diversity in the products/food that are sold"	2017-09-19 19:52
"Expensive rent,"	2017-09-19 19:52
"Not sure."	2017-09-19 19:52
"Parking is expensive Probably get no help from the council"	2017-09-19 19:52
"Because the every day people are struggling, and to go out shopping at lunch time you don't know what disgusting things you will see or hear so I avoid the CBD and usually go to Devonport on the weekend"	2017-09-19 19:50
"High Rent Lack of convenient parking Price of parking"	2017-09-19 19:49
"Expensive rent"	2017-09-19 19:48
"It's just as easy to by online these days. A click of a button and it's delivered right to your door step. We are becoming a lazy city"	2017-09-19 19:47
"No idea, not a business owner"	2017-09-19 19:47
"same as everywhere, online shopping is a juggernaut"	2017-09-19 19:46

"Town parking cost driving people away. Free parking all weekend would help."	2017-09-19 19:45
"Rent is too high. Low employment opportunities"	2017-09-19 19:41
"Online shopping."	2017-09-19 19:40
"Prices! You can't compete with shiploads and other large businesses"	2017-09-19 19:39
"Cost of leasing a premise, with what business you actually get. i doubt very much there would be a small business in burnie that would turn over a profit."	2017-09-19 19:39
"Its easier to buy online rather than having to park a mile away from shops"	2017-09-19 19:37
"With high price of parking people are reluctant to shop. One \$70 fine is enough to put you off"	2017-09-19 19:37
"Poor customer service in some businesses, not enough stock turnover to draw customers in regularly, online price competition"	2017-09-19 19:35
"As I mentioned before businesses are suffering from ridiculously high rent and conditions and lack of consideration and support from local government. It is expensive to own a business without these issues, and lack of effort to draw people to town for leisurely shopping (most people would go to Devonport or Launceston now) means business is far from booming in town. Its nearly impossible to stay in business. "	2017-09-19 19:33
"Rent affordability and the fact that interstate owners would rather leave shops empty and negatively geared as a tax write-off. It would also be nice to see more cross-promotion and "events" in the city."	2017-09-19 19:31
"Lack of people with the financial capacity to spend. If the town were reinvigorated as a University town, a long bow to draw I know, but that would bring life back into the CBD."	2017-09-19 19:30

"Social issues. Lack of variety of shops. Lack of Employment opportunities for young people."	2017-09-19 19:30
"Fee's/taxes are a bit rough!"	2017-09-19 19:29
"High rent, limited parking, limited advertising budget - hard to compete with chain stores. Chain stores are cheap, boring, poor quality and do not entice shoppers. With franchised stores everywhere there is little to attract shoppers as they are the same everywhere. Need some businesses that are quirky original different - or high quality or niche. These are the kinds of shops that will attract shoppers from elsewhere. But these shops are the riskiest ventures - high overheads and need plenty of promotion to generate interest. Maybe consider subsidising first year rent for start up businesses and help them get on their feet?"	2017-09-19 19:29
"It's my understanding rent prices are an issue Unemployment is an issue bored people stealing and being rowdy"	2017-09-19 19:26
"Rent very high Online shopping"	2017-09-19 19:25
"Rates out of control"	2017-09-19 19:25
"People shopping online. Prices are cheaper online - local businesses adding extra \$\$ to their prices compared to online prices"	2017-09-19 19:25
"Online shopping, people having little money to spend"	2017-09-19 19:24
"Don't know"	2017-09-19 19:24
"There is nothing here"	2017-09-19 19:24

"A population that relies heavily on centrelink payments. No money to spend. No variety in shops nothing exciting or different."	2017-09-19 19:22
"The city isn't a welcoming place, therefore many don't want to come into the city to shop on weekends are there is no other reason to do so"	2017-09-19 19:21
"CBD needs. Spruce up, locals need to shop local"	2017-09-19 19:20
"Costs of staying open"	2017-09-19 19:19
"Online shopping is a killer. However many shops don't do anything to differentiate themselves or won't even open on Sunday's (not even when there is a cruise ship in town)."	2017-09-19 19:19
"Cost of rent. Lack of customers."	2017-09-19 19:19
"Were not in the retail industry more construction....council opts to allow tenders to goutside if the locals"	2017-09-19 19:18
"Rent prices, no other stable businesses so people would rather travel to Devonport or even Launceston"	2017-09-19 19:18
"The large leases put on vacant shop blocks. It stops local business growing and puts people off starting a new business that could be very well liked by the community"	2017-09-19 19:18
"I think that a lot of businesses are struggling, aside from internet shopping, because of the high price of rent and rates in Burnie."	2017-09-19 19:17
"High Rent in burnie Customers having to pay for parking "	2017-09-19 19:16

"Rent prices are extremely high, this is also stopping different businesses coming to Burnie from out of town, and therefore Burnie is not progressing. Also people in Burnie are not very open to new things, therefore someone who opens a business that is a little different doesn't last very long, because the Burnie community doesn't really back them positively."	2017-09-19 19:15
"Lack of parking and cost of parking. We shop on Ulverstone"	2017-09-19 19:13
"Low foot traffic/people living in CBD. High rental costs for return"	2017-09-19 19:13
"People traveling to do shopping because there isn't much here"	2017-09-19 19:12
"Online competition. Parking at the door. There are always places to park but too far away for a quick trip in. I work full time, Saturday mornings are full yet no late night shopping or shops being open Sunday means online is more convenient and often cheaper"	2017-09-19 19:12
"I firmly believe the rent costs are too high in areas for small business to have a chance at really making a go of it."	2017-09-19 19:12
"Variety"	2017-09-19 19:12
"Unavailability of street parking and price of parking in multi-storey car park. Also aware of high rents for other business owners (we own a pharmacy which has its own unique rent structure)"	2017-09-19 19:11
"Theft"	2017-09-19 19:11
"No people to shop in the shops. No money to spend in shops"	2017-09-19 19:11
"I don't have enough knowledge of the issues faced to make valid comment. Have read that rents are high"	2017-09-19 19:10

"Lots of parking metres, not enough shops, especially ones of varying genre's. Too much empty space - that isn't being used"	2017-09-19 19:09
"shop lifting, high rents, untrained staff leaving school without enough social skills and manners"	2017-09-19 19:09
"Cafe culture is thriving but retail business's are finding it tough due to online competition"	2017-09-19 19:09
"Employment around the area"	2017-09-19 19:07
"No disposable income"	2017-09-19 19:07
"Rent too high"	2017-09-19 19:06
"Expensive rent?"	2017-09-19 19:05
"Competition with online sales, (I buy a lot online myself); costly parking meters for customers (Wynyard has the right idea- free parking!). From a personal consumer point of view - Burnie looks old, grubby, tired, tacky - in need of a facelift."	2017-09-19 19:03
"High rent. Ridiculous parking meters. People are always having to rush back to their vehicles to avoid tickets."	2017-09-19 19:00
"Expensive rent."	2017-09-19 18:57
"People are shopping online for the variety"	2017-09-19 18:37

"lack of variety and charging top price for everything"	2017-09-19 18:34
"Council rates and taxes - business owners cant compete with the influx of on-line shopping - not to mention rent and greedy land lords"	2017-09-19 18:31
"I think they may be struggling to keep their pricing competitive"	2017-09-19 18:23
"Online shopping Too many cheap shops Cost of parking"	2017-09-19 18:22
"Low customer numbers, high rent"	2017-09-19 18:21
"To many greedy people in burnie looking after their own empires . We can not grow and go forward with this mentality things need to change ."	2017-09-19 18:13
"Parking."	2017-09-19 18:12
"High rent, lack of customers"	2017-09-19 18:10
"Lack of people visiting due to the cost of parking?"	2017-09-19 17:47
"There doesn't seem to be a city center. There isnt a heart or a main area for shopping its spread out."	2017-09-19 17:47
"High rent, on line shopping, poor staff"	2017-09-19 17:41

"Lack of customers, expensive parking for shoppers"	2017-09-19 17:39
"Accessibility I would go down the CBD more often and support local businesses but where is there to park?"	2017-09-19 17:24
"Online shopping, but this is no different to the rest of the world."	2017-09-19 17:21
"Competing with on line sales. Small customer base. Limited household disposable income. substandard NBN infrastructure"	2017-09-19 17:12
"Low socio economic status of the community, declining population with an aging demographic and increasing costs (utilities, property prices and rents). Franchises seem able to survive but anything a little bit different is up against it."	2017-09-19 17:10
"People are buying and selling ONLINE Things are overpriced in smaller shops. Too many 2nd hand places and online freebies people are just freeloaders these days"	2017-09-19 17:05
"Expensive rent."	2017-09-19 15:22
"The price of rental for starters. Getting Bunnings was great for burnie but the fact the council either can't or won't entice others like a Big W or something similar to come up here alongside Bunnings is beyond me. Davenport will no doubt end up with stores like this as well which leaves burnie further behind yet again and with more lost employment opportunities, not to mention the 21:10 extra foot traffic it would create also gone"	2017-09-18 21:10
"Rent way too high...the shopping in good..but it won't last if the rent isn't affordable... Just not fair!!!"	2017-09-18 20:46
"Apparently rent is high. People don't have money in their pockets. Lack of NBN for any digital business. Why would anyone choose Burnie when their connectivity is now permanently behind Launceston and Hobart."	2017-09-18 19:01
"High rents, council rates, parking fees. Not enough high end tourists. Council is attracting FREE CAMPERS and the like who do not spend money - check out Cooe Point!"	2017-09-18 18:19

"Not attracting new blood and new industries"	2017-09-18 17:56
"lack of variety of shops"	2017-09-18 16:39
"Parking issues/costs"	2017-09-18 15:58
"High Rent, lack of buying power in community, people under-employed and low earning"	2017-09-18 14:37
"High rental costs and lack of customers. Also considerable levels of theft"	2017-09-18 10:58
"Online shopping.lack of service.Cafes that close at 2:30 or say sorry kitchen is closed at 8pm.high rent"	2017-09-17 10:39
"Not enough disposable income to support the stores. Store prices too high. Council rates push up rent."	2017-09-16 17:31
"High rent. Shop lifting."	2017-09-16 09:57
"high rents , low employment"	2017-09-15 22:40
"PARKING FEES.....it stops people going into the city.....not everyone wants to park in the Council carpark.....that is why Somerset is booming....I go there for the Post office, the bottle shop, the hairdresser, the Dr and the chemist.....and WHY???? because the parking is FREE.....yet I live in Moody Street 5 mins from the city centre....."	2017-09-15 12:27
"Too many big businesses pushing out the little guys"	2017-09-14 22:52

"people not spending currently, people staying home - not dining out currently."	2017-09-14 20:57
"I think businesses are struggling to bring in the customer clientele to a certain extent"	2017-09-14 19:59
"There is no one in town. We struggle to get people to come into our shop and sales drop EVERY YEAR. Feral kids everywhere, something needs to be done about them. Shoplifters are another issue."	2017-09-14 18:56
"In my industry its the large interstate businesses that are invading."	2017-09-14 17:34
"nothing good for sale here"	2017-09-14 16:56
"Jobs Failing business Families and lifestyle"	2017-09-14 15:15
"Online shopping"	2017-09-14 14:57
"Drugs are ruining the town and it's businesses"	2017-09-14 14:09
"shops aren't interesting. Bring big w"	2017-09-14 13:34
"Too many people shopping elsewhere "	2017-09-14 13:00
"Lack of street parking and not being to able to compete with online shopping. Also the amount of shoplifting seems to be on the rise"	2017-09-14 12:56

"High rental and rates - proven by vacant shops everywhere"	2017-09-14 11:11
"Rent"	2017-09-14 09:59
"no good shops"	2017-09-14 09:20
"Online shopping Shoplifting Parking"	2017-09-14 08:45
"Lack of opportunities and support from the council. Rent is way to high"	2017-09-14 08:38
"Starts off with not enough free parking. High costs for meals, not enough places sell foods for those with allergies/intolerances, not all businesses present customers with friendly attitudes, due to having a very low percentage of job opportunities for the amount of people in the community there are people that are unable to afford shopping or eating out."	2017-09-14 08:30
"Low income population with little to spend. Council driving away shoppers with expensive parking."	2017-09-14 08:18
"Population, low socioeconomic area."	2017-09-14 08:17
"Not offering what people want now days. Internet sales"	2017-09-14 08:05
"Rents shop lifting"	2017-09-14 06:53
"Competing with online shopping"	2017-09-14 06:14

"Rent is too high. Parking costs are ridiculous No incentive to shop in town. Or even stop for a coffee. Too many shops empty"	2017-09-14 06:05
"I don't really know. It cost too much money to start a business and most of people here are more than 50 years old."	2017-09-14 00:21
"Crime, shoplifting, ridiculous rental costs are keeping new businesses from opening, lack of shoppers, city is not inviting."	2017-09-13 23:24
"Rent pricing Community support Parking price"	2017-09-13 22:30
"Rising costs in rates, water, power and wages....."	2017-09-13 22:23
"Competition from online businesses."	2017-09-13 22:02
"Complex answer but I suppose lack of trade. I don't like browsing in CBD due to the antisocial people hanging around and it's not just youth."	2017-09-13 19:56
"The cost of rent in shops/ parking"	2017-09-13 19:53
"cost of out goings"	2017-09-13 19:02
"The rent for business owners is way too high therefore leaving them no option but to close down because they can't afford it which is then affecting how quiet and boring Burnie is becoming."	2017-09-13 18:24
"parking and aging/expensive buildings"	2017-09-13 17:03

"Rent is to high"	2017-09-13 16:41
"Lack of people spending as the population ages. Competition from online businesses. Doesn't appear to be any significant benefit for CBD businesses from cruise boat arrivals over summer."	2017-09-13 14:18
"Rent is far to high"	2017-09-13 10:11
"Maybe a more family friendly central area like undercover mall in main street and perhaps music .making burnie more social and friendly."	2017-09-13 09:50
"Costs of running and a lot of people with not a lot of money."	2017-09-13 07:51
"It would be hard for a business to keep progressing positively in Burnie when overhead prices are so high and as a shopper i find it more cheaper and convinient to shop online. By the time you pay petrol to get into town, try and find a park, pay ridiculous prices to park and then to buy things at much higher prices, its so much easier and cheaper to purchase online. I only go into town if i need something urgently."	2017-09-13 07:15
"I honestly don't know, competition with Macca's maybe."	2017-09-13 01:57
"Cost of rent"	2017-09-12 22:20
"It might be only 1.70 a hour to park but ulverstone is free and nice drive"	2017-09-12 21:05
"High cost of parking and fear of getting a ticket makes shopping in ulvie or wynyardv much more relaxed and enjoyable, i am going else where and v taking friend with me"	2017-09-12 20:57
"People won't pay for decent product and service so all we have left is junk shops in town and the bigger retailers trying to push out the smaller competition"	2017-09-12 20:56

"Cost of rent employees and customer flow and service"	2017-09-12 20:24
"I've heard from people who move to burnie from Hobart find it hard to get any job."	2017-09-12 20:08
"Rental prices Online shopping affecting business "	2017-09-12 19:58
"Paid parking, lack of parking and meter times not long enough. Lack of weather protection as discussed previously so people can get around easier without getting wet or blown away. Rental prices. (Burnie would be similar) K&D Hardware I heard was paying approx. \$20,000 per month - 'Chickenfeed' in Devonport was paying over \$2000 per week rent (I saw the advert for re rental when it closed) before they closed their doors - new shops in Shearwater are approx. \$600 - \$1000+ per week then + outgoings (so for the empty room) Leases are too long when a new business wants to 'try it' out."	2017-09-12 19:43
"Lack of confidence!"	2017-09-12 18:48
"Sometimes it's not "quick and easy" to get to where you want to go. Shops are small and can become crowded quickly"	2017-09-12 18:40
"As a consumer if you cannot find what you want local and have to shop elsewhere then often other shopping goes with you even if it can be bought in Burnie."	2017-09-12 18:36
"Things are cheaper to buy online. We need a more concentrated shopping complex that separates offices from retail so that all shops are easily accessible by foot"	2017-09-12 18:22
"Expensive rental prices"	2017-09-12 18:09
"High rents."	2017-09-12 18:01

"Local unemployment"	2017-09-12 17:36
"The rent is way to high, having my work in the CBD I understand the struggles businesses are having financially having to pay so much rent. We have to many mainlanders buying our property and then charging us rent that may be reasonable their home town but not for us in Burnie."	2017-09-12 17:28
"Lack of customers"	2017-09-12 17:17
"Cost of parking is too high, not enough convenient parking spaces and the spaces available are set up stupidly and people park half in one and half in another making even less parking available."	2017-09-12 17:15
"High rent. internet shopping being easier with more variety and cheaper"	2017-09-12 08:24
"The price of the rent of some buildings. And the struggle of young shop lifters. Not all small businesses can afford insurance against it."	2017-09-12 03:44
"We need people to spend more of their disposable income locally."	2017-09-11 20:10
"Cost of parking. Even charges on the weekend I go to Devonport and Ulverstone as it's free"	2017-09-11 19:58
"Many businesses that are doing things well are thriving, so I'd conclude that there are businesses that may not be keeping up with the times or managing things well. Perhaps some small businesses need more help with improving the way they run and promote their businesses."	2017-09-11 12:31
"A lot of businesses are struggling because of the unemployment rate in the area causing lease money to come through the doors"	2017-09-11 09:12
"High rent, power, water. People cant afford to buy and some (not all) people resort to Shoplifting."	2017-09-11 09:11

"No one can afford the rent these days without putting their prices up which makes customers not be able to afford the products"	2017-09-11 08:48
"High rental costs, seems to be somewhat of a boys club and certain people rarely give new business owners a go"	2017-09-11 08:45
"Decline in business options (novelty and specialist stores seem to be in sharp decline), rate and rent increases, culture of the people in the region, competitive online business, ebb and flow of tourism over the year, limited employee pool (people unwilling to move to the region for work-excepting industrial workers)"	2017-09-10 19:16
"Customer downfall, people don't have \$\$\$'S to spend. Costs of living exceeding."	2017-09-10 13:39
"I don't see business in Burnie as being any different to any other regional area."	2017-09-10 12:04
"High costs of running a business, threat of online shopping, and of course, shoplifting."	2017-09-10 11:18
"High rents and outgoings"	2017-09-10 09:17
"Rent"	2017-09-10 09:09
"It's of people with low income. High rents and rates"	2017-09-10 08:03
"They aren't offering what people want Parking prices"	2017-09-10 03:03
"The cost of rent"	2017-09-09 23:34

"-Rent is way too high -Parking is too expensive"	2017-09-09 23:31
"The vast majority of the population don't have a lot of extra expendable income. Cost of living is high- wages are low, or on unemployment. Of course there's no money left for most families and people to go out and spend other than on just the basics. Business can't thrive unless there's money in the community to start with."	2017-09-09 23:05
"Shop theft Online buying"	2017-09-09 22:06
"There rent is too high and because living is so expensive people can not afford to spend money."	2017-09-09 21:54
"The rent is sky high for a start. And since the closing of CAT people are still without jobs and that means people just dont have the money to spend to keep the small businesses going as they have to be tighter on their spending."	2017-09-09 21:51
"The internet is sadly killing our retail businesses and I believe affecting all local businesses due to being able to source a product needed cheaper somewhere else in the world online..."	2017-09-09 21:41
"High rents and lack of customers they cant afford to eat out everyday and pay for parking with woolies closing down has made it worse"	2017-09-09 20:35
"Price of rent Having the right product to be in demand Large companies squeezing out the little man"	2017-09-09 20:14
"Everyone uses online shopping where possible"	2017-09-09 20:09
"High rent. Less people in town because shops are empty and whats the point"	2017-09-09 20:03
"Rent is to high, parking prices are to high, people of Burnie don't have enough money to spend in speciality shops in Burnie. Keeping good staff, younger people are leaving to go to better opportunities in bigger cities. Theft in shops."	2017-09-09 19:09

"Capitalism was never meant to be a walk in the park if you are a little fish, bigger corporations and politicians are eating up everything and making no jobs. There is no growth anywhere right now, we are in a recession!"	2017-09-09 18:48
"Rent costs too much, cheaper to buy things online as online shops have more sales and often better service. Prices way too high and more variety online"	2017-09-09 18:19
"People say rent but I think the issue is people don't spend money in smaller shops they like the cheaper shiploads and kmart so unsure how you compete with that"	2017-09-09 17:34
"Rent is high in Burnie"	2017-09-09 16:21
"Unemployment. Shopping is restricted.....just recently had 3 work conferences to attend on mainland and could not find a nice formal dress in Burnie."	2017-09-09 16:04
"Because that 12 year old girl is stealing all of their stock"	2017-09-09 15:17
"I have a client trying to get a business up and running. The Burnie City Council has put obstacles in the way so much that they are considering not opening."	2017-09-09 15:14
"Price of rent Online shopping"	2017-09-09 14:33
"Economy"	2017-09-09 14:25
"Depressed economy due to lack of jobs."	2017-09-09 14:22
"Because the cost of everything is going threw the roof and people can not afford to just shop cause they can!"	2017-09-09 13:44

"its hard to find a reliable full time decent job/ boss. im unemployed atm as ive just had a baby but i have a trade yet i have been underpaid by bosses because their businesses are failing. one even changed me from casual to permanent part time without consulting me after my first pay fortnight so the rate of pay was less yet still didnt pay my super the whole year i worked for her..." 2017-09-09 13:25

"Too expensive to open in burnie. Parking is way too expensive. Online competition. More variety online. Stealing is happening alot." 2017-09-09 11:04

"Parking business owners cannot have their own parking. High rents that go off Hobart's CPI. And rates!" 2017-09-09 09:53

"Lack of tourism presence, poor socioeconomic environment, old premises needing an update" 2017-09-09 08:04

"Increasing costs of business. For retailers, stealing is always an issue. Increasing power costs and access to the right shopfront at the right price. People starting out are often moved out to Somerset for example due to rent prices." 2017-09-09 07:48

"I work for a family business in real estate. I find the biggest hurdles for businesses are the rents and outgoings. You need a decent money coming in to pay that and then pay the workers. Taxes are ridiculous. I find smaller business should not be paying the amount of tax they are as this is hurting them. The big companies continue to grow whilst the little ones shut down. We no longer look after our own which is terrible. Their are no penalty rates anymore and half the reason is because owners can't afford it due to everything they need to pay before their workers. Everything on Sunday is shut in Burnie. They would be better to open 9-5 Saturday and Sunday and shut Monday or Tuesday. Or simply reduce taxes and outgoings and let them build so Burnie doesn't look like we are going in the stone age" 2017-09-09 07:36

"Population and economic growth" 2017-09-09 06:51

"Lack of shoppers" 2017-09-09 01:35

"High rent..... I asked Jay Jay's why they have never come to Burnie for example....as I struggle to buy decent clothes for my teenagers....I was told by the Northern manager....it's the high rent in the Burnie CBD" 2017-09-09 23:56

"No customers"	2017-09-08 23:44
"Excessive rent prices by greedy landlords that can't see the bigger picture of dead space. Owning an empty building instead of lowering their rental price to allow for young business owners to have a go.. "	2017-09-08 23:38
"Not sure"	2017-09-08 22:46
"Not taking advantage of the online economy- bricks and mortar presence unnecessary these days"	2017-09-08 21:55
"Lower socioeconomic circumstances of many in community with increasing costs and low wage growth mean smaller specialty businesses arent able to be supported with cheaper stores becoming prevalent. Internet shopping adds more pressure. The closure of large high paying industries has reduced purchasing power by millions of dollars per annum."	2017-09-08 21:52
"Quite a few empty shops in Burnie .Parking too dear ."	2017-09-08 21:49
"High rents lack of good parking high meter rates and too many shops being over priced and selling the same or similar items"	2017-09-08 21:42
"High rents & high rates"	2017-09-08 21:15
"People buy online because there is no shopping"	2017-09-08 20:57
"Because there is no new business eg mines being open new wharf area to cater for bigger ships there is so much that can be done we just need more forward thinking and for business to be given the green light instead of minority's winning"	2017-09-08 20:13
"Lack of customer loyalty as people move online. Rent prices, parking, quality venues (eg. Look at the best accomodation places in the cbd, very limited) "	2017-09-08 20:10

"The rents are way too high for business owners"	2017-09-08 19:54
"Nobody likes paying for parking"	2017-09-08 19:48
"The rent is too high & not enough people to keep businesses open...people like me would rather go to Ulverstone where parking is free & to do the weekly groceries & general shopping. Burnie isn't a high income town so we don't need boutiques that cost waaaay above what ppl have to spend"	2017-09-08 19:39
"Enter text here lack of employment means lack of disposable income means business suffers"	2017-09-08 19:21
"Not enough variety customers are choosing to travel to shop"	2017-09-08 19:19
"Rent is sky high, the arcades dowdy and uninviting."	2017-09-08 19:07
"High rental prices. No incentive to open new businesses"	2017-09-08 19:02
"Stealing Lack of customers"	2017-09-08 18:59
"high rent / costs"	2017-09-08 18:56
"Commercial rental prices are to high."	2017-09-08 18:45
"Lack of population"	2017-09-08 18:39

"Rental prices, diminishing population with disposable income, lack of parking"	2017-09-08 18:30
"High rent"	2017-09-08 18:23
"Parking is so expensive lots of people avoid the cbd for shopping"	2017-09-08 18:22
"Rent is too high, too much shoplifting."	2017-09-08 18:08
"Rents too high Shop Lifters Prices"	2017-09-08 18:00
"shopping lifters andnot enough money in burnie"	2017-09-08 17:35
"Nobody shops in Burnie, I do a trip to Hobart once a year for my shopping needs"	2017-09-08 17:15
"All of the theft and stealing from small businesses. Rent in cdb is ridiculous. Not enough money going through businesses"	2017-09-08 16:58
"competition from within Government and council operations that are taking work away from the little people that are trying to make a living for their families. There needs to be more transparency in businesses."	2017-09-08 16:51
"High rent on shops.people not having money to shop because there is not enough jobs so ppl cant afford to shop so buisness suffers"	2017-09-08 15:56
"Variety, unemployment"	2017-09-08 15:21

"Lack of customer service skills, high prices."	2017-09-08 15:09
"Forcing people to use multi-story car parks puts people off, especially if they only wish to go to one or two places. Also, for those of us who are carers or have time constraints, it's all too often not worth the effort, so I/we don't bother."	2017-09-08 15:01
"1. Internet sales 2. Parking 3. Loss of vibrancy in the CBD - no pizzazz 4. Lack of smaller shops, but does this occur due to lack of higher incomes of customers?"	2017-09-08 14:54
"Empty shops..."	2017-09-08 14:26
"Online shopping Democratic"	2017-09-08 14:21
"Bloody expensive parking"	2017-09-08 12:35
"Competing with on line shopping"	2017-09-08 12:19
"Lack of sales"	2017-09-08 12:04
"limited city may be"	2017-09-08 11:55
"The high rent!"	2017-09-08 11:29
"Price of rent"	2017-09-08 11:13

"High rent prices "	2017-09-08 10:58
"Low employment means less money to spend locally. Also, online shopping is significantly cheaper and local businesses just can't compete. High rents are also resulting in business closures."	2017-09-08 10:54
"The price of things people do t have the money to spend so the businesses are struggling"	2017-09-08 10:04
"People shop online...rental expensive"	2017-09-08 08:30
"Parking!"	2017-09-08 08:10
"Poor variety"	2017-09-08 06:15
"A dead cbd and expensive parking"	2017-09-08 00:33
"High rents, competition from online retailers"	2017-09-07 22:49
"Over heads , lack of people in the area shopping locally"	2017-09-07 22:36
"High rents and cost of parking"	2017-09-07 22:05
"Competition from online and ease of access to bigger cities (e.g. People go to Melbourne to see footy and shop whilst they are there)"	2017-09-07 22:00

"Price of rent for business premises, cost of overheads, lower income earners and increase in cost of living leaving less disposable income, big chain stores taking away business from smaller businesses"	2017-09-07 21:18
"Everyone is leaving burnie for job opportunities this makes it hard for a business to last in burnie"	2017-09-07 21:00
"High rents Poor foot traffic Petty crime Smoking on streets in cbd bus stops Loiterers Silver birch trees need to be removed Better upkeep of planter boxes Need more community events based in cbd Better presence of mayor and all alderman in town "	2017-09-07 20:51
"Rent is too high, not enough competition therefore prices are higher, they don't accommodate for their clientele"	2017-09-07 20:43
"Heavy overheads."	2017-09-07 20:31
"Fewer customers. Increasing purchases online."	2017-09-07 20:29
"Online shopping Cost of parking rather go to ulvie where there's no cost it shop on a Sunday"	2017-09-07 20:28
"People are too poor to spend on quality or handmade products."	2017-09-07 20:17
"Population density"	2017-09-07 20:06
"Government and council fee's,"	2017-09-07 20:05
"Rent is too high to justify staying open if the economy and population don't support the finances"	2017-09-07 19:55

"No one likes shopping in Burnie."	2017-09-07 19:39
"High rent. Lack of parking. Online shopping."	2017-09-07 19:35
"Parking prices... And if you bring your kids nothing to do to bring them to burnie because nothing to do before or after shopping"	2017-09-07 19:33
"No free parking. No idea."	2017-09-07 19:29
"Our town gears up for summer, visitors & ships..but not so much in winter"	2017-09-07 19:24
"Everyone shops online because it's easier and you can do so many different payment plans (afterpay)"	2017-09-07 19:19
"Theft"	2017-09-07 18:56
"Rent prices, nothing different bringing people to Burnie"	2017-09-07 18:47
"Parking prices... These ticket machines showing up all around town you can just put 20 cents in anymore for a 5 min drop into a shop... Older generation are unsure how to use them... And what would you go into town for. I can pay bills and grocery shop in upper burnie without restrictions on parking"	2017-09-07 18:44
"Too many of the same businesses (cafes, hair salons and discount stores). Inability to even attempt to price match with internet and Hobart"	2017-09-07 18:44
"High rents, people thieving from them."	2017-09-07 18:32

"The price of leasing buildings. Shoplifters. Not enough customers."	2017-09-07 18:17
"Rent costs, not enough people in the city spending \$"	2017-09-07 17:34
"High rent, high percentage of low incomes"	2017-09-07 17:24
"Economic downturn. Lack of employment means lack of a population with disposable income and therefore there is low expenditure."	2017-09-07 16:54
"Ugly "big box" franchises rather than small independent stores. High rents. Horrible voucher parking. Less disposable income."	2017-09-07 16:35
"*Lack of customers, mainly due to parking issues *Cost of rent"	2017-09-07 16:33
"Parking Youth culture Exposure"	2017-09-07 16:18
"Not enough parking, parking that exists is overpriced. Businesses that don't take EFTPOS don't get my money."	2017-09-07 16:15
"Rents & rates are to high. Businesses aren't open on weekends when people are free / Close before mid-day. A lot of businesses in burnie are the same."	2017-09-07 16:13
"Most businesses are based on the same aspects in Burnie. There are multiple stores that are the all the same but provide diffetent brands for their resources. They need to widen their varieties and improve the overall looks."	2017-09-07 15:40
"High rent, theft and unemployment"	2017-09-07 15:39

"High rent. Increasing costs"	2017-09-07 15:34
"No enough shoppers, the parking situation is definitely not helpful to shopping. The empty shops puts off visitors I think. What about putting local artists works in the empty shops. Burnie wants to represent itself as a artistic city."	2017-09-07 15:13
"Online shoppers"	2017-09-07 14:59
"I know I've just said this but thieves are at an all time high in our community and it's absolutely disgusting how they get away with it. I don't give a crap who you are, how old you are, what your home life is like, if you steal from a small or big business who's employees/employers are just trying to make a living in an already declining community then you are a not a nice person."	2017-09-07 14:55
"Too high rent in the CBD"	2017-09-07 14:32
"There's no money in Burnie. It's becoming such a low socio-economic area. I deliberately shop online to avoid having to go into town because its such an undesirable place to go."	2017-09-07 14:29
"I would guess that it would be online shopping. Burnie doesn't have a very big variety of stores to shop at, lots of Cafes, Fast Food shops and Hairdressers and not much else. As a customer I know that I haven't been happy with the service that I have received from a few businesses locally (mostly from the chain stores)."	2017-09-07 13:59
"My business relies on disposable income, and no one has it any more."	2017-09-07 13:55
"Lack of shoppers."	2017-09-07 13:32
"Things are too expensive and no one has spare money"	2017-09-07 13:29
"Rent prices Not enough people shopping in town doing online Not enough variety of businesses Parking costs"	2017-09-07 13:29

"Parking meters should be free, rent, financial strain of families"	2017-09-07 13:21
"I think cbd rents are expensive I think people don't want to pay for parking especially for short visits Not many covered areas so get wet between carpark and shops"	2017-09-07 13:04
"Rent n coat or parking"	2017-09-07 12:41
"Internet shopping and declining economy"	2017-09-07 12:32
"Rents are too high, and people don't want to pay for parking I rent a building in South burnie for my business because people have ease of parking and I pay nearly half the price I would if I rented a building in burnie cbd"	2017-09-07 12:22
"I'm happy to park a distance from the CBD and walk, but sometimes if I haven't put enough in the meter, I have to get back to the car, and then cut short my shopping."	2017-09-07 11:36
"No jobs= no money to spend."	2017-09-07 11:09
"High rentals"	2017-09-07 10:50
"Paid parking is one of the things that are really hurting the CBD. High rents and no future planning to reinvigorate the city! Its dying and it needs help!"	2017-09-07 10:45
"Price of rents. Small number of people holding the majority of properties and having little interest in maintaining or developing them."	2017-09-07 10:41
"High rent"	2017-09-07 10:26

"Online shopping has a lot more variety and cheaper prices than the few shops available in the CBD. Other than Kmart and Coles I shop online."	2017-09-07 10:08
"there is not enough variety of shops in Burnie and very little entertainment for the younger generation to keep them here."	2017-09-07 10:02
"Parking, youth hanging round downtown and intimidating others, shopping precinct is spread too far"	2017-09-07 09:47
"Price of leasing"	2017-09-07 09:45
"Lack of consumers"	2017-09-07 09:19
"Rent"	2017-09-07 09:15
"Decline in face to face retail shopping"	2017-09-07 09:10
"Lack of parking. Lack of interest in people going into the city... people would rather travel to Launceston to shop at myer etc and so the small businesses miss out."	2017-09-07 08:44
"From what I hear it would be rent costs and people shopping in other towns or online"	2017-09-07 08:39
"No one wants to come into town"	2017-09-07 08:34
"High percentage of Burnie are low income /unemployed and don't have splash cash for cafe/restaurant/retail therapy like our previous industries (appm, tioxide, caterpillar and other work associated with)"	2017-09-07 08:17

"Rates! Can't compete with online prices. Shit parking outside these small businesses."	2017-09-07 08:14
"There isn't enough money/business there which is obviously making it hard for people to hire more staff and keep them on."	2017-09-07 08:04
"Sales decline as burnie citizens dont have much disposable income"	2017-09-07 06:48
"Bigans stealing and forcing places to shut down. We don't have an iconic reason for people to come to burnie. So we don't have anyone coming to burnie except us who live here there is nothing to draw travelers"	2017-09-07 06:39
"High rent Having to pay for parking People moving away due to lack of employment Online shopping being much cheaper People shopping in Wynyard or Ulverstone as they don't have to pay parking "	2017-09-07 06:34
"low income and unemployed can't support local businesses"	2017-09-07 05:30
"cost of electricity, rent and lack of disposable income from families struggling with the high cost of living"	2017-09-07 00:37
"Not enough employed people to spend their money"	2017-09-07 00:36
"Lack of support from Council. High unemployment, less spending money. The University and Beach Restaurant (both businesses) seem to be getting an extreme advantage to the detriment of community organisations. "	2017-09-07 00:23
"Shop lifters. I work in retail and the amount of people that steal is just appalling, and it is far too often the same people over and over again. And rent prices in cbd too high. The new parking meters are just stupid. I refuse to use them."	2017-09-07 00:20
"Lack of support Theft/crime"	2017-09-07 00:20

"Because there is lack of employment and industries and growth in population. Losing young people who go else where to try make a better life. More jobs more money spent locally supporting other locals."	2017-09-07 00:10
"Economic decline Online market"	2017-09-07 00:00
"competition with online retailers, lack of public spending ability,"	2017-09-06 23:44
"The high cost of power, rent etc."	2017-09-06 23:38
"Lack of people shopping and lack of things to shop for"	2017-09-06 23:33
"Low population maybe. Be more like Hobart"	2017-09-06 23:33
"Affordability to run a businesses and pay lease makes it hard to keep prices down. We all say the parking prices are over the top. Get in get out asap as not to pay to much for parking. There isnt really alot to go into the city for. Nothing left. Most people just shop online or go to devenport or Launceston"	2017-09-06 23:30
"Businesses are taking up too much room. Need more wood chip space"	2017-09-06 23:30
"Unsure."	2017-09-06 23:26
"Business went bust due to lack of people shopping"	2017-09-06 23:19
"We have so many great shops and businesses for the lack of people we have around. We put in great places and they don't survive because we don't have the population. We literally have to much option. Because we have too much we need to find away to bring people all over the coast to want to come here to shop and be excited."	2017-09-06 23:19

"Everyone being broke on centrelink or on the drugs."	2017-09-06 23:15
"Hard to compete with online shopping. Lack of free parking"	2017-09-06 23:14
"The price of parking is keeping people out of town. It's ridiculous!! Shopping options are limited. Same thing, different shop."	2017-09-06 23:14
"Employment, income and theft"	2017-09-06 23:11
"I think businesses may be struggling because A:there is no structure to where the shops are for example walking through the cbd of burnie everything is all over the place. If you look at thriving suburbs in bigger cities they have blocked off main street areas for shopping hubs like why not make wilson street (between cattley and wilmot) a mall type area? And instead of just letting another camera shop open or optometrist Or bank, why not spend some money and fit out vacant shops so they can be let out to be cafes or internet lounges or even a food court. B:I think the biggest problem is the council always wants to make a \$ profit back on anything they spend im the year that dollar was spent as it needs to be justified straightaway instead of thinking of the long term increase in base population due to better facilities and layout. An example of this is, I have travelled by car all around australias coast, the most popular little cities and ones with a great family feel were ones with a great foreshore (burnie has a forshore with so much potential, the railway needs to go, there needs to be a bike path separate to the walking path, the petrol stations need to go, there could be better use of the space along the boardwalk like pop up shops or food van hire carparks, toilet and shower block etc) and another thing that i look for in a great foreshore is a FISHING JETTY sooooo many people around burnie and wynyard fish why not add a proper fishing jetty to the foreshore with fish cleaning stations! Another slow burn drae card that people move to cities for. I know there is one at south burnie but its not going to draw people to the cbd is it? One on the burnie foreshore would be so heavily used it would be great. Look at hervey bay in QLD it is a huge drawcard for their city. C: no one is open at night. The only late night shopping place is mcdonalds... D: Everyones shops are clinical feeling. We are in a cold weather city. Shops should be warm, cosy feeling, have couches, fireplaces, nooks and crannies to pile into on a cold tassie day and warm up. "	2017-09-06 23:11
"Not enough larger job opportunities for larger quantities of people.. need a large company to locate itself in burnie to bring population and keep existing citizens"	2017-09-06 23:11
"People just don't have money to spend and rent for businesses is to high"	2017-09-06 23:10

"Turnover"	2017-09-06 23:10
"*Online shopping •Number of people on welfare with no spare money for extras "	2017-09-06 23:09
"Lack of customers expensive rent shop lifters"	2017-09-06 23:05
"Lack of customers, because of how rough our streets are becoming"	2017-09-06 22:57
"I do i dont see alot of people in the city"	2017-09-06 22:55
"I'm not sure, but every new store seems to close quickly.. there seem to be more empty shops all the time... I think customers lack variety and affordability in Burnie, so, I know I will shop online..."	2017-09-06 22:47
"Competing with online sales especially when people say parking is too expensive, other places like Ulverstone and Wynyard don't charge for parking."	2017-09-06 22:33
"Their establishments being too expensive."	2017-09-06 22:32
"Lack of employment equals lack of money to spend...simple really"	2017-09-06 22:29
"Lack of employment and future opportunities are leaving people with little or no money to spend on local business"	2017-09-06 22:19
"Parking Layout of the CBD "	2017-09-06 22:18

"Online trading. .can't compete with high cost of rent"	2017-09-06 22:01
"Getting customers Competing with big businesses "	2017-09-06 22:01
"Enough customers wanting to shop at their business"	2017-09-06 21:57
"Price of parking and the limited parking"	2017-09-06 21:51
"Expensive rent and exorbitant rates in the CBD and declining population"	2017-09-06 21:47
"The cbd is not appealing, there is nothing to draw customers into the cbd and into shops"	2017-09-06 21:44
"sign of the times"	2017-09-06 21:43
"Poor parking with high cost on spaces is one but a general lack of knowledge and work ethic from empolyers in the fields they work in"	2017-09-06 21:33
"I don't think they are"	2017-09-06 21:24
"No free parking to attract shoppers. Rise of online shopping."	2017-09-06 21:21
"Rent Lack pf customers No free parking- even Devonport has free parking"	2017-09-06 21:07

"huge rent prices, not sure why shop owners wouldn't be happy with less rent if it means that their shop is full"	2017-09-06 20:51
"Dear parking and shoplifting"	2017-09-06 20:49
"Freight cost, decline in mining, decline in manufacturing,"	2017-09-06 20:43
"High rates"	2017-09-06 20:22
"Lack of support from local council."	2017-09-06 20:01
"Rates too high"	2017-09-06 19:58
"Parking expenses"	2017-09-06 19:19
"People don't "go shopping" in downtown Burnie, just get what they need and get out. Because it's too hard and costs more the longer you stay."	2017-09-06 18:53
"Fast food and discount shops appear to be thriving but other businesses seem to struggle due to consumer's financial circumstances."	2017-09-06 18:52
"Lack of choice, online shopping, tired city centre"	2017-09-06 18:45
"High rentals"	2017-09-06 17:54

"Unemployed that don't have any money ."	2017-09-06 17:42
"Poor service "	2017-09-06 17:32
"Because in town is unattractive and not inviting"	2017-09-06 17:26
"People don't have disposable income, cost of running a business"	2017-09-06 17:10
"Steve Kons owns everything and can set whatever price he wants for rent which is driving businesses out of business..."	2017-09-06 16:58
"Little shits stealing"	2017-09-06 16:39
"Rents too high "	2017-09-06 16:13
"Shop rents are too high for the area"	2017-09-06 16:06
"The boom in online shopping"	2017-09-06 15:55
"Cost of keeping business open - rates/power/water etc"	2017-09-06 15:50
"High rents"	2017-09-06 15:19

"People not supporting local business"	2017-09-06 15:18
"Pay rises stagnant, the new uni campus should help invigorate the CBD"	2017-09-06 15:08
"Parking fees, drug addiction."	2017-09-06 14:59
"With low employment and low population, there just isn't enough money to spend. We have a city than CAN cater to 30,000 people but only has about 20,000. That's why the shops are empty and a lot of the time the town looks empty."	2017-09-06 14:29
"I think because a big part is there isn't enough parking near where you wish you shop and most people are too lazy to walk. So I think that's why"	2017-09-06 14:18
"High rates Poor local government City link Parking"	2017-09-06 14:15
"People don't have enough money to buy from them. Not enough variety of different food. Businesses being stolen from all the time"	2017-09-06 13:56
"Theft, defacing and vandalised property"	2017-09-06 13:51
"Competition from online retailers, poor customer service through poorly trained staff, unsustainably high prices"	2017-09-06 13:47
"Parking price to high so people park in multistories and only shop close by. Sometime if you can't park intbestreet it's easier to just drive away and do it next tine"	2017-09-06 13:40
"Shoplifters"	2017-09-06 13:26

"Paid Parking, Small Opening Hours and The People Living Here"	2017-09-06 13:14
"Struggling small businesses"	2017-09-06 13:14
"Declining population"	2017-09-06 13:09
"Rates that are way to high. Rent also extremely high."	2017-09-06 13:08
"From what I've been told the rental costs and overheads are the main issues. But I see a number of issues in the CBD. I moved here 18months ago and the first impression of Burnie City is it is drab and dull. Not vibrant at all. There is a lot of grey tired run down buildings and too large a percentage of them are empty. Business attracts business so everybody wins if more shops are opened. There are very few empty shops in Penguin, Ulverstone, Somerset and Wynyard. Yet Burnie appears to be around 20% empty. Burnie has a tourist port that brings ship loads of tourists to our door every year. I don't think it's an over statement to say something is seriously wrong with this picture. I believe the first priority for Burnie is to get more businesses open and make the CBD a thriving hub of activity. Whatever the main issues are that are preventing businesses from opening their doors in Burnie needs to be addressed urgently. More businesses open means more business for everyone. it means more employment, which equals more income, which equals more employment. since arriving I've seen a number of businesses close down and it's demoralising to watch. If it's a trend then it is a cause for great concern."	2017-09-06 12:58
"Lowering population "	2017-09-06 12:56
"No one has enough money to spend these days with job losses etc"	2017-09-06 12:56
"Burnie is no different to the rest of the country. They failed to see the changing patons of doing business. They lost focus, service became bad, standards fell. The days of customers coming to you have gone you have to go to your customers. "	2017-09-06 12:47
"Word of mouth says cost of CBD rent/ rates"	2017-09-06 12:45

<p>"Shop lifting seems to be a growing problem with courts doing little, if anything, to deter it. Lack of employment hence lack of money to spend. Older people do not enjoy shopping in CBD due to it being over run by teens, preteens who have no consideration for other people by using the foulest of language and behaviours. This is especially bad in the KMart, Reject Shop areas, bus stop areas. I would much rather shop online than face shopping down the street. Also some businesses need to look at staff development workshops that teach their employees how to relate to customers. I refuse to go back to a shop where I am greeted with a grunt, a look of boredom or a sneer. A smile, a hello, will get a return customer."</p>	<p>2017-09-06 12:37</p>
<p>"Shop lifters, lack of variety driving people to shop online eg nowhere for larger men to but "nicer" clothing, nowhere for formal clothing"</p>	<p>2017-09-06 12:36</p>
<p>"jobs"</p>	<p>2017-09-06 12:36</p>
<p>"Lack of customers "</p>	<p>2017-09-06 12:35</p>
<p>"Cost of rent Lack of help for small businesses"</p>	<p>2017-09-06 12:34</p>
<p>"Lack of disposable income for families who are un or under employed Very hard to compete with online shopping"</p>	<p>2017-09-06 12:27</p>
<p>"Demographic of people Business suitability to changing demographic "</p>	<p>2017-09-06 12:17</p>
<p>"Lack of forward vision on behalf of the Council, the closed off mentality to growing beyond what they believe is sustainable. The rent for shop fronts and warehousing pushes small business to close or go elsewhere. Little here to draw a tourist in to spend the dollar!"</p>	<p>2017-09-06 12:03</p>
<p>"Not enough employment so not enough spare money to shop."</p>	<p>2017-09-06 11:55</p>
<p>"Rent prices, lack of businesses to keep shoppers interested and keep coming back to Burnie"</p>	<p>2017-09-06 11:31</p>

"Lack of training, planning, customer service skills and tailoring the stores to suit a smaller city. We aren't Melbourne and we never will be. We need affordable shops that suit our needs, specialty shops that cost hundreds of dollars just to buy one shirt will never thrive in Burnie. Big W, Aldi etc would suit better in my opinion"	2017-09-06 11:29
"There is no drawcard to coming to the city, I travel for necessities as I find it difficult to get around w a baby and pram. No where to shelter for feeding and feels cramped and pokey."	2017-09-06 11:04
"Online purchases due to a declining shop frontage in the CBD"	2017-09-06 10:28
"Leases too expensive and rent. Lack of support with the council."	2017-09-06 10:15
"Lack of clientele"	2017-09-06 10:06
"Sadly, businesses don't seem to last long in Burnie. I think it's great when there is a new shop, but it's depressing when it doesn't last. They build columnar court for example to be a higher end arcade, shops don't last or don't do well in cbd, maybe because people can't afford their goods..... Burnie isn't high end for start, nor do we earn enough to shop at higher end shopping. Burnie has a lot to offer but finding that spark to give it is the problem."	2017-09-06 10:00
"High rents which have a knock on effect on prices. Cheaper to buy online."	2017-09-06 10:00
"Rents & Rates , struggling due to lack of population ..."	2017-09-06 09:50
"Rent & rates are crippling all small business. Customers shopping online now instead of local."	2017-09-06 09:44
"Declining population. Older population. Lack of growth. Surrounding primary industry decline"	2017-09-06 09:30

"Operating costs & shop lifting. Also finding employees that know how to work"	2017-09-06 09:27
"Overpriced shop rents. Declining population. Lack of "feeling" and atmosphere in the cbd. Too many little thieves and deadbeats hanging around"	2017-09-06 09:26
"Not sure."	2017-09-06 09:25
"Price of parking seems to be a big issue for a lot of people.... Places like Wynyard,Somerset,ulverstone seem to be busy.... The main difference I can see is free parking"	2017-09-06 09:09
"not enough people willing to spend money in the area which stems to tourism which is usually limited to peak season when the cruise ships arrive. plus no tourists actually want to stay overnight in burnie due to there being no were nice to stay and not alot to explore in the cbd area"	2017-09-06 08:59
"The threats from on-line retail"	2017-09-06 08:55
"Lack of economic stimulation, unemployment"	2017-09-06 08:51
"Online shopping"	2017-09-06 08:46
"Unrealistic rents . Hoonshanging around doing nothing."	2017-09-06 08:37
"Down turn in customers, due to nothing exciting in the town which is starting to turn burnie into a ghost town, and the price of parking!"	2017-09-06 08:36
"rent prices parking prices uncontrollable youth in the town parking meter times too short"	2017-09-06 08:34

"High rents and parking costs."	2017-09-06 08:30
"There is very little reason to shop here. The city needs an anchor that other shops can cling to. The "centro" is a joke!"	2017-09-06 08:22
"costs such as rent"	2017-09-06 08:18
"Arrogance they stock what they want rather than what the public want, out of touch with current market trends. Cafes are frustratingly too similar to each other and quite a few have questionable hygiene. It's embarrassing to admit that Devonport is leading the way in this respect. Business owners are extremely vocal in a negative way by blaming customers rather than reflecting upon the business practices."	2017-09-06 08:06
"Lack of population"	2017-09-06 08:04
"Online compitition"	2017-09-06 07:55
"A lot of small retailers are struggling but most of these are clothes shops etc that people can get stuff from the internet cheaper and quicker, business need to look at diversifying to keep there heads above water."	2017-09-06 07:50
"Economy slowed + unemployment Being in the CBD not a pleasant experience- people using vile language, not vibrant, have to walk through cigarette smoke constantly Unable to compete with online shopping"	2017-09-06 07:38
"Population decline"	2017-09-06 07:30
"Internet shopping"	2017-09-06 07:27
"Need change"	2017-09-06 07:26

"Rental prices, and getting enough people in the cbd"	2017-09-06 07:25
"Battling with my online sales for small business. I think you need a niche if you are going to invest in burnie and it be successful"	2017-09-06 07:24
"Poor customer service. Trying to compete on just "being local", without offering a compelling reason why people should shop with them. In a national/global economy people have the choice of easily spending their money elsewhere. Local businesses need to offer something extra & a good customer experience is the most important factor to get right."	2017-09-06 07:22
"Cost of parking is a real issue with people, we somehow need to make the cbd more attractive"	2017-09-06 07:09
"Obviously the rent. But in saying that if the government had any authority they would let all these new mines go ahead. You know why? Because the state can't survive on tourism. New mines create many new jobs in all working areas and it flows down the line completely. Creating god knows how many new jobs not just at the mine itself during construction and eventually operations. It also creates work for other small business which means they need mor employees which means guess what? More people spending! Which means guess what again? More having a need to have what they want in Burnie CBD and people spending locally. Quite simple really. More mines=more jobs=more money which creates more spending. Parking in the cbd certainly isn't the issue it is much bigger than that"	2017-09-06 06:56
"Unemployment is rising therefore less spending"	2017-09-06 06:55
"Lack of local support"	2017-09-06 06:53
"I'm not sure"	2017-09-06 06:43
"Whilst my business is thriving - it is said to see so many others (largely food retailers) struggling to stay above water. We need a bigger emphasis on shopping locally."	2017-09-06 06:35
"Internet shopping all the young generation are doing it , there are not enough shops here for a virity , rent is to high here , all the big shops come in and small buisness have to close,"	2017-09-06 06:33

"Lack of shoppers Lack of money in community Lack of cheap and free close parking"	2017-09-06 06:26
"Dearest rates in the western world. The council is our enemy. They shld be tried for treason"	2017-09-06 06:23
"Lack of opportunity, lack of custom"	2017-09-06 06:19
"Shop lifters, rent being to high, and lack of business"	2017-09-06 06:11
"Online shopping. I am in the food industry, so This doesn't effect me. "	2017-09-06 06:05
"Declining population"	2017-09-06 05:52
"Shop lifters"	2017-09-06 05:27
"Nothing different here to attract people. Farmers market should be located in city centre on a Saturday morning."	2017-09-06 05:24
"To many cafes all business trying to be the same. Online shopping is also cheaper tgan a lot of the shops"	2017-09-06 05:17
"Trying to compete with online shopping, most of the money in most households would go to covering basic costs of living, cheaper price on basics almost always wins over paying extra for quality or service, parking meters are expensive and the voucher system is ridiculous when the weather is bad or if you have small children, those who don't work in the city seem to 'come in' for something specific - it's not seen as somewhere to stop in spontaneously, too many 'bogans' loitering around the streets and often smoking too... (I'm thinking of retail services)"	2017-09-06 04:35

"High rent costs and overheads"	2017-09-06 03:57
"Burnie is old fashion its old"	2017-09-06 03:57
"Unemployment"	2017-09-06 03:08
"Not enough support for small businesses therefore struggle to give work to employees"	2017-09-06 03:02
"Rent prices,"	2017-09-06 02:35
"People don't have the disposable income they used to with more pensioners and unemployed"	2017-09-06 02:34
"The retail sector in Burnie is particularly vulnerable at the moment. There is so much shop lifting going on with seemingly little consequence. The lack of parking for brief periods is a joke and so expensive!!!!"	2017-09-06 02:30
"Between the smokers and the general lack of courtesy on the streets, walking through the CBD is a nightmare. It's easier and quicker to walk through the mall and surrounding streets of Launceston in peak hour that it is to walk through Burnie on the average day. People don't pay attention, walk across your path, block the path by walking 3 or 4 abreast. It's awful, just awful and I hate the CBD because of it."	2017-09-06 01:59
"Price of rent seems ridiculous "	2017-09-06 01:58
"People flows is quiet low and I fell this comes into play in the city"	2017-09-06 01:38
"High rent prices?"	2017-09-06 01:34

"Parking and unemployment"	2017-09-06 01:11
"Rental prices, no free parking especially of a weekend."	2017-09-06 01:10
"Rent is too high, rates are too high. Nothing on to encourage people into town. Nothing new.."	2017-09-06 00:53
"High rent, lack of interest, no excitement or vibrancy in the town"	2017-09-06 00:38
"Price on rental of there shops"	2017-09-06 00:37
"The main businesses that seem to be struggling, are the retail sector. I think a lot of this is because of the amount of online purchasing that now happens."	2017-09-06 00:30
"The city needs to be conected, having a mall and connected buildings or undercover wld help. I shop in coles atm. I have broke my leg. Parking in kmart plaza gives me access to alot of shops close, dry and convenient. Wynyard is the pits when tge weather is miserable"	2017-09-06 00:30
"Cost of living - people would love to be able to shop local more often if they could afford it, but not much left after living expenses."	2017-09-06 00:27
"Cost of rents, taxes, insurances, vandalism, shoplifting, cost of parking."	2017-09-06 00:12
"I don't know business owners should answer this question however high lease payts could be a factor, lack of choice ie no variety. Mensland closed down so no mens clothing shops except for best and less, Kmart and Target and the lack of options in those is deplorable."	2017-09-06 00:08
"Rents are too high for small businesses. Too many people shopping from the liw income mindset"	2017-09-05 23:48

"No increase in population and businesses facing increases in costs, including rates taxes power and water"	2017-09-05 23:42
"- Customers/families don't have extra or spare cash to spend - Population - we don't have a large variety of shops in the cbd - competing with larger companies"	2017-09-05 23:34
."	2017-09-05 23:30
"You single out Burnie. CBDs everywhere are declining. I was in Melbourne recently there are empty shops everywhere. There are many thriving businesses in Burnie. I am in a service industry and have more customers than i can manage. I also charge about \$20.00 to \$25.00 more per hour than most of my competitors."	2017-09-05 23:27
"Cost of rent Theft "	2017-09-05 23:25
"Lack of incentive to shop. Expensive parking with short time frame - building are old and ugly with little \$ to make improvements."	2017-09-05 23:23
"Rent prices. Stealing. Parking fees."	2017-09-05 23:20
"Stealing is a big problem"	2017-09-05 23:19
"Rent/leases are to expensive and there are too many of the same business."	2017-09-05 23:12
"Not enough to attract tourisim to Burnie Online shopping has impacted Burnie and many can't afford to spend a lot of money"	2017-09-05 23:09
"Lack of variety Poor service standards High rents, rates and costs of doing business Lack of marketing support No point of difference Parking costs"	2017-09-05 23:05

"Cost of leases etc v customer flow."	2017-09-05 23:01
"People buy online, there is no quality to most options in Burnie and people don't have money to spend - it goes on gambling, grog and drugs."	2017-09-05 22:59
"Internet shopping Youth Lack of access for elderly"	2017-09-05 22:58
"I don't think are lot of businesses are struggling. I know quite a few business owners that are doing quite well, in saying that they are businesses that employ 10 or less people"	2017-09-05 22:54
"Unemployment Vandalism/shoplifting "	2017-09-05 22:54
"People not having high disposable income"	2017-09-05 22:51
"They are not offering what the people want and/or our unemployment rates result in lack of cash flow."	2017-09-05 22:43
"High rent, too long trading hours - people don't need to be shopping 7 days a week. Anti-social behaviour and shop stealing - not being dealt with adequately - offenders getting away with too much"	2017-09-05 22:40
"Economy. Lack of youth staying in the town no job opportunities"	2017-09-05 22:39
"Parking fees, lack of incentive to set up in Burnie"	2017-09-05 22:38
"The high rent wages and not enough populations"	2017-09-05 22:38

"Limited job opportunities mean limited amount of disposable income"	2017-09-05 22:34
"I have small hairdressing salon . Why do the council allow so many home hairdressers to open in own home . No training of apprentices happens there"	2017-09-05 22:32
"High rent. Predominantly Medium-low income/socio economic population"	2017-09-05 22:29
"Red tape/requirements to get businesses up and running are ridiculous"	2017-09-05 22:29
"No free parking"	2017-09-05 22:29
"People prefer to buy online cheaper"	2017-09-05 22:28
"Not enough people so shops are forced to close. parking is expensive thats if you can get one!"	2017-09-05 22:26
"People not shopping locally and shoplifting"	2017-09-05 22:25
"No employment no money to spend in the shops"	2017-09-05 22:24
"Cost to much"	2017-09-05 22:20
"Ridiculous rent levels. Lack of opportunities"	2017-09-05 22:19

"People buying goods online instead of local. And the amount of youths that continue to disrupt the town area and steal"	2017-09-05 22:18
"People thieving and getting away with it only to thief again. Also lack of businesses means lack of jobs which means more unemployed people which means they have little to no income and therefore can't shop in Burnie and support businesses"	2017-09-05 22:18
"Not enough businesses supporting local business"	2017-09-05 22:17
"Not sure"	2017-09-05 22:17
"low socioeconomic area, poor signage for visitors driving past, no incentive to stop and stay, Burnie has a bad reputation locally and within the state"	2017-09-05 22:12
"The negative attitude of the media naming it the welfare capital of Australia . An attitude of "that will never work in Burnie" to any new venture or idea --there are more than welfare people in Burnie and locals will support new ventures if they are on trend.Look how small Byron Bay is and everything comes from there!!!!!!!"	2017-09-05 22:12
"Low population and low income families"	2017-09-05 22:11
"Lack of cash flow , struggling environment , people have a no care attitude towards themselves and others, no pride"	2017-09-05 22:09
"They are so expensive and don't have a huge range"	2017-09-05 22:09
"Rental price."	2017-09-05 22:05
"Lack of parking, short business hours "	2017-09-05 22:05

"Ridiculous cost of street parking that discourages visitors. There should be no meters or meters with a limit but cost kept low (eg 20c per hour) which would stop people working in town taking the street parking but encourage shoppers. Burnie council lacks the vision to create a thriving CBD."	2017-09-05 22:04
"Rent too high"	2017-09-05 22:04
"Online shopping, shoplifters"	2017-09-05 22:02
"Terribly high and unrealistic rent prices, the boom has gone but these prices are still up."	2017-09-05 22:02
"Low disposable income in the area and very little on-street parking within the CBD."	2017-09-05 22:01
"With teenagers becoming so bored the number of "bogans" in the CBD is rapidly growing. So much so, it is now unpleasant to shop in Burnie."	2017-09-05 22:01
"Leasing fees and shoplifters"	2017-09-05 21:58
"Business owners set in their ways. They resist competition rather than improve their stores/businesses. A lot don't properly list their shops online (Google maps etc) so are difficult for tourists or new people to find. Rent is said to be high in CBD."	2017-09-05 21:57
"Lack of support. Thieves. To much of the same types of shops."	2017-09-05 21:55
"Shop lifting, rent"	2017-09-05 21:55
"Price of rent. Although I much prefer bigger stores, they are cheaper for me, and I'm more important than spending more money on something I can get cheaper in kmart"	2017-09-05 21:54

"Rent is too high"	2017-09-05 21:54
"High cost of rent"	2017-09-05 21:53
"Rental prices, lack of any real 'vibe' about the cbd."	2017-09-05 21:53
"High cost of rent in cbd, not attracting out of area people to our city"	2017-09-05 21:53
"Customers. Innovation."	2017-09-05 21:51
"High rent"	2017-09-05 21:51
"hard to access parking is hard particularly with a large vehicle and difficulty walking far."	2017-09-05 21:51
"Shop lifting & stealing, owners can't afford the continual loss"	2017-09-05 21:51
"Wrong types of businesses, residents financially struggling, people shopping online to save money"	2017-09-05 21:51
"The dwindling population having less to spend in the local businesses"	2017-09-05 21:50

"The people of burnie are poor. You cant spend much when you are poor. People have to choose between remaining poor and being with their families or leaving to gain skills necessary for employment. Even the tafe cant help because you need to have a job already before they will let u do a cert 3 in a trade. We need to grow our education oppourtunities. This will result in more skilled people. Many of whom will start their own businesses which will create more jobs. People with jobs will spend more which will improve the turnover of businesses."

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"Too many bored teens shoplifting. I can't imagine that would be good for business owners."

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"I know shoplifting is running rampant in the city centre, people hanging around the bus stop who arent using the bus services, Kmart & best n less don't help either."

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"No parking, unemployment"

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"High rent Repeat offending thieves Online competition"

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"High rent, lack of foot traffic if not on Main Street. People don't have spare income to spend"

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"High rates and rent,"

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"Stealing"

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"lack of tourists"

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"Lack of customer base as more people move away or shop online"	2017-09-05 21:37
"Rates. Lack of support"	2017-09-05 21:37
"Because we have no leadership , we are all travelling in different directions. The City is filthy and the basics dont get done anymore."	2017-09-05 21:35
"Delinquents"	2017-09-05 21:35
"Everything is all over the place people these days want things to be easy open places. Opening hours don't match 2017 so much is shut when alot of people finish work and terrible hours on weekends so much shuts on Sundays or even when cruise ships come in. Not a tourist attraction at all."	2017-09-05 21:34
"Lack of patronage"	2017-09-05 21:33
"Exceptionally high rents!"	2017-09-05 21:33
"Not enough money in the region. Poor understanding of what is desired/needed in area."	2017-09-05 21:32
"Residents have less disposable income. People shopping online. Many businesses don't present very professionally and aren't very pleasant to deal with."	2017-09-05 21:29
"Theft! And the police do nothing about it get all them unemployed drongos from hanging around the bus mall and out side of KMart for starters it's so disgusting"	2017-09-05 21:28
"Rent prices are too high and shop owners can not afford to stay. Why have so many empty shops?! Surely lowering rent and encouraging business into the town is better than getting no rent at all and no money recirculating into the community"	2017-09-05 21:27

"Population,high rates, rent,"	2017-09-05 21:27
"Rent and lease on buildings for small business "	2017-09-05 21:27
"rents are high which makes having a shopfront in the cbd too hard for most small business owners. parking is hard to get in certain areas which makes some people avoid the area for quick run ins."	2017-09-05 21:26
"Economy Lack of employment opportunities Lack of a driven council"	2017-09-05 21:26
"Lack of support from council"	2017-09-05 21:23
"On line shopping. Negative people in business 1 slow day or 1 slow week is not the end. Tired people in charge no get up & go."	2017-09-05 21:21
"Myself and many of my friends shop online as there is not a lot of variety in Burnie."	2017-09-05 21:20
"We all have less expendable income"	2017-09-05 21:17
"Too many of the one type of business .. Is rent too expensive ? "	2017-09-05 21:15
"Rent is not reflective of Burnie status.buildings are often owned by people that are not in check with Burnie,therefore rent too high."	2017-09-05 21:15
"No variety, shopping online is cheaper"	2017-09-05 21:06

"PARKING METERS AND HIGH RENT ON PROPERTYS"	2017-09-05 21:00
"Rent prices, shop lifters."	2017-09-05 20:59
"Lack of funds for people to spend, increase of people stealing, poor customer traffic"	2017-09-05 20:58
"Example.....I asked for a extra wheelie bin for rubbish pick up and it was cheaper for me to go to violia and get a 600L skip bin, when I mentioned this to the council their response was "go to violia then" I also bought Bliss and Eso to Burnie and the council charged me \$90 for parking meter bags and then still tried to write a ticket for the truck that was on the yellow line.....pathetic"	2017-09-05 20:58
"They offer poor customer service and often below average products. Smart operators do well."	2017-09-05 20:58
"Not much work for families to buy"	2017-09-05 20:55
"The cost of rent. People being able to purchase online for much cheaper than you can buy locally. The level of shoplifting that continually occurs with little to no penalty."	2017-09-05 20:53
"Mine isn't....but mosts rents are too high. Most also have no idea where or how to advertise freely or at a low cost."	2017-09-05 20:50
"Rent prices are too high"	2017-09-05 20:49
"From what I've heard of ppl who own businesses in town, high rent, citylink fees, lack of council support to encourage new business ventures. From my perspective, people not earning enough money to support local businesses."	2017-09-05 20:46
"High rent. Lack of quality candidates to fill positions."	2017-09-05 20:43

"There's no quality department store anymore. The cbd needs an attractor to get people in there. Why is ulverstone busy and burnie not ? Same-type businesses are too close to each other."	2017-09-05 20:36
"High cost of rent"	2017-09-05 20:32
"Parking Competition Empty shops"	2017-09-05 20:31
"High rates, high employment costs, high rent"	2017-09-05 20:31
"Shoplifting, young people hanging around outside business and using unsavoury language/engaging in unsavoury behaviours,"	2017-09-05 20:30
"The cost of rent is too high. Not enough high income workers around to help support the business. Therefore making the cost of normal everyday items go up making it difficult for everyone to make a living"	2017-09-05 20:30
"Internet shopping High rents "	2017-09-05 20:27
"I don't know"	2017-09-05 20:27
"Maybe too many of a particular type, lack of business skills, it is not a hobby to have a business, commitment and hard work are essential, the real world of business is not a game."	2017-09-05 20:22
"Online-ing and offshore-ing"	2017-09-05 20:19
" Lack of clientele"	2017-09-05 20:18

"Employment, keeping young people here, they need jobs. There doesn't seem to be much in the way of apprenticeships etc. rental on premises for small business owners seems to effect businesses ability to compete with the online market"	2017-09-05 20:17
"Crime and the economy, parking fees"	2017-09-05 20:15
"Online shopping! No one needs to come to town. Mining decline! Too many tradesmen working from home"	2017-09-05 20:12
"rent costs, low volume of customers"	2017-09-05 20:12
"Internet shopping, people moan about shops closing but do they actually shop locally?"	2017-09-05 20:11
"Parking is a huge issue. Loads of empty shops. People feel intimidated outside centro and brst and less. Not many incentives to come to burnie. Ulverstone and wynyard are free parking. Shoplifting in the cbd and also shops like IGA west park. Mothing happens to them either. "	2017-09-05 20:02
"High rent "	2017-09-05 20:02
"High rent No vision "	2017-09-05 20:02
"Money. Our people don't have it. The rest are unemployed, or old. Families had to leave, for money."	2017-09-05 20:01
"Rent too high, major problems with shoplifting, exposure, parking, no incentives to open a new business"	2017-09-05 20:00
"Online retail is phasing out most brick and mortar stores, not that its a bad thing however."	2017-09-05 19:59

"High rents"	2017-09-05 19:58
"Internet, loss of employment opportunities and unimaginative Mayor"	2017-09-05 19:53
"Online is much more competitive pricewise"	2017-09-05 19:46
"Lack of customers "	2017-09-05 19:40
"I closed my business in March this year, after 6 years of being self employed. Burnie has quite high commercial rental rates but a lack of population to frequent and support our local businesses."	2017-09-05 19:40
"People buying online or in another place instead of locally."	2017-09-05 19:37
"High rents. Declining population. Majority of shoppers looking for something fir nothing or tend to shop at cheap outlets rather than quality specialty shops."	2017-09-05 19:34
"The price of rent hence why so many businesses are empty"	2017-09-05 19:33
"People don't earn enough, therefore don't spend enough"	2017-09-05 19:33
"Price of rent, but nothing to entice people to shop in Burnie, also lack of employment so citizens can't afford to spend money"	2017-09-05 19:33
"Because no one has any money to buy anything people are only on just enough money to live"	2017-09-05 19:31

"Exorbitant rent prices as well as council charges for operating, the cost of parking, many families don't have disposable income due to costs of living"	2017-09-05 19:29
"High rents in the CBD. Lack of council support or assistance. (Not saying that all the councillors are standing in the way but there seems to be quite a bit of opposition to genuine suggestions and ideas for growth in the town)."	2017-09-05 19:27
"Parking restrictions ie time limits and lack of parking especially covered parking areas. No pedestrian access like malls or covered areas for sitting etc. Should be smoke free zone!!!!"	2017-09-05 19:26
"Rent prices, competition with online shopping"	2017-09-05 19:24
"Lack of people"	2017-09-05 19:23
"Increasing costs associated with running a business verses a declining population with a declining disposable income"	2017-09-05 19:23
"Too many empty shops spread out. Not enough variety in shops."	2017-09-05 19:18
"shoplifting. Unemployed people hanging around making a nuisance of themselves because they have nothing to do. People have no money to spend."	2017-09-05 19:16
"Sadly in Burnie there are too many business owners who start new ventures with little to no understanding of their target market, competitors, branding and marketing in general. The reason so many are closing down isn't because of the poor economic state of the city, but their lack of business knowledge. There are a handful of thriving businesses in Burnie run by smart entrepreneurs who know what they are doing. More people should look to their thriving competitors and learn from them or not go into business at all."	2017-09-05 19:12
"It's a hard time financially for everyone at the moment. For me personally lack of disabled parking stops me from shopping in the CBD- especially if I need a quick stop. In a world where we use eftpos, I never have change on me to pay for parking, it's such a pain. We need machines that also give the option to pay by card."	2017-09-05 19:09

"I don't really know anything about businesses in Burnie"	2017-09-05 19:09
"Ineffective advertising, online competition, insufficient stock numbers, following mainland season trends instead of our weather patterns, shit opening hours"	2017-09-05 19:08
"Due to online shopping"	2017-09-05 19:03
"Expensive rent"	2017-09-05 19:02
"Online shopping and an overabundance of particular stores. How many cafes do we need?"	2017-09-05 19:00
"Don't know"	2017-09-05 18:54
"The same reasons as question four."	2017-09-05 18:51
"People not having enough disposable income due to high cost of living and lower wages than national averages"	2017-09-05 18:51
"High rent"	2017-09-05 18:51
"Due to lack of employment, there isnt enough disposable income for people to be spending which is causing more theft. Its a vicious circle."	2017-09-05 18:50
"High rent, no help at all from local, state or federal government, clientele declining, power/water bills through the roof. People of Burnie are struggling to pay their own bills so they cannot support local business"	2017-09-05 18:48

"A lot of online shopping these days. High parking charges. High rent for small businesses"	2017-09-05 18:47
"Poor economy, unemployment, under employment, low tourism numbers compared to the rest of the state, high rents, poor service. Lack of government support or listening."	2017-09-05 18:43
"Competition, particularly online. People dont have alot of money for discretionary spending."	2017-09-05 18:42
"A lot of things are cheaper online"	2017-09-05 18:39
"Rents are way too high - comparable to Hobart and Launceston for tired old buildings"	2017-09-05 18:39
"CBD structure, parking"	2017-09-05 18:31
"Rent is far too high.Be far better having cheaper rents so more people can lease out shops.It's crazy leaving over 40 shops empty .It gives people like my self no opportunities to even think of opening shops.Burnie is dying slowly if we don't do something soon it will be too late."	2017-09-05 18:30
"-High rent -General running costs high -Cost of parking -Increased sales via internet from mainland/overseas companies -Theft"	2017-09-05 18:25
"Rates and lack of interest from the public to shop in the city also the amount of bogans"	2017-09-05 18:20
"No support from council, declining population, lack of community between business owners"	2017-09-05 18:18
"Excessive rates, water, rents. Declining financial wellbeing & uncertainty. Crime rates"	2017-09-05 18:16

"Businesses aren't that easily accessible without having to walk for a bit."	2017-09-05 18:12
"Shop lifters- they drive the price up for us 'normal' people. Parking cost isn't high, after having lived in Victoria for 5 years and moving home recently, it opens your eyes. In Vic, if you pay \$2.80 per hour, you're doing well. And that's at a centre that will provide you with the same amount of shops as Burnie."	2017-09-05 18:02
"Lack of support/training for small business owners. Including local and State levels, many owners are not aware/compliant of licences/registrations etc. This puts a greater pressure on those that do comply. Also, bigger multi national outdoing small local businesses."	2017-09-05 17:58
"Price hikes in rent, rates etc. Also we get cruise ships inwhich is a good way to boost economy, but they generally end up bussing them to another area."	2017-09-05 17:47
"High cost of rent, power, etc. High theft rates. Less people shopping"	2017-09-05 17:45
"High rents. People not willing to walk to a shop. E-commerce."	2017-09-05 17:45
"Rent and lack of expendable income"	2017-09-05 17:37
"decreasing population and wage restraint means people have less disposable income"	2017-09-05 17:36
"Probably a case of high rent, wages and other associated costs...like most places it seems it isn't easy to prosper...I feel for the cafe owners as maccas is always busy selling their convenient crap and the coffee bar there would deprive many from there fair share of custom..."	2017-09-05 17:30
"No parking in the front of shops, people wont walk"	2017-09-05 17:16
"Rent is too high for traffic flow"	2017-09-05 17:05

Total unique respondents: 1227

13. What are your thoughts on the number of empty buildings in the Burnie CBD?

Answer	Time
"Maybe they could be offered at minimal rents to artisans and craft people to exhibit their work."	2017-11-12 16:26
"Terrible"	2017-11-12 09:11
"It brings to mind what shops Burnie needs & what would be successful for the community"	2017-11-12 08:56
"Disgusting, looks very sad"	2017-11-12 02:27
"Its becoming a ghost town"	2017-11-12 00:30
"All the fault of the council destroying Burnie. The paid parking is a huge cause. We do not even show here because of it."	2017-11-11 17:40
"There could be some. Very nice cafes"	2017-11-11 17:26
"Too many empty shops"	2017-11-11 16:48
"Terrible create pop up stores and spaces in them art and makers etc after all we are supposed to be the city of makers"	2017-11-11 16:21
"Shocking 'Rent too dear"	2017-11-11 16:17
"Its not good. I have heard the rent is too high, or maybe they are just not selling enough to stay open. It makes Burnie look a bit like a ghost town in some areas though, such as the arcade. Some people like to go to town for the vibe and buzzing atmosphere, which you certainly don't get in Burnie. We are all guilty of causing this issue though, how many of us shop online or at the big department stores, or bargain stores, rather than support small or local business. Burnie would be much better if these could be filled, even if it werent with retail, it looks better to have something in there rather than an empty store."	2017-11-11 14:15
"Was there the demand to build them in the first place? Some shops have never been tenanted."	2017-11-09 22:48

"Not very positive for the city"	2017-11-09 19:06
"Clearly a bad advertisement for the area. As business move towards large, corporate or franchised companies the soul gets dragged from CBD's as shopping centers and warehouses become more appealing. With a declining situation and lack of competition it is inevitable."	2017-11-09 15:15
"It is a glaringly obvious statement of how expensive it is to have a shop in Burnie"	2017-11-09 14:23
"High rents especially compared to Devonport"	2017-11-09 08:12
"You could see them as opportunities for young entrepreneurs"	2017-11-08 18:34
"It's depressing. It makes the town feel more like a ghost-town than it already does."	2017-11-08 15:32
"Typical really. Businesses try however many just cant sustain the rents and minimal consumer traffic."	2017-11-07 17:07
"I feel as though we need more variety of shops in the CBD. We need to start evolving into more of a Devonport shopping complex than taking things out."	2017-11-05 23:33
"Not good"	2017-11-01 21:21
"Owners of the premises really need to consider what they charge in rent. The more empty shop fronts the less attractive it is to shop in the Centre. Another contributing factor is when businesses such as Bunnings, Harvey Norman and Spotlight build their stores on the fringe of cities."	2017-10-29 15:24
"Not good. Gives the place a bad look. Maybe more pop up shops would help."	2017-10-26 16:10

"Wasted space. Simple as that. And more than a couple are owned as investment properties by the wealthier residents of our city, just filling up their own pockets. All I can say is that I look forward to the younger generation having more of an influence in regards to ideas for these buildings in our city."	2017-10-26 13:47
"don't bother me but rents maybe too high"	2017-10-20 17:18
"Excessively high rental rates"	2017-10-17 15:09
"There are too many, the buildings are all too old though - I wouldn't want to pay money to have a store in one of those old ugly buildings."	2017-10-17 07:11
"It's the fact that businesses have closed that bithers me- not necessarily the buildings"	2017-10-17 06:42
"Like to see all occupied"	2017-10-17 04:43
"Ghost town.. very sad."	2017-10-17 00:02
"Scary it's more and more each month"	2017-10-16 23:30
"Looks bad for people coming into the city"	2017-10-16 23:30
"It is sad. There is a lot of opportunities for new things but the community need to support locals and help keep businesses open."	2017-10-16 22:26
"They need to be occupied"	2017-10-16 22:05

"Lack of customers due to very high prices of stores."	2017-10-16 21:44
"Terrible and depressing. An embarrassment when cruise ships come in."	2017-10-16 21:24
"Sad"	2017-10-16 21:07
"Why are they empty? As an example one of my favourite stores willow and Wolfe provided quality clothing at a reasonable price. But if you ask a bogan would they rather spend \$6 on clothing that won't last or invest their money in a pair of clothing that will last but a higher cost. Ultimately they will choose the \$6 pair because they don't see the value or potential that a simple piece of clothing holds. It is the same for the city, people will choose the cheaper shop or the cheaper city but it doesn't hold the same quality or value as if you'd invested that extra dollar into."	2017-10-16 21:05
"Burnie feels like a ghost town "	2017-10-16 20:47
"Stupid"	2017-10-16 20:25
"Growing, indicative of Burnie's economic reality at present, and scary."	2017-10-16 20:17
"Creates a feeling of depression"	2017-10-16 20:11
"It makes Burnie look very bad!"	2017-10-16 17:06
"It's sad"	2017-10-16 17:01

"Too many empty but who would be willing to take a risk as rent too dear & lack of employment means no money to spend"	2017-10-16 16:17
"They are obviously empty for a reason. There have been a few shops that have gone into empty buildings but soon shut up shop soon after. High rent prices."	2017-10-16 16:05
"There empty"	2017-10-16 12:42
"It's ridiculous!!"	2017-10-16 11:16
"It's not a good look , there is a lot of potential for oversea businesses or businesses from Launceston or Hobart to develop. It would vastly improve the unemployment problem along the coast"	2017-10-16 10:36
"Low rents art installations"	2017-10-16 08:57
"Running and rent costs too high."	2017-10-16 07:57
"High rent and foot traffic decline"	2017-10-16 07:41
"Depressing"	2017-10-16 06:49
"CBD rent is too high for a small business to afford"	2017-10-16 05:14
"very disconcerting not a good look for interstate visitors"	2017-10-16 02:36

"It's such a waste and looks unsightly. Drop the rent to give more opportunities for small business"	2017-10-15 23:35
"Sad, but there's a dying market. Hard to find something that might work"	2017-10-15 23:08
"Not good."	2017-10-15 22:51
"Burnie is fading away"	2017-10-15 22:50
"On flow of macro economic impacts"	2017-10-15 22:18
"sad lower the rent. some rent is better than no rent coming in for the owners"	2017-10-15 21:42
"Happens everywhere"	2017-10-15 20:34
"Due to rental price they charge is why there is a lot of empty buildings not a good look to future shop owners"	2017-10-15 20:26
"It gives the illusion that Burnie's hayday is in the past"	2017-10-15 19:38
"It's not good at all. It needs to be easier and our priority should be to fill up empty shops"	2017-10-15 19:25
"Disappointing"	2017-10-15 19:20

"Rent is to high more needs to be sone to revitalize the cbd"	2017- 10-15 18:21
"There are quite a few wich could be used for more entertainment complexes etc."	2017- 10-15 17:07
"It is about time the Council gets of its backside and try and liven the place up"	2017- 10-15 16:04
"There are a lot of things that could go into all the empty buildings. It's a miss opportunity"	2017- 10-15 14:04
"It's shocking that there are so many empty buildings in the CBD, and is obviously indicative of rates that are too high and the inability of small businesses to compete with shopping chains being stocked with cheap Chinese goods."	2017- 10-15 12:49
"Lower the rents and maybe people could afford them"	2017- 10-15 12:09
"no good"	2017- 10-15 09:23
"Rent probably to high to make some businesses viable"	2017- 10-15 09:17
"I did notice that there were offices for lease in the Harris Building, then the old Mitre 10 building was made into more office space! Still empty & for lease. "	2017- 10-15 08:42
"makes the CBD look bad"	2017- 10-15 07:55
"Disgusting"	2017- 10-15 07:48

"terrible. high parking fee's empty shops everywhere the cbd has become very unviting. "	2017-10-15 00:26
"Very sad for the supposed city!"	2017-10-14 21:00
"It's sad to see, and likely the result of high rent and low turnover"	2017-10-14 18:44
"Sad"	2017-10-14 17:27
"I'm not sure, there's no use filling them if they cannot make a stable income "	2017-10-14 16:26
"Shows that people are wanting new and more variety shops with a decent asking price for their products."	2017-10-14 13:09
"The BCC should help set up local companies in them. Because it shows how burnie is slowly dying"	2017-10-14 09:35
"Ghost town, bring back Harris scarfe!!"	2017-10-14 06:28
"It would be lovely for more shops but understand with the internet it's hard for shops to do well"	2017-10-13 23:10
"It is disappointing that many are empty. Lowers morale. It would be great to see pop up stores or something creative fill them at various times when there isn't a full time business"	2017-10-13 22:45
"Those who own buildings are charging too much rent! It is sad and embarassing"	2017-10-13 22:03

"Extremely saddened"	2017-10-13 20:46
"Sucks"	2017-10-13 20:42
"Waste of space. Over priced rent"	2017-10-13 20:08
"Cost 2 high"	2017-10-13 19:39
"Disappointing but not surprised"	2017-10-13 19:04
"I think they should build new ones and use them for shopping centres and entertainment centres"	2017-10-13 18:52
"Inevitable considering lack of economic activity."	2017-10-13 18:51
"Not good."	2017-10-13 18:37
"It's a bad look."	2017-10-13 16:54
"Explains where burnie is at as a city."	2017-10-13 16:44
"Let's make use of them, open up places for children and teenagers to enjoy on the weekends."	2017-10-13 16:32

"It doesn't seem like there's a great deal of empty stores. More buildings means more potential for the city, as it will allow local aspiring entrepreneurs greater choice for a specific location."	2017-10-13 16:26
"Pretty sad and is indicating a decline"	2017-10-13 16:26
"Horrible"	2017-10-13 16:04
"Reduce rent"	2017-10-13 15:09
"It looks very bad"	2017-10-13 14:36
"Sad"	2017-10-13 14:22
"Haven't noticed"	2017-10-13 13:30
"It sad but Greed is a big monster. - Rentals too high. Bank interest is only low so how can you expect to get 10 - 15% return or more on properties. Reduce rates in accordance with banks and make it achievable for people to invest and hopefully begin to fill these empty shops."	2017-10-13 13:23
"Looks terrible, looks like a ghost town. Makes me sad, when I was a kid it was so bustling, now most ppl move away"	2017-10-13 13:09
"It's sad"	2017-10-13 12:01
"There asking way to much rent, its Burnie not a cbd of a city like melbourne or even hobart. Prices need to reflect the population that have money to spend and that is very low in Burnie. The owners of these shops need to lower the price to give business a chance to succeed."	2017-10-13 10:14

"Drop the rent, entice large companies and support small business!"	2017-10-13 08:07
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"No more than other areas of rural Australia"	2017-10-13 07:10
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"Doesn't help the ambiance"	2017-10-13 00:29
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"There are too many and leasing prices of available space are too high for new businesses to emerge"	2017-10-13 00:25
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"What do owners expect when they want high rent for crappy old buildings."	2017-10-12 23:54
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"Its sad."	2017-10-12 23:28
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"Doesn't look good for burnie. Considering we have cruise ships docking here and have a lot of tourists especially in warmer months."	2017-10-12 23:25
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"Greedy landlords"	2017-10-12 23:20
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"Its shocking, maybe the rents are too high"	2017-10-12 22:57
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"Lack of affordable premises for small buisness"	2017-10-12 22:29
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"The rent prices on smaller have dropped and now seem well occupied. We're not making anything here anymore so I can't see the larger shops being occupied unless mining really improves"	2017-10-12 19:50

"Burnie is in decline sadly"	2017- 10-12 17:44
"Sad, there is potential for someone with enough money to do something new"	2017- 10-12 14:09
"Too many -"	2017- 10-12 13:21
"This is where we should be getting more shops/businesses to move in and create more jobs. The population is dying because people keep moving because they have nothing to do to support there family"	2017- 10-12 11:40
"More needs to be done to make this affordable for potential new business owners. The desire to build, and be part of, a vibrant, thriving community should outweigh the need for greed - \$\$ for rent. Who this responsibility lies with, I'm not sure. Possibly the owners of said properties, but maybe the council needs to enforce a rental "cap", prohibiting them from charging over a certain amount. Possibly more funding incentive for new business, but that responsibility and possibility lays further up the government chain and less within our ability to change."	2017- 10-12 09:50
"the cbd should be full and bustling the last thing we need os more shopping complexes"	2017- 10-11 19:31
"Definitely need more shops"	2017- 10-11 13:33
"It's only getting worse."	2017- 10-11 12:32
"Not that many"	2017- 10-11 11:17
"It's a disadvantage to Burnie's economy, if more popular retails took advantage of the open space they would not only make profit but help bring back the decrease in local economy"	2017- 10-11 10:48

"It just goes to show that Burnie is going downhill."	2017-10-11 10:10
"It shows how much some businesses are struggling"	2017-10-11 09:42
"Don't have any thoughts."	2017-10-11 08:46
"Appaling. The rent needs to be dropped so people begin oppening new stores. Which leads to more jobs. More income. And a stable city."	2017-10-11 08:03
"I think it's sad, but not altogether unexpected."	2017-10-11 07:32
"We need more so job opportunities arise"	2017-10-11 01:51
"they have always been empty, i dont really notice them anymore"	2017-10-11 00:11
"It would be nice to see some different businesses in burnie. Some shops that burnie dont already have"	2017-10-11 00:10
"MAKE MORE SHOPS FOR TEENS!"	2017-10-11 00:07
"Disgraceful"	2017-10-10 23:32
"I never noticed"	2017-10-10 23:19

"It's crazy there shouldn't be this many empty buildings but I can understand why this is the case."	2017-10-10 23:17
"Disheartening, seeing many failed businesses in recent years"	2017-10-10 23:06
"There are a couple"	2017-10-10 23:03
"It's sad because those empty buildings could be made into take away stores (zombreros) or other stores which could really improve Burnie"	2017-10-10 23:03
"Rent is too high for businesses"	2017-10-10 23:01
"They need to be filled and jobs need to be made for people with no experience, or workplaces for people to train up to get jobs, and for students who can't find employment"	2017-10-10 22:44
"its a shame they are unable to be rented"	2017-10-10 22:35
"There are many of them and not many people willing to buy them (or can afford to) buy them."	2017-10-10 22:29
"They should be filled with other shops/family fun activities or be made into more housing"	2017-10-10 22:28
"I don't see many, but for the ones I do see, I think they could open something up for homeless people or struggling families And independent students to support them."	2017-10-10 22:26
"It would be nice if they could become something."	2017-10-10 22:25

"So many different shops could be put in there, Burnie could be so much more exciting"	2017- 10-10 22:21
"Disappointing we should encourage business and franchises to open in our town"	2017- 10-10 22:21
"It's a shame, but it's too expensive for someone to move in"	2017- 10-10 22:20
"Sad"	2017- 10-10 21:04
"Terrible, so many businesses could go into there but rent is so expensive and people are moving away from Burnie"	2017- 10-10 20:40
"Ugly to look at, and needs to be changed! They are useless but could have potential"	2017- 10-10 20:32
"It makes it unpleasant to go into town, if there were more known outlets, such as Factory, JB Hi-Fi, Smiggle or a Myer more people would be likely to just go into town rather than buying things online"	2017- 10-10 14:23
"No one making money, they have to close"	2017- 10-10 13:46
"Gives Burnie a VERY rundown appearance and feel"	2017- 10-10 12:40
"Like to see it improve"	2017- 10-10 12:17
"Waste of space"	2017- 10-10 11:55

"Pretty depressing. The sheer number has a large impact on businesses wishing to lease out these buildings. Because there are lots vacant, it presents Burnie as a town that is in decline and hence, business owners are deterred from leasing them."	2017-10-10 11:42
"It is sad, people can see the difference and it makes the place an even less friendly place. Many people will begin to realise that the city doesn't have much to offer, sadly pushing people out to larger cities with more to offer."	2017-10-09 18:03
"Very sad"	2017-10-08 16:52
"Don't care"	2017-10-06 19:49
"They make you wonder how Burnie used to support much more business activity. Business ventures need council support."	2017-10-06 13:01
"Terrible, disturbing"	2017-10-06 00:04
"High rents and corporates get preference."	2017-10-05 23:31
"Disheartening"	2017-10-05 20:27
"Empty buildings can mean rent is too high and business owners can't afford it. A major reason for businesses closing"	2017-10-05 20:02
"There are too many empty buildings in the cbd. Could have useful shops or cafes or even pop up shops if no one will lease them."	2017-10-05 19:11
"Disgusting as the rent is too expensive"	2017-10-05 18:26

"Sucks"	2017-10-05 18:14
"Terrible"	2017-10-05 17:51
"Shameful & needless. Makes me hyper aware of other cities when I go to them-I find myself counting up empty store fronts, & comparing them to home. I don't see the point in an exorbitantly high lease-it doesn't garner revenue by standing empty. The empty spaces in Burnie are often huge rooms, going to waste. "	2017-10-05 17:20
"Ghost town. Cost of living in Burnie does not match the high unemployment that we have. People are struggling with rates. Have you seen how many homes go on the market. The number is not proportional. I've been watching the housing market and the cheaper houses are coming to market then shortly afterwards seen on the rental market. This leaves the higher costing houses sitting on the market for home ownership but not selling well. There seems to be a few wealthy people buying up properties and adding them to their rental portfolio. This makes it even harder for home ownership and thus Burnie is quickly becoming an unemployed and rental city."	2017-10-05 16:34
"Not good"	2017-10-05 13:17
"Disgusting"	2017-10-05 11:53
"Small business is declining the days of the small retail store are numbered, it's not just burnie, it's national. Those who change or adapt continue to thrive"	2017-10-05 10:21
"Too many."	2017-10-05 09:49
"sign of decline"	2017-10-05 09:39
"and will be more because people cant afford the rent and no parking or if there is it costs a fortune"	2017-10-05 09:01

"Disgraceful for a start. People can blame the high rent as much as they want. At the end of the day it's a much deeper issue than that"	2017-10-05 08:03
"I believe it's due to paying for parking, and the massive fines related to them"	2017-10-05 06:54
"disturbing"	2017-10-05 00:05
"It is sad !!!"	2017-10-04 23:49
"Going to get worse"	2017-10-04 22:44
"Not a good look"	2017-10-04 22:19
"Evidence"	2017-10-04 22:12
"I don't see empty buildings I see opportunity. Unfortunately the average new business person or entrepreneur doesn't have the equity to risk on that first 2-3 years of establishing a flushed out business with clientele in such a high risk town."	2017-10-04 22:12
"It's pathetic."	2017-10-04 21:49
"Not surprising , Burnie can't support new business with the current drug problems."	2017-10-04 21:45
"It's sad to see. Can't see shops competing with online shopping."	2017-10-04 21:30

"Too many empty shops. Rents too high."	2017-10-04 20:59
"The crime rate appears to be going up which obviously doesn't help the small business'. Maybe give these people more than a slap on the wrist"	2017-10-04 20:31
"Prospective New business owners need more support to get established"	2017-10-04 19:28
"so sad. need to offer them with 6/12 months free rent to get people in again. Maybe offer the owners a 12 month discount on rates."	2017-10-04 19:10
"To many but I think that would have a lot to do with the cost of leases"	2017-10-04 18:44
"As stated before greed"	2017-10-04 18:24
"terrible. lower the bloody rent and rates need to be lower"	2017-10-04 18:24
"See my last comment."	2017-10-04 18:11
"Should be occupied with fun things to do,"	2017-10-04 18:00
"I think it demonstrates a lacking confidence in the capacity for the people of Burnie to spend money in the community . I also think it's reflective of the socioeconomic demographic of this town. Too many people I job opportunities = reliance on welfare ."	2017-10-04 17:40
"Lack of stores means less people around shopping"	2017-10-04 17:30

"I hate to see empty buildings, especially when there are green fields being built on all the time."	2017-10-04 16:25
"It is very worrying as it preludes a serious downturn and once these shops are gone, there is less of a reason to go to Burnie anymore."	2017-10-04 16:09
"unknown,but any unoccupied business premises is bad for all ."	2017-10-04 15:58
"Its getting to be a concern. It will make others less likely to gamble on starting a business."	2017-10-04 15:57
"It's looks horrible. But the rent is too expensive"	2017-10-04 15:38
"It's very sad."	2017-10-04 15:37
"Not a good look for Burnie, lack of social diversity."	2017-10-03 13:16
"Depressing. Maybe property owners could review rents and perhaps maintain them a little better - Paint in particular."	2017-10-03 12:58
"i actually think it is not to bad we have had a lot of new shop space open up ie the post office etc "	2017-10-03 08:50
"Not a positive or encouraging sign for tourists or potential entrepreneurs/business owners"	2017-10-02 20:56
"It is worrying and not a good look for larger businesses looking to invest in the city. Building owners should be encouraged to take on short term leases or pop up shops to increase the number of businesses in the city. An old business acquaintance of mine described Burnie as " a dying town""	2017-10-02 20:34

"disgraceful"	2017-10-02 20:12
"It is depressing"	2017-10-02 19:14
"If rents weren't so high there wouldn't be so many empty. It makes a very poor showing."	2017-10-02 19:09
"Terrible"	2017-10-02 18:25
"Empty buildings create a loss of vibrancy and affects the desire of new businesses to move into an "empty area." That said, Burnie is not the only place experiencing this trend."	2017-10-02 17:45
"Rental prices and the fact that a lot of people are employed casually and less willing to spend their money"	2017-10-02 11:32
"Waaayyyy too many."	2017-10-02 08:36
"The town needs to get moving first, before others will join the journey."	2017-10-01 13:13
"there shouldn't be any empty spaces, buildings or plots they should and need to be filled immediately"	2017-09-30 01:52
"There are too many"	2017-09-28 18:49
"To many and no incentives for people to open businesses or stay in BURNIE CBD"	2017-09-28 17:59

"It is getting pretty ugly."	2017-09-28 16:05
"There are far too many"	2017-09-28 13:13
"See previous answer. It's a nation-wide problem, due to tax loss provisions in the income tax laws."	2017-09-27 00:35
"Some places I was actually glad to see go like Sacha's coffee lounge bosses who treat their staff like shit deserve to have their business close and other places like that pancake parlour where they charged top dollar for pissy pancakes... that came out of a machine and weren't home made needed to go however places like Maddingtons who supported other businesses whilst in operation will sadly be missed"	2017-09-26 19:11
"It's ridiculous"	2017-09-26 19:00
"Drop the price and they won't be empty anymore"	2017-09-26 17:11
"It's sad"	2017-09-26 17:00
"Well Harris Scarfe closed and this one shop was turned into about 20 shops resulting in empty shops. Businesses aren't doing the background work first which is why they fail. Most businesses are not active with CityLink and prefer to sit back and let everyone else do the work - but are happy to whinge about why they aren't the success they think they should be."	2017-09-25 09:02
"It's horrible and a sad reminder of a once great shop that had nice clothes or gifts"	2017-09-24 16:25
"I would like to see these filled up with any opportunity that is available. Unfortunately buying off the internet is so easy and convenient today. Young people and with double income families this will only become even more used. I would like to see Coles Supermarket given the opportunity to expand to offer more products and be a good competition to Woolworths so there is a choice of where to shop. I'm sure this opportunity could use up some of those empty shops and spaces."	2017-09-24 08:43

"I think it shows a town in decline and not a good look for visitors"	2017-09-24 07:38
"Terrible, council and CCA need to stop looking through rose coloured glasses. We need to change."	2017-09-24 00:30
"It seems to be increasing!"	2017-09-23 22:37
"Rent is far too high. If it dropped slightly more could be filled."	2017-09-23 21:52
"Sad"	2017-09-23 21:45
"The costs of parking and rent is killing our town there is no reason to shop there with online shopping so cheap and there's nothing in town to go shopping at"	2017-09-23 21:26
"It makes town look like it is struggling"	2017-09-23 20:50
"Very depressing"	2017-09-23 20:39
"That's what happened when big corporations make ppl broke"	2017-09-23 20:29
"It's a real shame but I don't see how anyone can keep a business afloat in Burnie"	2017-09-23 20:28
"It is very sad and I hate seeing shops or businesses close."	2017-09-23 20:03

"Vacant buildings provide a negative light. Surely it would be better to lower the cost of rent & have the shops full than no-one in them. "	2017-09-23 19:20
"The rent is too high. Lower the rent to get people in to make this place thrive again"	2017-09-23 18:54
"We do not have the employment or the population to sustain the amount of small businesses in burnie"	2017-09-23 18:21
"Sad, depressing, wasted opportunities"	2017-09-23 18:20
"Its sad for the town. Not very welcoming when you see closed doors"	2017-09-23 16:50
"There are a lot. Looks depressing."	2017-09-23 12:58
"As per my last essay , it's councils fault and it's easy to point a finger but they run the town , Anita Dow is a lovely person , have met her and she helped pass free parking for the Red Cross donators, but she's inherited an old school stick in the mud , dot and cross council, we need to think out side the box , no one is going to invest unless council rethink rates and start to entice business owners to open up here in Burnie."	2017-09-23 12:46
"That it's a waste of space but it's understandable that people can't afford the lease to fill them"	2017-09-22 22:17
"The cost of rates and rent etc to expensive"	2017-09-22 20:56
"Scary"	2017-09-22 18:55
"Worrying"	2017-09-22 18:33

"High rents mean empty buildings. "	2017-09-22 17:55
"It is disappointing but big picture is you can't have businesses survive if people don't have the money to spend in them!"	2017-09-22 16:32
"Rent/running costs are high. Patronage from the Burnie population is low & inconsistent due to lack of jobs & people earning low income."	2017-09-22 12:45
"Rent to high. Maybe bigger departmental shops to bring people into the CBD. Shops instead of admin offices."	2017-09-22 11:06
"Its appauling rent these days are ridiculous though"	2017-09-22 10:53
"I believe the rent should be reduced to attract businesses. Some rent is better than no rent. I like the idea of putting 'makers' in the empty shops."	2017-09-22 10:17
"no different to other regional cities in australia but rents could be lower"	2017-09-22 10:08
"It's sad"	2017-09-22 09:07
"Burnie is no different to other coastal towns they come and go"	2017-09-22 08:52
"It's sad."	2017-09-22 08:31
"At least get all of the old business signs down."	2017-09-22 08:06

"it's not good at all, if land lords weren't so greedy they would fill up quickly i believe, the more full shops the more employment the more money spent here locally."	2017-09-22 07:55
"Better than it used to be but people are less likely to buy items other than nessesity"	2017-09-21 23:43
"Burnie used to be a thriving city and now it is sadly becoming more empty as the years go by and the council does nothing."	2017-09-21 23:03
"Sucky"	2017-09-21 23:03
"Bad, no confidence in burnie"	2017-09-21 22:56
"Looks terrible.. But a bit too late for the businesses that have vacated because they have been bleed dry"	2017-09-21 22:48
"Disappointing."	2017-09-21 22:43
"I think it's sad there so so many empty buildings"	2017-09-21 22:43
"The council needs to provide incentives for businesses.. good retailers attract shoppers, who create a need for more sales assistants - which improves the entire economy"	2017-09-21 22:16
"Businesses can't efford to stay open with no one spending money"	2017-09-21 22:12
"Looks bad for the cbd and shows the lack of support the cbd has. Our office is in Upper Burnie and we find that we are busier there then we were in town"	2017-09-21 21:48

"I think it's appalling"	2017-09-21 21:46
"It's a sign of something"	2017-09-21 21:45
"Its terrible needs to be more done to bring in numerous new shops not the same old"	2017-09-21 20:44
"Not a good sign"	2017-09-21 20:12
"Rents too high"	2017-09-21 20:04
"Bloody terrible!!!!"	2017-09-21 19:47
"Rent is too high!!!"	2017-09-21 19:47
"Not a good look for the city. Businesses struggle to survive with the high rent for local buildings. People should be supporting local businesses more."	2017-09-21 19:47
"To expensive for people to open up their own business. Very sad"	2017-09-21 19:39
"It's sad"	2017-09-21 19:37
"An eye sore.. I really dislike it, such a shame.."	2017-09-21 19:36

"Ridiculous. I don't see why a Shiploads was put in the old Woolworths. There is one in Wynyard and there is a Reject Shop down the road. Really only fun for grandmas."	2017-09-21 19:34
"It's crazy how many empty buildings there are. Without people shopping in the city it's hard for businesses to stay open"	2017-09-21 19:34
"Very sad"	2017-09-21 19:31
"If there was free parking in the city more people would shop there."	2017-09-21 19:27
"It is awful. I don't see the point in going into the CBD, like I used to."	2017-09-21 19:17
"sad"	2017-09-21 19:13
"Be better full"	2017-09-21 17:41
". "	2017-09-21 17:25
"Its terrible. Nothing says ghost town, struggling to stay alive like empty vacant shops."	2017-09-21 16:07
"Very sad and disappointing"	2017-09-21 14:50
"Extremely sad What a waste Need to lower rents and rally for businesses or chain businesses to come"	2017-09-21 14:02

"It reflects badly on Burnie & speaks to the rent issue."	2017-09-21 12:17
"No thoughts, just shows the decline in jobs and opportunities"	2017-09-21 11:38
"It's dismal to see, and it's because of the high pricing that no one can own a business here"	2017-09-21 11:32
"It's an ugly town, with woodchips, who would want to live or operate from there? "	2017-09-21 10:39
"embarrassing. It feels like a new one is closing each month. It's making the town feel quite ghostly."	2017-09-21 09:16
"These empty buildings need to be developed into facilities that provide some culture to Burnie"	2017-09-21 08:52
"It's sad"	2017-09-21 08:19
"No surprise"	2017-09-21 08:10
"It makes the town look like a ghost town which it is."	2017-09-21 07:55
"There are always going to be empty buildings while the parking is so expensive and inconvenient - I have been fined while i was getting change from a shop - I said never again will I shop in Burnie that day...."	2017-09-21 07:39
"to many answer same as last question"	2017-09-21 07:38

"Opportunity for enterprise"	2017-09-21 06:43
"Disappointing"	2017-09-21 06:09
"Disgraceful"	2017-09-21 05:55
"To be expected."	2017-09-21 03:31
"It looks terrible, like Burnie has been forgotten about and left to rot."	2017-09-21 02:59
"It is disgusting, it is a sign that our council is not interested in helping keep businesses in burnie by looking at rate and rents that are charged"	2017-09-20 23:59
"To many and add to impression the town is dying a slow death"	2017-09-20 23:16
"Someone needs to come with an alternate plan to keep shops full."	2017-09-20 23:13
"Pretty bad look for the town"	2017-09-20 23:00
"Doesn't look good"	2017-09-20 22:37
"I've noticed so many empty shops and lack of people shopping over the last few years it's sad to see. The only new shops to open are takeaway and multinational company's. (Low income areas are prone to obesity from cheap takeaway)"	2017-09-20 22:33

"It's a shame but change is inevitable. It will change again."	2017-09-20 22:14
"Makes Burnie very undesirable"	2017-09-20 21:55
"Don't go in the CBD, so can't comment"	2017-09-20 21:45
"Rent is ridiculous. This isn't Melbourne"	2017-09-20 21:23
"When one emptys they are normally filled fairly quickly. Some right in the city a empty and bare."	2017-09-20 21:04
"Bad for the town"	2017-09-20 20:34
"Terrible. A CBD needs to be full people who to want to come to the CBD to shop and relax. Hobart was like this 8 years ago and they have changed."	2017-09-20 20:18
"Disheartening"	2017-09-20 20:15
"Wastage of resources"	2017-09-20 19:17
"I see potential"	2017-09-20 19:03
"It's terrible, i was recently in Ulverstone and commented on the amount of shops there and what a great vibe there was. Lots of foot traffic"	2017-09-20 18:49

"Could be used for something other than office space but also not surprising"	2017-09-20 18:48
"Would be good if the Government could offer some incentive for stores to invest in these buildings e.g. a myers store somewhere would be excellent for the North West Coast, there is only one in Launceston which is very poor anyway. There is a large population in and around Burnie (Devonport, Wynyard, Smithton, Westcoast) that we could capitalize on."	2017-09-20 18:33
"I wanted to sell my business this year but I feel it is the wrong time solely because of the empty shops. The general impression is that Burnie is in a downturn and small business is not profitable."	2017-09-20 18:00
"Create incentives to attract small and medium sized businesses, or create social spaces for games, arts, music, discussion and debate, etc."	2017-09-20 17:26
"Terrible, looks sad"	2017-09-20 17:26
"Terrible"	2017-09-20 17:12
"They need to be made more available for people with new business ideas"	2017-09-20 16:43
"It creates a negative vibe in the city."	2017-09-20 16:41
"Looks bloody terrible."	2017-09-20 15:59
"Makes Burnie look a bit sad at present. Unloved."	2017-09-20 15:53
"It's only going to get worse"	2017-09-20 15:42

"It's a sign of economic problems - and when empty buildings are taken up they are either used by various charities or multi-franchise businesses selling cheap and nasty products - stuff for poor people"	2017-09-20 15:20
"It's sad because they have so much potential."	2017-09-20 14:30
"Not good , we need draw card shops, Aldi big w"	2017-09-20 14:28
"Go to any other City in Tasmania EVEN the small Towns Eg: Ulverstone and such. Do they have as many Empty Shops?? NOPE!!!"	2017-09-20 14:26
"It's annoying. All these empty spots that could be turned into places where it could thrive and bring a bit more to burnie. High chance it'd turn into a clothing store for old people ha ha"	2017-09-20 14:01
"Its one of the reasons I/we travel to Ulverstone a lot to shop!!"	2017-09-20 13:48
"too high rent"	2017-09-20 13:42
"Convert some to housing?"	2017-09-20 13:28
"It is very disappointing and depressing to see the number of empty buildings in the Burnie CBD and the streets are pretty quiet. The price of rent would no doubt be a big influence on the number of empty buildings."	2017-09-20 13:27
"Its sad no wonder we have no jobs!"	2017-09-20 13:23
"burnie is a hole"	2017-09-20 13:18

"it's sad and I don't see it getting better anytime soon"	2017-09-20 13:06
"It's not a great look, but many regional towns across the country have the same battle."	2017-09-20 13:02
"Shocking Disappointed Not a good look for mainlanders and people coming into the town"	2017-09-20 12:59
"Only getting worse"	2017-09-20 12:58
"It's sad"	2017-09-20 12:22
"Decline in business, rent, employment & population"	2017-09-20 12:04
"Ridiculous"	2017-09-20 11:42
"I think it awfull and shows everyone that burnie is stuggling . we have boats stop here and nothing is put on for the passengers/tourists no markets or town entertainment."	2017-09-20 11:32
"Leases prices are not affordable for small business"	2017-09-20 11:22
"I have lived here for around 12 years and it has never been this bad in that period. i have spoken to many local business owners and they feel the same way. the rents are excessive. In saying this, it is difficult to understand why landlords wont reduce rents to meet the demand but wiykd rather have an empty asset. this is something that the Council should be discussing with local real estate agents, landlords and tenants to work out what is happening as when shops disappear, there is less to attract people into town and the affect snowballs as less people visit the shops that are there and more local businesses close down. You cannot discount the mental affect seeing empty shops has on local shoppers. it is a depressing experience shopping in down town burnie for the most part due to the small number of shoppers and large number of empty shops."	2017-09-20 11:14

"It's too damn high! Seriously though, those empty shop fronts mean loss of jobs. If someone loses a job that I one more person on the doll and one more person in the ever expanding job pool."	2017-09-20 11:06
"appalling"	2017-09-20 10:46
"Very sad to see. PARKING IS RIDICULOUSLY EXPENSIVE AND DRIVES ONE MAD!!!!"	2017-09-20 10:45
"I think if they were more affordable people would soon fill them and Burnie would be much more attractive to shoppers which would help all burnie businesses"	2017-09-20 10:44
"It is a self-perpetuating concept."	2017-09-20 10:41
"Rents obviously too high for people to start their own business"	2017-09-20 10:35
"Depressing"	2017-09-20 10:34
"Not a good look"	2017-09-20 10:27
"Concerning"	2017-09-20 10:27
"Its been like it for years. I avoid town as much as possible."	2017-09-20 10:18
"Could be use if the cost of renting wasnt so high. Council refusing to enter the 21st century"	2017-09-20 10:15

"Very bad for the city" 2017-09-20 09:52

"Having been approached for directions from many visitors on the cruise ships, they all commented on how empty the CBD is. Its a bad look. Is it high rent? Surely it would be more favourable for landlords to offer lower rents and be receiving at least some income. Some buildings have been empty for months. On my count we lost House of Cane type homewares store, a dress store in Wilson Street, A cafe on mount street, another cafe in the arcade opposite Kmart in the stretch of a few weeks. We hear the arguments that business cannot compete with online businesses, but if the costs of parking or lack thereof are removed then surely this would improve." 2017-09-20 09:52

"There seems to be an excessive amount and I have heard the rent is unreasonable and people cant afford to try to open new businesses due to initial and ongoing outlay." 2017-09-20 09:45

"It is a disgrace, not a good look for visitors, a lot of people are unemployed so they can't afford to support the different business. Once again council don't care or don't want to know" 2017-09-20 09:34

"Disgusting" 2017-09-20 09:31

"Expensive costs." 2017-09-20 09:30

"Not great, but our businesses don't clear enough to look at ground floor dwellings. Council should look at the rate system and try to determine what their own best cost structure would be (price of rates against occupancy, for an overall \$ income), then err on the side of caution to try and engage higher occupancy. Can then increase rates once businesses / regional income have improved. I have no doubt that a reduction of rates costs would increase ground level occupancy." 2017-09-20 09:27

"Disturbing" 2017-09-20 09:24

"It's sad, but not unsurprising, given the number of streets which comprise the CBD, the large size of the tenancies, and the extra 'streets' created by the walk through plazas." 2017-09-20 09:15

"It's very unattractive but until the law or the council changes the fact that business owners can use the empty properties as a tax write off, they will stay empty as the owners are in no rush to fill them."	2017-09-20 09:14
"The rents are high due to The rates are high. People don't have money to spend on non essential items because money is tight"	2017-09-20 09:08
"Is a reflection of Burnie being a shell of its former self."	2017-09-20 09:07
"I don't own a business but I imagine rent (in a dead town) quite high. Too much owned by minimal people"	2017-09-20 09:03
"Sad"	2017-09-20 09:02
"Ridiculous"	2017-09-20 08:58
"AS PREVIOUS ANSWER"	2017-09-20 08:55
"They're an eyesore. It shows there is no confidence in Burnie and surrounds."	2017-09-20 08:53
"terrible, looks like the start of a ghost town"	2017-09-20 08:45
"It is depressing - perhaps if the rent was lowered this would attract prospective businesses. It seems like the owners are happier to have their premises empty than lower the rent."	2017-09-20 08:40
"Not t a good look for the town and believe there must be a lot of greedy landlords who want high prices. Surely they would be better off to get something rather than nothing. Surely Burnie City Council could subsidise rents with some sort of initiative for the town to fill the shops?"	2017-09-20 08:31

"terrible ghost town"	2017-09-20 08:22
"Far too many. Paints a poor picture of the city to visitors from cruise ships. It's depressing."	2017-09-20 08:21
"Sad: State or Local government should subsidise rent and small businesses until they are well and truly on their feet. There could be an assessment prior to giving this but we need to encourage entrepreneurs."	2017-09-20 08:15
"Its scary..... there will be no burnie soon enough Literally no options for clothes especially mens formal wear. We have wedding season coming up and where the hell do we buy anything nice dor myself, son and husband?!?@?@?"	2017-09-20 08:12
"Landlords not willing to drop rent prices and lack of support and ttaining for small business to thrive."	2017-09-20 08:12
"It does looks very un sightly. But there is no encouragement or incentive for any new businesses."	2017-09-20 08:02
"To many variety shops ie Shiploads"	2017-09-20 08:01
"They should be all full so people want to go to Burnie"	2017-09-20 08:00
"A result from subsidised businesses"	2017-09-20 07:58
"Depressing. Not a good look for tourists coming to Burnie."	2017-09-20 07:55
"It's utterly depressing. The litany is empty shops currently in Burnie must be a massive shock for anyone visiting here for the first time."	2017-09-20 07:48

"Expected"	2017-09-20 07:37
"Its terrible. It makes burnie look like a ghost town, the council should subsidise rent and provide free parking - every single day"	2017-09-20 07:30
"Not good enough, but high rents what do u expect"	2017-09-20 07:21
"Lower the rent, I speak to a lot of people in my job and it always comes down to the costs of renting a store"	2017-09-20 07:15
"It's a waste. We get so many new businesses that don't last"	2017-09-20 07:13
"Rent prices to high. Poor locations and poor condition"	2017-09-20 07:08
"Too many, can't see it rapidly improving"	2017-09-20 07:03
"a shame, there used to be no empty shops"	2017-09-20 07:02
"There's lots but the business need to be viable to survive."	2017-09-20 06:58
"It's a reflection of our economic situation"	2017-09-20 05:56
"Sad"	2017-09-20 04:55

"Nothing wrong with that. Many town in Australia have the same issues. Businesses are consolidating more now, which means there will be more vacant shops."	2017-09-20 04:19
"Certainly increased over the years. To encourage businesses you have to get the people into them. Being open helps, not being overly expensive helps, cheaper parking helps as does decent public transport. Most helpful is that people actually have access to money to spend. For that they need to be employed."	2017-09-20 04:18
"disgraceful, 34 in cbd I believe"	2017-09-20 01:48
"Embarrassing!"	2017-09-20 01:42
"Pathetic absolutely revolting."	2017-09-20 00:52
"An eyesore, but to be expected in a town with no progress that is stuck in the 1980's."	2017-09-20 00:46
"It's depressing and makes shopping in Burnie boring."	2017-09-20 00:21
"It's extremely sad. I remember, even 10 years ago, the CBD was full with stores and barely a vacancy could be found. Even the creation of the Harvey Norman/Spotlight complex demonstrated the need for a second shopping area and newer stores due to the high demand. Due to online shopping, more remote areas like smithton, Zeehan, etc, that once may have come to Burnie to shop now can do so in the comfort of their own home. What Burnie lacks, however, is things to do (particularly in winter). Metro cinemas and going out drinking are the only activities burnie really has to offer...and the latter of the two is only applicable to adults; besides, Greens is the only club to choose from and it's just full of youths off their face (not necessarily on alcohol)."	2017-09-20 00:20
"Not good. It used to be practically full when i was younger"	2017-09-20 00:07
"Too many; however they will stay empty and more will follow suit if there is nothing done"	2017-09-19 23:52

"Too many"	2017-09-19 23:37
"Enter text here It only shows the nature of the town,"	2017-09-19 23:22
"Terrible , it's not a good look"	2017-09-19 23:21
"It's a very bad look and will lead to the place becoming somewhere that has more people without a job then with a job."	2017-09-19 23:17
"Rough"	2017-09-19 23:13
"Depressing"	2017-09-19 23:09
"They are here but there seems to be less than ther was a few years back. I'd suggest asking the question of owners (landlords) there is no incentive for the owners to get them filled - they are happy to sit back and claim a loss."	2017-09-19 23:06
"They should be used"	2017-09-19 23:05
"Every regional town / city in the country has empty buildings. Not confined to just Burnie or Tasmania."	2017-09-19 22:51
"Sad. Missed opportunities and wasted money for previous business owners"	2017-09-19 22:49
"Rents are too high"	2017-09-19 22:45

"Haven't noticed them"	2017-09-19 22:40
"It's sad.. I used to love shopping in Burnie. Obviously the rent may be too high."	2017-09-19 22:38
"Doesn't get you excited and pumped to shop...some shops that are open its hard to tell, poor presented, dull shopface, poorly lighting"	2017-09-19 22:33
"Ghostly"	2017-09-19 22:31
"Very depressing"	2017-09-19 22:28
"I feel for the ex tenants of these buildings, rates, water etc have prompted a closure to there dream"	2017-09-19 22:26
"Rent too high"	2017-09-19 22:24
"Never seen them any different."	2017-09-19 22:24
"It doesn't really inspire me to head into town"	2017-09-19 22:23
"It's terrible. The council need to be doing more to rectify this. Some of the streets in the CBD, the middle block of cattley st in particular are not inviting to walk down at all."	2017-09-19 22:23
"There's a lot. There's nothing positive about it. But I don't think it's just rent prices. People just get stuff from the bigger stores or online, and maybe can't afford to buy luxury goods to keep the 'boutique' stores open. We probably don't need such a big "CBD" as Burnie did at its peak, but it's hard to shrink it."	2017-09-19 22:22

"It's actually ridiculous. Get more shops in! Lower the rent or whatever so people will want to put their shops in"	2017-09-19 22:20
"Pretty sad however it's been like that for a long time"	2017-09-19 22:14
"Not surprised"	2017-09-19 22:13
"Makes the CBD loom shabby and declining"	2017-09-19 22:13
"Direct reflection of lack of bigger industry and also Burnie people shopping elsewhere."	2017-09-19 22:10
"sad"	2017-09-19 22:07
"Pathetic. but most are unable to compete against online buying. The CBD will eventually end up shrinking and be replaced by a mixture of urban living and small scale boutique shopping and dining. It can't survive any other way."	2017-09-19 22:06
"Its disgraceful."	2017-09-19 22:02
"A sign people are leaving or not wanting to go into a business venture here"	2017-09-19 21:58
"Has an impact on how Burnie is viewed by visitors and people will think twice before taking a risk to invest in Burnie. Also consideration needs to be given to online shopping as this also has a major impact."	2017-09-19 21:49
"Bad for business. Creates a poor environment that doesn't draw people into town. So the business that are open suffer"	2017-09-19 21:44

"Terrible"	2017-09-19 21:43
"I think it's depressing."	2017-09-19 21:42
"Unbelievable, there are so many. It makes the CBD look bad"	2017-09-19 21:41
"I wish locals could afford it, if not then mainland business owners should rent/buy the buildings and start opening shops that would benefit the town, shops with a variety. Not the same old cafe or takeaway store"	2017-09-19 21:40
"Disgraceful"	2017-09-19 21:38
"Its sad. The place is nothing like it used to be."	2017-09-19 21:37
"Ghost town high rates"	2017-09-19 21:37
"That's really sad - not sure how businesses are supposed to compete with online shopping"	2017-09-19 21:35
"The place is dying"	2017-09-19 21:33
"Depressing. Their windows should be used to display childrens' artwork, etc."	2017-09-19 21:33
"Related to the high rent & rates etc. Cheaper to go out to cooee etc"	2017-09-19 21:25

"Discouraging"	2017-09-19 21:15
"Its really sad to see."	2017-09-19 21:13
"It's a shame to see that but I'm encouraged by new businesses that are also having a go. Perhaps we could learn from other cities that have reinvented their CBD's after downturns eg Newcastle. Perhaps incentives for landlords to think outside the box and fill their empty properties?"	2017-09-19 21:13
"There will be an increase in empty shops and this will not reverse unless a business of substantial scale moves into the area."	2017-09-19 21:11
"Sad"	2017-09-19 21:10
"Sad. Scary. Frustrating"	2017-09-19 21:05
"Not good but happens when employment is taken away we need our government to spend more on roads and infrastructure in the north west and west"	2017-09-19 21:04
"When you look around it's sad really as some businesses have tried and had a go. Yet owners of the empty shops want higher rent."	2017-09-19 21:04
"Sad"	2017-09-19 21:04
"It's very sad."	2017-09-19 21:03
"could be used as communal area's/art spaces"	2017-09-19 21:00

"It's quite sad and depressing as I feel almost all businesses will close."	2017-09-19 20:59
"I presume rent is too high for businesses to be viable."	2017-09-19 20:58
"I think the the vacancy rates will drop in the next 12 months"	2017-09-19 20:56
"Disgraceful!"	2017-09-19 20:55
"It's a bad look for the CBD - very depressing. Also no good for business people who want to open a business in town but can't afford to."	2017-09-19 20:55
"not surprising but worrying, it seems only chain stores and franchises can survive in the cbd needs to be more incentives/support for small, local business"	2017-09-19 20:54
"Ridiculous and sad"	2017-09-19 20:53
"Those that are empty are not in the high foot traffic areas, they need to be updated to accommodate today's retail space requirements."	2017-09-19 20:53
"That Burnie will end up on the internet as an abandoned ghost town one day"	2017-09-19 20:52
"Never thought about it till now"	2017-09-19 20:51
"Better to lower rent and fill them up- will boost jobs and therefore the economy. Every effort should be made to fill empty shops."	2017-09-19 20:50

"Needs alot of work. Imagine how amazing it would be to have all the shops full and how many more people it would bring into town"	2017-09-19 20:49
"Too many. Once again, nothing to draw people in. Why should people come to shop in Burnie?"	2017-09-19 20:47
"Fairly demoralising,bordering on ghost town."	2017-09-19 20:46
"pathetic and sad"	2017-09-19 20:42
"I don't have any"	2017-09-19 20:40
"It is a bit depressing to see and must look (to tourists or outsiders) that everyone is leaving town or shop-owners are not making a living in business here. It certainly must turn people off opening a business but probably not as much as when they find out rental costs."	2017-09-19 20:36
"Sad but the area as a whole is struggling. Industry has closed up and people have moved out. The eastern end of town is good but the western end of the beach is a disaster."	2017-09-19 20:36
"More needs to be done to have space used. The population has declined significantly from its height under manufacturing. There simply isn't demand for the space. It would be better to decommission some spaces."	2017-09-19 20:34
"There is a lot, it would be nice to see them filled"	2017-09-19 20:29
"It looks silly. Like a ghost town. Cattley street metro bus area looks horrible. May as well get businesses in there paying minimum rent rather than leaving them empty and not getting any rent at all."	2017-09-19 20:28
"It's not a good look"	2017-09-19 20:27

"It is ridiculous. However is an ongoing trend across regional Australia with internet shopping being so much cheaper"	2017-09-19 20:25
"A reflection of the way Burnie is heading - declining."	2017-09-19 20:25
"Very sad to see"	2017-09-19 20:24
"It's sad. But with the majority of Burnie shoppers being of the lower socioeconomic variety, I believe the only stores that can flourish in Burnie are shops like the reject shop, shiploads, Kmart and other large franchises eg jeans west, just jeans etc. I think it would be very hard for a small business with a quality product to survive here, for example friends of beautiful."	2017-09-19 20:22
"how many business did bunnings force to close, also welfare levels"	2017-09-19 20:21
"Sad looks terrible not sure what people will think about them either there won't be much for them to look at which I find embarrassing"	2017-09-19 20:19
"Not nice to see....especially with all the cruise ships expected this season."	2017-09-19 20:19
"Leaves a very bad impression on visitors. Things we could be locally some years ago no need to be sourced in Devonport or Launceston."	2017-09-19 20:18
"Rent too high, no one want to come to town cause it too expensive to park so shop close down"	2017-09-19 20:18
"They are empty because rent is too high."	2017-09-19 20:16
"It's a terrible sight"	2017-09-19 20:16

"Very sad and unappealing"	2017-09-19 20:12
"Too many"	2017-09-19 20:10
"Too many"	2017-09-19 20:08
"It was not like this growing up here. The city is dead & I don't know the answer. There needs to be big wage jobs here rather than 100 part time poorly paid jobs"	2017-09-19 20:08
"It is quite depressing. I did like the attempt at one stage to fill some windows with art etc."	2017-09-19 20:06
"Council should have sold the property at west park. Stop mainland cbd investment high rollers don't care if they are empty or expensive our property prices are peanuts and a tax right off. Family parking at a reasonable price is only provided by Centro and this only supports Kmart and Coles"	2017-09-19 20:06
"They need to be able to use for family that just starting out"	2017-09-19 20:04
"There are so many empty buildings in the cbd because a lot of people travel to penguin, ulverstone, somerset and wynyard. They're all nicer places for families and it's free to park there"	2017-09-19 20:04
"Shocking"	2017-09-19 20:04
"It looks like the town is a dying hole and makes us think shop rents are stupidly high."	2017-09-19 20:03
"There are far too many empty buildings in the CBD , I understand rents may be too high . My understanding is, owners are not interested in lowering the rent as it then makes the value of the property decrease over time , not sure if that's true but doesn't make a lot of sense to me."	2017-09-19 20:02

"Selfish shop owners want too much."	2017-09-19 20:01
"It makes me less inclined to even go into town as I'm more likely to find what I want elsewhere (Wynyard/Ulverstone/Devonport); the CBD in general is looking very sad and run down"	2017-09-19 20:01
"Unsure"	2017-09-19 19:58
"It is disappointing but business owners need to take some responsibility. I have found the quality of food and service provided in some establishments terrible."	2017-09-19 19:57
"very disappointing that we cannot attract major chain retailers or people from other regions"	2017-09-19 19:56
"It's sad"	2017-09-19 19:56
"I saw today that Run Rabbit Run had shut its doors after only being re-open for a couple of months. Obviously something is wrong."	2017-09-19 19:55
"Obviously this is not a good thing, but this is a leading question, no one is going to answer this question positively, and it does not ask for anything constructive."	2017-09-19 19:55
"It makes the CBD look like an empty shell of a city."	2017-09-19 19:55
"It's disgusting. The old Harris scarfe building was full all though my childhood and always busy. 90% of those shops are now empty and have been for many years"	2017-09-19 19:53
"Too expensive for rent, low socioeconomic status for majority of town, not enough revenue"	2017-09-19 19:52

"Sad"	2017-09-19 19:52
"I'm not aware as I rarely go in there"	2017-09-19 19:52
"It's very sad. Not many shops left at all and the ones that are there don't have much variety"	2017-09-19 19:52
"True reflection on Burnie as a whole"	2017-09-19 19:50
"Shameful"	2017-09-19 19:49
"Disgusting and disappointing"	2017-09-19 19:48
"It's shocking to say the least"	2017-09-19 19:47
"Sad to see."	2017-09-19 19:47
"quite ugly"	2017-09-19 19:46
"Hard to compete with online shopping. Empty shops make the town look dead"	2017-09-19 19:45
"Sad to see. People can't afford to shop, people can't afford to own a shop. It's not an enjoyable place to be."	2017-09-19 19:41

"Too many"	2017-09-19 19:40
"Turn one into a safe square or building for youth to come, charge their phone, relax and eat. A trendy but private space. Even with a closed off area for breastfeeding mothers"	2017-09-19 19:39
"disgracefulness, like i said we had a small business with 4 full time staff and we had to close after 2 years due to running a huge loss. rent was far too high and having to also pay outgoings! shop owners are sitting back laughing with not having to pay a thing! GST is also a killer for small business."	2017-09-19 19:39
"Its depressing"	2017-09-19 19:37
"Never noticed as I avoid town"	2017-09-19 19:37
"Somewhat disappointing but rates/parking could be reduced to entice shoppers to the CBD, artwork could be displayed in the empty buildings, or short term rentals offered to 'pop up shops' and local craftspeople"	2017-09-19 19:35
"Its unfortunate and it makes the city look and feel like a dilapidated ghost town. Its hard to believe that people would rather have no tenant than put their rent down. Its disappointing walking around and thinking about how the city used to be and what it could be if there were more opportunity. Surely something can be done"	2017-09-19 19:33
"Disappointing. I plan on renting store space myself one day but there are only 1-2 places I can afford."	2017-09-19 19:31
"What can you do? Pop up stores, maybe use the shop windows as advertising, I was recently in Chadstone Shopping centre in Melbourne, there were a few empty shops, but the windows were blocked out with large and attractive billboard advertising."	2017-09-19 19:30
"Looks terrible. Doesn't do anything for the town. Businesses cannot afford to stay open. People won't shop in a town of empty shops."	2017-09-19 19:30
"Concerning"	2017-09-19 19:29

"See previous answer. Is there a way to allow community groups or similar to use empty spaces until they are let e.g. displays, art, craft, ideas, clubs, music, busking, etc. Difficult to create a vibrant atmosphere that attracts people if there are only chain stores and empty shops"	2017-09-19 19:29
"Very disappointing"	2017-09-19 19:26
"Very sad to see so many empty buildings. Liked it when they put Art in them."	2017-09-19 19:25
"Council polacy, and self interest are holding the town back."	2017-09-19 19:25
"Sad. Burnie is becoming a hole. I personally do not want to live here anymore"	2017-09-19 19:25
"Everything should be done to have empty buildings filled."	2017-09-19 19:24
"Disappointing, "	2017-09-19 19:24
"Too many"	2017-09-19 19:24
"Its sad and disheartening"	2017-09-19 19:22
"It is crap... the rent is too high for people to try to even fill the shops"	2017-09-19 19:21
"People don't shop local but complain when shops are empty."	2017-09-19 19:20

"Obvioisly the rent of the building costs are turning away people from running small business"	2017-09-19 19:19
"It doesn't look good for the town, but do we really need more sports stores or another cafe. The town should be investing in technology infrastructure so support the IT industry as many IT jobs can be done remotely these days. FTTP throughout the town would be great."	2017-09-19 19:19
"Disappointing"	2017-09-19 19:19
"It's very sad and unfortunate. We have a beautiful place here and it's going downhill again real fast"	2017-09-19 19:18
"It's very sad to see, it doesn't show much hope. Hurts the employment rate"	2017-09-19 19:18
"Terrible. And it keeps growing, there isn't an overwhelming number of new businesses appearing and if they do they don't last long"	2017-09-19 19:18
"It is getting worse. I feel like all these empty shops are a result of ridiculously high rates and rent in a 'city' that cannot provide a return on these expenses"	2017-09-19 19:17
"Disgusting due to high rent"	2017-09-19 19:16
"There are too many, again due to rent prices being too high."	2017-09-19 19:15
"It's sad. Always a sign of a town struggling. Creates a bad impression for visitors"	2017-09-19 19:13
"Sad "	2017-09-19 19:13

"It's awful"	2017-09-19 19:12
"It does make it encouraging to go into town. There are not enough shops to enjoy or to wander around. The CBD feels 'flat' and the people that loiter around and the language and smoking from them does not make it a place I want to be"	2017-09-19 19:12
"It makes it feel like a ghost town."	2017-09-19 19:12
"Obviously there's an issue. If because of rent prices they need to come down to reflect online market competition"	2017-09-19 19:12
"Not surprising when businesses can open in neighbouring, thriving towns like Wynyard and Ulverstone where customer parking is less of an issue and rent is cheaper!"	2017-09-19 19:11
"It looka horrible"	2017-09-19 19:11
"Heaps more than there used to be"	2017-09-19 19:11
"Prefer to see them utilised"	2017-09-19 19:10
"It's terrible, no wonder tourists and locals have nothing to do"	2017-09-19 19:09
"Its embarrassing as a city and a sad indictment on our future, everyone knows when the shops close so does the city or town"	2017-09-19 19:09
"There are too many"	2017-09-19 19:09

"Another sad really, very hard to get a small business off the ground"	2017-09-19 19:07
"It's depressing but with how high the rent is for these buildings it makes sense"	2017-09-19 19:06
"Maybe rent cheap to local crafts people?"	2017-09-19 19:05
"Too many. The pop-up shop idea should be better used - short term, cheaper leases. It's not a good look."	2017-09-19 19:03
"Reluctant to commit to starting businesses here"	2017-09-19 19:00
"Ugly"	2017-09-19 18:57
"Looks terrible for visitors to our town and definitely wouldn't be encouraging for people to move here seeing them all! It would make people think things are going pretty badly!"	2017-09-19 18:37
"lower the rent and fill the buildings"	2017-09-19 18:34
"It is awful. Starting to look like a ghost town - and empty shops are unkempt, dirty and untidy. For example, the Redi ATM opposite the police station is a complete disgrace with cobwebs, dirt and rubbish."	2017-09-19 18:31
"Sad"	2017-09-19 18:22
"Blame online shopping all you like - why would I pay to park, then not be able to find an item I want anyway..."	2017-09-19 18:21

"Sad"	2017-09-19 18:13
"Is it too costly?"	2017-09-19 18:12
"Terrible"	2017-09-19 18:10
"Frightening."	2017-09-19 17:47
"sad, especially when you see a a boutique or a small business close and then a large franchise open with cheap rubbish you know the economy and town is struggling"	2017-09-19 17:47
"Sign of the times, every town has them, on line shopping has killed some businesses"	2017-09-19 17:41
"Council is happy, landlords want too much rent, rates are too expensive, Council cannot see this, Anita Dow a waste as Mayor"	2017-09-19 17:39
"Concerning but a sign of increasing automation and online business, but how can Burnie turn this around with the cheapest energy in Australia (hydro)"	2017-09-19 17:24
"Not a good look but a lot more businesses have moved to other parts of town eg Harvey Norman etc"	2017-09-19 17:21
"Adds a negative vibe to the cbd. A sign of the times"	2017-09-19 17:12
"Indicative of the issues - low socio economic status of the community, increasing costs, welfare dependency, high level of risk to those that might want to go into business."	2017-09-19 17:10

"overpriced rent same everywhere you go"	2017-09-19 17:05
"Sad"	2017-09-19 15:22
"It's disgusting!! We think it's good that a shop like shiploads comes in but that is only due to Woolworths leaving. We only seem to get new shops when others close down so we have a constant state of quarter empty shops"	2017-09-18 21:10
"Sad,,,,depressing,,,disgusting,,, these people are having a go!!! And have to shut the door"	2017-09-18 20:46
"It's really unfortunate to look at, certainly gives the sense the place is heading no where."	2017-09-18 19:01
"Makes for a very depressed town, and less incentive to shop there. The proliferation of charity shops in empty buildings is also not a good look, although it may help economically depressed shoppers."	2017-09-18 18:19
"Not good"	2017-09-18 17:56
"I think the council could be doing a lot more to use the spaces while they wait for a tenant ... and they could be hustling for tenants"	2017-09-18 16:39
"It indicates our decline, a real worry!!"	2017-09-18 15:58
"SAD. Get people in there doing anything, it only creates despair seeing so many empty"	2017-09-18 14:37
"Shows the city centre has become irrelevant"	2017-09-18 10:58

"High rent maybe.small business can't compete with multi nations eg Kmart,target.Have things got worse since Bunnings took business from cbd??"	2017-09-17 10:39
"Depressing."	2017-09-16 17:31
"It's disappointing to see"	2017-09-16 09:57
"there seems to be more and more every week"	2017-09-15 22:40
"The Council needs to get with the 21st Century....the days of retail precincts and industrial and residential zones are DEAD and GONE like the Dodo.....the way to revitalise cities is to have mixed residential and businesses and that is what Burnie needs.....residential upstairs and businesses downstairs.....that is the way to make the city come alive because nowadays EVERYONE under 30 shops ONLINE.....so businesses need to morph and change and the Council needs to come to the realisation that residential is totally compatable with retail.....just like in Europe....."	2017-09-15 12:27
"Not very aesthetically pleasing"	2017-09-14 22:52
"inspire creative thinking and entrepreneurs through 1. Artistic displays in empty shopfronts. 2. Provide assistance for applications for seed funding for startups. 3. Support Rising to the Top Workshops."	2017-09-14 20:57
"I don't go into the cbd to notice much"	2017-09-14 19:59
"Its quite un believeable and shows how much the town is struggling"	2017-09-14 18:56
"Not a good look"	2017-09-14 17:34

"???"	2017-09-14 16:56
"Sad"	2017-09-14 15:15
"Rent too high"	2017-09-14 14:57
"Unsightly. Makes the town look empty and unloved"	2017-09-14 14:24
"It looks horrid"	2017-09-14 14:09
"Terrible. Half the reason why I don't like shopping in Burnie it's so boring"	2017-09-14 13:34
"It's disappointing and also looks very degrading for our city"	2017-09-14 13:00
"It really doesn't look good"	2017-09-14 12:56
"Pop up business should be encouraged - happened in Devonport last Christmas and was a success"	2017-09-14 11:11
"Heartbreaking"	2017-09-14 09:59
"no good shops"	2017-09-14 09:20

"Depressing"	2017-09-14 08:45
"It's a sign of where Burnie is heading. And also a sign of how lack luster the current council is"	2017-09-14 08:38
"It's outrageous, lower the rental costs for these buildings so more businesses and entrepreneurs can start up."	2017-09-14 08:30
"I hadnt noticed them but the town could benefit from increased variety in cafes and restaurants as well as specialty shops so they could be put to good use"	2017-09-14 08:18
"Disappointment"	2017-09-14 08:17
"See answer before"	2017-09-14 08:05
"It looks bad for visitors and tourists"	2017-09-14 06:53
"Too many"	2017-09-14 06:14
"Pathetic.. make it user friendly so people can try to make it a go to encourage out of towners and tourists to come here. Especially when the Cruise ships are here.."	2017-09-14 06:05
"It's becoming like a ghost town.."	2017-09-14 00:21
"An absolute disgrace, I remember when I as a kid used to go into town with my parents and there were never any empty shops. The city centre looks like a ghost town. Maybe another 2 dollar shop will open up...lol"	2017-09-13 23:24

"Very sad and disappointing for Burnie"	2017-09-13 22:30
"It was worse in 1963"	2017-09-13 22:02
"Disheartening, embarrassing, don't like walking past them."	2017-09-13 19:56
"Very very sad!! Some days in the Main Street I'm sure you could hear a pin drop"	2017-09-13 19:53
"poor"	2017-09-13 19:02
"Ridiculous! If the rent was cheaper it would attract more business owners creating more options in Burnie shopping/eating wise."	2017-09-13 18:24
"looks bad, indication of why so many struggle to stay open"	2017-09-13 17:03
"Sad and disgusting, rent is so high people can't afford to keep there shops open"	2017-09-13 16:41
"This is the new reality. If business people saw value in a CBD location they would be there already. Its just wishful thinking to think someone is going to come along and open up a shop when existing ones are struggling."	2017-09-13 14:18
"Its heartbraking"	2017-09-13 10:11
"As previous answer. Make shopping more relaxed and a social enviroment."	2017-09-13 09:50

"Disgrace"	2017-09-13 07:51
"Its sad, but it is understandable"	2017-09-13 07:15
"It's pretty sad, could be a lot more. We probably need a lot more."	2017-09-13 01:57
"Sad"	2017-09-12 22:20
"Times are changing and internet shopping is on the way up"	2017-09-12 21:05
"Rent cost to high and lack of custom due to parking fees and fines"	2017-09-12 20:57
"Demoralising"	2017-09-12 20:56
"There should be some thought put into these . the rent seems excessive for a place like burnie. Take some ideas from Devonport- have a bowling alley???"	2017-09-12 20:42
"Depressing"	2017-09-12 20:24
"It sounds empty from friends who visited there"	2017-09-12 20:08
"Incredibly sad to see"	2017-09-12 19:58

"Empty buildings/shop fronts give the impression of a 'struggling area'.. a 'derelict area'.. a 'poor community' area.. an 'unloved/uncared for' area. With Tasmania being very much a tourist State it is not a good impression at all. For them or us."

2017-09-12 19:43

"Can't understand why property owners don't drop the rent to fill them!"

2017-09-12 18:48

"It's sad to see! We've only lived in Burnie for year but love the place and hope to open a shop ourselves in the near future, if we can find a suitable shop with reasonable rent."

2017-09-12 18:40

"Chances are rents are too high."

2017-09-12 18:36

"Sad :("

2017-09-12 18:22

"Shocking"

2017-09-12 18:09

"There are too many owners hoarding property for capital gains and not making efforts to fill tenancies. Rent is artificially high because negative gearing and capital gains treatment supports landlords leaving buildings empty and gaming the system."

2017-09-12 18:01

"Too many...greedy landlords..inaction by the council to encourage new business opportunities"

2017-09-12 17:36

"It sad to see that bussinesses are closing around us monthly. The house of cane, Eat cafe, Descent surf and skate, raffertys cafe ect have all closed within 2 blocks within the last couple of months. It's sad that this community isn't sustainable enough to keep a business anymore."

2017-09-12 17:28

"Too many"

2017-09-12 17:17

"The council is not taking care of our city and therefore businesses are suffering"

2017-09-12 17:15

"It is very disappointing to see especially thinking of the jobs that could be created by new businesses taking these spaces"	2017-09-12 08:24
"It looks like a derelict town. Its sad to see so many empty shop fronts."	2017-09-12 03:44
"We need people to spend more of their disposable income locally."	2017-09-11 20:10
"Sad. The shops are always closing and another opening but not for very long before they are gone again"	2017-09-11 19:58
"I think we have an opportunity at this time to tap into tourism. If we can attract more travellers to Burnie things may pick up."	2017-09-11 12:31
"it sucks"	2017-09-11 09:37
"The rent is obviously too high"	2017-09-11 09:12
"Burnie isnt the same as i remember as a child. So i guess a little dissapointing"	2017-09-11 09:11
"Opinions for people to put in more things for family's to do with a reasonable price"	2017-09-11 08:48
"It's heartbreaking"	2017-09-11 08:45
"Unsurprised, the general population of Burnie doesn't appear to be enough to keep that many businesses afloat. The CBD region needs a do-over to maximise the flow of shoppers, considering their interests and their price range."	2017-09-10 19:16

"Few too many"	2017-09-10 13:39
"Every city/town has them"	2017-09-10 12:04
"They look awful. I couldn't believe when I wandered through the CBD yesterday that more stores were gone. There's not a lot of point to shopping in the CBD, because there's nothing there."	2017-09-10 11:18
"Sends a message that Burnie is not thriving"	2017-09-10 09:17
"Looks terrible"	2017-09-10 09:09
"Disgraceful council need to stop wasting money and reduce rates"	2017-09-10 08:03
"It's depressing "	2017-09-10 03:03
"Sad and negative for the economy"	2017-09-09 23:34
"Sad and depressing Disgusted how shop owners are expected to pay top dollar for rent and would prefer an empty shop rather than reduce rent for people starting out in business."	2017-09-09 23:31
"It's terrible but just a sign of what has been created by the current state of employment opportunities in the area. We also all know why the rents are so high- 'foreign ownership' basically jacking up shop rents on purpose in a town where no one can possibly pay it- it's a pretty obvious rort and burnie is the loser in all of it. When it comes to the prime example of all things stacked against a community, Burnie takes the cake. It all results in empty shops."	2017-09-09 23:05
"I think the rent needs to be lowered so more small businesses can afford to stay open"	2017-09-09 22:06

"It proves that Burnie has a big problem and things need to change. Not a good look for the tourists or the community."	2017-09-09 21:54
"Theres too many"	2017-09-09 21:51
"Worried about our town in which I hope to stay in for the rest of my life..."	2017-09-09 21:41
"Too many empty ones and will only get worse"	2017-09-09 20:35
"Doesn't give a good impression for tourists. Makes ppl think the city may be declining Rents must be high"	2017-09-09 20:14
"It's sad"	2017-09-09 20:09
"Terrible"	2017-09-09 20:03
"Looks terrible, and I think property managers need to ask owners if businesses that are empty for a period of time to tidy them up a bit, keep the outsides clean. A lot of shops need a good paint and that goes for leased ones to It just doesn't fall on the empty shop owners it's about encouraging businesses to open up, but the money isn't in burnie. Be great to have some nice, bright, vibrant interesting shops in Burnie. Shops like Peter Alexander, Lorna Jane, their apparel is expensive but worth the money, but it's a catch 22, the rent would be to high and there aren't enough people in Burnie to buy the items. Maybe encourage pop up shops to come for a few days to test the waters maybe."	2017-09-09 19:09
"Rent is theft!"	2017-09-09 18:48
"A waste. Convert them to homes for the needy or health drop in centres"	2017-09-09 18:19

"It is sad but not sure what extra shops burnie really needs everyday as people need money to buy and in my opinion there are too many people unwilling to work in Burnie and happy to bludge"	2017-09-09 17:34
"Rent is to high"	2017-09-09 16:21
"It's very sad. Not a good impression for our visitors either"	2017-09-09 16:04
"The city is empty because business are moving into new areas such as the Harvey Norman complex and Bunnings area"	2017-09-09 15:17
"Everyone is busily talking about the high rents but if you approached the real estate you may get a rent free period."	2017-09-09 15:14
"Burnie seems to be turning into a ghost town"	2017-09-09 14:33
"Waste"	2017-09-09 14:25
"It is sad to see."	2017-09-09 14:22
"Defently need to be sorted... weather it be new business's"	2017-09-09 13:44
"it looks really sad and sets a bad vibe/ impression for the town"	2017-09-09 13:25
"Greedy land owners. Greedy council. It looks terrible seeing so many empty shops. Not enough incentive to encourage new shops to open."	2017-09-09 11:04

"Most of the empty shops are greedy people using them as tax write offs"	2017-09-09 09:53
"It's staggering! I think it drives people away, especially the younger ones. Spaces should be allocated at cheaper rates for artists or pop up shops"	2017-09-09 08:04
"A lot of small businesses fail in the first two years, think there needs to be a better education program when people are starting out in business for that overall understanding. This may be part of the issue. Need to however fill these shops especially whilst we have a high level of cruise ships docking which is great."	2017-09-09 07:48
"As I said I work in real estate and I know the big issue their. My mum dealt with commercial for so many years. I'm only just understanding the commercial rental as I sell. There biggest issues are the lack of education agents give to the landlord's. I for one spoke to purchasers and explained if they purchase this is the rental they would achieve without it hurting either parties. They took it on board, both purchased and now have small business that are going somewhere. If we do not educate owners and show them stats and the facts and do the research we are partly to blame. The onus does go back on the landlord but educate them more and they may understand."	2017-09-09 07:36
"Very sad to see small business fail"	2017-09-09 06:51
"Makes it a very sad"	2017-09-09 01:35
"I wonder how this has happened and what has caused the decline. I wonder is it mismanagement or is it that there is less available spare cash with residents. The town has lost a vast amount of industry. I am saddened when I see young people on the town who should be improving their education, instead of thinking life is about bumming around."	2017-09-08 23:56
"Shithouse"	2017-09-08 23:44
"Pathetic and disgusting on rental prices. So much potential but there are WAY too many cafes happening.. We need new attractions and for shops to stop importing what THEY want to sell and do some research and start selling what's trending"	2017-09-08 23:38
"My thoughts are that it is a reflection of the decline in small business owners. Probably due to overpriced rent and unemployment"	2017-09-08 22:46

"Turn into accommodation/services"	2017-09-08 21:55
"Very sad to see and reflects Burnies decline. Can't blame anyone deciding to not go into a business with the high fixed costs of rent, rates, ridiculous water charges etc."	2017-09-08 21:52
"Burnie council"	2017-09-08 21:49
"Lower the rents"	2017-09-08 21:42
"I dont like it and not sure how you fix it"	2017-09-08 21:15
"It's huge. There is no clothing shops except cotton on"	2017-09-08 20:57
"It says it all"	2017-09-08 20:13
"Not a good look however retail is getting harder... Changing world. Maybe incentives to bring businesses into cbd. Eg reduced rates"	2017-09-08 20:10
"We need a boost find businesses to fill these shops"	2017-09-08 19:54
"No idea"	2017-09-08 19:48
"The rent is obviously too high and business need to cater for the low to middle income population...fewer boutiques and more novelty type stores & entertainment like ten pin bowling...roller skating...put put golf"	2017-09-08 19:39

"Enter text here sad"	2017-09-08 19:21
"Its quite sad to see"	2017-09-08 19:19
"Due to rent!"	2017-09-08 19:07
"Its not a good look"	2017-09-08 19:02
"Rents to high & no one wants to spend money or they don't have any money to spend"	2017-09-08 18:59
"theres a few and probably more to come yet !"	2017-09-08 18:56
"High rent most of the cause."	2017-09-08 18:45
"It would be great if they were filled but do we have the population to keep these businesses busy and thriving? I don't think so."	2017-09-08 18:39
"It's a poor first impression for newcomers to the city"	2017-09-08 18:30
"Its a waste"	2017-09-08 18:23
"What else does Burnie need?"	2017-09-08 18:22

"Disappointing"	2017-09-08 18:08
"Its appauling!!!"	2017-09-08 18:00
"To many"	2017-09-08 17:55
"looks like ghost town as people charge the rent to high so small businesses cant stay in business"	2017-09-08 17:35
"Obviously the rent is too expensive that's why they are empty"	2017-09-08 17:15
"Looks terrible for visitors and tourists to see when they visit our city"	2017-09-08 16:58
"Terribly sad, drop the rent, drop the rates, fill them up, even if the lease term is only 4 weeks at a time. "	2017-09-08 16:51
"Its such a waste of space i feel if rent was lowered a lot more would be open which in turn would help with employment"	2017-09-08 15:56
"Shows how burnie is declining"	2017-09-08 15:21
"Disappointing but I don't notice them much anymore they've been there so long."	2017-09-08 15:09
"Worrying"	2017-09-08 15:01

"Dismal. Makes the CBD look 'pov'"	2017-09-08 14:54
"Way to many..."	2017-09-08 14:26
"It would be better if they were full but understand that it's very risky stating a small business in burnie"	2017-09-08 14:21
"Rent needs to go down therefor it will give a lot more small business owners oppotunities"	2017-09-08 12:35
"Doesn't look good"	2017-09-08 12:19
"Not good"	2017-09-08 12:04
"donnu"	2017-09-08 11:55
"Stupid! They could be filled up with business but the owners are greedy and want high rent hence why everything is either empty or closing down!"	2017-09-08 11:29
"Expensive rent"	2017-09-08 11:13
"Its horrible it makes us look like a ghost town"	2017-09-08 10:58
"It is very depressing to see, we are supposed to be a thriving city, yet people are leaving in droves. No jobs means no money to spend, resulting in empty shops."	2017-09-08 10:54

"It is shocking"	2017-09-08 10:04
"Rental too expensive"	2017-09-08 08:30
"Empty building always create an impression of decline and dispair; on the other hand empty means new opportunities if council is business friendly and actively seeks business growth."	2017-09-08 08:10
"Bad Mayor - Council "	2017-09-08 06:15
"It's sad"	2017-09-08 00:33
"A sign of the town's decline"	2017-09-07 22:49
"Far too many , not a good look"	2017-09-07 22:36
"Need to be able to attract new business and have it supported"	2017-09-07 22:05
"Very sad. Can we invigorate them by setting their windows up as an art gallery?"	2017-09-07 22:00
"There are too many empty buildings in the CBD, gives impression of a struggling city and not an inviting, vibrant shopping district. Rents too high in the CBD. Lower (or subsidized) rent would attract more businesses which in turn would bring more people/business to the CBD"	2017-09-07 21:18
"Poor"	2017-09-07 21:00

"Not attractive to prospective tenants Makes burnie look like its struggling Makes prospective tenants think twice about establishing businesses in burnie"	2017-09-07 20:51
"Doesn't paid a good picture, nor does it make people want to be there"	2017-09-07 20:43
"Possible reduction of rent/rates for a year to help business to establish. "	2017-09-07 20:31
"There are too many and it is increasing. It makes the city look dead and not vibrant like it used to be. It creates a poor atmosphere."	2017-09-07 20:29
"I'm guessing that the rent costs deter people There's a lack of variety of shops around to draw other people in"	2017-09-07 20:28
"Why not have pop up shops?"	2017-09-07 20:17
"Terrible, rent too expensive"	2017-09-07 20:06
"Disappointing"	2017-09-07 20:05
"Very sad looking, it's not a good first impression!!"	2017-09-07 19:55
"A reflection on previous post.... no one likes shopping in Burnie."	2017-09-07 19:39
"Disheartening."	2017-09-07 19:35

"Shocking... But rent is to high for businesses"	2017-09-07 19:33
"Businesses come and go frequently, so no thoughts!."	2017-09-07 19:29
"Maybe rent is high?? Unsure"	2017-09-07 19:24
"It's sad to see so many shops empty"	2017-09-07 19:19
"More will empty rents are too high and there is no economy to support the business we have"	2017-09-07 18:56
"Doesnt look good"	2017-09-07 18:47
"Sad"	2017-09-07 18:44
"It looks bad. And untidy"	2017-09-07 18:44
"Makes the place look dead"	2017-09-07 18:32
"There are too many. We need more shops and activity centres, but nobody can afford to lease buildings. They are too expensive!"	2017-09-07 18:17
"Terrible"	2017-09-07 17:34

"Lower the rent, try and attract some different stores"	2017-09-07 17:24
"IT's a sign of the state of the local economy."	2017-09-07 16:54
"It's a double edge sword. If people don't have income to spend supporting shop owners businesses 1. go out of business or 2. can not invest in their businesses to make them attractive to locals 3. people won't risk starting a business"	2017-09-07 16:35
"Sadly I feel this will only continue unless issues are looked at."	2017-09-07 16:33
"Part of life. Most towns are the same. Burnie is no different"	2017-09-07 16:18
"Not a very good look."	2017-09-07 16:15
"Dead space. "	2017-09-07 16:13
"It's disgraceful, it makes Burnie look worse than it actually is & shows Burnie cannot keep open the stores they are trying to provide."	2017-09-07 15:40
"It looks terrible and shows that small businesses are doing it tough"	2017-09-07 15:39
"Disappointing."	2017-09-07 15:34
"Very unattractive. Not good. Disappointing for walkers and shoppers."	2017-09-07 15:13

"I feel they could be put to good use while vacant such as pop up shops to give small businesses and makers the opportunity to experience having a shop front"

2017-09-07
14:59

"I think something business don't realise is just because your awesome expensive boutique, cafe etc. thrived in bigger cities does not mean it's going to do the same thing in Burnie. We are a small community and as sad as it is I'm not going to spend \$150 on a meal or a piece of fabric when I could purchase close to the same quality for a quarter of the price. I can't afford those luxuries and neither can half the population of Burnie. Some business need to realise as well, one customers bad experience can and will ruin you if they decide to take it to social media and your response isn't exactly professional. So I think it's sad that so many business have tried and failed in Burnie but so many don't fail, so if you go about it the right way and market things properly for our area I don't get how or why you would fail."

2017-09-07
14:55

"Its sad to see so many vacant places around Burnie."

2017-09-07
14:32

"There are so many. Im aware rent is over priced considering the decline of Burnie."

2017-09-07
14:29

"Not a good look for Burnie, we are definitely living in a declining town. Businesses are closing down and then no-one is renting these buildings for new business and when they do they are the same type of shops that we already have, more cafes etc"

2017-09-07
13:59

"Building owners should be ashamed....."

2017-09-07
13:55

"It's a shame but probably a sign of the times with online shopping."

2017-09-07
13:32

"Prices are too high"

2017-09-07
13:29

"Terrible"

2017-09-07
13:29

"It is becoming a ghost town sadly people do not shop in Burnie as there are not many shops apart from Coles Kmart best and less and target and apparently target is closing down so ??? Council and government need to help fix this"

2017-09-07
13:21

"It's sad and ugly"	2017-09-07 13:04
"Disgusting"	2017-09-07 12:41
"It's sad I know of many business that would love to open in the CBD or to move to larger premises, but the rental cost is prohibitive"	2017-09-07 12:32
"Discusting"	2017-09-07 12:22
"What a shame - wouldn't it be great if we could provide low cost rent for pop up shops for instance. Or have artwork on display so shops don't look so unloved."	2017-09-07 11:36
"Its shocking"	2017-09-07 11:09
"Disturbing"	2017-09-07 10:50
"Way to many and there are likely to be more very soon"	2017-09-07 10:45
"Ghost town. Looks ugly."	2017-09-07 10:41
"Un inviting"	2017-09-07 10:26
"Disappointing. But they can't compete with online shopping and high rental prices. Also they should be willing to open when cruise ships are in."	2017-09-07 10:08

"it seems to be such a waste of good opportunity"	2017-09-07 10:02
"Too many"	2017-09-07 09:47
"Makes the place look like a ghost town"	2017-09-07 09:45
"Gives the illusion the town is dying"	2017-09-07 09:19
"Lower the rent so shops can re open"	2017-09-07 09:15
"It's happening everywhere as more consumers shop online "	2017-09-07 09:10
"Terrible. I believe this could be due to the price of rent, it's too expensive for a business to start up."	2017-09-07 08:44
"It is a real shame to see the empty buildings but I don't know what can be done to change it."	2017-09-07 08:39
"Very sad and makes Burnie look like a ghost town"	2017-09-07 08:34
"It's embarrassing .. it's like a smaller Detroit "	2017-09-07 08:17
"Crazy."	2017-09-07 08:14

"Can't fill them if there is no one able to affordable to use them. Would rather see empty buildings rather than people struggling"	2017-09-07 08:04
"The issue i feel is people are not taking a risk on starting a business as it has a high failure rate in a declining city and land lords wont drop the rent as would be happy to claim lost rent as a tax write off"	2017-09-07 06:48
"It's really sad"	2017-09-07 06:39
"So sad and unappealing. There are next to no shops open on a Sunday. I remember when this city thrived. It is now just a town with little ambiance."	2017-09-07 06:34
"It's sad - I grew up in Burnie. I will always support Burnie first"	2017-09-07 05:30
"lower the rents and council rates to offer would be investors some incentives"	2017-09-07 00:37
"Way to many"	2017-09-07 00:36
"Disappointing. The council often has unrealistic idea of the rates they can demand. Thus making rents required to be unreasonable. Also council rules and regulations are often difficult and lacking in common sense."	2017-09-07 00:23
"I think the redevelopment of the harris scarfs building let the city down. It should have still been a walk through indoor mall concept so people didn't have to shop in the wind and rain. So much more could have been done with the space to create a lively shopping experience."	2017-09-07 00:20
"Increasing"	2017-09-07 00:20
"It just goes to show how bad burnie is failing as a city and looks terrible. But it's fittING considering the amount of bogans and druggies around."	2017-09-07 00:10

"It is worsening"	2017-09-07 00:00
"a reflection of a flatline economy, less than creative use of these spaces to create more amenity in the CBD, and opportunity(-ies) to offer start-up,small, creative businesses and enterprises space to exhibit, etc."	2017-09-06 23:44
"Rent needs to be cheaper. Better to have shops filled than empty."	2017-09-06 23:38
"Put something in them that simple"	2017-09-06 23:33
"Need a population that wants to go into town make the cbd nicer prettier, things to look at. Art?"	2017-09-06 23:33
"Wasted. Drop rent and encourage business in invite them. Ask young peopke what they want to see in the empty spaces. They are the future and we as there parents are spending money on them. Not ourselves"	2017-09-06 23:30
"FILL EM UP WITH WOODCHIPS"	2017-09-06 23:30
"Quite sad, lots of potential for jobs, services, businesses and activities"	2017-09-06 23:26
"They will stay empty as more businesses close and more people leave"	2017-09-06 23:19
"It does suck a lot, but it's hard to keep small business running especially in the cafe and hospitality industry! So many other choices and hard to make yours stand out to the public and win them over. But rent is too high for these small business and so they find them selves on the outskirts of the CBD and not in the centre"	2017-09-06 23:19
"Doesn't encourage growth. Businesses need foot traffic from other businesses to help survive"	2017-09-06 23:15

"Shocking"	2017-09-06 23:15
"Unfortunate sign of the times"	2017-09-06 23:14
"Looks bad. Family we have had visit always ask "where are the rest of the shops". I'm sure other visitors think we are a 'nothing' town."	2017-09-06 23:14
"It's gives the cbd a very unloved and uninvited place to shop"	2017-09-06 23:11
"They need to be fitted out with thought for leasable businesses with a focus on melbourne style suburbia feel, quirky cafes and businesses, food courts and markets"	2017-09-06 23:11
"Sad"	2017-09-06 23:11
"It looks shocking"	2017-09-06 23:10
"Sad"	2017-09-06 23:10
"Disappointing and not a good look Focus on the positives"	2017-09-06 23:09
"Embarrassing that half the town is empty and more are closing and there arnt opportunitys a provided for subsidies to encourage new businesses"	2017-09-06 23:05
"Rents are rediculas"	2017-09-06 22:57

"Its really sad. Burnie really needs some TLC"	2017-09-06 22:55
"It's disappointing..."	2017-09-06 22:47
"Very sad"	2017-09-06 22:40
"Totally crap! Rent is too expensive and leases too long!"	2017-09-06 22:33
"They're empty because they're too expensive."	2017-09-06 22:32
"It's really sad."	2017-09-06 22:29
"It's a bad look ,maybe owners should consider cheaper rents to encourage local business to base here"	2017-09-06 22:19
"Predictable"	2017-09-06 22:18
"Sad to see. .need more interesting shops with competent staff"	2017-09-06 22:01
"It might be too expensive to hire the building There aren't enough customers around so businesses wouldn't thrive Makes Burnie feel less thriving"	2017-09-06 22:01
"Not good"	2017-09-06 21:57

"Crap bu"	2017-09-06 21:51
"Makes Burnie look like a ghost town! As previously stated, expensive rent & rates are partly to blame"	2017-09-06 21:47
"Shows that people are going elsewhere for their shopping, also shows that rent may be too high in the cbd and small business can't afford to operate there"	2017-09-06 21:44
"sad"	2017-09-06 21:43
"Cost of rent or purchase price on said building is crazy high no wonder people don't occupy them"	2017-09-06 21:33
"There aren't many"	2017-09-06 21:24
"Disappointing. Only a small number of quality shops in Burnie that are worth visiting."	2017-09-06 21:21
"Very sad. There are shop fronts that have never had a store in them since they were built 5+ years ago"	2017-09-06 21:07
"already answered"	2017-09-06 20:51
"Rent too high for the amount of foot traffic"	2017-09-06 20:49
"Reflects the state of the town, and its dependence on a few sources for employment"	2017-09-06 20:43

"Terrible"	2017-09-06 20:22
"Rents and rates are too high to be successful."	2017-09-06 20:01
"Let businesses have some assistance and lower rates"	2017-09-06 19:58
"Pretty sad, would like to see more activities for youth such as bowling, indoor rock climbing, etc"	2017-09-06 19:19
"More businesses strangled by council's profiteering from parking. Access! Shoppers need easy access or they go elsewhere."	2017-09-06 18:53
"There appears to be a large number and this gives the impression the city is declining."	2017-09-06 18:52
"Sadly this will continue, not good attracting people to town. People hanging around the bus stop is a real turn off."	2017-09-06 18:45
"Not sure"	2017-09-06 17:54
"If their was more money in the community i guess their'd be businesses in those buildings."	2017-09-06 17:42
"Must be asking too much rent"	2017-09-06 17:32
"Looks bad"	2017-09-06 17:26

"Too many"	2017-09-06 17:10
"Terrible but understandable"	2017-09-06 16:58
"Poor"	2017-09-06 16:39
"Disgraceful"	2017-09-06 16:13
"It looks bad. There are no reasons there shouldn't be stores in them."	2017-09-06 16:06
"Sad"	2017-09-06 15:55
"Sad and embarrassing"	2017-09-06 15:50
"Not good"	2017-09-06 15:19
"Ugly and sad"	2017-09-06 15:18
"Turn them into apartments"	2017-09-06 15:08
"Maybe the rents are too high."	2017-09-06 14:59

"Extremely saddening and disheartening for those that wish to open a small business (myself included). So many start and are forced to shut the doors within months..."	2017-09-06 14:29
"I think it's really sad and if Burnie isn't careful it will become a ghost town"	2017-09-06 14:18
"It has been like that for a long time The buildings are owned by the old guard therefore high rents , high rates, poor infrastructure and poor design"	2017-09-06 14:15
"Disgraceful"	2017-09-06 14:15
"Really sad"	2017-09-06 13:56
"Its appalling... fill them up"	2017-09-06 13:51
"Its inevitable and happens everywhere, maybe moreso here"	2017-09-06 13:47
"There are to many. People won't shop nearby businesses because there isn't enough other stuff around to do in that area. The other empty shops make the area look untidy and gives the appearance that burnie isn't thriving"	2017-09-06 13:40
"It's a ghost town"	2017-09-06 13:26
"Sickening. Could be used for free parking"	2017-09-06 13:14
"Sad"	2017-09-06 13:14

"Looks bad"	2017-09-06 13:09
"It makes Burnie a ghost town. It's not a good look for anyone."	2017-09-06 13:08
"Rediculous"	2017-09-06 13:02
"I covered this one in my previous answer. there are far too many empty buildings in the CBD and it needs to be addressed as the top priority. I watched a friend open his first business in the CBD and I saw the struggles he had to secure a suitable premise at a reasonable cost. The location of his business should be on a main street but is currently tucked away down a gravel laneway. It's not a bad place to start but it would be a shame if that's where he ends."	2017-09-06 12:58
"Inevitable, there are not enough people to even to call this place a city anymore"	2017-09-06 12:56
"It's really sad. Rent is too high in most places"	2017-09-06 12:56
"Once again Burnie is no different to the rest of the country. CBDs all over are plagued by empty store fronts. "	2017-09-06 12:47
"It's depressing to see and doesn't look good as a tourist/cruise ship destination"	2017-09-06 12:45
"From what I have read, heard, the landlords are asking big rents which starting off businesses can not afford. Landlords must be out of pocket having vacant premises, surely they would be better off charging a lower rent and having their property used. Could the empty shops be used as pop-up shops, especially for the coming up tourist season? "	2017-09-06 12:37
"They could be put to good use as pop up shops, even pop up study areas or meeting place until leased permanently"	2017-09-06 12:36

"none "	2017-09-06 12:36
"They represent opportunities"	2017-09-06 12:35
"Don't go to town much but have noticed lots of places closing down"	2017-09-06 12:34
"I think more should be done to attract tenants eg reducing rent prices. Rental costs are crippling small businesses"	2017-09-06 12:27
"Lower rent to get new businesses in them Better to make less money on property than no money Make the town look alive instead of dead and empty "	2017-09-06 12:17
"Terrible and depressing"	2017-09-06 12:06
"Says Burnie is closed for business unless you are after the cheap stuff."	2017-09-06 12:03
"Makes it feel empty"	2017-09-06 11:55
"Embarrassing and very sad"	2017-09-06 11:31
"Costs too much to lease and the wrong type of stores are trying to open without having a future plan of how to realistically exist in a smaller city where the majority of people have little spare money to spend on luxuries"	2017-09-06 11:29
"That is sad to always see"	2017-09-06 11:04

"New business need to be attracted to the City. The council should look at rate reductions to help get businesses started and also employ a part time business development person"	2017-09-06 10:28
"Disgusting and have free parking in the CBD area to help the shop owners. Burnie council has a lot to answer for."	2017-09-06 10:15
"Very disturbing"	2017-09-06 10:06
"It's depressing. I know businesses have to pay rent etc, but empty shops surely don't look good to tourists during cruise boat season either?"	2017-09-06 10:00
"I'm disappointed would like to see shops thriving."	2017-09-06 10:00
"If the landlords weren't so greedy , they'd all be filled."	2017-09-06 09:50
"Maybe if they reduced the rate or gave small business owners incentives to start a new business we might see a decrease in empty shops"	2017-09-06 09:44
"There are lots. Should we be offering pop up opportunities for genuine first time business, gvt subsidised."	2017-09-06 09:30
"Disappointing, unappealing for visitors"	2017-09-06 09:27
"It adds to the atmosphere of decline. Shop owners would be better off renting the buildings out cheaper and at least having a tenant in them. Full buildings may create a flow on effect"	2017-09-06 09:26
"Looks bad."	2017-09-06 09:25

"Very sad to see.... Would be very off putting for someone to start a new business"	2017-09-06 09:09
"disappointing"	2017-09-06 08:59
"If people choose to shop online there is little that can be done about empty shops other than considering other usage such as accomodation"	2017-09-06 08:55
"Concerning Maybe try halving rent, better than none at all"	2017-09-06 08:51
"It's very sad to see so many but unless we support local small business there will be more empty spaces."	2017-09-06 08:46
"Rents are obviously too steep."	2017-09-06 08:37
"Absolutely ridiculous! And the council is to blame"	2017-09-06 08:36
"too many empty building because of such high rents. it looks terrible too"	2017-09-06 08:34
"Way too many probably because of high rents and way too expensive parking for customers."	2017-09-06 08:30
"Shocking! There should be an opportunity here to do something fun once a week in the areas where there is a lot in one spot. And why are they allowed to become ruined?"	2017-09-06 08:22
"would love to see them filled"	2017-09-06 08:18

"It would be interesting to know how many have made enquiries ie is it that people are scared to jump into a business venture or are the rents too extreme for our economy?"	2017-09-06 08:06
"Great opportunities, but rent is probably to high for burnie economics and population"	2017-09-06 08:04
"Very sad depressing"	2017-09-06 07:55
"It is not good to see all the empty buildings but times are changing so I think business people need to change and try and get ahead to do any good"	2017-09-06 07:50
"Adds to a poor atmosphere"	2017-09-06 07:38
"Sad. Disappointing"	2017-09-06 07:30
"It's sad, and it makes the town look like it's struggling."	2017-09-06 07:27
"Changing values and ideas"	2017-09-06 07:26
"Sad"	2017-09-06 07:25
"Disappointing but not surprising."	2017-09-06 07:24
"Rents too high"	2017-09-06 07:22

"Not good. Cost of rent is a large factor, landlords seem happier to charge high rents even if their building is empty than drop the cost and have it full"	2017-09-06 07:09
"Goes back to what I just said"	2017-09-06 06:56
"It makes the problem look worse"	2017-09-06 06:55
"Disappointed, some could be used for start up businesses hubs and covered by local council"	2017-09-06 06:53
"Surely these buildings could be refilled with something else."	2017-09-06 06:43
"Sad"	2017-09-06 06:43
"In the four years since I have been in Burnie there are now less empty buildings than there were when I first arrived. This is surely a sign of growth."	2017-09-06 06:35
"Rent to high"	2017-09-06 06:33
"It's disgraceful"	2017-09-06 06:26
"Disgraceful"	2017-09-06 06:23
"Compounds the negativity"	2017-09-06 06:19

"To many, the rent is far to high for the business owners to stay a float"	2017-09-06 06:11
"It's awful! I am in the process of filling an empty shop, but the number of empty shops is incredible. There needs to be some form of incentive to bring more business owners into the cbd. hopefully my large new business can entice more retailers to take the risk. But saying that, there is no point opening shops that the people of Burnie don't want!"	2017-09-06 06:05
"Spiral downwards"	2017-09-06 05:52
"Not enough people to keep business going"	2017-09-06 05:27
"Looks run down . Do rents need to be made more attractive"	2017-09-06 05:24
"It's sad but with the economy the way it is it's no surprise. Great to see big companies start to move in though eg, shiploads and hungry jacks."	2017-09-06 05:17
":("	2017-09-06 05:11
"It's sad - but I understand it because it would be very difficult to sustain a profitable business here..."	2017-09-06 04:35
"It's ridiculous."	2017-09-06 03:57
"It's awful to see"	2017-09-06 03:08
"Potential for new development"	2017-09-06 03:02

"Depressing, and it's getting worse"	2017-09-06 02:35
"I think they should be used as pop-up galleries and markets for artists and craftsmen to sell their creative works"	2017-09-06 02:34
"See previous answer"	2017-09-06 02:30
"Rents are obviously too high. It's classic market failure. If rents were consistent with what viable businesses could pay, there would be almost no empty shops. In a properly functioning markets, things even out and supply meets demand at a price mutually agreeable. OTOH, if all those shops were occupied, then parking might actually become a problem."	2017-09-06 01:59
"Looks shocking"	2017-09-06 01:58
"I havent been around lately to see them, we need more creative people with new ideas"	2017-09-06 01:38
"It's disappointing, the town pretty much has tumbleweed blowing through it's barren heart."	2017-09-06 01:34
"Sadly disturbing"	2017-09-06 01:11
"No good at all, Burnie is supposed to be a City but you wouldn't think so looking around at the empty buildings."	2017-09-06 01:10
"Empty buildings will stay empty if the council don't start offering up incentives for people to come to town"	2017-09-06 00:53
"Terrible, sad"	2017-09-06 00:38

"I think it's poor some of the could be use for people on the dole to do training"	2017-09-06 00:37
"It's very unfortunate. Large poster displays and /or artworks could be put in the front windows of these businesses to advise people of the sorts of activities that are available in Burnie. Working with the Museum would help to do this. They have terrifically creative ideas."	2017-09-06 00:30
"It must b hard for businesses. Maybe look at cities that thrive and invest in placing viable businesses in the vacant buildings"	2017-09-06 00:30
"It's sad and not a good look for the city"	2017-09-06 00:27
"Would like to see them occupied and further development take place."	2017-09-06 00:12
"Well there is plenty of them isn't there. Didn't the 4 ways in Devonport get some sort of cheap leasing program going for a certain amount of time to try to attract small business owners. Also FREE advertising by COUNCIL to PROMOTE new businesses. "	2017-09-06 00:08
"I have just moved back after sime years away. I am shocked as to how empty it is. I personally know people who have to clos their businesses due to the rents which are in a lot of cases higher than the greater hobart area. For chemist warehouse to leave was a big sign of the times"	2017-09-05 23:48
"Inevitable. The same the world over"	2017-09-05 23:42
"It's a reflection of the struggles businesses face and is disheartening. It certainly doesn't help bring in more people."	2017-09-05 23:34
": "	2017-09-05 23:30
"There are empty buildings in every CBD in the world. The world is a different place. I run a business using a Tablet and a phone i dont need an office anymore."	2017-09-05 23:27

"It doesn't look good. It makes me wonder what tourists think of all the empty shops"	2017-09-05 23:25
"Rent is so much!!!!!!"	2017-09-05 23:23
"Shocking"	2017-09-05 23:20
"If they can be fixed up and rented out they should be, theres not enough houses or units in burnie"	2017-09-05 23:19
"It makes Burnie look like a ghost town"	2017-09-05 23:12
"Too many and a lot of neglected buildings making the city unsightly"	2017-09-05 23:09
"A picture paints a 1000 words It looks bad because it is bad Says to locals and visitors that the town is in decline"	2017-09-05 23:05
"Doesn't encourage one to want to own a business, looks unappealing to the eye."	2017-09-05 23:01
"Sad, unfortunate, ugly and uninspiring."	2017-09-05 22:59
"Need filling... a food hall would be great"	2017-09-05 22:58
"Not a real good look. Maybe the prices of rent should be lowered and some thought given to what type of shops would do well, not just more of the same"	2017-09-05 22:54

"Sends a message that the town is declining" 2017-09-05 22:54

"We don't have the population to sustain business. More low income earners than professionals" 2017-09-05 22:51

"Not good enough. The rates and rents should be lowered to make having a go at becoming a store owner more attractive. Even having grants available that new businesses can apply for that gives them lower costs to allow them a greater opportunity of success in the first two years could make a huge difference. Obviously, the businesses would need to be something that encourages people to come into the cbd to spend." 2017-09-05 22:43

"Many are old and tired and need redevelopment. Many are owned by a few who expect too high rent." 2017-09-05 22:40

"Worrying. Perhaps rent reductions to entice new business" 2017-09-05 22:39

"It shows Burnie declining." 2017-09-05 22:38

"I think it's terrible rent is way to high an there is nothing here really need to lift your game up Burnie" 2017-09-05 22:38

"It's depressing. I like the beautiful pictures in the windows of the old Cotton on site in the Kmart plaza" 2017-09-05 22:34

"Sadly it's people shopping online" 2017-09-05 22:32

"Internet shopping has made it difficult for those businesses that offer higher cost but higher quality products to remain viable with high overhead costs." 2017-09-05 22:29

"Allow pop up shops on them such as the gem scavenger place Wynyard had for a while or offer to local crafts ppl for cheap short term rentals" 2017-09-05 22:29

"The rent was very expensive.."	2017-09-05 22:29
"It's a shame"	2017-09-05 22:28
"Its really shit after growing up in what was once a thriving city people of my age group and with young families are forced to move and there is no employment and nothing to do for young adult to entertain or keep them in the area so we are forced to move where there are great opportunities."	2017-09-05 22:26
"None"	2017-09-05 22:25
"Predictable"	2017-09-05 22:24
"To high rent prices"	2017-09-05 22:20
"Ridiculous but knowing what a new business faced that rented premises and had to close shop within 3 months I'm not surprised."	2017-09-05 22:19
"Looks quite bad"	2017-09-05 22:18
"There's too many, with so many shops and businesses that Burnie doesn't have, there should be something in them"	2017-09-05 22:18
"Very poor. It looks like we are failing as a community"	2017-09-05 22:17
"It's stupid"	2017-09-05 22:17

"Sad"	2017-09-05 22:13
"a lot of towns are similar - it's not a good look"	2017-09-05 22:12
"wouldn't it be better for the landlords to give 6 months free rent to get business started and get their properties rented- or lower the rent drastically to start with to encourage and support new business until they establish"	2017-09-05 22:12
"It's a shame"	2017-09-05 22:11
"Harris scarfe should never have been forced out, we are now left with nothing but empty shops , we had that many eye places, food places, discount shops that we have no quality"	2017-09-05 22:09
"It's crazy. There is no where to buy decent children's clothing"	2017-09-05 22:09
"There are to many empty spaces. Deals should be done to keep / help shops stay open."	2017-09-05 22:05
"Lost opportunities "	2017-09-05 22:05
"It is absolutely ridiculous the amount of empty shops in the dvd and quite shocking to see. We have cruise ships coming and dock in our town yet all they are is many empty windows."	2017-09-05 22:04
"Rents are too high and they should be reduced to encourage rentals. Burnie council should offer to reduce rates on buildings that have been vacant so that savings can be passed on to new businesses taking up residence in these buildings Council should offer mentoring and scholarships to new business ventures and small business people."	2017-09-05 22:04
"Its not a welcoming sight"	2017-09-05 22:04

"Lack of affordability"	2017-09-05 22:02
"If the greedy owners put the rent down a bit their shops may be leased"	2017-09-05 22:02
"Far too many are sitting empty. Making some buildings available on short-term or day leases for uses such as pop-up stores for local producers, galleries of local photography or small concert halls for local musicians to busk out of the weather, may help to attract people to the CBD. The biggest hurdle for such an idea would be council regulations."	2017-09-05 22:01
"I didn't know there were many, would be great if they were put to use. Might actually bring something to Burnie."	2017-09-05 22:01
"Very empty , lack of choice"	2017-09-05 22:00
"Ive noticed that shops dont stay open for long more then likly the rental fees are to high"	2017-09-05 21:58
"There are too many of them."	2017-09-05 21:57
"Would be nice if they were occupied. Makes the city a little bit uninviting."	2017-09-05 21:55
"Disgraceful. Where's the attraction to open a store here when they're constantly closing?"	2017-09-05 21:55
"Only going to get over priced stuff."	2017-09-05 21:54
"Not surprising"	2017-09-05 21:54

"Encourage local artists to display their work so at least when tourists come especially the cruise ships they aren't looking at empty buildings"	2017-09-05 21:53
"Its terrible. The cbd has no real appeal to me."	2017-09-05 21:53
"Cost of running small business too high and if nothing is done to deter people from shoplifting in our town will be a lot more close their doors"	2017-09-05 21:53
"A concern, but so it is in any other town on the north-west coast."	2017-09-05 21:51
"It's terrible"	2017-09-05 21:51
"Sad"	2017-09-05 21:51
"Embarrassing!"	2017-09-05 21:51
"It's a reflection of the struggling population"	2017-09-05 21:51
"Terrible"	2017-09-05 21:50
"Nothing can be done about them until burnies unemployment rate is increased. We need more skills training and more manufacturing in the area. With more people and money around the empty shops will slowly fill themselves."	2017-09-05 21:50
"Dissapointing"	2017-09-05 21:49

"I think it's a shame. It can't be good for the tourists coming on the cruise ships etc."	2017-09-05 21:49
"Every time I go in town, there is more, very sad."	2017-09-05 21:48
"Waste of perfectly good space"	2017-09-05 21:46
"Not a good look for the city"	2017-09-05 21:45
"It gives the city a very depressing atmosphere."	2017-09-05 21:44
"It would be great to see more small businesses but it is very hard to get up and stay running"	2017-09-05 21:44
"Horrible and making a mark on the look of our city"	2017-09-05 21:43
"too many"	2017-09-05 21:39
"Not applicable"	2017-09-05 21:37
"Small business' need more advice"	2017-09-05 21:37
"There is a way to fix this."	2017-09-05 21:35

"Looks shitty"	2017-09-05 21:35
"To many which shows you it's just not working for Burnie"	2017-09-05 21:34
"Not a good indication of Burnie's economic situation"	2017-09-05 21:33
"It is dreadful!!! Reduce the rent costs!!!"	2017-09-05 21:33
"Depressing. Worried about my job/workplace. Worried about the future."	2017-09-05 21:32
"These small businesses most likely closed their doors because of theft and the amount they have to pay for rent plus more people are shopping online"	2017-09-05 21:28
"I'm scared that Burnie will soon become a ghost town."	2017-09-05 21:27
"Council does Not encourage investment within the town centre"	2017-09-05 21:27
"It comes back to the rent that is charged on buildings"	2017-09-05 21:27
"the number of empty buildings is terrible and adds to the downtrodden atmosphere and feel to the whole district. There are many ways these could be brightened up and made more attractive even if property owners can't be persuaded or made to see that a lower rent but regular rent is a better option, the windows could be used for local tourist promotion, school children's art, advertising of other small business within the cbd to encourage more people to go there."	2017-09-05 21:26
"Disheartening Empty shops don't inspire confidence"	2017-09-05 21:26

"Opportunities wasted"	2017-09-05 21:23
"Burnie has no more empty shops & office space than any other town or city. Maybe some are empty because they need a make over or high rent.???"	2017-09-05 21:21
"It's really sad, my friends and I often discuss opening up certain businesses but honestly the council never seem to approve anything or what seems to be a priority in this town is still about 10 years behind every other place, there doesn't seem much point in trying."	2017-09-05 21:20
"Do what every other city in Australia has done reinvent the shopping experience where the people live"	2017-09-05 21:17
"Is rent to expensive Pop up shops "	2017-09-05 21:15
"Rent too high.parking too high"	2017-09-05 21:15
"Saddening"	2017-09-05 21:06
"TOO MANY DUE TO HIGH RENT"	2017-09-05 21:00
"It's sad & a waste. Needs more stores to create the jobs."	2017-09-05 20:59
"Sad to see. Surely landlords could look at other ways to utilise the empty buildings. Pop up stores, reduce rent, can upstairs spaces be turned into rentals pushing business downstairs?"	2017-09-05 20:58
"Disgusting...."	2017-09-05 20:58

"Retail has changed on a global scale, if it can be posted its a struggle to sell the same product and turn a profit in bricks and mortar retail."	2017-09-05 20:58
"Not good"	2017-09-05 20:55
"The rent is too high and small businesses are not supported by locals enough."	2017-09-05 20:53
"If people can't make bond and rent then they won't jump in them. People also have no vision. Therefore don't bother."	2017-09-05 20:50
"Shops come and go, that always have. Empty buildings don't bother me."	2017-09-05 20:49
"The council needs to look at ways to encourage new growth."	2017-09-05 20:46
"A sign of the times. Landlords expect mainland prices on rural properties when it comes to rent."	2017-09-05 20:43
"Have landlords lowered rents to attract tenants ?"	2017-09-05 20:36
"Disgusting!"	2017-09-05 20:32
"Need to filled with something , council could help fund the rent initially"	2017-09-05 20:31
"Sad to see"	2017-09-05 20:31

"It's sad and slightly concerning as it makes one wonder the future of our city."	2017-09-05 20:30
"The rent is too high for anyone to make a living/profit"	2017-09-05 20:30
"Need to attract non traditional businesses to set up in pop up store type environment"	2017-09-05 20:27
"It's very sad to see small businesses packing up"	2017-09-05 20:27
"We have the old PO and Harris Scarfe, both split into MANY individual shops, take those 2 out of the picture, then how many do we have empty ?? People complain about empty / shops closing, where do they shop ? The young think they can buy better online, then complain that they cant get a jobAll centres have empty buidings, you cannot keep building "shopping centres / developements" and not expect older style premises to suffer "	2017-09-05 20:22
"Not sure"	2017-09-05 20:19
"Disgusting"	2017-09-05 20:18
"Terrible and if I was considering opening a small business it would completely discourage me. I'd be thinking it wouldn't be a wise investment"	2017-09-05 20:17
"Sad"	2017-09-05 20:15
"Its too easy to set your business up from home"	2017-09-05 20:12
"Says that Burnie the Burnie CBD is shrinking."	2017-09-05 20:12

"People NEED to shop local, you know the places they come to when they want sponsorship or stuff for raffles"	2017-09-05 20:11
"Why are they empty????"	2017-09-05 20:02
"Rent too high"	2017-09-05 20:02
"Sad"	2017-09-05 20:02
"Standard. The owners don't care"	2017-09-05 20:01
"Waste!"	2017-09-05 20:00
"It was an inevitable state of affairs, progression allows for a smaller a CBD these days, Apart from that? Steve Kons has less income?"	2017-09-05 19:59
"To many"	2017-09-05 19:58
"A result of numerous factors that require a redefinition of shopping trends and generational change "	2017-09-05 19:53
"It's thought to be successful in a small business these days"	2017-09-05 19:46
"Sad but who'd want to risk money on opening a business."	2017-09-05 19:40

"It is looking like a ghost town & makes me very concerned for the future....for my children :("	2017-09-05 19:40
"Sad"	2017-09-05 19:37
"It's shocking. I took my Mum for a look on Sunday & she couldn't believe it. So many have closed as not making enough profit or having to close as rent too expensive."	2017-09-05 19:35
"It's disheartening. It reminds me that burnie is struggling."	2017-09-05 19:34
"Absolutely terrible. So many shop fronts available in Burnie but they are too expensive. We have so much potential."	2017-09-05 19:33
"It's not a good look to have a lot of empty shops. Maybe rent is too high?"	2017-09-05 19:33
"Appalling, Burnie has declined so much so that business owner's can't turn a profit and have no choice but to close their doors."	2017-09-05 19:33
"Not a good look"	2017-09-05 19:31
"The council and building owners need to reduce costs for small businesses and reduce the fees for ridiculous 'services'"	2017-09-05 19:29
"They will never be full. Bigger stores are taking away the need for small independent business"	2017-09-05 19:28
"A lot of businesses don't seem to last very long in the CBD. Again it could be from high rent costs, but it could also be from lack of council support, promoting these new businesses."	2017-09-05 19:27

"Bit sad. Burnie has a lot of potential."	2017-09-05 19:26
"They need to extend shop about to area near bunnings"	2017-09-05 19:24
"Sad please lower rentals"	2017-09-05 19:23
"A result of me previous 2 comments - it also detracts new businesses from wanting to invest and open"	2017-09-05 19:23
"It's getting worse, they need to try something new to bring businesses in."	2017-09-05 19:18
"It's sad. Drop the rent and fill the places up. Make shopping more exciting."	2017-09-05 19:18
"would be great to have some vegan eateries and some arts based spaces. genuine organic produce shop."	2017-09-05 19:16
"It's a sad cycle of what I mentioned in the previous answer and the prospect of starting a new business in the city being too big a risk. People are either afraid because they lack knowledge so they don't start anything, or they think they will succeed simply because of a romantic notion of owning a business, and they fail. It saddens me to see so many empty buildings. We just need to get the ball rolling with a few more successful franchises or small businesses and people will start to see starting a business as a more viable option."	2017-09-05 19:12
"It shows me that rent etc is way too high for a business to survive. Must look terrible when the cruise ships come in. Can the council support our local businesses more?"	2017-09-05 19:09
"I always wonder how they used to be, I always thought that they use them more for storage now but if there are any unused that's sad to hear and I'd love to see them used in some way"	2017-09-05 19:09

"It's sad & unnerving"	2017-09-05 19:08
"Sad"	2017-09-05 19:03
"Rents too expensive for below average premises"	2017-09-05 19:02
"Very sad feels like a ghost town"	2017-09-05 19:02
"Its sad and really not inviting"	2017-09-05 19:00
"Disgusting."	2017-09-05 18:56
"There isn't that many"	2017-09-05 18:54
"Sad, if people keep leaving town for fun, we lose the food and shopping money also. Burnie keeps doing things for tourists not the locals. We are crying out for family fun especially when it's wet weather."	2017-09-05 18:51
"It's part of a modern city as more shopping is done online more activity and accommodation based services are the only things that can fill these gaps"	2017-09-05 18:51
"Pretty shit"	2017-09-05 18:51
"Its a joke. They can put as many pictures in the windows as they like. It doesnt change anything! There is nothing here."	2017-09-05 18:50

"Doesn't surprise me"	2017-09-05 18:48
"Terrible"	2017-09-05 18:47
"Terrible. Unkept. High rents. Run down."	2017-09-05 18:43
"Its scary. Perhaps if the landlords dropped their rent they would actually get a business in there. I recently visited Whyalla where every 2nd and 3rd shop was empty. That was an eye opener."	2017-09-05 18:42
"It's becoming a ghost town"	2017-09-05 18:39
"Way too many because rents are way too high"	2017-09-05 18:39
"Need tenants"	2017-09-05 18:31
"Terrible.It is getting worse .Why not get a little amount of rent instead of nothing .Sad affair people have become greedy they just want more.Give the low income people a chance to open a business."	2017-09-05 18:30
"It sucks There is nothing to encourage businesses to open up. Nothing to help fledgling businesses get off the ground."	2017-09-05 18:25
"As before "rates""	2017-09-05 18:20
"Disgusting, rates should be lowered and short term leases offered for pop-up shops"	2017-09-05 18:18

"Fear. Makes me feel like I'm living in a dying city & the lack of stores makes me reluctant to shop in the city, due to the lack of options"	2017-09-05 18:16
"There are too many."	2017-09-05 18:12
"Leasing is too high New business owners don't do enough research Costs are too high for business owners"	2017-09-05 18:02
"Far too many, an embarrassment to us all. Needs to get a variety of pop-Up businesses in there...even school students could do something, or service clubs"	2017-09-05 17:58
"Absolutely terrible... new shops last no longer than 6 months in the cbd.. its really sad!"	2017-09-05 17:47
"To many"	2017-09-05 17:45
"Example of a city in decline"	2017-09-05 17:45
"I want to take pictures of them all and post to a single site to make the powers that be squirm a little .Newcastle city looked like this in 2010 and in a couple of years it was a pumping market with pop up shop areas etc."	2017-09-05 17:37
"not a good look"	2017-09-05 17:36
"As a new kid near town it isn't that obvious until you pointed it out. One bloke in that little mall, I bought a set of pool balls there reckons online shopping has been a contributor to the decline of so many...much like many other places he agreed..."	2017-09-05 17:30
"Shocking should tell Burnie Councils something"	2017-09-05 17:16

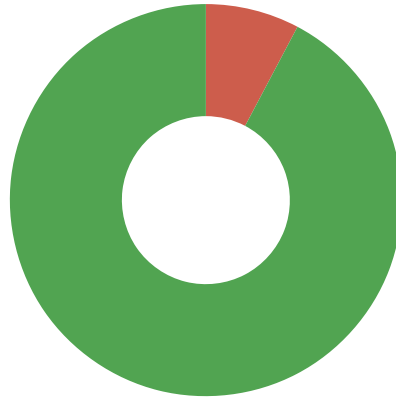
"Lower rent will allow people to run more profitable businesses"






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14. Do you think there should be more community events in Burnie?

For this question, think Fun Days, markets, family events, concerts etc...

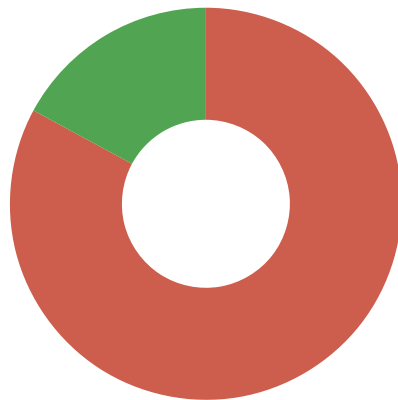







	Option	Percentage	Respondents
		92 %	1192
		8 %	100

Satisfactory average: 0 %

Total unique respondents: 1292

15. Do you think the community is asked for their opinion on the future of Burnie?

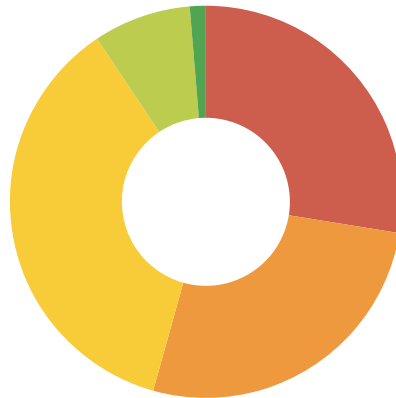









	Option	Percentage	Respondents
		17 %	221
		83 %	1071

Satisfactory average: 0 %

Total unique respondents: 1292

16. How do you think the Burnie City Council are doing?



	Option	Percentage	Respondents
		28 %	356
		27 %	346
		36 %	469
		8 %	104
		1 %	17

Satisfactory average: 0 %

Total unique respondents: 1292

17. If you could list 3 things that would make Burnie a better place, what would they be?

Feel free to list more than 3 if you want.

Answer	Time
"Community projects that would involve community members at little or no cost. Free activities for nominated persons. Sport participation at learner level without incurring heavy costsjust to try."	2017-11-12 16:26
"More free recreational activities. "	2017-11-12 09:11
"1. An attraction for kids & adults that the whole community would enjoy. 2. Bigger & better markets that showcase local produce & crafts with activities for kids/adults. 3.Maintenance of over grown area's & land. "	2017-11-12 08:56
"More jobs for locals & young kids. Family friendly events that are reasonable. A nice clean centre of town, first impressions count. Fix up empty shops, try & encourage new shops, not coffee shops though we have enough. Make Burnie beautiful again, get a happy positive vibe happening. Make it interesting. "	2017-11-12 02:27
"Secure job stability Rehab for substance abuse The community to be involved in having a say in what they want"	2017-11-12 00:30
"Fix the paper mill and reopen it. Eliminate paid parking, or at least make it an option yo pay for 3 hour parking. Make it easier for businesses to be able to afford to stay open in the CBD"	2017-11-11 17:40
"Affordable cafes and more thing in to do"	2017-11-11 17:26
"Employment More opportunities for youth Education options for those not at university"	2017-11-11 16:48
"Events and activities that attract locals and visitors. Fill the shops with our makers.... Mire community spaces. "	2017-11-11 16:21
"Make the Steet like it use to be. NO Parking Metters. DELIVERY EARLY OR AFTER SHOPS CLOSE & at back of shops."	2017-11-11 16:17

<p>"Improve the area at the makers workshop (parks, bike track, greenery) to make the most of Burnie's lovely foreshore, to link the surf club and Burnie park and to encourage people to get out and utilise this area. Free parking there can be moved to a less prime piece of real estate. This waterfront area and along near the surfclub would also benefit from more than just fish frenzy, while this is great, a cafe, or something with a deck, or that can open up its front windows in summer, would be a great meeting place for people to have a coffee and a burger. I know we don't have the climate but think how other beach places in Australia make sure all the road along the beach is full of eateries, etc, to encourage people to use this area more. As a young person who may want to just go sit at the beach and have a coffee with a couple of friends there is no where i can sit right on the beach front and do this. Do something about the bogans. While they have as much right as anyone else to use any area in Burnie, maybe ban smoking in the CBD, maybe have stricter penalties for littering, maybe ask them to move along when hanging out in groups in the street in town (eg, near the buses). Advertise events more widely, not everyone reads the advocate and listens to SeaFM, we want to encourgae families, and Burnie's more educated population (as this is where the money is), to want to come into town and go to events, because currently these sort of people avoid the CBD"</p>	<p>2017-11-11 14:15</p>
<p>"Encourage people to take more pride in their surroundings, leaflets in letterboxes asking home dwellers to put street rubbish in their bins on collection day. Lawnmower hire to get people mowing their lawns. Promote our parks & beaches. "</p>	<p>2017-11-09 22:48</p>
<p>"Change the attitude of the council and the negative locals."</p>	<p>2017-11-09 19:06</p>
<p>"Having the educational set up to cater for and retain quality and driven young people. Science and computing degree's, a hub for online universities to use as a base. An emphasis on excellence rather than filling positions with average applicants and lowering expectations. General studies and university preparation courses. Social welfare reform. We have inter generational welfare dependence. People legitimately see smoking marijuana, renting a run down house, playing online games and having children as a life choice. They work minimally and cheat the welfare system. I'm for mandatory drug testing and mandatory involvement with community organisations that expand the experience and outlook for young people. Subsidized involvement in volunteer and charity organisations. Tax deductions and benefits to expose people to the good of contributing to more than just their self interest."</p>	<p>2017-11-09 15:15</p>
<p>"Lower rates for businesses More community based events geared to bringing people into the CBD If the council would actually do their job and maybe take a leaf outta devonports book and see what theyve done to better their city."</p>	<p>2017-11-09 14:23</p>
<p>"a visible police presence with visible speed cameras on bass highway and mount st (going to upper burnie)"</p>	<p>2017-11-09 08:12</p>

"Showcase the wonderful food that is grown and produced in the area. Improve access to the wonderful waterfalls and bushwalks around Ridgley. Offer retraining for workers who were in the big industries to encourage them to return. Talk up what a wonderful place it is to raise children. Make a direct, affordable sea link from Burnie to Melbourne. "	2017-11-08 18:34
"1) more work available 2) more public transport 3) making the area more welcoming to youth"	2017-11-08 15:32
"Food courts Activities for you - similar to Launceston (airtime 360 etc) "	2017-11-07 17:07
"1. More shops in Burnie. 2. More after school activities for young adults rather than underage raves. 3. More carnivals or events to include the community. "	2017-11-05 23:33
"More jobs Events cheaper living expenses"	2017-11-01 21:21
"Really support cultural outlets - culture brings people to the city. It was a huge mistake to give away the makers Workshop to UTAS for \$1. The student accommodation UTAS built is now up for sale!"	2017-10-29 15:24
"Lower parking fees in CBD. Upgrade shopping area to more modern look. Keep University away from Makers workshop area."	2017-10-26 16:10
"More social activities for the general public. Funds being allocated to more things that are going to better the community. And above all, a mayor/council that is passionate and who will take action, not sit around arguing for 12 months about fixing a pothole."	2017-10-26 13:47
"some townhouse developments with small garden composting waste an artist supplies shop "	2017-10-20 17:18
"Less volunteers more paid work. "	2017-10-17 15:09
"- Gaming arcade like Dave & Busters - More cheaper clothing stores"	2017-10-17 07:11

"More jobs More sustainable industries More of a community feel"	2017-10-17 06:42
"More social events More variety of bussinesses Expansion of tourism"	2017-10-17 04:43
"Leisure places for kids. Multiculturalism. A huge shopping centre all in one. Bowling Alley. Free parking. More drug rehab services. More employment opportunities. Krispy Kreme Donuts :-)"	2017-10-17 00:02
"Cheaper parking. Free parking on Saturday and Sunday. More cafes open on a Sunday. More family events."	2017-10-16 23:30
"Community activities Free parking Indoor kids play centre for wet weather"	2017-10-16 23:30
"A place for younger people to hang out (arcade or chill out zone). Healthier take away options. "	2017-10-16 22:26
"Run the drugs out of town Free parking at least to those who work in the city Obolish parking fees at the north west regional hospital"	2017-10-16 22:05
"Better shopping variety Free parking More parking"	2017-10-16 21:44
"Children's indoor play. More community events. More Tasmanian shops for the visitors."	2017-10-16 21:24
"More shops other than big franchises eg. Kmart & Target Cheaper rent to keep shops from closing down More activities to do around burnie for 13-16 year olds "	2017-10-16 21:07
"We need to change vision of the chairman of the council. So many are focused on rich history instead focusing on a rich future. Drive: as a community we need drive and accept new ideas with an open mind. Potential: this city holds so much potential. Why don't they do late Friday nights? Night markets, food vans, live music, mini markets, late night shopping. I just don't understand why the don't embrace the potential YOUR "city by the sea" could have"	2017-10-16 21:05

"Knocked down rebuilt, More jobs get people off the street, welcoming signs and more local shops,"	2017-10-16 20:47
"Cheap parking for employees and shoppers, more events and a facelift on the town"	2017-10-16 20:25
"Leadership Vision Passion Determination Authenticity Intelligence Honesty And Bravery, because that's what it would take to change old outdated ineffectual attitudes."	2017-10-16 20:17
"Music events Cheaper arts events No metres"	2017-10-16 20:11
"More shops Cheaper parking Cleaner streets/modern"	2017-10-16 17:06
"More shopping More jobs Better acritechure"	2017-10-16 17:01
"More consulting with community, especially with the uni taking prime real estate. A more realistic rental system for business owners Review of parking costs"	2017-10-16 16:17
"- Do more about the drug epidemic - create more paid opportunities for young people particularly uni students - clean up the coast and enforce harsher penalties for littering - closer watch on bogans - do more about the stealing that's been going on"	2017-10-16 16:05
"Remove the old ap boiler house"	2017-10-16 12:42
"More jobs. Harder crackdowns on drugs/jobseekers/theft. Maybe grants to help fill businesses."	2017-10-16 11:16
"Fixing the Unemployment Problem Finding a industry area that can give Burnie citezens all year work Bringing more food and wine festivals to the town"	2017-10-16 10:36

"Better streetscape, more events, more night options"	2017-10-16 08:57
"Utilising the fore shore with a marina, shops, accomodation around the point. A mall, dedicated cycle path off the road. All this would bring tourism in"	2017-10-16 07:41
"Cheaper parking All new councillors that don't have their own agenda Need to attract big business, something that pays well to keep people here"	2017-10-16 06:49
"Jobs, family activities, redevelope the burnie pool to a more family friendly area"	2017-10-16 05:14
"A more versatile, even cosmopolitan shopping Better opportunity for Venues to cater for Entertainers Get rid of the pokies!!! (i.e: they're deliberately set up in regional centres that have high unemployment to keep locals poor and ruin families. FACT) Let's get that Ferry back in Burnie and open the door to the mainland from here. Share it with Devonport! Community Events, I mean more of them!"	2017-10-16 02:36
"Cheaper rent for small business, demolition and replacement of centro, more buskers and street entertainment"	2017-10-15 23:35
"Stop making parking meter steal money!! Cost \$1.70 an hour so you park in a half hour spot and only have a \$2 coin. So 65c is all that had to be spent but you lose \$1.35, do that 4 times a week and you have yourself \$5.40 over a year that's \$280!!! Don't we pay enough rates!!!! Come on! Give us rate payers parking vouchers or something! The sets by the sea would have been an amazing tourist attraction. Mae need to try something like that again. More community events and actuallynlaiten to the community!"	2017-10-15 23:08
"Some major industry developement in the area. Some way for a hotel to be able to progress at the cam river. A more positive attitude by you!"	2017-10-15 22:51
"Big full facility Marina including dry dock and maritime shops , beach/foreshore markets and activities , kids play centres facilities , industry growth , major sporting events"	2017-10-15 22:50
"Optimism, accountability and social/cultural ownership by the community at large rather than avoidance"	2017-10-15 22:18

"lower parking fees more shops to choose from cost of goods at these shops"	2017- 10-15 21:42
"Remove deadwood from council table along with self proclaimed saviours"	2017- 10-15 20:34
"Cheaper rental Free parking More kid entertainment"	2017- 10-15 20:26
". More pretty- the city is not very attractive. Geographically it is, but the industrial waste land as you drive in and the enormous wood chip pile are not nice. My favourite area is by the beach-trees and pedestrian friendly. It's a nice atmosphere. . Culture and night life . Bogans hooning around definitely detract"	2017- 10-15 19:38
"More fun things to do eg mini golf, 4D cinema. More job opportunities and less bogans"	2017- 10-15 19:25
"Big w or jb hifi to bring more ppl 2 burnie Some type of industry with large employment"	2017- 10-15 18:21
"• Entertainment complex • more restaurants • more shops"	2017- 10-15 17:07
"By having a Council to be seen to try and improve the town Make the place more inviting Put more heart and soul into the place"	2017- 10-15 16:04
"Family activities Community events More job opportunities"	2017- 10-15 14:04
"Large scale investment into eco-tourism Enforcement of tobacco restrictions/smoke free CBD Banning of the use of Glyphosate and a switch to non-toxic herbicide alternatives"	2017- 10-15 12:49
"Ban smoking in the CBD and enforce it so more people can enjoy coming into Burnie"	2017- 10-15 12:09

"better parking "	2017-10-15 09:23
"Shopping mall, more alternative shops, centralised cbd"	2017-10-15 09:17
"Weekend entertainment for young people, music, comps, gold coin entry fee, ect. Engage the teenagers in the community "	2017-10-15 08:42
"Assistance for the disadvantaged "	2017-10-15 07:55
"1. More events for families 2. More shops open. 3. South burnie old appm site shopping complex"	2017-10-15 07:48
"Employment employment employment!!!!!"	2017-10-15 00:26
"More family friendly activities Better support for small businesses Cheaper parking"	2017-10-14 21:00
"Indoor play centre for children/ families (like Big Big House) Lower Commercial rent Cosmetic update of shop frontage"	2017-10-14 18:44
"Free parking -"	2017-10-14 17:27
"Something like a big factory/chip mill to create local jobs Free parking like ulverstone Community fun nights throughout the year that are like night on the terrist"	2017-10-14 16:26
"Lower the cost for parking. Introduce new and exciting things for people to do especially with children. "	2017-10-14 13:09

"More opportunities for student leavers. More community events. Discount advertising for local businesses."	2017-10-14 09:35
"More parking More entertainment and events More exercise facilities for example making the train track from Burnie to wynyard a walking track"	2017-10-13 23:10
"1. Better designed more efficient parking bays (remove diagonal ends) and removal of voucher ticket machines in favour of bay number system. 2. Help provide business opportunities to fill empty buildings with subsidies or enticements such as maybe newer fittings. 3. Provide means for better living affordability so that rates or cost of living isn't so high. Could be as simple as a voucher scheme for recycling items."	2017-10-13 22:45
"Lower rent in the CBD Hold the council accountable Start looking after those who live in the area moreso than tourists. While tourism is important, so is the survival of burnie and its residents"	2017-10-13 22:03
"A progressive council More tourist friendly attraction/s and camping options More city street parking "	2017-10-13 20:46
"Job opportunities, family events,"	2017-10-13 20:42
"Get rid of the bogans."	2017-10-13 20:08
"More help for start up business More to do for kids all ages More for family's to do"	2017-10-13 19:39
"A greater police presence in cbd during the day Lower the price of empty shops rent Create a better schooling system to give an ongoing affect of more jobs"	2017-10-13 19:04
"1. The council should look at other thriving cities and see why they're thriving 2. More entertainment centres for families and people of all ages 3. Make Burnie more appealing to people by making the old buildings look new."	2017-10-13 18:52
"Employment. Education - More people learning and engaging, especially if not working. Better shopping opportunities (see point one). Effective governance."	2017-10-13 18:51

"• More shops • Events • Things to do in general • and a better bus roster."	2017-10-13 18:37
"Cheaper rates More activities for children More free parking"	2017-10-13 16:54
"More employment oppotunities. Lrg businesses . More events to bring people to burnie Less food vans being able to set up near local rate paying businesses"	2017-10-13 16:44
"Activities for kids to enjoy, more parking, less empty buildings, making use of the young people in our community, get people outdoors and off the couch with community activities and fun centres"	2017-10-13 16:32
"1: A large tourist attraction (mural, sculpture, artwork, or something of the sort) to make the city look nice. 2: More innovative businesses with potential for the future (tech companies, factories, etc.). 3: faster internet speed."	2017-10-13 16:26
"Better price on parking More indoor free children's entertainment Free parking outside Centrelink and employment places"	2017-10-13 16:26
"More parking , more tourism ventures , a mexican restaurant"	2017-10-13 15:09
"Quicker road works to be complete"	2017-10-13 14:22
"More family events/ activities, more shopping areas with better shops, healthy food takeaway options"	2017-10-13 13:30
"Make parking much more affordable. The mess on the beach at Sth Burnie in front of Bunnings needs to be dealt with. Spend some money on other requirements in the Municipality not just the CBD."	2017-10-13 13:23
"Better and cheaper parking More activities and events"	2017-10-13 13:09

"More shops More family events "	2017-10-13 12:01
"Cheaper rent for comercial buildings, small business initiative with help from local gov and council to get them off the ground. Get the police to stop beinfg petty traffic cops and do some real old school work on drug dealers and theft and voilence."	2017-10-13 10:14
"Fill the empty shops, create more places to go like the park and the waterfront, more Real ppl in council not rich out of touch ppl"	2017-10-13 08:07
"Happier and more positive attitude Better cooperation from council Be more ready for productive change"	2017-10-13 07:10
"More communication or information about activities in advance. Better internet information for town businesses."	2017-10-13 00:29
"Honestly no idea....."	2017-10-13 00:25
"1. Sack the council 2. Make the cbd smokefree 3. Change the parking"	2017-10-12 23:54
"Play center More sruff for yououng ones and older kids Free or cheap parking. Need big w "	2017-10-12 23:28
"More things to do for families. More shops/franchise openings. Devonport is ahead on leaps and bounds with that new city living initiative of DCC."	2017-10-12 23:25
"Community cultural events, fining landlords for empty shops, better use of our waterfront precinct"	2017-10-12 23:20

"More oppertunities for children. More fun family activitys. Less junkies. More rehab facilitys. More community events that involve all ages together. More employment oppertunitys and a fair go when applying for employment (burnie is more who you know not what you know). Some community run shops by the people for the people (not owened by kons lol). Free childrens activitys to keep them off the streets. Harsher peneltys for criminals old and young. Better mental health services. More family services. "	2017-10-12 22:57
"Not surr"	2017-10-12 22:29
"Upgraded facilities around the town. Face lift. Upgraded playground facilities for kids."	2017-10-12 20:37
"Support manufacturing Focus on employment not immigration or welfare programs Recognise that the majority desperately want to work full time"	2017-10-12 19:50
"Activities that bring people to burnie. Cheaper/free parking "	2017-10-12 17:44
"More family activities. E.g. Bowling/airtime/minigolf More places to eat. E.g. More restaurants along the beach"	2017-10-12 14:09
"More community events for young people "	2017-10-12 13:21
"More family events. Council be more active on problems around the city. A waterpark. "	2017-10-12 11:40
"more entertainment for all ages, more work oppertunities and not moving thuni but making degrees available here"	2017-10-11 19:31
"More help for youth "	2017-10-11 14:21

"New footpaths, Update the outside of shops, Tourist attraction (e.g big penguin)"	2017-10-11 13:33
"1. Lower parking expenses (it will bring more people to the cbd). 2. Add another venue that gives little kids something to do (for example like Big Big House in Devonport). 3. Create another Woolworthes supermarket. 4. Possibly bring in maybe a couple of stores that you don't see in many places in Tassie? For example, Ally clothing (or similar clothing shops), a frozen yogurt place (like 123Yo in Launceston), a new furniture store, Ishka (or similar hippy like stores)."	2017-10-11 12:32
"More public transport from further away"	2017-10-11 11:17
"Utilising our beautiful surroundings, i.e. the beach and Burnie park, for more social community events. Shutting down less popular stores like Target and Best & Less, who are not taking advantage of our economy and bringing in a bigger rival store like Big W that supplies more range and better value, especially on work clothes. Bring in more activities that are aimed at both youth and young adults, most people travel to Deventport for entertainment such as bowling and mini golf. Introducing more activities would in crease the local economy and bring more tourist to our area."	2017-10-11 10:48
"-Removal of drug addicts. -Better laws against hooning. -Removal of corrupt police. "	2017-10-11 10:10
"Greater Diversity in bussiness, it has already started but needs to be pushed more. Enforcment of non-smoking areas around bus stops, shops, eating areas, etc"	2017-10-11 09:42
"More job opportunities, more successful businesses and fun activities in the community."	2017-10-11 08:46
"More jobs. More shops. Greater activities to do for fun as a family."	2017-10-11 08:03
"Ban smoking in the CBD. it's gross. "	2017-10-11 07:32
"More activities, work, and free parking"	2017-10-11 01:51

"More transport options Greenwaste bins Better sporting facilities More public spaces"	2017-10-11 00:10
"More shops! Parking costs less or even none at all And MORE JOBS"	2017-10-11 00:07
"-Support from community -Something for everyone to do -Build something to attract tourists that the locals will also enjoy "	2017-10-11 00:03
"Free parking More events More shops"	2017-10-10 23:32
"More of a nightlife More employment opportunities ldk "	2017-10-10 23:19
"Better shopping More things to do for tourists and those that live in burnie More community events and or festivals"	2017-10-10 23:17
"Introduce more small businesses "	2017-10-10 23:06
"More job opportunities for young people, more things for young people to do in the CBD, more live music and other such cultural events."	2017-10-10 23:03
"- more stores - no empty buildings - more take away shops (ie. zombreros) "	2017-10-10 23:03
"Free parking, More tourist attractions/events, Better shipping opportunities."	2017-10-10 23:01
"Employment More options or shops Higher wages"	2017-10-10 22:44

"programs for youths "	2017-10-10 22:35
"More shopping options, more events and just more activities."	2017-10-10 22:29
"More/better shops. Family fun activities. Activities that bring the community together."	2017-10-10 22:28
"Making the Burnie centre smoke free because you are constantly surrounded by smoke when you enter the main centre. More events would be nice, not just music events but things like A bake off or some craft fairs. Offering more opportunities for students who have just finished school will lead to be success for them."	2017-10-10 22:26
"Well, I think there could be an improvement based on things i have seen in other places. Maybe like something to do in Burnie other than shop, go to parks and/or movies. In Canberra, they have arcades which can be for all ages. Something like that could encourage activity and, if done right, can help with maybe tourism and money for some things. It could also deal with the empty buildings. Maybe, on occasion, there could also be a market thing in one of the empty buildings. People can sell there stuff inside in a town people mainly shop in and if that doesn't work, then it was at least worth the try. Maybe a round poll full of notices of what's happening around the Burnie area. An advertising poll I guess you could call it and right in a place people will pass and look at it. Some people probably don't know of things happening around Burnie or in Burnie and maybe seeing it on a poster or something can help receive a higher number of people doing stuff. But you see, these are just ideas."	2017-10-10 22:25
"1. Not letting Bogan's smoke outside of the Kmart plaza 2. Number 1 3. Number 2"	2017-10-10 22:21
"More jobs, more events and places for youth"	2017-10-10 22:21
"Free parking (I should have to pay for parking when I'm working it's to expensive) More family friendly events A place for teens to just chill"	2017-10-10 22:20
"Brochure on walking tracks, I know you can walk all over, but I can't get hold of a map to do it "	2017-10-10 21:04

"More businesses More jobs Cleanup in bus mall"	2017-10-10 20:40
"Bigger taller buildings, line you would find in Hobart and Launceston A big clean up Remove ugly old Buildings and obstructions More colour "	2017-10-10 20:32
"More inclusive of other sexualities and races. More dining and shopping locations. Less people smoking and loitering around Kmart and the reject shop, especially at the bus stops as many people have children there."	2017-10-10 14:23
"Parking, something to bring tourists"	2017-10-10 13:46
"Better restaurants, more affordable rentals and better entertainment for young people"	2017-10-10 12:40
"- more community events - more retail shops instead of places like shiploads and the reject shop - more community exercise groups that are free or very little cost e.g \$2 a session"	2017-10-10 12:17
"More things to do More variety of food (eg. Good quality burgers) Cheaper parking in multi-storey car park"	2017-10-10 11:55
"Access to Tertiary education More live music! Community events"	2017-10-10 11:42
"- A council that will not go behind the communities back when making decisions. This is due to many cases of them keeping it a secret to everyone as they know it won't make the majority of the community happy, and after it is done it is too hard to go back!!!!!! For example, the Ridgley Highway, wasn't even represented to the community of Ridgley that the speed limit on the Highway was going to be changed from 100km/h down to 80km/h due to the apparent "unsafe" road. Keeping in mind that no serious accidents have occurred for many many years, with part of the road being very very straight! - Stronger regulations on thieves, even though it's the law something has to be done! Working in retail I see many of our profit go out the door to arrogant thieves that believe that it is their right to steal!!! - Perhaps more things to do in Burnie? Maybe a massive skatepark, waterslide or maybe a festival? Give some of the bored teens something to do, not that there isn't anything in Burnie but the prices make it hard for many of the parents and teens to afford it!"	2017-10-09 18:03

"1.Large industrial focussed museum to be built on the block next to Bunnings. 2. Build a new sports facility and give West Park to University and also for development of hotel/conference facility. 3. Clean up western approach to the city as it is dreadful. 4. Build a high bund wall around the woodchip pile as it makes the town look like a rubbish tip. What a shocking first impression for cruise ship passengers. Demand that the old pulp boilerhouse be demolished as it is a shocking eyesore."	2017-10-08 16:52
"Too many traffic lights ,parking too expensive,council spends money on stupid things"	2017-10-06 19:49
"Employ the idle young people. Develop the presence of all the schools highlighting the great things they are achieving so that we develop the education culture of Tasmania. Look at the Huonville High School's recent success."	2017-10-06 13:01
"New big motel to catch interstate vistors, beach area across from Bunnings Turned into playground BBQ setup, a fresh tidy up in cbd to make our town more memorable"	2017-10-06 00:04
"Farmers market Creative original shops Get rid of big corporates and corporate fake sponsorships. Get rid of polluters. Encourage extended hours can open longer and make good use of space. More bike racks. Farmers markets. Encouage creative architecture buildings"	2017-10-05 23:31
"Family fun days, more healthy lifestyle shops, complete ban on smoking in the entire CBD"	2017-10-05 20:27
"More parking More things for kids/teenagers to do More supermarkets Extended trading hours"	2017-10-05 20:02
"Better or more options for education, e.g uni courses so that people can stay at home and not habe to move out or travel 3 hours to and from school as it is too expensive to move out. More employment options and businesses nit being so harsh when hiring someone. E.g wanting years of experience in a junior. Cheaper houses to rent that aren't needing a full renovation. "	2017-10-05 19:11
"More of our rate payers money spent on cleaning up around Burnie . Stop focusing on the beach area as not that many people use that area drop the rent on some of these buildings around town so people can open businesses"	2017-10-05 18:26
"More jobs more live bands"	2017-10-05 18:14

"Family places to play in in winter "	2017-10-05 17:51
"1.Disabled children & their families are often made uncomfortable or even unwelcome by some local cafes & restaurants, thankfully these are in the minority, with most places being very courteous. The hostility seemed to come more from fear than anything else. The customers were often quiet & beautifully behaved; so the active prejudice was especially unwarranted. To that end I would like to see family friendly policies in place. Also safer cheaper venues, where we can take our children to play. These kids generate a lot of paid work for carers & health care professionals, yet are often treated as afterthoughts by their own community. 2. Several smaller schools. They never should have been consolidated to begin with, & will cost the community more down the line. 3. What about a fun job swap training initiative? Where people are trained in one job one day, another the next, then a third one? Could really show young job starters where their strengths & weak points lie, & be fun to rotate the class through a training scheme to try other choices! Maybe someone is better suited to outside work than they realise, or has a hidden talent for cooking, or has a real tradie's aptitude for problem solving. Make it fun. They have to support themselves for 50 years, let them have as much choice & guidance as possible."	2017-10-05 17:20
"Extend the time people can park at McDonalds, KFC and Hungry Jacks to 2hours so we can at least enjoy our family meals out together, instead of spending time lined up then gulping down just to get out of there. It would be nice to have the time for desert and that extra coffee with friends. Have more family days in the Burnie Park, like Matt from OneAgency, put on. Such as big screen family movies during the warmer night, even with a gold coin donation to charity or such. Allow more busking in the malls to encourage shoppers to linger, especially if good music or talent."	2017-10-05 16:34
"Jobs, things for kids to do, and some events for everyone"	2017-10-05 11:53
"Build the uni this will bring students from overseas which is one of the countries best export opportunities, this flows through to our property prices, rental opportunities, retail sector etc Getting rid of negativity will be very helpful as well. It spreads like cancer and permeates through the town. Burnie is ok it faces challenges like all small regional Centres Become creative and visionary amongst the council, look to create opportunities for outsiders to move here, business to be established and be proud of our town"	2017-10-05 10:21
"All abilities playground. More community events. More and better allied health. More special needs events/services."	2017-10-05 09:49
"free parking Use David (last I heard was in pieces of the basement of the arts building) as a quirky tourist trap like the big prawn/pineapple/banana. A shopping center."	2017-10-05 09:39

"fix the roads, rent and parking"	2017-10-05 09:01
"Industry Lower rent for businesses in town More for families to do. I'm about to move to Newcastle mainly because of work, but also it will give my family options that we don't have here. Burnie is dieing a slow and painful death and has been for some time. Whilst the government continue to do nothing"	2017-10-05 08:03
"Free parking Free parking Free parking"	2017-10-05 06:54
"be more entrepreneurial,"	2017-10-05 00:05
"More affordable community events ! You need to be rich to take 3 children to the Burnie show !!! Indoor heated pools with equipment for children. Clothing stores that stock warm clothing all year around. Markets!!! Fresh produce that is grown in our state and again affordability"	2017-10-04 23:49
"Reduce household rates Bypass cooee More police"	2017-10-04 22:44
"Free parking No smoking "	2017-10-04 22:19
"More employment oportunities Promote Burnie Welcome visitors"	2017-10-04 22:12
"1. More people, would love to see Burnie reach 50k 2. More businesses 3. Government support program to assist (approved) business cases for the first 2-3 years."	2017-10-04 22:12
"More retailers, more markets, more competition e.g. Harvey norman has hardly any competition here. Cheaper housing we aren't the mainland the rental market is ridiculous."	2017-10-04 21:49
"Stop the Ice epidemic. Beautify the city. Make Burnie a place to feel safe in again. "	2017-10-04 21:45

"More events. Pedestrian zones (get traffic out of the town centre). Build better playgrounds. Mountain bike tracks."	2017-10-04 21:30
"More jobs for youth More community activities More pictures police presence on the streets"	2017-10-04 20:59
"More work , more affordable street parking and more national retailers attracted"	2017-10-04 19:28
"Dont know, i love the waterfront and parks, they are wonderful. Wish I could catch a train to enjoy that waterfront view. "	2017-10-04 19:10
"Cheaper parking Shopping closer together instead of spread out Tidy up around the old board mill and round hill areas"	2017-10-04 18:44
"Jobs ...industry..marketing"	2017-10-04 18:24
"bowling alley. fun park. somewhere for kids to ride motor bikes"	2017-10-04 18:24
"They have shuffled money to the Burnie dockers too much. Now it's the bloody surf club. What about take the damn garbage to the tip. You don't even handle water any more. Council is too big for its boots."	2017-10-04 18:11
"Places for young people, teenagers, to meet each other"	2017-10-04 18:00
"Access and opportunity to affordable education. Free parkING at various times in The cbd Lower rent ares for business owners"	2017-10-04 17:40
"More welcoming and attractive More family friendly events Help out small businesses"	2017-10-04 17:30

"Jobs (preferably private sector, not public service) is the big issue; a more reliable and affordable power supply would help too, but that's a state and national issue, not just Burnie."	2017-10-04 16:25
"Free parking, careful shop holder planning, cheaper rents with a long term focus instead of a quick buck mentality. Permanent covered market area on the foreshore."	2017-10-04 16:09
"reopen the paper mill. Bring ferry to Burnie,better flights to - from Melbourne."	2017-10-04 15:58
"Clean up the waterfront. If you go to the Burnie lookout all you see is wasted land and rundown buildings. Bring some new businesses into the area. Cheaper car parking"	2017-10-04 15:57
"Get rid of the people cursing yelling and fighting on the streets. Bring better shopping so there is more reason to come in. We need a mall or something similar"	2017-10-04 15:38
"Encourage industry, better access to transport and education, more activities for youth."	2017-10-04 15:37
"More social diversity. More job prospects. More educational prospects. Better health services."	2017-10-03 13:16
"CHANGE OF COUNCILLORS MAKE CBD MORE CUSTOMER FRIENDLY MORE FOR KIDS TO DO MORE VIBRANCY REMOVAL OF SOME LOADIDNG ZONES - WE HAVE MORE LOADING ZONES THAN BUSINESSES FREE PARKING DAY OCCASSIONALLY - ADVERTISED ARE METRE MAIDS THERE AS SOURCE OF REVENUE ONLY OF GENUINELY TO KEEP PARKING SPACES FREED UP. CUT REGULATIONS AT COUNCIL - WAY OUT OF CONTROL. TRY ENCOUREMENT INSTEAD."	2017-10-03 12:58
"entertainment build something like an adult fun park have different events and let people know "	2017-10-03 08:50
"Think smartly about what it's strengths are and how we can capitalise on them (I.e close to the water, thoroughfare to the west coast), encourage youth to stay in the area with opportunities and hope, provide quality education for our youth (I.e demand full and exclusive university degrees to the cradle coast utas campus to cause relocation to the NW)"	2017-10-02 20:56

"1. Increase employment opportunities 2. Attract more large businesses and industries to Burnie 3. Encourage more markets and community activities in the region 4. Crack down on anti social behaviour"	2017-10-02 20:34
"Free parking "	2017-10-02 20:12
"Get rid of the "ticket machine" parking meters. Make better Street parking. Too many on street spaces have been taken away Lower prices for parking"	2017-10-02 19:14
"Loads and loads more curbside vegetation, particularly rhododendrons. Lots of vegetation to hide the light industrial areas that are on the entrance to and exit from the city. Beautification of the waterline wherever possible with gardens, seating etc. Free parking in the city. Building facades in town painted attractively."	2017-10-02 19:09
"More events. Cheaper parking. More variety of shops."	2017-10-02 18:25
"Think globally Draw on strengths Interact regionally"	2017-10-02 17:45
"Parking meters are a joke and expensive needs to be more advertising of our tourist locations"	2017-10-02 11:32
"More shop choices streets cleaned more often places for young unemployed to go to keep them off the streets "	2017-10-02 08:36
"A vision for everyone to buy into and stick with it. Eg a design that works to create good public spaces that people are drawn to. The boardwalk and beach development was good, but the idea of the university at the point is a fail. That should all be public space developed with the future in mind. Get in some expertise to develop good design. Better consultation with the people."	2017-10-01 13:13
"everything I have already mentioned and have a program for kids and some adults where they can be the mayor for a day and do some ceremonial things, sign some paperwork etc, more advertising of Burnie in local and state areas and a greater transparency between everything and everyone as well as communication, show you care"	2017-09-30 01:52

"•More things to do : bowling, ice skating, water slide etc • live music • Tassie festivals that includes more of what tasmania is known for"	2017-09-28 18:49
"Increase and support tourism Reduce rates and assess the parking situation More community events"	2017-09-28 17:59
"Cheaper parking Job searching agencies that actually help you find work More live (local) music on the weekends"	2017-09-28 16:05
"More community events, A more welcoming council both for ideas and communication with their populace, And for something to give a hand to business owners whether to lower the rent or financial help to get the CBD back on its feet. "	2017-09-28 13:13
"See my 1st 3 answers, concerning mechanisms for making new friends, including autistic adults."	2017-09-27 00:35
"1.) more stores like big w, aldis, jb high fi, ten pin bowling, ice skating, a casino, 2) a theme park or something that devenport launceston and hobart dont have that way they come to see us for a change instead of us driving away for weekend outings and everytime time something new comes its always hobart and launceston that get it first this has to stop as this is making there towns/citys bigger and ours more crapper 3.) More jobs are needed to many people are packing up and leaving! 4.) less polution like that woodchip crap on the warf"	2017-09-26 19:11
"- some control - better roads, if complaints of pot holes get them fixed so there not damaging people cars "	2017-09-26 19:00
"More entertainment A responsible council More attention to schools "	2017-09-26 17:11
"Larger CBD/more shops or entertainment options, better public transport, more free public areas"	2017-09-26 17:00
"1. Community members should stand up and work with the council. 2. volunteer, give back to community 3. Contribute by discussions/feedback when opportunity arises."	2017-09-25 09:02

"Sack the council. Employ people who actually want to improve things. Sack Patrick what's his name in the buildings department so he stops terrorising people and they can build houses without jumping through unnecessary hoops. Looks after the roads more."	2017-09-24 16:25
"More working together with other towns close by. Being more humble and down to earth especially council management. And stop giving each other a hard time for petty and selfish reasons. I don't think the Burnie community really understand the mentality of some of the aldermen which is such a shame that they behave like children sometimes! By council listening to everyone not just those people in the community who have really strong personalities. Unfortunately a lot of these people are only getting things for themselves. Quieter people do have opinions too but are often too intimidated to speak up."	2017-09-24 08:43
"More community participation Community pride Stronger magistrates"	2017-09-24 07:38
"Affordable community events, Council to spend money in poor area on parks etc, Show some pride in advertising etc"	2017-09-24 00:30
"More secure employment opportunities. An indoor children's play centre. Cheaper parking - especially for workers parking long term and paying through the nose, yet aldermen and council managers who decide on these ridiculous prices get free parking in the basement of the Council for themselves. Also the new voucher machines on meters!!! Why? So time consuming for short stops to post office etc. and there was nothing wrong with the machines they replaced! Waste of rate payers \$\$\$"	2017-09-23 22:37
"Free parking on Saturday, more support from the Council with new entrepreneurs & those who choose not to work to actually pull their weight in the community."	2017-09-23 21:52
"1. Invest into tourism - similar to the model New Zealand have. Utilizing our natural habitat, amazing locations and scenery. 2. Start working alongside our other city councils and invest into the future 3. Start using the ideas from the Burnie youth council. Give them a stage to use and get youth involved in achieving something great again."	2017-09-23 21:45
"More events for everyone. No parking fees. More attractions from the mainland such as bands or bands on the foreshore"	2017-09-23 21:26
"Good training on tourism, Getting children and community more involved, "	2017-09-23 20:50

"More entertainment More industries "	2017-09-23 20:39
"More available activists for kids and families. The new aquatic centre was a fail. More available options for healthy living. Not everyone wants to eat fast food. Parking"	2017-09-23 20:29
"Famers markets/ food truck night markets More job opportunities Clean up the city! It's a filthy hole."	2017-09-23 20:28
"Entertainment places for children. Coffee shops open after 4pm. Restaurants operating with coffee after 8.30pm on a Sat night!!!!"	2017-09-23 20:03
"Get rid of the idiots that hang around the CBD Have more public events Educate the bike riders who ride on the boardwalk to ring their bell when coming up to pedestrians. 99% don't & there's going to be a serious accident one day."	2017-09-23 19:20
"As per earlier answer Cheap flights Parking costs and More sporting events music attractions etc"	2017-09-23 18:58
"More police to see to the hooligans in the city. Lower rents to be more appealing to new businesses. More social events"	2017-09-23 18:54
"Employment opportunities Free parking More things for kids to do "	2017-09-23 18:21
"Family restaurants Family entertainment Better shopping options"	2017-09-23 18:20
"More disabled parking especially for vans. More community events Police non smoking areas it makes Burnie feel dirty, not a nice feeling."	2017-09-23 16:50
"Reuse of the empty shops, perhaps council could negotiate on behalf of community groups, rent a couple of them allow groups to rotate through. Council and Uni to work more closely on projects "	2017-09-23 12:58

"Employment opportunities-apprenticeships and traineeships for our up and coming children to keep them here. Free parking Appreciation to business owners for investing in our town"	2017-09-23 12:46
"1. Cheaper parking 2. Increase of family friendly activities 3. More community events for all age groups"	2017-09-22 22:17
"More events , free parking , if wynyard can have free parking then why can't Burnie."	2017-09-22 20:56
"Better services at hospital More cultural events Being noticed by other Australians"	2017-09-22 18:33
"Redesign the 2050 vision. Remove paid parking from cbd. Increase parking spaces in cbd. "	2017-09-22 17:55
"Improved community involvement Decrease unemployment levels Better access to health support"	2017-09-22 16:32
"More community activities (Launceston is a great example) Focus on leading youth into practical career paths, within the region & creating more jobs/industry."	2017-09-22 12:45
"More out door food,wine tasting days Bigger departmental stores More places for young to enjoy themselves"	2017-09-22 11:06
"Cheaper rent, more parking, more places and things to do for children and families, fun days and attractions for people to actually want to visit burnie"	2017-09-22 10:53
"Move all the industries at Wivenhoe and Camdale to a purpose built industrial park up the back of Burnie so our sea views can be utilised for prime housing. This would beautify the main highway through Burnie too. Plant suitable trees around our suburban streets. Mainland towns are full of trees and this makes them so much more attractive. Create a marina and more fishing spots at South Burnie. Build an enclosed 'pool' at the wharf end of West beach with board walk around the side , slides into water etc like at Geelong. Build a circular cycle track in the old Burnie tip site for people to ride on a relatively flat area. Could also include area for bmx with jumps, adventure playground etc. and barbecues for picnics so a real family area."	2017-09-22 10:17

"Improve the Arts precinct More undercover links between retail premises A retirement village to stop the migration of retirees "	2017-09-22 10:08
"Free parking MORE family activity or places More food options"	2017-09-22 09:07
"Outdoor events Community involvement People being more positive"	2017-09-22 08:52
"More events and things to do for teenagers-young adolescents, to engage them in activities not involving drugs and alcohol. "	2017-09-22 08:31
"Industry. Industry. Industry."	2017-09-22 08:06
"a better seance of belonging for everyone who lives here, involving people in all areas. cheaper parking. community events"	2017-09-22 07:55
"More parks Better night life "	2017-09-22 07:53
"free parking, better public transport, upgrade south Burnie foreshore area"	2017-09-21 23:43
"Lower rent for business owners, Youth activities, family events, social planning."	2017-09-21 23:03
"Sex drugs rock n roll"	2017-09-21 23:03
"Free parking, make it easier for new business to open, stop lowering all the speed limits!!"	2017-09-21 22:56

"No homelessness No children going hungry before school And better education"	2017-09-21 22:48
"Extensive tertiary education facilities. More community events (Burnie shines is great). More affordable options for children and teens."	2017-09-21 22:43
"Free parking. More activities to do on a weekend. More Sunday trading. "	2017-09-21 22:43
"Council get the city moving. Stop complaining and try something"	2017-09-21 22:16
"Cheaper parking for the people working in the cbd, Top of mount street road fixed, Something of interest put in burnie to bring people into burnie to spend money "	2017-09-21 22:12
"More family activities Jobs Cheaper pop parking in CBD Less vacant shops No smoking in CBD, or designated spots away from the main two strips Move along people that are disturbing the peace"	2017-09-21 21:48
"• city make over • shop make overs • lower rent and provide support to start ups • provide entertainment day and night • have more police and council wandering the streets of Burnie to both make sure everything is working like clock work and also make sure there aren't any knobs (I say that lightly) that need a good punch!"	2017-09-21 21:46
"More variety of shops, more activities and more jobs"	2017-09-21 21:45
"Events Parking Bigger variety of shops"	2017-09-21 20:44
"More physical activities such as bike path, good playgrounds, water park at the beach in summer, this gets people out and about and makes the place feel vibrant. Police presence in the CBD - at times it feels very unsavoury with uncouth youth"	2017-09-21 20:12
"Coordinated high class tourist experiences like tassie tiger museum, back in time experience like Sovereign Hill, beach walk extended to Somerset, including beachside cafes at cooee/camdale. Clean up Cooee abattoirs site and area near Somerset bridge- make it family friendly like park near surfclub in Devonport."	2017-09-21 20:04

"Something exciting for kids"	2017-09-21 19:47
"More indoor/undercover play areas for families,"	2017-09-21 19:47
"More options for families eg. More places to take kids for a fun day out. More shopping options. Easier parking."	2017-09-21 19:47
"Free parking, new bus zone area, cheaper rent for business owners"	2017-09-21 19:39
"Jobs!!!!!! Social support for those struggling with addiction! High police presence"	2017-09-21 19:37
"1. Healthy food/drink shops/options 2. New shops like Launceston/Hobart/Mainland - furniture, homewards, bedding, fashion etc. 3. Another aquatic centre/waterslide/fitness area, ie: old pulp site..... "	2017-09-21 19:36
"Social activities"	2017-09-21 19:34
"Cheaper/ free parking More things to do More shops"	2017-09-21 19:31
"More indoor play options for parents with young children- also provides a opportunity for indirect mentoring by older parents to younger parents. Harsher penalties for law breakers. More shopping like big w - more options"	2017-09-21 19:27
"Parking prices. We need something different. Something that will attract people to come here. More shops."	2017-09-21 19:17
"Get rid of ICE"	2017-09-21 19:13

"Parking opportunities for workers, more shops, more supermarkets"	2017-09-21 17:41
"Big Uni. An all out event that people actually want to go to, not just a little one that doesn't mean anything. Big businesses that supply good jobs."	2017-09-21 17:25
"A complete overhaul of the council. Start fresh. Encourage new business to open and come here by lowering rents ect. More family entertainment. Burnie only has laser tag and the movies. Compared to Devonports bowling, mini golf ect.. devonport is the place to be."	2017-09-21 16:07
"Ban smoking in the CBD. Wider footpaths and more outdoor eating facilities. Reduce speed signs for Wilmot & Mount Streets instead of relying on 'sensible' speeds. More frequent police presence. A cafe open for after show coffees when shows are on at the Entertainment Centre - run by the centre if it was only open when a show was on."	2017-09-21 14:50
"More opportunities for jobs need more manufacturing jobs Need something better for the tourist ships as they mostly jump on buses and get the hell out, and dont say the makers workshop that's an eye sore and joke of a place!!! If they want makers maybe call on local talented people to actually make things employ put a calling out. Invest in the community have nice places for families to go you see it all over the mainland seaside parks BBQ areas space to have fun"	2017-09-21 14:02
"1. DONT move the uni campus- it's good where it is and there's enough space and parking for students 2. Act like a city and not a port- people need a reason to stay here rather than leaving to pursue careers 3. Parking prices are ridiculous, I lived in Hobart for a few years when I started studying and never paid this much just to park my car in the city"	2017-09-21 12:17
"More sports for young kids More activities for working families and teens more weekend events"	2017-09-21 11:38
"More markets and like food concerts Lower rent prices so more shops More buses "	2017-09-21 11:32
"Burnie needs a unique draw card. The industrial look needs to change - beautification. Currently it is nothing but a show case for destroying rainforests."	2017-09-21 10:39
"Encourage more business owners to step up. New shops for empty storefronts even with the help of government grants. More community events. A plan from council for the next 10 years of Burnie. "	2017-09-21 09:16

"- more cultural cafes - activities and events for youth - more retail stores"	2017-09-21 08:52
"Free parking More variety of shops "	2017-09-21 08:19
"Healthy food choices Drop in center for young people Reasonably priced family activities"	2017-09-21 08:10
"Cut out some of the parking meters around the cbd. Rent to be cheaper and encourage business to the city."	2017-09-21 07:55
"1. Replace most of the traffic lights with roundabouts 2. More employment 3. Replace all current sitting council members 4. Remove all parking meters 5. Have more surveys like this"	2017-09-21 07:39
"fun things for people of all ages to do cheaper rent to get on top of the crime rate we need a place to help the people on ice and other drugs to go get help until they are clean so many lives been destroyed due to drugs"	2017-09-21 07:38
"Quality restaurants A market at the foreshore on Sundays Promotion of our access to nature's best offerings"	2017-09-21 06:43
"Sunday trading in cbd More social activities Park run"	2017-09-21 06:09
"Whole family activity. A more accessible pool. Better parks dry parks that are cleaned"	2017-09-21 05:55
"1-Place is an eyesore, don't know why cruise ships come here and when they do everything is closed. 2-More indoor venues for children(play centres/ swimming pool) 3-large Westfield style shopping complex on the pulp site and/or pretty up the foreshore in emu bay"	2017-09-21 03:31
"I'm not sure."	2017-09-21 02:59

"More things for people to do. A new vibrant council with idea to improve Burnie More business coming to burnie or back to burnie"	2017-09-20 23:59
"More places like the chapel coffee shop"	2017-09-20 23:16
"Get rid of the ticket parking, hate it! When making changes like the new disability parking spots involve public with a disability who will use it, the new one in upper Burnie and outside the post office in the cdb looking stupid and I would be scared to use them as the spots are slightly raised and as I would take my wheelchair out of my drivers side door to set it up it would most likely roll away. Have ever council member use a wheelchair and be made to use all the wheelchair facilities, to listen to public and make changes where needed within reason. "	2017-09-20 23:13
"I really have no idea... It seems to far gone, generational unemployment will make Burnie the dole capital of Tasmania"	2017-09-20 23:00
"Family entertainment Zero parking fees Make over"	2017-09-20 22:37
"Industry given a reboot from government. The streets cleaned up of ice heads and bogans I see the same ferals on the street every time I drive through. A ban on poker machines. There are more people playing pokies than there are shopping in the streets. These things are highly addictive and it's only government that see any return. Imagine that money injected into small business."	2017-09-20 22:33
"Free parking. Beech cleanup. Address drugs use issues."	2017-09-20 22:14
"Employment, entertainment and the CBD"	2017-09-20 21:55
"Lowering of commercial rent. More community events. Parking to be free in the CBD"	2017-09-20 21:23
"Young artwork around CBD. Entertainment/ place to hang out other than maccas for young people. Free parking. Rubbish clean up."	2017-09-20 21:04

"More activities for weekends/spare time that don't cost too much Cheaper parking for people who are required to park in Burnie for work"	2017-09-20 20:34
"Remodel the CBD to create an open city which is connected to the beach. Involve the university in creating a place that young people want to live. Create a family friendly park that offers fun experiences for young families that people will travel to from across the coast (a huge custom built playground)."	2017-09-20 20:18
"Trains, Big shopping center Ferry service from Burnie City to Melbourne or Sydney."	2017-09-20 19:17
"Happy people who are actually grateful! No nightclubs whatsoever "	2017-09-20 19:03
"Better parking Smoke free More entertainment for families (bowling, putt putt golf) "	2017-09-20 18:49
"Entertainment for all ages that don't cost an arm and a leg. Beaches need tidying up and the aged look needs a face lift"	2017-09-20 18:48
"A better waterfront e.g. restaurants, boat parking area, things that actually make it an attractive place to go and visit or live. Better shopping areas / centres Higher class living estates with stricter regulations on the type of houses getting built."	2017-09-20 18:33
"Remove Anita Dow and merge the councils to reduce costs. We need councillors who actually read the agenda before the meeting - that's what we pay them for - and actually have a position in an agenda item without having to form a committee. Aren't they a committee? A significant draw card to the area. E.g. Why can't we be the city of fun? Look at Queenstown NZ - the adventure capital of the world - with a climate less advantageous than ours. Affordability - the residents in Monaco don't pay taxes because the country makes enough money from tourism. "	2017-09-20 18:00
"-Deeper thinking -Greater opportunities to create, record and support, and celebrate local music -Government (local/state) Subsidising community and music events to give locals with limited income access to a wide range of enjoyable events not only sport and expensive BAFS. - Creating a culture of local initiatives and creative small business and education networks to facilitate skills and processes sharing with young people."	2017-09-20 17:26
"More parking spaces in front of Kmart shopping centre. Take away the sitting areas that only attract riffraff and put parking spaces back in. Have the same parking system throughout town not all different ones which confuses people. Better signage on loading zone areas near voyager across from beach hotel."	2017-09-20 17:26

"Cheaper all day parking. More things for families to do"	2017-09-20 17:12
"Innovation, investment, education"	2017-09-20 16:43
"Free parking, more and different types of shops, a greater community feel by holding regular events in town accessible to all, cafes and restaurants opening later and offering a wider variety of foods."	2017-09-20 16:41
"Kids play centre Free parking on Saturdays More community events, which I'm sure residents would be happy to pay an entry fee for Beautify the city and really play on Burnie's beautiful coastal beach town as a draw card"	2017-09-20 15:59
"Lower council rates. More parking for RVs especially long vehicles. A walking/bike track to Wynyard/Somerset. Better signage at visitors centre for tourists. Less rubbish in some public areas, like south Burnie. Visitor centre should not be called makers workshop, tourists do not know what a makers workshop is. Better publicity for the penguin tours and the fantastic experience they give to the tourists right in the middle of Burnie. South Burnie Bowls Club is a success and should be given the block of land next door to expand their greens and club rooms. Close down the Burnie Bowls Club and amalgamate the resources of both to benefit Burnie as a whole. That way more national tournaments could be encouraged and facilitated in the future. A new 5 star hotel complex."	2017-09-20 15:53
"Free parking days or more often. Ulverstone thrives off free parking. A market on the ocean boulevard. Try to increase jobs for tasmanias young population."	2017-09-20 15:42
"everyone leaving bulldozing it down and turning the lights off"	2017-09-20 15:20
"- Fill empty shops with loved brands from surrounding cities eg Krispy Kremes, Boost, Typo, H&M etc - More activities to do for families and kids eg ice skating, bowling etc - More community events that will promote local businesses, as well as give families a day out in their own community."	2017-09-20 14:30
"More employment opportunities. Lower rents for small business. Fun park, indoor play area for kids"	2017-09-20 14:28

"Replace the Council members that are still living in the 60's with younger council members that actually have a clue. Reduce the cost of rent for businesses in the CBD STOP SPENDING MONEY ON USELESS CRAP BURNIE DOESNT NEED!!!! For example that thing out at westpark next to the Oval (no i dont mean the skatepark) that other massive concrete i sore."

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"More variety, different/exciting shops, cleaner"

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"cheaper parking. more outside activity. lower rent for shops no poker machines."

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"More CBD apartments."

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"Burnie needs some sort of unique attraction that is adequately marketed to bring the visitors in. It is pretty "dead" and unappealing and the streets are nearly always empty. Reduce parking fees in an endeavour to bring people into the town to shop. Needs to be more entertainment for the older age group."

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"More employment, more things to do and see."

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"More indoor entertainment venues for children. More parking, a review of Burnie schools and the lack of options available to attend a school out of your zoned area."

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"If the mindset of the negative people could be changed from "I can't because I'm in Burnie" to "let's have a go because I'm in Burnie" then I think we could continually progress forward. Stop blaming others for the position you are in ... if this town is so bad, try living in another regional town across Australia and see if it's any different / better ... if it is, stay there . Constant public "bagging" of the town only adds to the negativity ..."

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"Kids centre More bigger out let's I.e big w Better job opertunitys"

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"More jobs, more activities, especially for younger ones and teens, better parking, maybe a skidpan or free track days for the young rev heads"

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"First hour free parking in the CBD. Funding for local small businesses with a community mission. "	2017-09-20 12:22
"Hide Wharf, Create work, Hospital. Community Involvement."	2017-09-20 12:04
"Parking, shops and general Care"	2017-09-20 11:42
"Free parking Family fun days/activities or a place to take your kids when it's raining. Town entertainment and street markets for when ships arrive or just once a month. Put some colour into the place get our artists to paint murals and stuff on crappy looking walls around the town Put more trees around the town. "	2017-09-20 11:32
"More jobs Less infrastructure Strippers"	2017-09-20 11:22
"free parking in the CBD (at least on weekends), more council and local politicians engagement with the community and local business owners, more community events"	2017-09-20 11:14
"Lower shop front rents (Hard to do I know) More community events for all age groups Lower the cost of parking to encourage more people to enter the CBD Brighten the place up a bit No smoking in the CBD, or near high traffic areas. Have some police on foot patrol to keep the offensive language and behavior down. This is actually a big issue for me as I feel this is another main reason people stay away from the CBD. Have the council and aldermen focus on real issue and spend money where it is needed. Not on redoing the council offices which are all move-able walls anyway! "	2017-09-20 11:06
"Awareness if what is available. Introduction of affordable entertainment for all ages. Childrens indoor play center in town."	2017-09-20 10:46

<p>"Give the people HOPE not doom and gloom; hope breeds initiative and generates energy and confidence. Count our blessings and ENCOURAGE entrepreneurs and hard workers game enough to try and to go into business here (Many have already done it let's not forget, and many own and run farms with courage and hard work). Let's rejoice in WHAT WE DO HAVE HERE. Interview a few people who have moved here from mainland cities. I know a few who revel in the place, but find it hard in many cases to make friends as Burnie people tend to be in cliques and somewhat closed-minded (a hazard of many regional places, but a challenge to be OVERCOME, not just bemoaned). We are building communities of friendship and outreach, social justice and global connectedness at our Star of the Sea Parish in Burnie with many new migrant families coming on board and 'oldies' welcoming and valuing them. It can be done!!"</p>	2017-09-20 10:45
<p>"More stuff for families/children to do/see Affordable business premises More job/training opportunities"</p>	2017-09-20 10:44
<p>"Co-ordinated strategy; big, visionary ideas that are future focused; and excited, enthusiastic leaders."</p>	2017-09-20 10:41
<p>"More job opportunities Greater development More community events"</p>	2017-09-20 10:35
<p>"More jobs. Better planning, the new pool should of gone down to the old pulp site and have the University move there as well. Both accessible and visible from the highway. More manufacturing jobs."</p>	2017-09-20 10:34
<p>"1. Wilson St between Cattely and Wilmot should be closed off and covered, filled with popup retail outlets and entertainment podium for live music and theatre. 2. Abolish parking meters 3. Create a venue and incentives to attract high profile acts to town."</p>	2017-09-20 10:27
<p>"Shopping complex moved out to Bunnings, on the flat all under the one roof, no parking fees. the CBD could then be beautified for tourism with nice restaurants and cafes, one block could be allocated to financial institutes, lawyers etc."</p>	2017-09-20 10:27
<p>"More family friendly events. Better security at the Centro mall to deter bogans. More tourism activities. We have cruise boats that come into town - what the hell do they do at the moment, other than catch a ride to another part of Tassie?"</p>	2017-09-20 10:18
<p>"Better shopping Better parking prices Update Burnie as it is a horrible place"</p>	2017-09-20 10:15
<p>"Introduce food and market stalls once a month on the flrshore near the surf club or even shut part of marine terrace down and have it on the street!"</p>	2017-09-20 09:52

<p>"In my opinion Burnie is missing heart. Though there are many organisations and activities that bring people together is smaller interest groups, there is no sense of collective community. We need to build the sense of community as we are lost in the professions that we are a city. We are a smaller struggling country town, we need to capitalise on that. Our people and community needs to be the most important thing. By implementing safe shopping in town by moving the buses or moving on undesirable influences, by lowering parking costs to encourage shopping local, by having community activities to bring people together, these would be a great start... And that's before I even get started on the costs associated with rates etc."</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:52</p>
<p>"Parking Interactive Visually Activities for families/youth"</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:45</p>
<p>"More employment, motivate people to join various volunteer organisations, more police protection, help the younger generation with different activities to help keep them in Burnie for the future"</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:34</p>
<p>"More variety in shops More kids activities Family fun activities"</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:31</p>
<p>"Community events that aren't cheap and tacky, stuff people really want to do (live music at the beach or park for like \$5) Tidying up and giving it a facelift... don't let ugly buildings like shiploads be green. Plant some trees etc Get some free wifi and a free community area going in the cbd, might attract more people and sell more food and drinks"</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:30</p>
<p>"As mentioned, activities for the whole region are few and far between. Things like the mud run and Burnie Shines cocktail party being lost are a good example; great numbers but not enough financial / organisational support from above to make it viable for the organisers. I personally lament Burnie Shines, as it tries to increase tourism by promoting one month above all others, but causes huge grief for people involved for not much gain (haven't seen figures, but the events I partake in appear to be populated by locals anyway). Involved participants are stretched very thin and, if it's marginally improving tourism, then perhaps shorter and more concentrated efforts would be much better? Activities for youth are troubling. I worry about our young baby and what will be available in future for her to do. I think this might stem from too much investiture in churches (of which there are a lot) where they do a good job, but only for their own congregation, while community groups are doing things for too hard with too little money."</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:27</p>
<p>"Stop young people leaving town and not coming back. More entertainment Better weather"</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:24</p>
<p>"No idea."</p>	<p>2017-09-20 09:15</p>

"Trial half hour free parking in Burnie. Invest more in local attractions/entertainment. Try to re-establish larger industries in the area to bring back jobs and families."	2017-09-20 09:14
"Rates better suited to the economic climate, Which will lower rents in town and residentially Drug rehabilitation Fix the parking it's priced up there with more prosperous cities. Burnie is also the only place in tas without free motorcycle parking. Devonport Launceston Hobart all have free spots for bikes."	2017-09-20 09:08
"Scrap all council members and start fresh. Lower house rent More family friendly park events"	2017-09-20 09:07
"An approachable council. Truly I don't know what will save burnie"	2017-09-20 09:03
"More employment opportunities Better public transport Increased night life"	2017-09-20 09:02
"More places to adventure, more shops, more car parks"	2017-09-20 08:58
"MORE VIBRANT CITY CENTRE "	2017-09-20 08:55
"- Attracting Investment of family-oriented services - Increase degrees operational at UTAS - bringing in more talented young people - Reduce rent to fill stores that are empty"	2017-09-20 08:53
"Lower parking prices, More activities for families, help increase business presence in the cbd"	2017-09-20 08:45
"Cheaper parking, lower rent, more entertainment. Interstate acts charge too much (Roy Orbison Tribute was \$69) and because of it Burnie people just won't attend, as a result we get less entertainment every year."	2017-09-20 08:40
"Employment, shops filled and no parking fees"	2017-09-20 08:31

"quality shopping,better car parking fist hour free.map of city stores displayed"	2017-09-20 08:22
"Remove Steve Kons from the council. A sitting council member shouldn't have as many (if any) business interests in the city they're running as Steve does."	2017-09-20 08:21
"Major capital infrastructure improvements. Encourage medium / large scale manufacturing businesses. (down stream processing rather that exporting raw materials.) Invest and encourage Innovation, Technology, Science and Robotics as tertiary education hub rather than mainstream learning. Finally, some nice local government capital spending. We have a great natural beauty in the foreshore, we need to invest in something like a long wide pier out from the surf club area and allow small pop-up shops and foreshore markets to operate. This would encourage families to enjoy and become their own."	2017-09-20 08:15
"Get some bloody kid friendly places up and running!!+ Get rid of the shop lifters, loiteres day/night. Cheaper shop rent And alot of people have issues with parking costs and how the machines actually work as theu have so many differnt ones around town!!!! The oldies (and me for matter of fact) get confused as to which one does what. Im continually going out if the office to help client. THEY ALSO DONT GIVE CHANGE. fuck the council are a bunch of dodgy ass holes "	2017-09-20 08:12
"Lower rent and rates for businesses Free parking in cbd A council that actual knows what going on in Burnie Tougher policing in the cbd and to clear loitering and shoplifters."	2017-09-20 08:12
"More parking Cheaper parking More fun shops Cheaper cbd commerical rent/incentives for new businesses And my idea:- a childrens play center with a lunch/salad bar Who wants to help??"	2017-09-20 08:02
"Free parking, Weekend markets or move Burnie closer to Wynyard"	2017-09-20 08:01
"Cheaper rent Free or cheap parking Alot more shops not cafes"	2017-09-20 08:00
"Change the planning scheme, promote culture and diversity and lower rates to reduce rent space"	2017-09-20 07:58
"1. cheaper rent 2. incentives for pop-up businesses especially in the lead up to Christmas 3. free parking"	2017-09-20 07:55

"Focus on creating spaces and services for residents not upper class tourism with services that are way out of a normal household budget"	2017-09-20 07:37
"Free parking More concerts and festivals Monthly sidewalk sellout Better nightclubs and bars "	2017-09-20 07:30
"Lower rent prices for shops More job opportunities Make unemployment do volunteer work"	2017-09-20 07:21
"Lower rental costs.. lower parking costs or better still get rid of the meters More parking, move the bus stops for a start"	2017-09-20 07:15
"More inclusion of people with a disability - in the workforce and community More free events and programs More jobs for young people"	2017-09-20 07:13
"Old pulp site clean up. Wiff Campbell hill clean up Reduce read tape for business and home owners/builders"	2017-09-20 07:08
"Develop old paper mill site further. More employment. More quality places to eat. Improve the traffic lights - round hill to Somerset is very frustrating. "	2017-09-20 07:03
"no I cannot"	2017-09-20 06:58
"More diversity within the population, more opportunities for employment and less cyclical welfare dependency"	2017-09-20 05:56
"No woodchip pile on wharf, refresh approaches to the city, vibrant weekend market in the city - close Wilson street and set up stalls of good quality food and wares."	2017-09-20 04:55
"Better advertising locally to visit and shops in Burnie. Have a yearly expo presenting and showing Burnies town, industry and products. Make the old Pulp offices a museum of the Burnie history. Burnie has a great history, it not even presented to the public. From the early days 1800's, Burnie/Hampshire area, farming, timber, mining etc"	2017-09-20 04:19

"Encourage business enterprises - not just tourist related. To encourage community involvement make events free - people in this region don't have a lot of spare cash. The Council to stop spending money on ridiculous things like overseas trips to see how others do it. Spend the money here! Stop pandering to the tourist \$ and start looking after locals."

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"Council management shake-up to get their heads out of the sand cheaper parking and many more on street parking spots with less taxi ranks, loading zones and disabled parking spots returning north terrace one way to two way"

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"-More job opportunities for locals - cheaper rent - more events"

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"Night life, (not clubbing) just more opportunities for fun like aqua golf, putt putt, gosh even put a jumping castle on the beach once a month with an ice cream truck. I'd like to see police/ambulance/firefighters do community days they do in nsw why not here? Think of the young families and children not just the older generation they are here to stay they are happy but we want to keep the young ones here and even bring them in we don't want our town to vanish. Out of 120 or so students in my year you'd be lucky to find 50 living in the area still and that's just from one school, one grade."

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"Progress. Refreshed infrastructure. A bogan purge. Send them down the West Coast or something where no one will notice them."

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"Free parking in town (not the Plazas) Bus mall revamp City arcade revamp"

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"More activities (things for not only adults but teenagers and families to do). As I was a Burnie teenager not all that long ago, it often feels like you're forgotten about in regard to the few events Burnie does host, often aimed at primary school children. A clear, direct, and interesting branding for tourism (Burnie continues to play the "look at all our cool paper things" card but the Burnie Council had the pulp mill destroyed so now there is no correlation for visitors about why "all our cool paper things" are relevant, let alone interesting. Finally, and maybe most importantly, if the Cradle Coast campus focused less on what colour they're going to paint their unnecessary new "beach house" campus on the foreshore and invested the millions they're probably spending on that in adding more available courses to Burnie, they might find an increase in not just kids who stay but also kids from more rural areas who don't want to move as far as Launceston or Hobart."

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"Wall art to brighten it up. Cheaper parking or longer hours for same price. More things to do"

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"Lower rent prices More jobs and economic growth More serious consequences for juvenile offenders"	2017-09-19 23:52
"Free parking. Harder sentences for crime Better customer service"	2017-09-19 23:37
"Enter text here Replace most of the councillors with people how care. Councillors need to be forward thinkers, Put 'Alwin Boyd back in as mayor."	2017-09-19 23:22
"More events for family Drop rates Get rid of half of the jokes on the council"	2017-09-19 23:21
"Free parking Longer trading hours Community events."	2017-09-19 23:17
"Making more of the waterfront, better care of the city centre, a better range of shops"	2017-09-19 23:13
"Better playgrounds Improving the aquatic centre - focus on children Family fun days"	2017-09-19 23:09
"Revamped CBD Create an "Eat Street" style event with food vans each weekend, encourage Buskers. West Beach area would be perfect Make better use of current plaza areas - Marine Plaza (multi Storey), Civic Plaza (Arts & Function Centre)"	2017-09-19 23:06
". More university and higher education options. . More jobs which would be created by the first point. . A raising of the number of extremely low socio-economic status groups."	2017-09-19 23:04
"More bike friendly eg designated bike pathways and bike racks. Clean up through roads of timber and chip residues. More seating in public spaces "	2017-09-19 22:51
"Less funding on unnecessary items (for example the large metal things as you enter and leave at cooee and south burnie) and more funding on people's needs such as schooling and creating job opportunities. Allowing people to have their say in what happens "	2017-09-19 22:49

"an aquatic centre close to the beach. Not a single swimming pool such as been built. Markets on the beach. And jobs"	2017-09-19 22:45
"Employment A new look Better food"	2017-09-19 22:38
"Have a mall Free parking 9-11 mon and tue to attract more business in cbd Big w"	2017-09-19 22:33
"Entertainment for children More outdoor events More family orientated events"	2017-09-19 22:31
"Better employment opportunities. More public housing at affordable rentals. More people becoming involved and active in community events."	2017-09-19 22:28
"Concentrate on bringing Upper Burnie to a tidy state. Lower the rates of shop owners...and thirdly stop talking about doing things and actually get them done!"	2017-09-19 22:26
"No parking costs Road upgrades Friendlier people"	2017-09-19 22:24
"More job opportunities. Nicer atmosphere. More things to do."	2017-09-19 22:24
"Bigger thinking More community engagement More jobs"	2017-09-19 22:23
"Smoke free in the main shopping block, including thru all of the arcades, another 1 or 2 cafes or bars open for casual drinks not necessarily a nightclub sort of scene but somewhere else u can go after dinner or the movies, lower rates, another supermarket or something similar to hill street in town. Burnie's coles is not a big store and variety in town makes a big difference"	2017-09-19 22:23
"Join up the cycle/walking paths at West Beach and Oakleigh Park. More colour - those inverted umbrellas in City Square were nice (I genuinely can't recall if they're still there), doesn't have to be fancy art, just less drabness. More funding for the Burnie Regional Museum"	2017-09-19 22:22

"More variety in the shops Bring the Spirit back Less backwards thinking drug fucked bogans"	2017-09-19 22:20
"1. Motivated people attracted to reside in the area. 2. There are jobs however a lot of applicants are lazy and unemployable. 3. The government doesn't support business growth. I bought my own business and sold it because I was pushed into finding a job rather than being able to grow the business."	2017-09-19 22:14
"Create family events Try to lure interesting businesses to open in the cbd Create a food court/area like devonport are"	2017-09-19 22:13
"1) Doing things for the locals instead of tourists. 2) Bringing essentials butcher, baker, grocers etc back to CBD, 3) Making the centre of Burnie a pleasant place to spend a morning /afternoon for families,couples and kids"	2017-09-19 22:13
"Free parking. Don't give money hand over fist to the Burnie dockers or the surf club. Stick to garbage collection and general services."	2017-09-19 22:10
"More jobs,lower rents & better food outlets."	2017-09-19 22:07
"More inviting open spaces that aren't hidden away like they're shameful. More choices for dining and relaxing, including better al fresco facilities. Not just as an afterthought cluttering up the footpaths. More weather coverage, for those inevitable rainy days. Who wants to rush from awning to awning to avoid getting soaked."	2017-09-19 22:06
"More things for family and kids. More businesses setting up, like shops from launceston or hobart having a burnie outlet. Making it look and feel better"	2017-09-19 22:02
"A new burnie council where they care for the city and move forward. More things need to open and not be so mucch red tape through cancel to make it happen."	2017-09-19 21:58
"Cheaper parking, more community events to bring people together, and eradicate the unpleasant people hanging about town."	2017-09-19 21:55

"A large park that families could teach their young children to ride bikes similar to Shorewell Park. Security cameras in the main CBD especially near the bus stops and Kmart plaza. Continue with the connection of walking tracks maybe cable hang gliding near the Burnie park. In warmer months near the boat ramp outdoor markets at night or weekends that include food vans and music"

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"More entertainment and night life for adults. A proper indoor aquatic center with a kids pool and activities area. More family activities centers (like a bowling alley) Invest some money into the city park to make it more appealing. "

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"Attractions for families and young people Job opportunities Pool for families not lap swimmers"

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"Reduced shop rents Fill the empty shop windows with local art again,that was great! Even though I don't drive, parking fee's seem to be a big issue with my customer's"

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"No smoking in the CBD More family events "

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"- More variety of shops like more shoe shops, more than 1 handbag store, cheaper clothing store for families other than best n less or Kmart. - Fun things for families without spending \$\$\$\$ like a bowling alley, or a fun station for kids or a putt putt center, something other than laser tag, the movies or Burnie park. - More variety in fast food ventures, like charcoal chicken, a proper kebab place, the cheese cake shop or a nandos. an all you can eat restaurant would be fantastic, something other than KFC, McDonalds or Hungary jacks"

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"Lower rates to a realistic level, lower parking prices and the council should listen to complaints by rate payers and act on them"

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"Pull down the depressing rusty pieces of steel that can be be seen on entry to Burnie from east or west. Reduce parking cost to encourage people back into the CBD. Get rid of that pile of woodchips."

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"Family fun days Cheaper rates More job opportunities"

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"1 Better access to and parking in the cbd 2 affordable parking for workers (where are they supposed to park when the uni development goes ahead 3 council could spend money wisely - many many dollars have been wasted in Romaine Reserve heightening the dam wall for a possible once in a thousand year flood. It's a tiny creek!!!!"

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"Fill the empty shops More restaurants/variety while being competitive An injection of cash from state government to the services up here"	2017-09-19 21:33
"No smoking in the CBD Free 30 minute parking in the CBD First hour free in the multi-storey car park Fill the shops!"	2017-09-19 21:33
"Less wood chips/whole logs, better use of public space, conversion of old mill site into something similar to wivenhoe (mix of restaurants and fine dining)"	2017-09-19 21:25
"Free or validated parking. Fixing Mount street. Ban smoking in CBD"	2017-09-19 21:15
"More places for people in their late 20's early 30's to socialize in. Longer business hours Free parking for even just a certain amount of hours."	2017-09-19 21:13
"Better use of the foreshore (ie more markets/functions on waterfront, trialled last summer I think); better access to higher education to allow young adults to stay here; better leverage of our natural assets eg good produce, the pristine environment, friendly locals etc."	2017-09-19 21:13
"Strong leadership that aggressively seeks opportunities to attract businesses of scale into the area. A focus on creating a better looking city. Activities for families."	2017-09-19 21:11
"Cheaper parking (if free workers and selfish people would take the easy close parking all day) Family oriented places such as bowling alley/arcade The Burnie pool is a disgrace it is no longer family or child friendly! It needs the child pool back and either the diving pool or water slide"	2017-09-19 21:05
"Employment Social activities like bands on the foreshore once a month Cut council red tape"	2017-09-19 21:04
"More things for families to do so they don't spend their money/time taking them to other places out of Burnie. 2)free parking in certain areas so people don't shop out of Burnie. To be honest it's great going somewhere with free parking. 3) more events and try to build the population back up. Ask ratepayers their opinions."	2017-09-19 21:04
"In touch council members, a great tourist attraction, new industries."	2017-09-19 21:04

"More employment Return of privately run businesses. A review of the parking metres."	2017-09-19 21:03
"Greening of spaces Communal comforts more/uplift art/science venues (Inspiration & Creativity)"	2017-09-19 21:00
"More family events such as markets, community fairs, no bogans"	2017-09-19 20:59
"More family events/activities. An indoor play centre. "	2017-09-19 20:58
"More positive people living in Burnie. More people prepared to have a go and not expect handouts. Embrace the opportunities to use the educational facilities we have at our disposal"	2017-09-19 20:56
"Lower shop rent, more done to bring shoppers and visitors to Burnie. The current council is greedy and not doing the best for Burnie now or for the future. Create money so people can spend it. Make people want to come to Burnie.."	2017-09-19 20:55
"Fewer vacant shops Cheaper parking more community events No smoking in CBD - or at least on the main block"	2017-09-19 20:55
"1. indoor play centre for children theres one in devonport but none here so nothing for kids when its raining. 2. upgrade the burnie park its ok but is nothing compared to the bluff in devonport or the parks in ulverstone. 3. we need a big business/company here, bunnings was a good start but after losing the pulp mill and then caterpillar it really has crippled this town"	2017-09-19 20:54
"Better council Better opportunities for everyone Better tourism to bring more money into the area"	2017-09-19 20:53
"More local industry to bring more employment Expansion of the uni should help Access to health & services No more tilt up big box retail to take consumers away from the cbd, don't want to be disjointed like Devonport"	2017-09-19 20:53

<p>"1- listen to the people act on what they have to say to improve things. 2- Make it easier for small business to start up and help stay afloat in some way, I don't mean keep a failing business open just maybe a way of helping them out like cutting the rates or free rubbish collection in the cbd. 3- a common place for families and kids of all ages to be able to enjoy let's face it there's only so many times the kids wanna roll down the hill at the park, why not add something of the skate park such as, basketball rings, exercise equipment some lawn area for the little ones to run around its such a huge wasted space fill it up with fun things to do before another car park that we pay a fortune to use gets built."</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:52</p>
<p>"Arcade style games for younger generation and teenagers"</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:51</p>
<p>"Free parking, courtesy busses to town, cheaper rent for local business"</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:50</p>
<p>"More jobs,more shops, new shops. More for families and kids. More updates of outdated things"</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:49</p>
<p>"1) More work into keeping young people on the coast/Burnie in general. As a business manager, it's incredibly difficult to keep young people here with a lack of significant opportunity and a lack of further education 2)work into rejuvenating the CBD and surrounds. Make it more enticing and welcoming. Burnie has a very "run down" and industrial feel to it "</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:47</p>
<p>"Go ahead with murals- painting structures around town (modernise and brighten up the town). Get rid of eye sore woodchips."</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:46</p>
<p>"rent decrease at least half of the present rate. get rid of most of the aldermen free parking"</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:42</p>
<p>"Things to do Less crime Better shops"</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:40</p>
<p>"More markets - food, crafts and merchandise. Interesting play area in the city centre for young Mums to stop and take a break in that includes quality, clean, bright parenting rooms. Parking spots close to the cbd for use by mothers/parents with prams and toddlers and some for elderly people from 75+ Events for young people - catering for teenagers-20."</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:36</p>
<p>"Develop western end of west beach. Reduce traffic lights or synchronise them. Better night life venues"</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:36</p>

"Cheaper house and land deals to increase population, targeting desired skill and occupation groups. Fibre connected nbn in cbd and attempting to establish IT hub, could use vacant spaces. 2017- New jobs could be created. University could have shop fronts? Health services could have shop fronts? Ultimately though the people living here have to want it improve and own changing it, too many are apathetic" 09-19 20:34

"More shopping, better parking and more entertainment events" 2017-09-19 20:29

"Indoor fun centre for kids. Fill in the empty shops. Stop people turning right out of maccas and woolies upper burnie." 2017-09-19 20:28

"Bring back the paper mill. Lower rent prices in cbd. Make a homemaker center like devonport have out near bunnings" 2017-09-19 20:27

"Better education as pathways for young people. A council that employs the right people for the right job. Providing more funding and support to the amazing volunteers and groups that actually to the majority of the events and activities within burnie" 2017-09-19 20:25

"Internet - attract and seed new businesses, enable business progression. Entertainment - Restaurants catering towards business professionals (staying open, later, and offering more on their menus). Live music venues, markets, council sponsored events. Transport - Trains, buses and UBER. You should ask everyone completing the survey to sign up to uber and all start requesting rides (quickest way to get Uber in Burnie, I request rides every day)" 2017-09-19 20:25

"Create jobs. Lower commercial rent. Stop spending money on trying to rebrand or makeover the city." 2017-09-19 20:24

"Our council needs to be more pro active!! They just seem to knock back any submission put forward that may better this town. Our CBD is run down and in desperate need of a makeover!! Our parks are old and basic and need to be brought into the 21st century!! The council also needs to focus on initiatives to get the "bogans" off the street and into jobs or programs which will help them get jobs!!" 2017-09-19 20:22

"sorry but you can not berth tourist ships next to a wood chip pile, screen off the sight of logs and wood chip areas decrease or eliminate gaming machines" 2017-09-19 20:21

"Cheaper parking More events for children Incentives for businesses to stay open in burnie eg cheaper rates" 2017-09-19 20:19

"A bigger population More employment These go hand in hand"	2017-09-19 20:19
"Get rid of the bloody woodchips piles Ban traffic in the CBD, convert it to a mall and have cheap or free parking south, west and east of said mall. Try to attract a live music venue Clean up road sides and places like look outs, make sure to punish littering and stop the hoons!"	2017-09-19 20:18
"Lower rent in cbd, lower parking price, think about what the council can do for the community not how they can big note them selfs"	2017-09-19 20:18
"A good local shopping program (not city link). Cheaper shop rent to attract more businesses. One day a week free parking (Monday or Tuesday)"	2017-09-19 20:16
"Cheaper parking Fun centre for kids More choice of shops"	2017-09-19 20:16
"1- more stuff to do "	2017-09-19 20:12
"Get rid of the bogan victim mindset that Burnie carries demand buildings be maintained to a good level. Positive community activity"	2017-09-19 20:08
"Highly paid jobs Gov services located here Make it like hobart lol"	2017-09-19 20:08
"1. A course in teaching people to appreciate what they have - we live in a beautiful part of the world, our CBD is in a beautiful position and generally clean an tidy. The attitude that people deserve what they don't work for is frustrating, disappointing and shows a lack of respect. 2. One or two more places to take the kids when the weather is wet and cold for some family entertainment. 3. More opportunities for children to be involved in extra curricula activities other than sport."	2017-09-19 20:06
"Jobs support for small businesses FULL TIME PERMANENT JOBS not casual"	2017-09-19 20:06

"Helping young people with children and more safety places for children to play"	2017-09-19 20:04
"Events, sporting activities and cheaper (free) parking"	2017-09-19 20:04
"More business opportunities"	2017-09-19 20:04
"Lose the parking fees. Get a pound/RSPCA. Lose the broadacre Housing. Become a centre of excellence for business innovation and education."	2017-09-19 20:03
"More involvement from the people that choose to winge but not get involved. I am a member of the local Chamber of Commerce , we have fortnightly networking breakfasts that are very poorly attended, which I think is a reflection of the laziness of local business people and members of the community . More people could be encouraged to volunteer their time in the community . It is very easy to sit back and winge, and in my experience, people will very quickly winge and complain but very few people go out of their way to praise. The masters games is a perfect example , The knockers were out load and vocal very early on."	2017-09-19 20:02
"More family oriented. Better parks which Ken Dorsey has tried to get. A new better functioning council."	2017-09-19 20:01
"1. Revitalise the CBD 2. Lower the cost of parking to encourage more visitors/shopping 3. Invest in attracting other shops i.e. Chain stores, boutique businesses. Maybe have a start up business grant option for small businesses."	2017-09-19 20:01
"Better health care We need better employment opportunities. Our states assets need to be processed on our shores before being shipped interstate or overseas eg full logs being exported A more family friendly cbd eg smoke free malls. "	2017-09-19 19:57
"better shopping more parking in the cbd more vibrancy in the cdb (i.e. check out the mall in Melbourne, always plenty of people there and things going on)"	2017-09-19 19:56
"Shopping mall/redo cbd More job opportunities More parking"	2017-09-19 19:56

"I saw recently Ken Dorsey was banging on about concrete slabs on the foreshore being a major issue - really? Some blocks of concrete that I'd never given a second thought in 20 years is our biggest issue? Burnie needs to embrace our socialised canine citizens, like Ulverstone does. They're even welcome at the Ulverstone (Cradle Coast) Farmer's market and there's never been an issue. Somehow get the bogan populace away from the main strip, perhaps move the bus stops? It's a dreadful look for tourists when they can't even go to Coles without hearing Darryl holler at Bruce that he's a c word from across the street."

"Development much like the living city project in Devonport to attract boutique shops, producers and other "makers" in keeping with the city's drawcard slogan. More celebration of the creative community that exists already. The community do some amazing things and are often not given as much credit as they deserve. Attract a large employer requiring low-skilled and other workers, this will ensure employment opportunity for all and lead to the increased economic activity in the city. A version of dark mofo would be great, talk to the owner of the Chapel."

"have council members that are interested in making the town better for it's residents and not just interested in their own financial gain (Steve Kons). money put into sporting clubs and local parks to build public interest in becoming more physically active. make cbd more appealing for businesses to fill empty shops"

"More family events Better parking More shops A play gym would be amazing "

"More community events, better weekend activities (better nightclub facilities etc.), more diverse food options"

"More police More social events More education programs"

"Increase in population and industry, higher skilled jobs attracting higher income earners"

"More concerts or things to do Better shops Better public transport"

"I don't know it has a lot to do with the class of people that live in Burnie it is not a quick fix"

"Move the bus centre to behind Target Encourage more business to open - not just have all these cheap stores opening I.e Shiploads More events - free or cost"	2017-09-19 19:49
"Tourist attractions, better shopping in the cbd and higher employment"	2017-09-19 19:48
"More events that promote exercise. Activities and attractions for the younger population (the only social place or place to meet people is greens). More access to public transport or free parking in the cbd (let the council scav their money from somewhere else). The council asking for more input from the community as to what we actually want Burnie to look like and be in the future."	2017-09-19 19:47
"Social events that don't involve alcohol. More employment opportunities for adults. Increased opportunities for adults so we can earn and grow and function in this city."	2017-09-19 19:47
"more employment, more businesses, a burnie-wynyard bike track"	2017-09-19 19:46
"Parking costs down. Insentives for new businesses."	2017-09-19 19:45
"More night life for over 30s. More family friendly events. Possibly a jungle gym for children."	2017-09-19 19:41
"More jobs. More input from council."	2017-09-19 19:40
"Large food court/mall. Kids indoor play area. More open events for the public (black tie nights to fundraise)"	2017-09-19 19:39
"More family events. An easy way for the community to have a voice towards council. get rid of the useless councillors and aldermen most of them are tossers."	2017-09-19 19:39
"A council that listens to what needs to be done instead of wasting money, incentives for business to encourage job growth"	2017-09-19 19:37

"Free parking Free parking Free parking"	2017-09-19 19:37
"More free children's activities Encouraging niche businesses/makers/artisans into the CBD Cleaner public toilets"	2017-09-19 19:35
"More supportive local government Greater community engagement Meaningful economic boosts"	2017-09-19 19:33
"More community events More local businesses More jobs"	2017-09-19 19:31
"A renewed focus on the University, a larger student population with close access to the CBD will go some way to invigorate the CBD and Burnie in general. A letting go of our industrial past, embracing wholeheartedly the contribution it has made to Burnie, but understanding a more sustainable future needs to be developed through alternate means."	2017-09-19 19:30
"Cheaper parking.Free parking on Saturdays. Council need to do more to bring people back to Burnie. Have street market days."	2017-09-19 19:30
"*More community events (family friendly) *24-7 actual grocery store! *Need more for the teenaged kids"	2017-09-19 19:29
"Regular free activities or events in the CBD - attract people Banish negativity - encourage positivity, ideas, young people Ask Burnie residents - not just the few regulars who will attend a forum but find a way to hear from those who usually don't have a voice, especially young people - you might be surprised"	2017-09-19 19:29
"A children's cafe Shops with a point of difference"	2017-09-19 19:26
"More jobs Cheaper rents Council to deal with relevant issues."	2017-09-19 19:25
"Sack the council and appoint an administrator have a close look at the council executive"	2017-09-19 19:25

"1. Get rid of current council 2. Get young people excited to stay in burnie 3. Cheaper rent for businesses"	2017-09-19 19:25
"Jobs Chances for young people, so they don't need to move Innovative ideas from leaders"	2017-09-19 19:24
"Free parking Special Interest groups Clear / better advertising of events"	2017-09-19 19:24
"Hold different events eg. mini AICON ..fun work shops on making cool things. Make a great youth centre to help the up coming youth."	2017-09-19 19:22
"Better parking Get rid of bogans who float and smoke!!! Gross!!"	2017-09-19 19:21
"A less negative council, money spent on things that are needed like roads"	2017-09-19 19:20
"Costs need to drop More activities and family things to do around burnie Parking prices in town are ridiculous"	2017-09-19 19:19
"1. Technology infrastructure (provide opportunity for new businesses to develop in an expanding digital world) 2. Smoking ban in CBD (actually do something about it) 3. Support early learning and intervention programs (not sure how a council does this, should be a state gov issue)"	2017-09-19 19:19
"An indoor play centre with seperate areas for different ages similar to those in Devonport, Launceston and Hobart. Employment opportunities. Family friendly community events."	2017-09-19 19:19
"Cheaper parking Activity centre - eg bowling, go karts More events"	2017-09-19 19:18
"More variety of stores, but not hairdressers-too many of those. More events such as sets by the sea go ahead and not get cancelled More opportunities for every young person in many different aspects of life, as there are not many going around the high schools."	2017-09-19 19:18

"Better bus service. Cheaper rent for business premises. Cheaper rates as the price doesn't reflect the town in which we live and the access to amenities which we have"	2017-09-19 19:17
"No parking meters More for families to do Lower the rent for shop owners"	2017-09-19 19:16
"Better healthy food options More parking Cheaper parking Things for young children e.g bowling, and, ball park"	2017-09-19 19:15
"More on street and free parking More restaurants and bars that open later at night More live music venues"	2017-09-19 19:13
"Reinvigorate the CBD (local business not so much generic national retailers , people living there, etc) More job opportunities Making use of burnies opportunities (waterfront, creative industries)"	2017-09-19 19:13
"Things for families to do Give people a reason to come to Burnie Better night life for older people"	2017-09-19 19:12
"More events Better CBD atmosphere Shops opening late on occasions But mainly cafes opening Sundays. That's the day I have free to catch up with friends and Sunday arvo it is hard to get a coffee and cake"	2017-09-19 19:12
"A better use and development of the waterfront area More boutique and unique shops and development of the area near Bunnings into a potential shopping complex with Big W and the like More community events - Wynyard has the Tulip festival and many events throughout the year, Burnie could do the same"	2017-09-19 19:12
"Get more community involved"	2017-09-19 19:12
"Free parking for pension card holders and for all citizens on weekends in multi-storey car park; Developing the surf club/foreshore area further (eg cheap meals at surf club bar on Fridays and Saturdays); Incentives for business owners within the cbd "	2017-09-19 19:11
"More jobs, attractions and shops"	2017-09-19 19:11

"Better public spaces"	2017-09-19 19:11
"More people, jobs and innovation"	2017-09-19 19:10
"More events, more shops, more jobs"	2017-09-19 19:09
"more clubs and organisations, such as friendship clubs, better access to community services, better health care, removing the pavers which are a trip hazard"	2017-09-19 19:09
"More community events as mentioned previously"	2017-09-19 19:09
"More family attractions Cleaning up the CBD - people hanging around the streets More beach events etc"	2017-09-19 19:07
"Employment issues "	2017-09-19 19:07
"Beer Garden Play centre for kids Zambreros "	2017-09-19 19:06
"More activities. More shops (less empty stores). More tourist attractions"	2017-09-19 19:05
"A good foodie festival, cheaper/ free parking, cigarette smoke exclusion zones, a film festival, get a few collaborations of art/ food/ culture going."	2017-09-19 19:03
"My seven year old said a warmer public swimming pool. One where she's actually allowed to dive ☹️. Indoor play centre Bowls Community events "	2017-09-19 19:00

"MAKERS WORKSHOP, UNIVERSITY, HOSPITAL"	2017-09-19 18:58
"Free parking more restaurants a really good market"	2017-09-19 18:57
"Good parks for the children we always travel out of Burnie to visit parks and often head to Hobart for the great parks. Any activities for children something to do in winter would be great! "	2017-09-19 18:37
"free parking, more paint freshen the place up, and get a council that listens to the people"	2017-09-19 18:34
"The town needs a bit of a face lift itself/cleaning (the centre walkway piece) in Wilson St and signage is out of date - for example the information sign outside the council chambers has business that have been closed for quite a while. The new table tennis tables in town are excellent - maybe a couple more of these items or similar about the place. Even though I dont mind paying the parking fees as they are, many people dont, so perhaps reducing the price in the multi-story carpark would encourage more people into the CBD to shop. Somehow stop the "bogans" congregating in the streets- very intimidating for shoppers to pass by swearing/smoking people (easier said than done I realize :))"	2017-09-19 18:31
"lower business operating costs better cbd planning less wood chips on the wharf..."	2017-09-19 18:23
"More jobs Activities for 12-20 year old Pride in our community "	2017-09-19 18:22
"More food More fun Free parking"	2017-09-19 18:21
"Forward thinking out side the square Willing to try new things Listen and be open for change Continue improvement same philosophies as private business. We can not grow if you continue to bury our heads in the sand and think every thing is awesome it not . This place can be awesome as it once was we have the potential but it just won't happen we need to to make it happen all of us ."	2017-09-19 18:13
"Make Parking free like ulverstone. Fill the existing shops before developing more. Stop fining people who park to spend money!"	2017-09-19 18:12

"more opportunities and jobs Better parking and cheaper prices A more vibrant and appealing city"	2017-09-19 18:10
"Change the name to Emu Bay (as that older man suggested and everyone criticised him.) The name Burnie is as dreary as the town. If the name was changed then the whole tourism thing could be uplifted to a different level. Paint some graffitti on that dreadful wall at the back of Coles - it's right in the middle of town and it looks AWFUL. Drag the Coles/Kmart centre into the 21st century. I wonder if it passes safety/fire laws with its ONE archaic lift. Make the two Burnie markets on different days. Stupid having them clash on the same day. I would love to shop in Burnie regularly but the place gives me the creeps now and I really think it has a lot to do with the metered parking that is stopping people going in there. It's stopping me. And the lack of loos! The Harvey Norman centre should be ashamed of itself for having only one unisex loo! Sorry to bang on about the loos but we all need to use one from time to time... and presumably the rents in Burnie are too high for businesses (I don't know).... it used to be a nice place to shop but not now with half the shops gone."	2017-09-19 17:47
"community involvement Family events council to get a move on instead arguing amongst themselves, after all our money is paying their wages."	2017-09-19 17:47
"Build the university,"	2017-09-19 17:41
"Employment, free parking for shoppers, less. People on Council payroll"	2017-09-19 17:39
"Get rid of wood chips Better CBD Bew infrastructure"	2017-09-19 17:24
"Get more people active "	2017-09-19 17:21
"Everyone would feel valued and connected to their community Growth in job opportunities derived from new and innovative businesses/services - maybe having better NBN access and service could help with this Empowerment of people at the grassroots as decision makers. Political representatives should put aside political allegiances and be truly representative of their communities best interests."	2017-09-19 17:12

"Exclusion of motor vehicle from some streets (e.g. sections of Cattley or Wilson Street) for the majority of the day after delivery times to allow eateries and retailers to offer outdoor options and to increase the safety of pedestrians. Completion of sections of the proposed Coastal Pathway A strategy to facilitate 'Pop Up Shops' in empty retail spaces "	2017-09-19 17:10
"Less rates in line with the water rates. More community volunteers "	2017-09-19 17:05
"Rehab center, police, jobs"	2017-09-19 15:22
"Big W. Develop the entire foreshore into a family friendly experience. Update the burnie park with exciting things for ALL ages."	2017-09-18 21:10
"Focus on the fact that it is a seaside town... Encourage tourism..clean it up more around the industrial area....more trees, plants, etc ...have something very different..... More touristy attractions...."	2017-09-18 20:46
"Lower rates. I'd say look to attract business, but now they're hamstrung by NBN. The lack of progress unless there's a photo op. The recent issue with the pollution at Fern Glade is a great example, this has been known about for over a year, but suddenly it's fixed when the mayor is a candidate for state parliament."	2017-09-18 19:01
"1). Get rid of parking meters. 2). More user friendly waterfront development. 3). Reduce rents and full shops."	2017-09-18 18:19
"- Move Toll and reclaim the waterfront - Finish clean up at the pulp mill site - Release affordable residential land for subdivision"	2017-09-18 17:56
"Floating jetty at Boat ramps, Community fishing club, photography club?"	2017-09-18 15:58
"More festivals A new economic strategy keeping youth here"	2017-09-18 14:37
"I feel you need to change the perception of the city, which will then be passed through the citizens and create a vibe that encourages growth"	2017-09-18 10:58

"People to realise they live in paradise,we are so lucky.A change in attitude.visited Sheffield and Latrobe last weekend and so many people out and about.We need a reason for people to visit and spend their money.wivehoe is booming is it all because of free parking??? Or good service??"	2017-09-17 10:39
"More entertainment like the bowling alley and a cart racing place. Childs fun centre. More shops."	2017-09-16 17:31
"More police presence. Late night shopping every night. Lower rental costs for business owners"	2017-09-16 09:57
"more business , more variety ,Free parking"	2017-09-15 22:40
"Residential allowed in the city, together with Retail spaces. Waterfront markets are a wonderful idea Get rid of that F****g pile of woodchips on the waterfront....it is a visual BLIGHT on the landscape and is stopping redevelopment of Marine terrace and the railway yards as a waterfront precinct area.....the shipping can stay.....just like in Hobart.....move the woodchip pile to Port Latta...."	2017-09-15 12:27
"More group activities More live events Monthly surveys to better understand how to help Burnie"	2017-09-14 22:52
"1. support suggestion of....are you a Burnie Maker or a Burnie Taker? 2. encourage pride in Burnie, what we do well... our exports, people doing well. 3. consider Burnie Branding - advanced manufacturing, sustainable food, regional hub."	2017-09-14 20:57
"Free parking , more family orientated activity,"	2017-09-14 19:59
"Better cheaper parking A mall to make the shopping experience more pleasant and 'together' Clever placement of seats so bogans arent everywhere"	2017-09-14 18:56
"jobs, better pay ??????"	2017-09-14 16:56

"More shops Less paid parking More community events"	2017-09-14 15:15
"H"	2017-09-14 14:57
"Something for kids to do inside. Toilets at the skate park "	2017-09-14 14:24
"More cheap group activities Free parking We want a say on what happens in our town"	2017-09-14 14:09
"Big w. Less bogans more on street parking that's cheaper"	2017-09-14 13:34
"1 Take down the ugly rusty markers as you enter the city 2 Free parking along the beachfront (can't believe we have to pay to take our kids to the beach! 3 Entertainment for teenagers that's alcohol free (well done to In the Zone) but we need more! "	2017-09-14 13:00
"Getting rid of bogans More events (eg concerts) Free parking on weekends "	2017-09-14 12:56
"repair roads - take the whole council on a fact finding mission around the municipality - re-open rail for tourist attraction"	2017-09-14 11:11
"Better shopping More family things to do Ban smoking in the cbd"	2017-09-14 09:59
"get rid of dud mayor"	2017-09-14 09:20
"Entertainment- bands Free parking like Ulverstone Marina at yacht club"	2017-09-14 08:45

"Fix the eyesore next to Bunnings. Literally put anything there. Housing, a hotel, a pool, office works, a market a cafe bloody anything. Stop being asses and put some motorbike parking in Burnie cbd. It's not hard. We are the only town that doesn't do it. Less restrictions on time limited parking near the cbd. Or at least cheaper parking. My tickets keep getting stolen off my bike because the council recommends putting the ticket on my handle. And I keep getting fines. So cheers for that council."	2017-09-14 08:38
"Free parking, more businesses, more jobs"	2017-09-14 08:30
"Options for free parking and also motorbike parking More retail and food variety More family events"	2017-09-14 08:18
"More variety in retail shops. Affordable rents in CBD to encourage businesss into town More social awarness of areas that attract undesirable occurrences. More pride in the CBD"	2017-09-14 08:17
"More positivity Take ownership of your own problems "	2017-09-14 08:05
"Industry to create jobs for longevity"	2017-09-14 06:53
"Better playgrounds More events Better utilisation of the waterfront"	2017-09-14 06:14
"Reduce parking Reduce rent Advertise Burnie more Clean up Massey Green & Old Surrey Road where the Trucks are.. looks dirty all the time. Not inviting for Fern Glade or through to our whiskey distillery or the gate way to the West coast."	2017-09-14 06:05
"1.The council should support people to start new business 2.Free parking in the CBD "	2017-09-14 00:21
"More things to do for kids, get businesses to open in the city, make the city centre more inviting, get rid of the bogans who scare my kids and loiter around outside Kmart and the bus stops."	2017-09-13 23:24

"More family friendly More supportive of businesses More community involvement and awareness "	2017-09-13 22:30
"More frequent Farmers market, More live music venues, Ban all poker machines"	2017-09-13 22:02
"1. Ten Pin Bowling Alley 2. Better movie theatre ie seating, screens, security - I'd rather wait for DVD so I don't have to put up with inconsiderate people 3. Free parking"	2017-09-13 19:56
"Night life Cafes Entertainment for teenagers"	2017-09-13 19:53
"free parking in the street council focus on industry rather than tourism reduce rates on comercial properties"	2017-09-13 19:02
"1. More family friendly entertainment venues. Due to lack of already there is nothing to do on weekends if you don't want to go out 'drinking' with friends. Hence why most people drink every weekend because there is nothing else to do. 2. More places to eat later at night. Late night cafe's and restaurants like on the mainland. I think this would then also boost more employment. 3. More shopping options."	2017-09-13 18:24
"parking public toilets better shops"	2017-09-13 17:03
" "	2017-09-13 16:41
"A return sea passenger service from Burnie to Geelong. Burnie to become a manufacturing centre for renewable energy systems. Burnie being the closest Tasmanian City to the Tarkine is in a great position to leverage off the tourism appeal of this area."	2017-09-13 14:18
"A food court Markets Turning the cbd into a no vehicle access area"	2017-09-13 10:11
"Music social events covered social area's in main street."	2017-09-13 09:50

"Free car parking More retail competition More manufacturing and employment opportunities Higher wages"	2017-09-13 07:51
"Cheaper parking Wider car spaces More family activities Parks with more equipment Safer beaches More family friendly environments "	2017-09-13 07:15
"1. Shore well needs to be fixed 2. We need to deal with the junkies, I'm sick of living in fear of getting attacked 3."	2017-09-13 01:57
"More shops more activities for kids cheaper rates"	2017-09-12 22:20
"Stop taking advice of 80 year old busses man. Keep the parking as the people who work there pay for it .. "	2017-09-12 21:05
"Free parking days Markets on n for shore Movies on fore shore Family events on fore shore Dog friendly cafe on beach front to encourage people to walk and socialise"	2017-09-12 20:57
"More community participation, clean up the drug issues, get the cbd sorted"	2017-09-12 20:56
"Cheaper rates, less unemployment, more community events"	2017-09-12 20:42
"Improve jobs events and actually promote the place to mainland Australia"	2017-09-12 20:24
"Do you have weekend markets?"	2017-09-12 20:08
"More family events More live music buskers etc "	2017-09-12 19:58

"Indoor markets (especially for winter time).. Weather protection for shop areas.. Shops open especially when cruise ships arrive.. (can be embarrassing) Council participation for local family entertainment.." 2017-09-12 19:43

"We have to decide whether we are industrial or people/environmental friendly? They just don't go together!" 2017-09-12 18:48

"A larger Coles supermarket. A primary school closer to South Burnie. Better bus routes from South Burnie for school students." 2017-09-12 18:40

"At least one other big supermarket. Free parking first hour. Ways new residents can get to know the place (not during work hours) Basically remember not everyone is long term local. Proper addresses on advertising (events, shops etc) really helps. Don't assume everyone knows exactly what is going on or just knows how things work. Embrace newcomers" 2017-09-12 18:36

"Free parking No smoking at all Less bogans" 2017-09-12 18:22

"1.make a mall were the com bank and banjos is and extend the roof over the mall like we're the temp gage is and include some kids play equipment and it could double for community events also. 2.A hangout for the younger ones to go and play some 8ball have a chat grab a drink and have internet access and so on . 3.bring more things like paintball go carts kids jungle gym so on to Burnie so there are more things for family's and younger ones to do and more community events" 2017-09-12 18:09

"More events. Stronger environmental protection. Arts projects." 2017-09-12 18:01

"Encourage new business to Burnie. The council should actively pursuing major events at least one a month..that could things like dance competitions,(rock n roll) music festivals, fishing comps., motorsport boat shows and the list goes on..develop a fisherman s wharf at South Burnie complete merry go rounds etc. Over the summer months; co ordinate craft markets when the cruise ships come in..construct a marina to encourage yachties to come from victoria or other areas of tassie. By giving local coastal people, tourists anyone a reason to come to Burnie then that is only way i think Burnie can grow..it really isnt that hard .. there is an old saying 'Build it, and they will come'..in summing i think Steve Cons as mayor was the best thing to happen to Burnie...better than the lame duck you have now.." 2017-09-12 17:36

"More employment oportunities. More activities for families. More education. (At tafe there isn't many classes not online yet they are building a new one) (budgeting and shopping help for struggling families) (public transport running more offen and help for learner drivers drivers)" 2017-09-12 17:28

"More family activities Another night club or bar More parking"	2017-09-12 17:17
"Better parking and general set up in town. More community events Burnie city council needs to LISTEN to what the people want and are asking for"	2017-09-12 17:15
"More affordable activities for children Creation of jobs More community input in things like the pool redevelopment which is something my children and i used at least 2-3 times a week through summer before the upgrade and personally i think what was done is a fowngrade i would of loved to voice my opinion"	2017-09-12 08:24
"A drop in center for young youths. Get them off the streets and give them somewhere fun and relaxing to hang out. Ban smoking in the CBD. There's nothing worse than walking past a pack of smokers and getting lung cancer. "	2017-09-12 03:44
"We need people to spend more of their disposable income locally. We need real people driving change."	2017-09-11 20:10
"More job opportunities try and appeal to new investors. Crime seems to be on the rise"	2017-09-11 19:58
"More tourist destinations. Disrupting the generational unemployed by restricting their access to cash. (welfare card - cashless system) The bike trail to hurry up and get completed"	2017-09-11 12:31
"pivot to the beach front. replace petrol stations with cafes. more public art"	2017-09-11 09:37
"More activities for the kids More jobs "	2017-09-11 09:12
"Family activities, more employment opportunities, more businesses."	2017-09-11 09:11
"More things for families More things for tourists when boats come in Putting up a rain shelter between Kmart complex and best and less over the crossing"	2017-09-11 08:48

"Supporting local burnie people More support for new and small business Expressions of interest for local burnie events"	2017-09-11 08:45
"Improved traffic flow to commercial/shopping centres (this includes parking zones). Increased foreshore development and the foot-traffic link between beach-shops. A far improved night life scene for young adults (Greens and Butter Factory do not make a night out.), including decently priced restaurants within easy walking distance to bars/clubs. "	2017-09-10 19:16
"Parking fees dropped More social events Wider range of healthy eateries"	2017-09-10 13:39
"More job opportunities More policing"	2017-09-10 12:04
"A more vibrant CBD (community events etc) Events for youth Something to help those in low socio-economic households to get back on track - education programs etc"	2017-09-10 11:18
"More family activities Lower rates Less council run business competing with other businesses"	2017-09-10 09:17
"More events A play center or bowling, putt putt or something similar for kids and families. Rent to go down for shop owners"	2017-09-10 09:09
"More jobs Focus on locals Lower rates"	2017-09-10 08:03
"Cafes etc open at more reasonable hours Brighten up the place! Fix the parking costs"	2017-09-10 03:03
"Helping with drug programs, clean our roads, (Old Surrey Rd, brickport rd) are constantly filthy. Work for the dole, youth events. Help with care of the elderly."	2017-09-09 23:34

"-Something where families can have fun: bowling alley etc -Free parking on the Weekend - Develop something special along the coastline -Focus on something for tourists,to attract them to town, platypus observatory etc but done properly. -More police presence in town etc outside Kmart - Change the caption and signs "City of makers" its terrible! -Have a cool welcoming statue into Burnie, like Binalong Bay does "

"1. Affordable activities for families that are actually enjoyable for children and parents. 2. Employment creation in a range of areas, tourism, retail, industry. 3. First rate education for all children. Kids need to be educated properly and ensure they have been correctly taught respect and responsibility to their community. They are the future of Burnie- too many kids here have been lost in the system- grown in to adults and just let this community down- their kids need to be corrected and stop the cycle of boganism continuing."

"Job growth Cheaper parking rates and fines More community activities"

"More job opportunities More family-friendly things to do More shopping centers"

"More winter activities for kids. More wider pram car parking in the cbd as there is only 7 in the multi story and 3 in the centro carpark. The amount of times if had to leave my baby in her capsule behind the car next to me, reverse my car out hoping noone runs over her or judges me for leaving her because i need to go back so i can open my door wider to get the capsule in. I had to do it twice on one week as i couldnt get a baby park"

"More mental health professionals available! A race track or drag strip for people to legally race instead of on our streets risking other people's lives including their own... Bowling. Ice Skating. Asking our town what they want for fun and the jobs they'd like to have to help our town prosper..."

"Lower parking fees more exciting shops and more events for parents and children"

"Community family events Nighttime markets along west beach "

"Family friendly activities A place to take kids in winter More jobs"

"Free parking Later trading hours for small busines to cater for people who work fulltime but still want to shop. Fix mount street at the top"	2017-09-09 20:03
"- more concerts like skyfields - more fun run events for whole families, like Launceston marathon - get targa back to Burnie for the weekend - free outdoor exercise programs, north west coast has the highest rate of heart disease doesn't it? "	2017-09-09 19:09
"Going money free, opening up the sharing community, enable the free market for it is meant for amongst locals."	2017-09-09 18:48
"Steven Wright to be mayor. The front of Kmart and the court house to be smoke free and loiter free. A permanent neurologist. Better hospital with knowledgable and experienced directors."	2017-09-09 18:19
"Indoor entertainment for kids of all ages such as indoor play centre, a really good rock climbing centre that suits all ages and abilities, ten pin bowling but also some better parks like they have in Hobart were they have pretend streets and streetlights for kids to ride their bikes. For the street outside kmart to be made into a mall and have night festiales in summer with great food and entertainment."	2017-09-09 17:34
"More opportunity for the youth"	2017-09-09 16:21
"Youth activities/amenities Better shopping....do what it takes to attract Fantastic Furniture etc Work on the culture in the CBD....buskers, outdoor dining etc"	2017-09-09 16:04
"Burnie is already a fantastic place to live in. "	2017-09-09 15:17
"More employment. More family orientated days. More consideration for new businesses to open up."	2017-09-09 15:14
"Better job oppportunities Opportunities for children, play grounds, bike tracks etc "	2017-09-09 14:33
"Jobs growth New business Entertainment"	2017-09-09 14:25

"Foreshore markets - boot sale - stalls. Mardi Gras Bands playing at West Beach in Summer"	2017-09-09 14:22
"More things for kid's"	2017-09-09 13:44
"family days local music acts busking trail tasteful artwork/ graffiti on ugly buildings community groups like walking groups, coffee groups, mum groups that people can just tag along to and be apart of a night foreshore market where anyone can have a stall. have a community suggestion box in the arcade "	2017-09-09 13:25
"Burnie 'Parkrun' needs to happen, too many overweight people. Parking prices are disgusting in burnie, it stops people using the city. Offer incentives to new business owners, cheap rates/rent."	2017-09-09 11:04
"Free parking Cheaper rents Lower rates"	2017-09-09 09:53
"More shop diversity, cleaner city, free parking on Saturdays to attract tourists"	2017-09-09 08:04
"Build the community relationships amongst younger people. Conduct more events and get the word out there well. For example during summer the cuisine nights at the Burnie foreshore were great, however not many people knew about it at all. If you're going to run something like that maybe you do it less often throughout summer with more planning and expect larger crowds."	2017-09-09 07:48
"Events First home buyers grant or no stamp duty for first home buyers More business and opening them up 7 days. I travel to Launceston on the weekend as i take my son to all different places for fun and the shopping is opened over Saturday and Sunday. Look after business owners and they boost the growth and spending in Burnie "	2017-09-09 07:36
"New retail shopping centre Reduced parking fee (first hour free) Investment into food franchise"	2017-09-09 06:51
"More family friendly events Cheaper parking"	2017-09-09 01:35

"1) something to entertain the children... like a better aquatic center.....that is open all year with activities for all ages. 2) Promote education for the low socioeconomic ... 3) A mall and let businesses have access to the side walk ... like the cities..... where buskers and local people can promote and entertain. "	2017-09-08 23:56
"More recreational events More jobs"	2017-09-08 23:44
"Night market down on the beach once every 3 months.. food vendors and locals setting up stalls with local produce or selling of craft.. introducing a DJ to play down at New Years to keep a different generation engaged in the "event" instead of kids and adults.. engage with teenagers and young adults.. Try and see whether they can put on a variety show with bits and pieces from all preforming Arts around the area to showcase their talents.. not a competition but just to allow children / young adults exposure to a stage environment, new experiences and to see other talents that our locals may possess"	2017-09-08 23:38
"More community connection Increased employment opportunities Youth leadership group/ advisory panel"	2017-09-08 22:46
"Family play spaces/play ground on flat ground and not slopes. More parks/gardens. More services like a bigger library, a laundromat in the CBD, more energy company/household heating providers"	2017-09-08 21:55
"A major tourist attraction that no other community in Tas has - would need to have broad appeal all year round. Burnie Park is an under-utilised asset. Movie nights in summer, provide an opportunity for young bands to perform in the sound shell for free, instal more modern playgrounds to attract people."	2017-09-08 21:52
"Burnie council to speak to the people of Burnie for their opinion on what they can do to improve Burnie ."	2017-09-08 21:49
"More pet friendly places more interesting things to do that are not aimed at the same groups and more free entertainments"	2017-09-08 21:42
"Decrease the rates. Reduce some of the high paid managers at council. Burnie council management is one of the highest paid in the whole state. Cutting cost to run council needs to start at the top. The council staffing has reduced massively since water & childcare departed yet management costs increased."	2017-09-08 21:15
"More shopping Less bogans loitering Something to do on weekends"	2017-09-08 20:57

"New council Mining being given a green light No parking meters"	2017-09-08 20:13
"Take out water front railway line and service stations & make it a real go to precinct. Incentives to bring business. Trails to link from Latrobe to wynyard"	2017-09-08 20:10
"Bring Aldi desperately want ALDI Bring IKEA to burnie Bring a train and better transport"	2017-09-08 19:54
"Jobs Live music Jobs"	2017-09-08 19:48
" Ten pin bowling Roller skating Putt putt golf Novelty stores JB hifi"	2017-09-08 19:39
"Enter text here better care of public spaces, parks etc. more opportunities for young people more community spirit "	2017-09-08 19:21
"Dinning options that include kids play areas/activities something to keep families entertained on wet days ie indoor play centre, bowling etc "	2017-09-08 19:19
"Rent lowered More variation for university - Midwifery Arcades with seats, life, attractions"	2017-09-08 19:07
"More shops, some bigger chain shops More tourist activities Cheaper parking-not those stupid ticket machines"	2017-09-08 19:02
"Jobs Activities for teenagers Lower rates"	2017-09-08 18:59
"more employment more family/kid friendly areas along the water front lower parking fees"	2017-09-08 18:56

"Family entertainment centre (which I have tried to get up and running) Better playgrounds"	2017-09-08 18:45
<p>"Better parks for children. The new part to Burnie Park is boring to my 4 year old. Somewhere like pandemonium in Devonport for children would be great too. Permanent specialists at the hospital. I use endocrinologists, and a cardiologist. I don't mind travelling to Launceston for my cardiologist though. An obstetrician who is able to deal with high risk pregnancies. Due to health complications if we decided on another pregnancy I would have to travel to Hobart fortnightly for 2017-scans and to see Tania Hingston. To pay for those including food and travel would cost us about 09-08 \$400-500 per fortnight, quite unachievable for an average couple who just want a healthy mum and baby at the end of pregnancy. I find it ridiculous that couples should have to travel 4 hours so often to have children. I could go on forever, it's actually making me hate Burnie, I would move to Hobart but we don't have any friends or family there. Maybe make Burnie more appealing for medical professionals!!"</p>	
"Increased focus on long term employment opportunities Improve parking in cbd Compulsory property maintenance for building owners in cbd"	2017-09-08 18:30
"Jobs, cheaper rent for businesses"	2017-09-08 18:23
"Free short term parking in front of shops. Open a play centre on weekends. "	2017-09-08 18:22
"Bowling alley Kids play centre Toddler section for the indoor pool Affordable family events"	2017-09-08 18:08
"Something for kids to do Cheaper rates/rent for shop business holders"	2017-09-08 18:00
"more public events should do big car show like devonport and stop driving public events out of burnie"	2017-09-08 17:35
"Bring back a ten pin bowling"	2017-09-08 17:15

"More family friendly things to do. Brighter buildings would make the place look a whole lot better. Free parking or atleast some free parking ir cheaper parking. A mall in one of the main streets "	2017-09-08 16:58
"Drop the rates, make them more affordable to the little people. More opportunities for families Transparency from council and government businesses"	2017-09-08 16:51
"1.Lowering rent of Buildings/ shops so they can have things in them instead of all empty shops. 2. Having more incentives for employment / apprenticeships opportunities for older ppl as well as young. 3.make a safe place for children and teens to hang to try keep them off the streets and out of trouble."	2017-09-08 15:56
"Family activities eg play centres, cheaper parking, more support for existing businesses eg why are so many closing such as maddingtons"	2017-09-08 15:21
"More upkeep of our suburbs. Free parking days in multi-storey car park. More community events that are free or a small price to enter. We have a beautiful foreshore that is rarely used."	2017-09-08 15:09
"Better parking More incentives for businesses More community integration (getting people together and reducing isolation for some of the city's most vulnerable) "	2017-09-08 15:01
"1. Love to see a 'cafe/restaurant strip' along the foreshore with extended operating hours 2. A more vibrant and engaging CBD 3. A push toward attracting more population"	2017-09-08 14:54
"Rail... Better restaurants... Some sort of festival..."	2017-09-08 14:26
"Actively promoting tourism Get younger people involved in the development of burnie Less restrictions and rules and more inclusion and freedom"	2017-09-08 14:21
"Better aquatic centre for younger children and families (not lap swimmers) Indoor play centre New council"	2017-09-08 12:35
"More community envolvment,taking care of those less fortunate...more for kids/teens to do."	2017-09-08 12:19

"Get rid of traffic chicanes in Wilson St - they serve no purpose "	2017-09-08 12:04
"Things for kids to do! More shops! Better the small parks around burnie, have more things for people to do or attend that's isn't too costly for families. Bring more jobs to burnie. The council to actually look after the smaller parks and not let them go to waste!"	2017-09-08 11:29
"More places to take children (outdoor fun) other than parks. Less bogans "	2017-09-08 11:13
"More jobs Better events Better resources"	2017-09-08 10:58
"Entertainment such as the kids fun centre we used to have, or bowling, or anything. We shouldn't have to travel to other cities for activities. Incentives for small businesses to open, or remain open, maybe by lowering shop rentals so they can afford to open. Parking costs for people working in the cbd needs addressing as it can get quite expensive"	2017-09-08 10:54
"Lower the price on living Cheaper parking More shops"	2017-09-08 10:04
"More for children...summer band at park..ourdoor movie nights over summer.."	2017-09-08 08:30
"More traffic calming on suburban streets, greater use of the waterfront with businesses and markets (especially during cruise ship season), reinstatement of the rail line between burnie and Stanley!! As a tourist train this would generate much needed jobs, new opportunities for training and further opportunity to promote the beautiful north west coast."	2017-09-08 08:10
"Culture Activities for youth More support for drug rehabilitation"	2017-09-08 08:10
"Better council Better events Jobs "	2017-09-08 06:15
"Cheaper commercial rent. Cheaper/First hour free parking. More community/council support for event organisers"	2017-09-08 00:33

"Better cycling tracks More creative and innovative councillors - we lost opportunities after Paul Arnold was pushed out"	2017-09-07 22:49
"Community based events Free parking like wynyard and ulverstone. Shops that attract shoppers..like harris scarfe More appealing street scapes and more stringent policing of undesirable behaviour in the cbd."	2017-09-07 22:36
"More for young gen. Needs an update in the city blue is very faded."	2017-09-07 22:05
"Better coordination between clubs and events so that people new to the area know what is going on. Flower tubs make the town look smart for cruise ship visitors so more would be good. Use of area near multistory car park for busking and more events "	2017-09-07 22:00
"More community activities; quality entertainment including performances, concerts, exhibitions, theatre, art house movies etc.; increased play areas for children/families; better and more regular public transport to outer areas and adjoining towns/cities; more variety in eateries including healthier options, paleo, tapas bars etc., promoting greater inclusivity and cultural diversity; extension of walking/cycling tracks to join with connecting towns/areas; increase in communal BBQ and picnic areas"	2017-09-07 21:18
"Family fun activitie center More Indoor activities More outdoor activities "	2017-09-07 21:00
"More community events Improvements to the upper burnie area especially the condition of the road No smoking and loiterers in cbd Better.upkeep of.planter boxes CBD needs to be revitalised but not at the cost of a rates increase"	2017-09-07 20:51
"A place for kids and a place for young adults / teens (think like an indoor playground type thing, or something similar to the imaginarium, indoor inflatable world, etc) and places like headspace and other youth services"	2017-09-07 20:43
"Cooperation between clubs to promote joint events.Events to promote feeling of "tribe Burnie". Inter school fun days to build cross town friendships. Highlight local attractions and involve locals in their upkeep and development so more people make use of their particular values to the community."	2017-09-07 20:31
"Fewer people loitering around the Kmart entrance and bus stops - it makes me feel uneasy and I want to get in and out as quickly as possible. Better enforcement of no smoking areas around shopfronts. Encouraging businesses to fill empty shopfronts."	2017-09-07 20:29

"Reduce parking costs Reduce rates Provide more fun things for families involvement"	2017-09-07 20:28
"Free parking near the library. Trampoling place like they have in Launceston. Metro buses on Sundays!"	2017-09-07 20:17
"Public markets in CBD Shops in CBD to be reviewed, parking"	2017-09-07 20:06
"Fix the skate park, Create more art opportunity, reduce fee's to increase buisness opportunities."	2017-09-07 20:05
"Fun factory for children. Sunday foreshore market. Live music with shaded areas at the Burnie park. "	2017-09-07 19:55
"Open waterside parkland , Playland for residents to enjoy. Get rid of the horrid cement buildings on the waterfront AND before Bunnings.... put a nature reserve there. Bring back woolies to the cbd. PUT THE PEACOCKS BACK IN THE PARK!!!!!! A decent pool - we were tricked into thinking they were putting in a big fun pool like Launceston, instead it is a little tightly controlled lap pool.... not much fun for families , use for the exclusive few (as always)."	2017-09-07 19:39
"Manufacturing to come back. Better parking in town."	2017-09-07 19:35
"Save the Band Rooms. SAVE THE SURF CLUB. Decrease parking prices"	2017-09-07 19:33
"1. Aldi store for LI families. 2. Free parking 3. More parking"	2017-09-07 19:29
"Cheaper parking. Are we the only town along the coast with meters.?? "	2017-09-07 19:24
"Free parking Some more colour Family days"	2017-09-07 19:19

"No smoking in cbd, free parking, monthly free family activities on the beachfront"	2017-09-07 18:56
"Community events, indoor spaces for young children and their family (playspace)"	2017-09-07 18:47
"Attractions to attract families.... Free parking.... a friendly and inviting city... we now have a lot of idiots that live in this town.."	2017-09-07 18:44
"Toilet access for families - Bernie's pad has no toilet and the under cover one needs a key. Not something 3 yr olds have time for. Permanent shade (or even better an indoor area) at children's play/splash pad at pool. Bike track dev-wynyard"	2017-09-07 18:44
"Lesser rates Long term fulltime work for youth Old ladies need to give up the job they are taking and give it to younger people, how many holidays do the old people need."	2017-09-07 18:32
"More activities for young people, the cinema and laser tag are not enough! We need some sort of arcade or a bowling alley, or more sporting facilities. More job opportunities! Not everybody wants to be stuck working at Maccas for the rest of their lives. Decrease the cost of rent, it is too hard to find an affordable house unless you are working full time, and that is not possible when you are studying at uni or have other commitments. Parking should be free, ESPECIALLY at the HOSPITAL. Paying for parking should be the last thing on my mind when I am visiting a loved one in hospital. Better shopping experiences. Literally the only affordable clothing shop that suits my style is Kmart. People need more of a variety. More awareness of lifestyle diseases. We need more community exercise facilities, especially for people who cannot afford a gym membership. Introduce no smoking zones. Every time I go to walk into Coles, I am greeted by secondhand smoke. People sit outside and smoke, swear and carry on like lunatics. There should be a designated smokers area, to stop members of the public getting sick, and to make the city look nicer to visitors."	2017-09-07 18:17
"People need to support local business and events. More recognition of people achievements. A decent indoor swimming facility. "	2017-09-07 17:34
"Rate reduction, job creation, attract new stores"	2017-09-07 17:24
"Employment and training opportunities. Greater cultural and artistic opportunity."	2017-09-07 16:54

"Increase the amount of public art Ensure green spaces remain and make them a part of any future development. Pretty up the highway entrance to town. Fairy light the town centre and Burnie Park. Don't let UTAS hold the council to ransom. "	2017-09-07 16:35
"*More community events *Review parking issues *Family friendly activities "	2017-09-07 16:33
"Parking Free Parking Retail atmosphere"	2017-09-07 16:18
"Extended business hours (especially on weekends), better parking fees/access, cheaper flights to Melbourne"	2017-09-07 16:15
"Free Wifi in & around burnie / With-in the cbd. Burnie council listening to rate payers & following through on their promises. More different shops/stores and not just the same thing. For example; do we need all the Optometrist's around and in burnie? all for choice but come on."	2017-09-07 16:13
"1. Opening more shops that are based around Tasmania or the mainland. 2. Have more events instead of the same ones every year. 3. Ask for more opinions on what the community would like in Burnie. Rather than going and spending millions on things people cannot afford or use."	2017-09-07 15:40
"A mall in the cbd and/or safer road crossing outside Kmart/cotton on etc Better use of the area around the skate park. Expand into a large family and teen friendly recreation area. A winter festival on the foreshore!! "	2017-09-07 15:39
"Better transport. More events to get people into CBD. More industry to employ people"	2017-09-07 15:34
"Fix the empty shop look. Fix the parking problems Clean up vandalism and graffiti within 48hours."	2017-09-07 15:13
"More public transport More cafes/restaurants open for evening meals More family friendly events that cater for all ages"	2017-09-07 14:59
"1.) more community events would be good, especially for the younger generation. 2.) getting the community more involved and actually taking in and listening to people's comments and concerns. 3.) stronger punishment for continuous criminal offenders regardless of their age. 4.) maybe start focusing on the younger generations and genuinely listen to the ideas they have for our community because at the end of the day their our future."	2017-09-07 14:55

"More jobs, more business to provide more employment for people and more entertainment venues and places to go for all ages"	2017-09-07 14:32
"More community events. Events for teens to engage in. The town really does look shabby."	2017-09-07 14:29
"Concerts, Indoor play center/more playgroups(whilst my children are too old for this now, there is a lack of this sort of thing for younger kiddies), Family fun days (good old fashion family fun, I think Burnie is to heavily focused on going out and getting drunk) More (and bigger range of) shops"	2017-09-07 13:59
"Reduced parking fees Rental reductions More family events Foreshore markets "	2017-09-07 13:55
"More employment, more support for sport and recreation, more social events."	2017-09-07 13:32
"Jobs something for kids and places for kids like youth groups"	2017-09-07 13:29
"Job opportunities Diversification of jobs Opportunity to spend money in burnie Kids entertainment venue Expand the port"	2017-09-07 13:29
"Employment entertainment and community advice"	2017-09-07 13:21
"A good kids play gym/cafe open after school hours and weekends A good classy pub for 25-40 age group Incentives for businesses to open in town"	2017-09-07 13:04
"More entertainment, free parking"	2017-09-07 12:41
"Lower comercial rents More people , general population Lower domestic and comercial rates"	2017-09-07 12:32

"1. Free parking 2. Lower cost of rentals 3. More variety in shops we don't need 10 cafes"	2017-09-07 12:22
"Cheaper parking meters. A broken glass reporting process."	2017-09-07 11:36
"More employmeny. More opportunity for younger generations. Drug rehababilitation centre. Job find places that actually train people to gain employment not train them to work for the dole. Eg: small buisness courses,"	2017-09-07 11:09
"More employment for youth "	2017-09-07 10:50
"More things to do in the CBD Help keep the shops open by supporting business owners and look at the paid parking Get the thinkers that we pay in council to think and to improve what we have....do something to attract business's"	2017-09-07 10:45
"More development. More effort put in by property owners to fill their buildings."	2017-09-07 10:41
"More activities"	2017-09-07 10:26
"Stronger court rulings for drug and theft offences. Strongly funded drug rehabilitation programs. Stricter no smoking areas. speed humps in the Jones/Hodgman/Williams street area.we have people speeding and doing burnouts through there almost every night. Youth programs, free activities for 12-17 year olds."	2017-09-07 10:08
"activities for kids, eg paintball, ice skating more events, eg boxing concerts larger variety of shops"	2017-09-07 10:02
"Better public transport Free parking "	2017-09-07 09:47
"More opportunities for youth, 2nd chances for the less privileged kids in the court system"	2017-09-07 09:15

"More community events Focus on youth activities More cultural activity"	2017-09-07 09:10
"* indoor activities for children to participate in during the winter. Even Bernie's pad is so unreliable. Says it opens at 10 but you walk passed at 1020 and the lady is still not there to open up. * free parking days to encourage people into the cbd *assistance to new business owners to make rent more affordable whilst they are getting off the ground * higher police presence as there are a lot of teenagers running wild scaring away older generation. Even more activities for them to keep them busy. "	2017-09-07 08:44
"1- more community events 2- full empty shops 3- better nightlife"	2017-09-07 08:34
"Employement ... would ease the burden of everything ... Attraction .. something special .. different .. Sheffield has Murals .. Tasmazia near lake Barrington .. Latrobe has Antuques / Anvers / cherry shed .. We need a magnet .. draw ppl in ! National sport like Launie gets AFL ..something popular pre season afl ? Movie studio/music studio HmMMMM really has me stumped "	2017-09-07 08:17
"More shopping! Big W!! A fun centre for kids. Aged 0-6 age group "	2017-09-07 08:14
"Better roads Better parking More activities"	2017-09-07 08:04
"We have a stagnant council and some of the new aspirants are more worried about clogged drains and graffiti than bringing burnie back to an economical booming city. We have people who rather drive to wynyard or ulv to shop because they dont want to pay \$4 - \$5 on parking yet will spend it on fuel to get to these places its just ridiculous. I think the culture of burnie is what needs to change . Get the smokers away from shop entrances, more police presence to deter shoplifters and get people back into burnie to shop it all makes a difference"	2017-09-07 06:48
"Why did they cancel sets by the sea! It would have been so good for burnie and bought so many people to the small town and helped! You see how much of an effect the cruise ships make! So why would they cancel it and just not work harder to make it work"	2017-09-07 06:39
"Free parking Undercover between Kmart and Best and Less, given Tasmanian weather Free pop up shops in empty stores until they are leased. Development of the area where the yacht club is to encourage people to walk out there and have a coffee with undercover and enclosed. We need to get people interested in going out when weather is wet or cold to sustain local economy during off season"	2017-09-07 06:34

"Chase industry - push for any major development in the area that will create employment Chase government funds - every extra dollar coming into the area has to help Be sensible with money!"	2017-09-07 05:30
"get a bypass inland to get passing through traffic out of town going inland at Penguin and adjoining the highway at the back of Wynyard to get rid of the bottleneck at Cooee. Free parking for ratepayers, we get slugged enough now anyway."	2017-09-07 00:37
"?"	2017-09-07 00:36
"Community groups to be the most important thing. What is a community if we become individuals? Foreshore land to be public space. (Art/culture/leisure precinct) Parks and gardens to be valued. Tourism Route: Creative Paper(old mill site), Fern Glade, Cheese Factory, Whisky Distillery, Rhodo Garden. "	2017-09-07 00:23
"Go back to the parking meters they just got rid of. Get the thefts down A no smoking cbd "	2017-09-07 00:20
"Community events Increase employment Get idiots and unemployed off the street"	2017-09-07 00:20
"1)Better employment locally and in burnie's greater region. 2)More entertainment/ activities. For locals and tourist. 3) clean up the buildings give burnie a breath of fresh air. Re paint and repair or remove old buildings. 4) better rates for parking to expensive. Population growth is needed and make it easier for young families to sustain a prosperous life style with good valuable employment. Stop locking up hobbies and sports like prospecting and shooting four wheel driving. Paint ball laser tag and all these fun things that not only Bri entertainment but tourist dollars. Like paint ball and other games like air soft could open up big revenue for locals. "	2017-09-07 00:10
"Free parking Y7-12 schooling (not 7-10) "	2017-09-07 00:00
"More people being positive about the good things that exist in and for Burnie; encourage more creative use of spaces in the City and its surrounds; stop blaming government and start more community self-help, creative, enterprises"	2017-09-06 23:44
"More community events to cater for all age groups especially for young people. Something like tenpin bowling place or an ice rink etc."	2017-09-06 23:38

"Better Shops. More Job opportunities. Krispy Kremes"	2017-09-06 23:33
"Make nicer public places other than the water front. Fish Frenzy is a succeeding business that I think gives it success as a public space. "	2017-09-06 23:33
"Family and teen young adult entertainment. We use lazertag alot. We have teens and young children. A mall like launceston. Encourage and accompany Outdoor eating areas in all cafe restaurants. We go to devenport and launceston aquatics pool as the burnie one doesnt have anywhere for babies and toddlers to swim and children cant play with balls and swim in the squashy little indoor pool. Devenport and Launceston for most other activities like monkey park. sliders. Ten pin bowling etc. The aquatic centre has been a real letdown for everyone i have spoken too. . Etc. the parks need more bbq areas and seating as every summer we all fight for the bbqs. At the parks and beach "	2017-09-06 23:30
"- Community event like "Woodchip pile celebration day" - Bigger wood chip piles - More woodchip piles"	2017-09-06 23:30
"More things to do, particularly for youth and young adults. (laser tag was a good start) More live music!! Paid! Night time venues/lounge bars earlier in the night for people wanting to chill. Nightlife in Burnie is only for those who want to get wasted late at night or go out for dinner."	2017-09-06 23:26
"Stop letting old out of touch people be in charge of the town. Building things like the makers workshop.... what a joke. I could of spent that money on thousands of better things for the community. Look at the indoor pools dev and Launceston have and then look at what the council spent and give us... pathetic. It was better how it was before the upgrade. Old out of touch people destroying the town"	2017-09-06 23:19
"A market close to town on the weekend. A good one! Better than the Penguin Market! More sporting events (I know it's hard when it's football dominated). Must see Murals and unique art work to make people want to take photos of it (that leads to social media posts, aka free advertisement) and a must visit unique coffee destination that specializes in for etc, doughnuts, shakes and bad food to treat your self that isn't over priced and isn't the generic items you find elsewhere! Be unique!"	2017-09-06 23:19
"Free parking days Regular community day events Big business to the area to assist with jobs"	2017-09-06 23:15
"More things for little kids (4+) to do More family friendly cheap things to do. More community things"	2017-09-06 23:15

"Free parking in cbd, Make better use of the remaining former pulp site, Try to attract more varied stores in cbd"	2017-09-06 23:14
"More options for Kids/teenagers to have things to do. Different retailers to choose from. Better shopping/dining hours "	2017-09-06 23:14
"It's needs more community spirit Council needs to listen to the businesses The cbd is looking tired"	2017-09-06 23:11
"Move industrial style businesses out of the foreshore and cbd Remove parking meters and payed parking Remove the ugly temperature clock thing in the middle of wilson street that is covered in pidgeon crap and maybe put a roof between there and remove the cars from there and have it a pedestrian only area. "	2017-09-06 23:11
"More family events, especially during summer, more career opportunities, not just dead end jobs but actual careers"	2017-09-06 23:11
"Job growth more business more tourism"	2017-09-06 23:10
"More community events I feel there is not a lot for the younger generation to partake in"	2017-09-06 23:10
"Focus on the positives in our community Stop banging on about the negatives Be happy and enjoy all the wonderful things Burnie and it's surrounds have on offer If you think negatively that is all you will see I overheard tourists who were saying how beautiful our city is with its Main Street view of the ocean and beach. We have great sporting facilities, parks, education and medical facilities, a beautiful beach and walkways...the list goes on. How about promoting what is on offer rather than trying to portray our beautiful city in a negative way."	2017-09-06 23:09
"More shop varieties less bogans hanging out in town more child friendly spaces and activities"	2017-09-06 23:05
"Ban smoking in the streets. More community events. Look after our jewel in the crown, which is our beautiful beach. "	2017-09-06 22:57

"Tourism Community development and more events "	2017-09-06 22:55
"More community activities and events. More done to support local businesses opening and staying opening. Updating community spaces (park areas, in town areas etc)"	2017-09-06 22:47
"A no smoking zone in the cbd. Free parking in the streets. More public toilets. "	2017-09-06 22:33
"Community help. E.g. Affordable living and shopping. Spacious parking. More free parking spots at hospital."	2017-09-06 22:32
"More family entertainment. Social clubs for various ages and interests."	2017-09-06 22:29
"Employment opportunities ,engaging the public more on their thoughts to making the town more liveable and inviting"	2017-09-06 22:19
"More REAL drive to get people off the dole, or at least doing something constructive instead of sitting around and making living on benefits a way of life. Free and more parking in the CBD IKEA - i.e. Something to make Burnie unique and draw people in."	2017-09-06 22:18
"Create more jobs More activities for young. .at affordable prices Centralise things. .becoming too disjointed. .eg upper burnie precinct. .south burnie harvey norman. .then further bunnings. And nothing in the cbd now only one supermarket"	2017-09-06 22:01
"More free public events More tourist attractions Something unique to Burnie that would attract people"	2017-09-06 22:01
"More major retail outlets coming to Burnie. More beds and doctors at the hospital Free parking in the cbd"	2017-09-06 21:57
"- try to create more jobs - putting more Money into the place - put a smoking ban in for town!"	2017-09-06 21:51

"Better youth employment opportunities "	2017-09-06 21:47
"Copy the launceston city councils approach to their city - beautiful community spaces, they are afraid to spend money to improve the city and they are proactive in community events"	2017-09-06 21:44
"Fewer paid parking spots have some free time posted spots. More community events . Lower cost of living rates water power etc"	2017-09-06 21:33
"I don't know"	2017-09-06 21:24
"More things for kids (better parks, not just usual same old plastic parks). Somewhere exciting to play/have family outings. More activities on waterfront. Indoor options. ie multiple use indoor centre. Bowling alley, Indoor cricket/sports, play centre/trampoline."	2017-09-06 21:21
"Free parking Better atmosphere More events that draw in the community"	2017-09-06 21:07
"more businesses starting, cheaper rents. cheaper or free day parking more family events"	2017-09-06 20:51
"Free parking once a week to bring more shoppers in More event they seem to focus a lot on October and no other months More police presence in the cbd to stop the shoplifting and other crimes"	2017-09-06 20:49
"Transfer appropriate government offices from Hobart Build a marina (the old slaughter house site at Camdale ?) Free up the red tape around starting up a mine, encourage mining not put obstacles in the way. The engineering companies around Burnie would reap the benefit."	2017-09-06 20:43
"Lower rates and parking and when council do surveys actually listen to what the people want"	2017-09-06 20:22
"Better parks/indoor A mall through Wilson street with outdoor undercover seating to eat from local shops with a secured play area for children. In courage bigger businesses back to burnie is Harris scarf/big w."	2017-09-06 20:01

"More businesses More activity More improvements More parking and cheaper parking "	2017-09-06 19:58
"Free parking More activities for families Perhaps some workshops for people without any work experience to learn- cook, change a tyre, budgeting etc"	2017-09-06 19:19
"Multi storey carpark free for first two hours EVERY DAY. That's three in one; it's that good."	2017-09-06 18:53
"Reduce crime - close Greens - change North Terrace back to a two way street"	2017-09-06 18:52
"The foreshore one way was a huge mistake, the town access is annoying. Its a pity Burnie has never capitalised on its beach front position"	2017-09-06 18:45
"Children's play centre. Something for youth, community events"	2017-09-06 17:54
"Employment , Employment , Employment ,"	2017-09-06 17:42
"Mall Cheaper parking Free family events"	2017-09-06 17:32
"More for kids Freshen up city More family and adult events / concerts etc"	2017-09-06 17:26
"Change the council Encourage industry to invest More social activities"	2017-09-06 17:10
"Cleaner shopping areas. Less bogans - more policing. Variety of stores. Increased opportunity for young people to be active within the community"	2017-09-06 16:58

"Kids indoor playground More jobs"	2017-09-06 16:39
"More jobs More variety of stores More for people to do"	2017-09-06 16:13
"Lower shop rents for more businesses to go in. Council needs to be actively seeking out and supporting businesses that will provide jobs for youth. The council needs to be more supportive of entertainment/family fun ideas."	2017-09-06 16:06
"Water park area for children Healthy cafe options (salad bars, sushi, Mexican) Waterfront market"	2017-09-06 15:55
"Social events Entertainment for people of all ages Decrease cost of living - rates/parking (things that can be addressed)"	2017-09-06 15:50
"Better parking prices"	2017-09-06 15:19
"More activities, more affordable parking, more nightlife"	2017-09-06 15:18
"Parkrun, community sporting events, more people living in the cbd"	2017-09-06 15:08
"Free parking for everyone Need more police patrolling the town to make people feel more relaxed. "	2017-09-06 14:59
"A much higher sense of community spirit.- events for all demographics at all times of the year. A vibrant and visual (in your face, even) art scene. - make it colourful and loud, interesting to look at and listen to and people will want to come and maybe stay. (think Brighton in the UK...) Better advertising of community events. If it's not Carols in the Park or New Years on the Waterfront, we don't hear about it.- I'd love to be able to wake up and wonder "what it's going on today", head into town... Or anywhere nearby, and be surprised to find something going on. (This kind of works against the previous point of advertising events but if they were more common, the people would expect and go looking for them... Does this make sense???) . "	2017-09-06 14:29

"More for youth Get rid of the council and put in real people that listen to the people Put in a mall like Devonport"	2017-09-06 14:18
"Get rid of non functioning alderman, and senior council officers Stop trying to make it a \$2 town and answer the simple question Why should I make a right hand turn into Burnie?"	2017-09-06 14:15
"More parking/cheaper parking More business opportunities More to attract visitors, such as businesses being open all weekend "	2017-09-06 14:15
"Clean up the ice problem. Fix the public hospitals. More job creation. More markets and entertainment"	2017-09-06 13:56
"Something for children & teenagers to do.. (youth centre, theme park ect) More ambulances, specialists, medical needs ect. Beter court system, where the guilty party actually gets punished for their crime"	2017-09-06 13:51
"better public transport, fibre optics to the home, ferry to the mainland"	2017-09-06 13:47
"More shops for locals and tourists. Cheaper/free parking. 2hr zones More community spirit "	2017-09-06 13:40
"D"	2017-09-06 13:26
"Free Parking, More Employment Options, Easier Access To Things, Better Public Transport (Actually Running On Sundays And More Often On Saturdays)"	2017-09-06 13:14
"More family events Exciting events for younger people Life skills seminars (how to write a resume, about taxes, etc)"	2017-09-06 13:14
"More jobs More public recreation areas Decrease living costs"	2017-09-06 13:09

"More employment opportunities More things for the youth to do. Lower the rates/rent to have shops full."	2017-09-06 13:08
"More public opinion Indoor play for little kids like the old play centre."	2017-09-06 13:02
"A market along the foreshore. Particularly on ship days More activities for youths. Adventure activities for everyone Working bees for community building Better promotion for events and activities. Billboards etc Bands at Burnie park "	2017-09-06 12:58
"Better employment opportunities Greater support of local business in all areas Zambreros"	2017-09-06 12:56
"More events for families and young people."	2017-09-06 12:56
"1. Decide if it is a big little city or a little big city. 2. Find a direction, a theme, a market position and stick to it, sell it and do it with conviction. Remember when we paid for "Burnie. Smiles Better." A rip off of the promotion of Glasgow, Scotland. 3.Look to the future. True you can't have a bright future without recognising the past but you don't have to live there."	2017-09-06 12:47
"-Cost of parking -Affordable entertainment -Cheaper CBD rent creating more stores therefore jobs"	2017-09-06 12:45
"Leave the university where it is and return the cheese tasting shop back to the factory. The cheese and whisky outlets would then be side by side and more conducive to visitors. Close the Makers Workshop and convert the whole area into public parklands. Get rid of the rusty markers which really are an indication of where Burnie is heading. Council expenditure needs cutting, only need essential services and not an overload of grandiose thought bubbles of some of our representatives and advisers."	2017-09-06 12:37
"Community events, concerts, I'm sure there used to be band days in the sound shell and even at the foreshore a long time ago"	2017-09-06 12:36
"better entertainment more jobs fun"	2017-09-06 12:36

"Employment More Arts Understanding"	2017-09-06 12:35
"More community events/involvement Better variety of shops particularly clothes Modernize public areas "	2017-09-06 12:34
"Make parking free Have regular themes in the CBD- especially over summer Please please please give us a night time venue for the 35 and over"	2017-09-06 12:27
"More family friendly activities (indoor and outdoor) New businesses to fill up the emptiness Move with the times"	2017-09-06 12:17
"A shared public plan for our City More community events More transparency from our Council"	2017-09-06 12:06
"Obviously it was made attractive enough for the big green box to establish itself in Burnie, so why not make it inviting for businesses to establish themselves in the CBD. Burnie is not just a welfare town. Business = employment = security = affordability to attend festivals and functions, so the dollar goes around. Increase tourism, create a place where people want to visit and stay. Take a leaf out of Richmond's book! Give our youth a reason to stay, full service university for a start. No reason why all faculties can not be established in Burnie. Yes I know it is about funding and commitment however if students of medicine and architecture for instance could study fully in Burnie the onflow would give the desire for culture found in Hobart"	2017-09-06 12:03
"More family activities, when there is something on everyone seems to go so then it's crowded and hard to park etc so that is off putting. More playground areas not just Burnie park (which is good) need more seating at the park."	2017-09-06 11:55
"Better shops in CBD International Shipping on a larger scale Less drug addicts Less bullshit from council eg parking in CBD, ridiculous prices for using the tip Councillors whom listen, take into account of what has been said and actually act on their promises Stop worrying about crap issues and tackle the real ones before Burnie is no longer on the map"	2017-09-06 11:31
"Family fun play house (indoors) Free exercise groups for people with kids Music events "	2017-09-06 11:29
"Family fun centre on the foreshore (aimed for pre school - primary ages) "	2017-09-06 11:04

"Strong Council leadership, where decisions are made and then move on! Not sit on the fence. Don't worry about upset people as you can't please everyone "	2017-09-06 10:28
"Free parking more shops and more variety of entertainment."	2017-09-06 10:15
"Employment Jobs jobs jobs"	2017-09-06 10:06
"Dog friendly shops for a start. Places we can go out and take our dog without leaving her in the car. Free programmes for all ages. There are empty shops.... Put them to good use by having all day free workshops in school holidays, or have free workshops for adults on different things. Krispy Kreme"	2017-09-06 10:00
"Cheaper parking to draw people in to town to shop. More university courses running to keep our youth here. More employment!"	2017-09-06 10:00
"Cheaper parking ."	2017-09-06 09:50
"More places for parents to take children. Incentives to invite new business to Burnie. Burnie City Council to actually be proactive in the future of Burnie."	2017-09-06 09:44
"More people. Central city attractions Events and promotion to draw money into the city, allowing cafes and bars to open on weekends (nothing is open in the cbd on a sunday or after 5.)"	2017-09-06 09:30
"Decrease rates especially for shop owners More community backing, support, financial & physically & not only in shore well More security & accountability"	2017-09-06 09:27
"Improve uni so that locals can stay here and complete their degrees. Develop and invest in the forshore to attract visitors eg summer activites. Scenic train along coastline. Encourage tourism. Free parking to encourage people to browse and shop in cbd. Look forward with new ideas and open minds instead of staying stuck in the past"	2017-09-06 09:26
"More indoor things for kids. More community events."	2017-09-06 09:25

"Free parking More foreshore events General face lift... It's looking very tired"	2017-09-06 09:09
"an indoor kids place centre. an indoor cricket, sports and entertainment centre. more child friendly restaurants and cafes with play areas"	2017-09-06 08:59
"More green spaces in the CBD, high speed broadband, more university course offerings"	2017-09-06 08:55
"Attract businesses to provide significant and worthwhile employment Focus on tourism ventures Encourage docersity"	2017-09-06 08:51
"Have more community events for families. Continue to "sell" our town attractions to visitors. Encourage more tourists/ campers to stay rather than pass through on their way to or from the Spirit of Tasmania. Promote"	2017-09-06 08:46
"Get rid of the busses from Cattley St. Stop Council being influenced by vocal minorities to spend large sums on useless projects . Hire staff that will work, not stand around waiting for their pay packet to be delivered or having 45 minute morning-tea breaks."	2017-09-06 08:37
"New businesses! Community events! Free Parking-this is why there is a down turn in public in the cbd when we can go to Ulverstone or Wynyard and shop and not pay parking "	2017-09-06 08:36
"*more parking spaces for free. wynyard and ulverstone can survive without parking meters * get more big events and big bands here for concerts * open up some more land for building for less well off potential home owners"	2017-09-06 08:34
"Free parking....even if just on certain days. "	2017-09-06 08:30
"Options An anchor for the precinct Laws against allowing mt buildings to fall into disrepair"	2017-09-06 08:22
"more businesses in cbd more things for families to do, especially in wet weather more things like burnie shines"	2017-09-06 08:18

"A review of community support programs, there are a lot of providers within our community and the receive government funding, are they achieving results? I suspect not. Become more approachable and appealing for tourists. The council need to commit to their endeavours and see them through ie university town? in saying that they may need to give our direction more serious thought and ask the people for input. Focus and improve activities and facilities for our youth."	2017-09-06 08:06
"More affordable parking. More variety in stores (types). More public toilets and signage."	2017-09-06 08:04
"The council are in a hard place. With the generational welfare dependant attitude of a large portion of the burnie demographic, its fighting an uphill battle. There is lack of jobs but then half the population dont/wont work anyway. With lack of jobs comes lack of spending which in turn has seen more and more business failure and closure. "	2017-09-06 07:55
"Council to get better with there planning, building and plumbing departments as they turn so many business and people away with them trying to follow the letter of the law instead of getting of there bottoms and going out and making a judgment call. Look at cheaper parking? Maybe work. Rates in Burnie are a lot higher compared to Port Sorell for example."	2017-09-06 07:50
"Vibrant atmosphere -Lessons to learn from devonport/ ulverstone More community events- especially indoor events in winter Build tourism capacity "	2017-09-06 07:38
"Employment. Reduced rates."	2017-09-06 07:30
"Things to encourage people to shop in Burnie, such as a street sale ect, they used to do this a lot. More budget friendly family things to do... we don't even have a ten pin bowling centre anymore and movies are far too dear"	2017-09-06 07:27
"New Mayor, new Mayor and a new mayor"	2017-09-06 07:26
"More youth events Lower rental prices for business (would bring in more employment) Better access to healthcare Better doctors"	2017-09-06 07:25
"Centres for children's entertainment, especially given our winters are long! "	2017-09-06 07:24

"Complete cycle path, West to Wynyard, and extend East too. Give financial & advice support to start-up businesses. Invest in indoor activity areas for kids."	2017-09-06 07:22
"Cheaper parking Lower rents Community involved activities"	2017-09-06 07:09
"More jobs open the new bloody mines and watch burnie thrive again"	2017-09-06 06:56
"Im actually not sure but big business is needed"	2017-09-06 06:55
"More arts, annual arts festivals, dedicated museum and art gallery A start up hub to promote and support new business ideas. Redevelopment of foreshore at West Park to include luxury hotel"	2017-09-06 06:53
"Make the CBD/Kmart into a mall, would be so much safer for everyone. Reduce the price of parking and completely wipe the price of parking at the hospital. People generally go to the hospital because they need medical assistance and/or are sick, they don't need the added stress of parking fees. More community, kid friendly events. Fix the roads properly, they're becoming dangerous and I'm sure they're impacting on your car as well as mine. Do something to make Burnie a bit more warm and welcoming, because those rusty old panel looking things as you head in to Burnie look like they should have been thrown to the tip years ago!"	2017-09-06 06:43
"More community events. A larger emphasis on shopping locally - meet the business owners, the farmers, the hand made market mum's. Support one another."	2017-09-06 06:35
"Job growth More fir our kids events Jobs"	2017-09-06 06:33
"More free parking in the multi story car park particularly say 3/5 pm Cheaper rent so businesses can stay in business in burnie A big clean up"	2017-09-06 06:26
"Free parking Lower rates less red tape. Sack Patrick Earle cut council staff in half or more"	2017-09-06 06:23

"Sense of community Sense of vibrancy Sense of opportunity"	2017-09-06 06:19
"More job opportunities More small businesses Less Loitering"	2017-09-06 06:11
"An indoor play venue for small children. For people to realise that we are so lucky here, stop whinging and actually do something about it."	2017-09-06 06:05
"Lower cost of living Fast track uni Enhance manufacturing"	2017-09-06 05:52
"Face up to the drug problem in the area "	2017-09-06 05:27
"A traffic free street with street entertainers, markets, community activities. A sense of difference to other locations, free parking"	2017-09-06 05:24
"A nice craft beer bar No bogan kids hanging around kmart "	2017-09-06 05:17
"1. Thinking outside the box and offering something 'different' or 'world class' that would make residents proud to live here and tourists want to come. 2. Better recreational facilities for young people of all ages - with easy access and minimal costs. 3. An innovative approach to improving the CBD. While I believe there are some initiatives under consideration, unless it is a sunny day and you are down near the beach, it is just not a nice place to be :("	2017-09-06 04:35
"Something indoors like bowling as its good for all ages and seasons,"	2017-09-06 03:57
"Modinize"	2017-09-06 03:57
"More job opportunities Cheaper parking More fun activities for weekends"	2017-09-06 03:08

"New jobs Entertainment Community Events "	2017-09-06 03:02
"Bowling alley or timezone, for teenagers more so, shopping hours increased for clothing stores, mystery bus tours"	2017-09-06 02:35
"Free community events or places people could interact, like community gardens, dances, or art spaces/lessons for the average person not just the professional Makers. We need to get people out of their insular existences and interacting like communities did in the past. This would help alleviate a lot of the loneliness and mental health issues that are so common now."	2017-09-06 02:34
"Incentives to shop in the CBD Long term investment Addressing the negativity in the community"	2017-09-06 02:30
"1) Drinking fountains in the CBD. This is a human rights issue and I just don't understand why the only drinking fountains are near the boardwalk and over near the old hospital. 2) A total smoking ban. It's disgusting walking through town. 3) Paint centrelines down the footpaths and educate people to stick to the left and give way. It would probable also be necessary to remove a lot of the crap on the footpaths as well (planter boxes and such. I don't care how pretty they are if you almost fall into one)"	2017-09-06 01:59
"Free weekend parking. Less empty shops "	2017-09-06 01:58
"More interactive activities to draw people in. Bike hire along the beach front, game arcades, a permanent market could even be great. Give a chance to people who are makers..."	2017-09-06 01:38
"Fill up the empty shops, which creates more employment. Ban smoking in the CBD. Let more events happen in Burnie to draw people in and improve morale"	2017-09-06 01:34
"Facelift and community joining in to help do it a seance of achievement and pride in our town example doing up a playground and putting the names of the people who helped ... once people have there name on something they own it and start to take pride"	2017-09-06 01:11
"Free parking of a weekend especially. More outdoor concerts."	2017-09-06 01:10

"New younger council member with fresh ideas. New signage/maps in town to show tourists around. Reviving the city"	2017-09-06 00:53
"More community events Accessibility for all More small business instead of large chain stores"	2017-09-06 00:38
"Parking you should have free parking in the street some times thinks for you kids to do use up some of the shop that ate closed"	2017-09-06 00:37
"Fernglade being made a tourist attraction. People are very interested in the platypuses. Some beautification of the old Pulp site. Filling the empty front retail windows with interesting displays"	2017-09-06 00:30
"Fun house for kids Adventure cruises like speed boats. Adventure park with adrenaline rides. Like cable flying fox ect."	2017-09-06 00:30
"• Greater job opportunities • Better support and less cost involved for small owners • Encouraging young people in their education - stay in school longer, better support for better results, higher education and training options, more accessible education (locations, costs, support)"	2017-09-06 00:27
"Cheaper parking Cheaper rent for businesses Proactive development Less government red tape"	2017-09-06 00:12
"Get a foreshore market happening on the Weekend near fish frenzy/surfclub not out in Bloody South Burnie where there is nothing near the yacht club. Some light entertainment. Most importantly there is little if no live music for 40/60 yr olds. About 12 mths ago I went with about 12 others to the "Point" on a Sunday arvo and a Band played for 2.5 hrs and they requested that we the public contact the Council to request more events such as the one we attended. One of our party did contact a councillor who basically looked at her with a blank look and had no idea what she was talking about. Incidentally we had a great afternoon, the band was called "something Train" female singer. "	2017-09-06 00:08
"Burnie to be open for business after 3pm. Seriously the best cafe's are closed... think tourist. There is not enough diversity or reason to go into the cbd. Perhaps invite bigger business back with incentives to be in the region. Cat closing the manufacturing is equal to the decline. The accommodation in Burnie is so low key 2 star at best. Why would anyone stay with higher prices for a low budget room with nothing to do at night."	2017-09-05 23:48

"Change the one way North Terrace to encourage visitors to drive into and through our city. Progress the walking/ cycling path between Burnie asnd Wynyard Reduce the development of Retail outside the main Cbd."	2017-09-05 23:42
"1. More family events 2. Family friendly parks 3. A variety of different shops and businesses so you don't have to always go to Launceston or further. 4. Things like a jungle gym, bowling etc to bring people here"	2017-09-05 23:34
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"Stop people being so damn negative. Get people off their backsides Get people to all the events,markets shows and community events that are already provided and please dont tell me they are too dear"	2017-09-05 23:27
"More events/activities for the people of Burnie Cheaper rent for shop owners The council to spend their money on things that will benefit Burnie as a whole"	2017-09-05 23:25
"Incentive for business More education opportunity Council taking risks and doing something new."	2017-09-05 23:23
"feel scared because of some "people" hanging about. Scared of the language. Took my kids shopping there last week. People fighting, smoking etc. police it!!!"	2017-09-05 23:20
"More job opportunities, police cracking down on drugs and other crimes and more transport for people that dont drive"	2017-09-05 23:19
"More variety of shopping. Different things for teenagers to do. "	2017-09-05 23:12
"Tourism Yearly events to attract tourists like a blues festival/fishing comps etc"	2017-09-05 23:09
"Make it easier to do business, shop in Burnie and attract business Create a point of difference that other towns don't offer Be proactive not reactive, embrace ideas to reinvigorate the town"	2017-09-05 23:05

"Focus for our youth to give them hope. The Burnie foreshore looks great but the town itself looks dark and shabby, bring Burnie to life, make it a fun place to be. Create more involvement with the rate payers, ask their opinions."

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"Reduce gambling outlets, More community events, A good clean up, Attract some quality stores (help store owners with the social problems in Burnie, such as the high rates of stealing), More quality eating venues rather than large chain takeaways, Encourage either late night shopping or 7 day trading so all stores are open at the same time (I used to love late night shopping 20 years ago on Thursday and Friday nights)"

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"Sunday trade for tourist season/ ships Family events Community events"

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"More community events to bring people into Burnie Finding a way to keep younger people here "

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"Finding a niche/theme for the city to promote tourism (i.e. Expand on the sea theme throughout the city, murals, art, shops) and continue the theme throughout all of Burnie Invest in youth. Give them things to do and make them feel a valued part of the city. Involve them in creating the sea theme through art and murals all over town. Invest in families. Create family friendly spaces/ low cost activities/events."

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"A massive family park. Perhaps at romaine park. Similar to those on the mainland. Extension of the bike track to Stanley as a tourist attraction starting in Burnie. University offering a wider scope of courses linked to jobs in the area"

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"A bike park with road signs etc for the kids. No smoking in the cbd and parks. Green waste curbside bins. A casual indoor sports / play centre for our many cold and wet days. Late night shopping/markets in the cbd until at least 9pm to allow those that work and have other weekend commitments like kids sports to access specialty stores and fresh local produce. "

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"Decent size indoor shopping mall, entertainment complex that is usable all year round. Fix the parking - remove parts that take up parking spaces - no one uses them much anyway, line the meters up with the space markings properly, like they used to be so that people know how to park between the lines, uniform the payment system. Programs for kids without so many rules "

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"Update the streets they were great but could do with a paint. Change colour etc. Seats are rusting pavers uneven"

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"More places for teenagers to frequent. More job opportunities. More places for people over 40 to meet and socialise."

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"More funds based around opportunities for children and teens More families based activities And more community events"	2017-09-05 22:38
"More leisure options - eg. Trampolining centre, 10 pin bowling, indoor rock climbing wall, children's play centre More all ages live music venues Increase public art spaces"	2017-09-05 22:34
"More vibrancy around foreshore . Buskers music markets etc not out at south Burnie . Get the council to sort out mess re surf club lease fiasco !!! The surf club is as old as Burnie let it have there club rooms . Get a decent big park with hillslide etc for kids"	2017-09-05 22:32
"A venue that caters for young families. More for teenagers to do. "	2017-09-05 22:29
"Pool hotter!!!! Indoor play venues Restaurants with children's area attached"	2017-09-05 22:29
"Free parking in cbd Reduce rate and "	2017-09-05 22:29
"More jobs More events Kick all the drug users out"	2017-09-05 22:28
"More events more employment maybe a younger representation in council as to provide a younger view point as we are the way of the future!"	2017-09-05 22:26
"More things for young people to do 12-17 year olds Better police presence in cbd to deter shoplifters etc More free parking"	2017-09-05 22:25
"Entertainment More university opportunities Promoting the beach and activities more"	2017-09-05 22:24
"More activities for teenagers Free parking on weekends Reduce rent on shops"	2017-09-05 22:20

"Free parking in the CBD area More restaurants open in the evening Easier to find services"	2017-09-05 22:19
"More police presence on the streets. Better health system Lower business rates to attract more to the city "	2017-09-05 22:18
"More shopping options More to do for all ages that won't cost an arm and a leg More healthy eating/drink options both eat in and takeaway"	2017-09-05 22:18
"Sports ground up grades. More local business support. Upgrade port facilities for incoming tourists."	2017-09-05 22:17
"More community involvement Better roads Better health services"	2017-09-05 22:17
"Incentive for businesses to employ young people and give them experience."	2017-09-05 22:13
"get the locals to appreciate their town, be happy to offer good service, know what the town has to offer so we can offer to others"	2017-09-05 22:12
"a positive attitude from the media new and exciting business that aren't food or op shops more community events"	2017-09-05 22:12
"More employment Tourism is the key to more jobs in Burnie"	2017-09-05 22:11
"Time zone , ten pin bowling, 7 d cinema , give young people some variety, more to do ,"	2017-09-05 22:09
"Family events that are NON SMOKING NO SMOKING IN THE CBD Better sense of community"	2017-09-05 22:09

"Free parking More free community events. Council working with its people to clean areas."	2017-09-05 22:05
"More job opportunities Permanent pediatricians Overall better health services "	2017-09-05 22:05
"More family orientated things... play centre for the younger children, bowling alley ect Better fencing around local parks "	2017-09-05 22:04
"Shake up the burnie council senior management - as a former staff member, I know a lot about the incompetencies that exist at this level - they are certainly not worth their salaries. I believe that they are so busy trying to stay out of the press that they don't make real change to our community and that the aldermen are largely impotent as things are withheld from them by senior executives and management. Greater coordination of the markets across the coast to reduce direct competition and provide a cohensive community focus. Get rid of excessive parking costs in the city centre"	2017-09-05 22:04
"- Reduce car parking fees to encourage visitors & spending - Encourage & support new businesses into CBD Eg through grants & mentors"	2017-09-05 22:04
"Enforcement of smoke free areas, more family events, better health services"	2017-09-05 22:02
"More development that the council help not hinder because they have their own agenda. More job opportunities; see above for ways for this to happen. More entertainment; especially for our kids!"	2017-09-05 22:02
"More all-weather entertainment / activity options. More on-street parking in the CBD. Greater focus on fostering local talents, other than sports. Bonus points for eradicating the feral, oxygen thieves that congregate in town rather than looking for gainful employment."	2017-09-05 22:01
"Focus on the youth, give them stuff to do. Support local businesses. More events."	2017-09-05 22:01
"More things to do and attend More business Cheaper parking"	2017-09-05 22:00

"More job opportunities "	2017-09-05 21:58
"More cultural & community events, better layout, new businesses"	2017-09-05 21:57
"More social things to do (affordable) that is family oriented. We need to remember that we have to appeal to all different age groups. Burnie unfortunately is very much a town that runs on the old saying " its not what you know but who you know " and this causes lots of problems in the employment area. Council neex to stop wasting money on silly things and get our walking tracks done. Improve our play grounds . Encourage our youth to get out and make an impact on their city . Community pride is gone."	2017-09-05 21:55
"More family activities and attractions More options in CBD for shopping, cheaper parking A council that wants to provide events and opportunities for the community"	2017-09-05 21:55
"Bigger department stores. Drug testing the unemployed"	2017-09-05 21:54
"More jobs, more entertainment"	2017-09-05 21:54
"More community events Activities for all ages Better use of empty buildings"	2017-09-05 21:53
"We have a beautiful waterfront. That needs to be utilized more. We have great local produce - why do we not have a better cafe culture. We generally just need to breathe life back into the cbd"	2017-09-05 21:53
"Encourage major business to the area. More street markets or events to attract more people to our town. Lower the cost of rent for small business in cbd."	2017-09-05 21:53
"More events to involve the community, i.e markets, more entertainment catering to all age demographics."	2017-09-05 21:51

"Free parking cbd Parks for children More events"	2017-09-05 21:51
"Change parking in centre so it is easier to park. Silly bollards hard to see. Bricks wall makes parking tricky. Hospital parking costs horrible if you go to emergency you don't know how long you'll be there."	2017-09-05 21:51
"Employment, better parking & more shops"	2017-09-05 21:51
"ALDI, Dan Murphys, IKEA. These 3 hugely popular businesses would not only employ a large number of residents they would bring people all over the state to Burnie. There also needs to be a fully functional University with teachers onsite. The current facility is poor. There needs to be more opportunities and more encouragement for our youth to get out there and go to university and get a career. It's a dead end town and the young feel like This is it. The Bass strait creates almost an Alcatraz feeling. Our youth and general population should have the same possibilities as the mainland. People growing up on the mainland have ample opportunities for employment during schooling and sets a good work ethic. There are limited positions for our youth which creates a sole is the only way effect. I think the cycle of unemployment and teen pregnancy is only going to increase and spread from shorwell like suburbs to become the norm all over the NW coast."	2017-09-05 21:51
"Don't know"	2017-09-05 21:50
"1. A tafe that teaches useful skills for people to start their own businesses. Not business courses but manufacturing, plumbing, electrical etc. 2. A university that offers a huge range of degrees so people dont have to leave to gain an education (and never come back). 3. Subsidies on rates etc from the council for those who run small businesses that manufacture and employ people."	2017-09-05 21:50
"1.Reduce red tape for those wanting to provide entertainment. 2.Council to provide ideas on how to do something, rather than create obstacles 3.Remove pokies"	2017-09-05 21:49
"More job opportunities. We need some things that are family oriented. Perhaps filling some of the empty stores so it feels like the city it's meant to be."	2017-09-05 21:49
"We have Burnie Ten, but no Park Run, would love a Park Run. More things for kids, nothing for them to do. More police presence"	2017-09-05 21:48

"More jobs, more parking, less bogans"	2017-09-05 21:46
"More family friendly events Council cutting red tape for new business Tackling the drug issues"	2017-09-05 21:45
"More community events that cater to all ages."	2017-09-05 21:44
"Lower rates More community activities More for kids to do "	2017-09-05 21:44
"Everything"	2017-09-05 21:43
"Better health care A platypus interpretation centre The uni & TAFE doing platypus & penguin research "	2017-09-05 21:39
"not sure"	2017-09-05 21:37
"Ten pin bowling "	2017-09-05 21:37
"Open the doors and welcome people in."	2017-09-05 21:35
"1. A poisonous gas cloud. 2. A nuke. 3... That's pretty much it"	2017-09-05 21:35
"Better planning More vibrant More things to do More community involvement"	2017-09-05 21:34

"Warmer weather More people More jobs"	2017-09-05 21:33
"1. Employment opportunities 2. A visionary council 3. More for children, youth and families to do!"	2017-09-05 21:33
"A miracle? :P New industry opening up. Less crime. Supporting buskers."	2017-09-05 21:32
"Better promotion of existing events and opportunities. A more collaborative approach to planning so people feel more involved."	2017-09-05 21:29
"1. More for kids and families to do 2. Removing the drongos from the bus mall and KMart entrance 3. Helping small businesses"	2017-09-05 21:28
"Lower shop rent- encourage more businesses More things for families More community initiatives"	2017-09-05 21:27
"Employment, experienced business people to manage council and its budget. Future thinking"	2017-09-05 21:27
"Cheaper parking More things happening for families More things for teenagers Cheaper rent on buildings so smaller business can stay open A lot of burnie needs tidying up brightening up a little"	2017-09-05 21:27
"no smoking in the cbd. I have small children and one is an asthmatic, having to walk through clouds of smoke at store entrances puts me off going there. free 15 minute parking in the busiest parts of town, the square formed by cattley, wilson, wilmot and mount streets. This would encourage more shoppers stopping in at those stores that they will only be a few minutes at, the cafes and bakeries and pharmacies etc and limiting it to 15 minutes stops people taking advantage. have some more undercover seating, there is a few sunshades but considering much of the year we are lashed with rain, hail and freezing winds, some sheltered locations scattered amongst the cbd to sit and chat and relax would be great. "	2017-09-05 21:26
"More focus on making Burnie attractive to retailers and manufacturers"	2017-09-05 21:26

"Diversity, opportunity, community"	2017-09-05 21:23
"A fast ferry into Burnie, this would improve tourism at this end of the north west coast. People appreciating what they have on their doorstep, the grass is not always greener. Promoting all the developments announced for the future"	2017-09-05 21:21
"A marina! We have so many cruise ships a year and its frankly embarrassing that they come into such an abysmal looking port. Put some Tasmanian produce and wine and some boutiques and cafes down there. More events; multicultural days, food festivals, concerts, music festivals..., anything would be a start!! Bring back the train, wynyard to devonport. How is it 2017 and the only transport we have are some buses that take almost 2 hours to go along the coast? It would allow people to work all along the coast and go out in devonport or allow people to come here without having to worry about driving or parking"	2017-09-05 21:20
"Less rates!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Over taxed, over regulated and over governed."	2017-09-05 21:17
"Community free events "	2017-09-05 21:15
"Drop parking prices,encourage rent drops,rates way too high"	2017-09-05 21:15
"Transportation Career aspects Healthy living"	2017-09-05 21:06
"CHEAPER PARKING"	2017-09-05 21:00
"More variety of shops, more job opportunities for all ages, a tidier town"	2017-09-05 20:59
"More 'things to do' quality parks, better use of the soundshell at westpark. Maybe a 'beer garden type set up. Live music, food, drinks, family entertainment. Bowling alley, jungle gym,"	2017-09-05 20:58

"A council that gives a shit about the community Cheaper parking A council that works with business to make Burnie a great place again"	2017-09-05 20:58
"An adventure playground and BMX track in the view rd reserve (old tip) Cycle track to Stanley Better maintenance of parks and reserves, namely daily litter patrols."	2017-09-05 20:58
"More things for all to do for all ages"	2017-09-05 20:55
"Lower the housing rates Free parking in the CBD More activities to keep youth occupied."	2017-09-05 20:53
"People actually whinge at the council meetings rather than FB. Stop dismissing new ideas because the old farts club can't be bothered. Embrace change....or fail dismally and watch our town sink into the ocean as the relic it is."	2017-09-05 20:50
"Something for the kids for rainy days. Laser tag is great, but not ideal for little kids. Our current options include, McDonald's playground, or Bunnings playground. Bring back the indoor fun center! Free parking. More healthy option food places... Boost juice would be awesome!"	2017-09-05 20:49
"More businesses like The Chapel. Public transport hours extended (more buses more often but maybe not the massive, 3/4 empty buses that are currently utilised. Look into smaller buses that run more regularly). Maybe more franchise businesses that have the support processes behind them to survive than small business owners who generally fail due to lack of knowledge/experience/market research. Council/government to support growth in employment like call centres. Support transition of new australians to the area thus growing population and the need for support services (jobs)."	2017-09-05 20:46
"More dog friendly. (Burnie is very old-fashioned and out-dated in this regard, miles behind towns like Wynyard and Ulverstone.) Reduced rates (1% is a start but it barely made a difference) "	2017-09-05 20:43
"Main Street market run regularly. (Theme of getting people to the cbd) "	2017-09-05 20:36
"Cheaper parking Lower rent for business owners"	2017-09-05 20:32

"Free parking Big W "	2017-09-05 20:31
"Big kids playground Foreshore activities in summer High profile sport at west park ie state cricket"	2017-09-05 20:31
"Intervention to prevent youths wandering and engaging in anti-social behaviour, greater pride as a collective in our community and more interaction from council with their constituents and rate payers"	2017-09-05 20:30
"Im not sure there are so many things that need changing. One huge one is there is hardly nothing to do with children under 7."	2017-09-05 20:30
"A decent department store A proper foreshore development that blocks off North Terrace, gets rid of the railway line and create a huge plaza getting rid of the petrol stations and encouraging developers to create beachfront apartment complexes and associated retail / entertainment precinct. Build a proper passenger terminal with ray access into the CBD then get The Spirits to dock here instead of Devonport. "	2017-09-05 20:27
"..."	2017-09-05 20:27
"People not always being so negative about everything, look at all the positives, we have, so much happening in the region,think "glass half full""	2017-09-05 20:22
"Less drugs, more private investment"	2017-09-05 20:19
"Cheap parking Lease out empty shops to casual tenants Family friendly events"	2017-09-05 20:18

"Tough question More free community events that make people want to be a part of the community and get amongst things. More awareness of community events, often things have happened without me being aware they even took place. People loitering in town in large groups swearing etc. not good for the elderly or young families. ** New Year's Day sports** is not affordable for families!! This event was huge once now hardly anyone bothers. Start reducing entry fees for events such as this. Wouldn't it be better to have 5000 people there at a minimal entry fee than 1000 at a high entry price. Once the older population that go either die off or lose interest the event will be dead because it won't be a culture that people grow up with anymore. Again it's about community and Council are failing at this"	2017-09-05 20:17
"Cheaper parking rates, more family adverts that doesn't cost an arm and a leg when u have 3 children a set family price without cost of food be nice."	2017-09-05 20:15
"Social events, cheaper commercial rent, cheaper parking. Strict laws on working from home"	2017-09-05 20:12
"More effort in helping those who struggle. "	2017-09-05 20:12
"Tidy up the cbd, fix roads"	2017-09-05 20:11
"Indoor play centre. Making tge pioneer museum more kid friendly. Its so boring for kids. They want to touch feel explore its another boring museum. Look at the Launceston museum. Loads of hands on activities. More community events Easter in the park and New Years are awesome. The summer events down at the beach front we awesome. Also the platypus group at fernglade."	2017-09-05 20:02
"More for teenagers More community events Bigger markets"	2017-09-05 20:02
"More dog friendly places "	2017-09-05 20:02
"Listening. Doing . Growing"	2017-09-05 20:01
"More community programs. More shops open in the CBD. The creation of a mall"	2017-09-05 20:00

"Adapt to a 24 hour structure, more and more people are working nights, Allow businesses (retail & production) to operate late or 24 hours, This will increase the population and income the town can generate, all while requiring little more investment/development requirements. Give northern Tasmania a town with an engaging nightlife. Its the future, Dont be afraid of the dark."	2017-09-05 19:59
"More employment things for the youth to and family's to do more shops"	2017-09-05 19:58
"Better events Parking correction New ideas"	2017-09-05 19:53
"More doctors and they bulkbill Access to specialists with acceptable waiting lists Aldi supermarket"	2017-09-05 19:46
"Sunday market More food chains Affordable competition to Kmart like Big W. "	2017-09-05 19:40
"More incentives/ government funding/ tax reductions for small business. Greater attention put into planning for growth, employment & education. More opportunities for our children- in education, training, community & leisure activities "	2017-09-05 19:40
"More facilities for families. Less undesirables living here. More tourist attractions."	2017-09-05 19:37
"Get rid of these over paid councilors."	2017-09-05 19:35
"Stuff for kids to do. Like the play centre that used to be here. Some kind of notable tourist attraction unique to burnie. Removal of red tape for businesses and for residential building. The backlog of council approvals and costs involved is prohibitive. Stop making deals that provide little to no benefit to locals."	2017-09-05 19:34
"More community events More businesses they are open and last over a year. More places for kids to be entertained"	2017-09-05 19:33
"More job opportunities, free hospital parking, more and better coordinated events"	2017-09-05 19:33

"More beachfront activities (festivals, etc) Create multicultural events. Burnie is lacking in culture. Focus on job growth "	2017-09-05 19:33
"Invest in work not tourism More things to do Cut out all the political bullshit"	2017-09-05 19:31
"Fixing footpaths and walking tracks (not just in the CBD! Look at mount street for example!) to make it safer for pedestrians Reduce the cost of parking in the CBD and hand the surf club back to the surf life saving club!!!! Stuff the Bayviews!"	2017-09-05 19:29
"More community events. Activities for younger families. Something for teens and young adults to promote community spirit and to deter vandalism and antisocial behaviour."	2017-09-05 19:27
"1. Parking 2. mall 3. Smoke free zones 4 Covered areas 5. Pedestrian only crossing time at traffic lights."	2017-09-05 19:26
"Move Kmart and a new Coles out to bunnings. Big W to go in where Kmart and Coles is now. Plus some better shops /sit down and eat places in Kmart plaza. Connect /mall to across road at best and less. Have that as a mall and better shops"	2017-09-05 19:24
"Band music youth festival "	2017-09-05 19:23
"1. Innovate 2. Innovate 3.innivate"	2017-09-05 19:23
"More things for young people to do, more of a police presence in town"	2017-09-05 19:18
"More shops. More things for kids. Cheaper parking"	2017-09-05 19:18
"more employment. more entertainment. more variety of education at Tafe and Uni. The schools need more funding for more teacher assistants. need something like the silverdome. alternative schooling options."	2017-09-05 19:16

"More food options open later including Vietnamese, a salad bar and a burger bar. A fresh food supermarket like Hill Street Grocer in the CBD so we can support local and have tasty fresh continental options. My husband and I moved here from Adelaide and he is Italian and he really misses the continental stores that sell fresh quality small foods like cheese and meat. A new food court in the CBD. Yes all my answers are food related. It's important to me. "

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"1-They have a local registered non-profit organisation The Fairy Godmothers wanting to run events/markets/fun days in the area- help them to make it happen. Support their dream of an all abilities play ground in the area plus many other dreams they have for the area. 2-Support businesses in the area- find out what they need help with. Lower rent if it is a council owned building. 3-Sort out parking issues- add more disabled parking, lower parking prices or offer specials, parking machines that offer card payments etc"

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"I have no clue"

2017-09-05 19:09

"Reduce commercial rent Encourage community festivals/markets/events Collation of event scheduling in one place Getting rid of voucher parking "

2017-09-05 19:08

"Community engagement Future planning CBD overhaul"

2017-09-05 19:02

"Better community activities/events More things for teenage/children to do Less worry about other trap and fix the job problem"

2017-09-05 19:02

"Job opportunities Indoor activities for kids"

2017-09-05 19:00

"More diversity in the visual arts. Stop the nepotism and favouritism amongst the various council and board members of the organisations around Burnie. Create a safe place for the disabled and disadvantaged as some have been and are being bullied and marginalised. During a Community Services survey this was one of the main concerns given by the special needs people that were surveyed. They stated that they do not feel safe walking around Burnie in general and some indicated that they would not go out unless they had their carer with them and that it affected their enjoyment of events and businesses around the Burnie area."

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"More things to do as a family Free parking and more of it Fortnightly or monthly markets of some sort"

2017-09-05 18:54

"Indoor play centre for children with all the slides etc. Something like mini golf for outside and a water slide, more large chain stores like Myer, big w for example"	2017-09-05 18:51
"Lower parking costs and use time limits to move longer term parking to the multi-storey and King St car parks. The council needs to encourage higher density living especially in and also around the cbd to encourage less spread of the city to the surrounding areas. Rate rebates for local businesses even if they rent to make it more affordable for locally owned businesses to compete with national and international businesses."	2017-09-05 18:51
"Make my rates cheaper for a start"	2017-09-05 18:51
"More affordable things for families to do. Less focus on the tourists who spend 5 minutes here and more focus on those of us who live here!! More jobs!!!"	2017-09-05 18:50
"More family events Free parking (seriously council make enough with rates!! Maybe they should cut their own wage) Do something about the increasing youth crime rate"	2017-09-05 18:48
"Listen more to the community. More things for families and children to do. "	2017-09-05 18:47
"Modernised CBD. Cheaper rents. More jobs. More activities."	2017-09-05 18:43
"Less tolerance of the bogan element or somewhere for them to go. Free parking A supermarket easily accessible close to the cbd "	2017-09-05 18:42
"Cheaper rates... Free parking.... People might then shop in the cbd"	2017-09-05 18:39
"1. Lower store rates = lower rents 2. Less business competition from council 3. Lower parking"	2017-09-05 18:39
"Playcentre, shopper parking, unified cbd"	2017-09-05 18:31

"Reduced rental of shops.Lets fill them up.Give people an incentive to want to go into business.Market down the Main Street like Salamanca in hobart .Let the kids spray paint the horrible cement walls in burnie and make beautiful art work"

2017-09-05 18:30

"-Something for kids aged between 5-15 that isn't overpriced, and is indoors -Park Run, its proven to be popular in other towns/cities -The council needs to listen to rate payers and work towards something to benefit the towns people"

2017-09-05 18:25

"More family friendly experiences Events not run by super old people Employment"

2017-09-05 18:20

"community days, where ALL businesses are included not just those in the main shopping area Support from council to advertise, encourage visitors to the city, work with business owners for ideas of how to move forward Improve existing activities such as the Christmas parade, which is dismal to say the least"

2017-09-05 18:18

"A council in touch with and proactive in reforming the CBD. Reducing parking costs. More summer activities offered to a broad range of the community. Festivals perhaps"

2017-09-05 18:16

"More free parking An actual mall/shopping centre More markets or events "

2017-09-05 18:12

"People living here to open their eyes to the mainland, and only then will you appreciate Burnie."

2017-09-05 18:02

"Greater youth involvement and promotion, closer connections with local schools & Colleges. Better support for youth that are homeless.....yes, I said HOMELESS! That's a social problem that needs addressing pronto, as well as engaging a mentor program for youth with all stake holders involved - really come together as a community"

2017-09-05 17:58

"-more community events (the council does ok, but they need to put in LOAAADS more effort) - lower or diminish the cost of parking -something to brighten the place up. I feel Burnie is quite dull, kind of a deterrent to go into the cbd and or get people to come to burnie. -more events when cruise ships come in. -listening to the community on what they think Burnie needs. -rates reducing, especially for small businesses. Give small businesses an incentive!"

2017-09-05 17:47

"Bring back the fun centre. Cheaper cost of living eg, rates, water and power. Free parking days to entice more shoppers. "

2017-09-05 17:45

"A safe place for young people to go like the Launceston entertainment centre. Attracting more professional jobs to the areas. Developing the beach front, piers, restraunts shopping."	2017-09-05 17:45
"Activities in town Good buskers Realistic rent to allow all people to dream"	2017-09-05 17:37
"more family events, more variety in shops and keeping north tce a one way street BUT in the other direction"	2017-09-05 17:36
"Lose the parking meters...it's not the cost per se moreso being constrained by time and the inconvenience of having to find a gold coin when we do go to simple things like pop into the bank or kmart...the kmart car park sucks...if people are going to come into the city center to shop why make that teeny bit harder? Getting into and out of Burnie with the speed limits and lights is a pain (unlike Devonport which is alot easier with the roundabouts)...and although it would take serious money...that port in town occupies some very desireable redevelopment opportunities...much like that huge dead site on the left that's now an eyesore...that would present Burnie far better if that was developed into a modern multiuse facility...residential, restaurants, cafes and more meaningful tourist attractions..."	2017-09-05 17:30
"Open Streets, Free parking,No Bus stop & Delivery in main shopping Area (No need for all that Iron work)"	2017-09-05 17:16

Total unique respondents: 1217

18. Do you have any final thoughts?

Answer	Time
"Somehow try to build up the idea of belonging to a vibrant community where everyone identifies with their town.....their tribe!"	2017-11-12 16:26
"Will we ever get a Myer? Why don't we have a shooting range? We have beautiful beaches why don't we have hire water equipment or beach activities in summer? "	2017-11-12 08:56
"Create some new ideas, instead of doing the same old things over & over again. Have activities that the whole family can afford to attend. New blood, fresh ideas. Create more local jobs !!"	2017-11-12 02:27
"No"	2017-11-12 00:30
"I would like to see small business and jobs and the economy being supported. Without that Burnie will turn into a ghost town."	2017-11-11 17:40
"No"	2017-11-11 17:26
"Burnie is slowly declining and not thriving as it used to"	2017-11-11 16:48
"Shake it up stop doing the same old things such as Burnie Shines etc. Burnie is caught up in Groundhog Day"	2017-11-11 16:21
". "	2017-11-11 14:15
"Well done on your initiative to organise this survey. Very disappointed that one candidate did not even bother to have a profile in the voting information. Many people who "knock" Burnie expect everything to be done for them & are not prepared to put anything into our community. Sadly this attitude is too prevalent and influences others."	2017-11-09 22:48
"Good survey"	2017-11-09 19:06

"Federal, state and local government need to work in concert to stop Burnie, and the north west coast generally, being the poster boy for poverty and unemployment nationally. This does not mean clinging to old industries and methods but creating new opportunities and mindsets that look towards growth and future development. Mining and manufacturing are not a solid basis for the future of our city and region."

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11-09
15:15

"I deeply wish that this survey is taken seriously and many things are done to improve this amazing city that has incredible potential"

2017-
11-09
14:23

"thanks for doing this"

2017-
11-09
08:12

"Thank You for the opportunity to contribute"

2017-
11-08
18:34

"No thank you."

2017-
11-05
23:33

"No"

2017-
11-01
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"I love Burnie and the people here but the Council needs to understand there is more to life than roads, rubbish and dogs. The council is also an important employer in the region. It's all very well that the Council wants to decrease our rates with 1% for the next 4 years, but who does that actually benefit? The major owners of properties of course. out of which at least one is an alderman. Conflict of interest?"

2017-
10-29
15:24

"No"

2017-
10-26
16:10

"Burnie is not all doom and gloom, like everyone always says it is. It has REAL potential. And I think honestly that this change is only going to come from the younger generation, with ideas and passion, and I look forward to being proven right."

2017-
10-26
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"enjoy living here"

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10-20
17:18

"No"	2017-10-17 15:09
"_"	2017-10-17 07:11
"N"	2017-10-17 06:42
"Perhaps a big project that could increase employment and tourist revenue"	2017-10-17 04:43
"If Burnie where more multicultural, then in turn.. the town really could shine. Different cultures, bring different things.. that in itself sounds exciting, as we can all learn off each other.. & open our small minds somewhat."	2017-10-17 00:02
"I hope that something happens from this otherwise the next 10 years are going to be a worry"	2017-10-16 23:30
" "	2017-10-16 23:30
"More regular sporting events"	2017-10-16 22:05
" "	2017-10-16 21:44
"Something defiantly needs to be done."	2017-10-16 21:24
" "	2017-10-16 21:07

"ADAPT TO CHANGE AND EMBRACE NEW IDEAS! I work in an industry where I experience the amount of Burnie residents that are living off of the Centrelink system and have excuses to abuse it. Why aren't we controlling those who refuse to change. I feel like I might as well hand over my hard earned income to those who don't deserve it. As an example my mother works 3 jobs and my father full time and they struggle to make ends meet. My mother suffered a massive heart attack and if it weren't for my compressions to save her, should wouldn't be here. Yet she still works because she's not entitled to anything. Although I have dealt with customers who don't want to work and sadly don't have the opportunity to work. I feel gutted that I might as well hand my funds over because all that overtime worked is worth a pack of cigarettes to another. We need to educate those who are didn't have the same opportunities that are out there now."

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"No"

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"No"

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"Take a leaf out of the Devonport Councils shake up several years ago. Since then, they have created tremendous initiatives in my opinion and laid strong foundations for future growth. They became accountable, created leadership and direction for strategic growth- Miles ahead now of Burnie- sadly."

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"No"

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"No"

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17:01

"New councillors with a vision to improve visitor numbers"

2017-
10-16
16:17

"What is the point of this? Is it even going to implement any changes?"

2017-
10-16
16:05

"Nice coastal town people are accepting mostly , considers the arts as An important factor to a community , stop the brain drain"

2017-
10-16
12:42

"Burnie is known as a shithole...."	2017- 10-16 11:16
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"The area behind Bunnings could have something done to it like a shopping centre or a stadium ... etc"	2017- 10-16 10:36
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"No"	2017- 10-16 08:57
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"Council could pay a local band each week through summer to play on the foreshore, build a cover like the bbq area, link this to the new marina"	2017- 10-16 07:41
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"Good luck!"	2017- 10-16 06:49
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"No"	2017- 10-16 05:14
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"Nuh!"	2017- 10-16 02:36
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"Downtown needs to be more owned by the community than private its just a money spinner to support the 1% rather than being invested back into the community to give it the power to advance."	2017- 10-15 23:35
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"Just listen to the community"	2017- 10-15 23:08
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"I have been a Burnie person for most of my life. It is a great city, but needs positive development, and to get that positive attitudes! It's a pity that there are many to knock but no possible solutions offered up, bar pie in the sky propositions."	2017- 10-15 22:51
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"Burnie needs to be rescued"	2017- 10-15 22:50

"No"	2017-10-15 22:18
"needs more investment to get things going"	2017-10-15 21:42
"Far too many so called influential people in Burnie looking after their own interests no the community as a whole"	2017-10-15 20:34
"Free parking"	2017-10-15 20:26
"no"	2017-10-15 19:38
"Make Burnie Great Again"	2017-10-15 19:25
"No"	2017-10-15 18:21
"Burnie is a fantastic area and I love living here. Just when your planning to do something with your friends there is not much other than the cinema so I think the teenager entertainment needs to be imporoved. But I love living here and close to burnie. The population is good and not too crowded making a fantastic place to live. Hope you consider my thoughts. Thankyou"	2017-10-15 17:07
"Yes get more up and go Councillers"	2017-10-15 16:04
"No"	2017-10-15 14:04

"Burnie is extremely lucky to have the little penguins nesting along its coastline, one of the best places to view wild platypus in Fernglade reserve, the presence of so many protected and endangered species such as the giant crayfish, and cruiseships bringing bucketloads of tourists to the town. Burnie Council should make serious investment into eco-tourism, such as the building of a Wildlife Interpretation Centre at Fernglade and the active protection of its environment, which would provide employment opportunities to Burnie's residents and bring extra income from the tourists to Burnie's small businesses."

2017-
10-15
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"Quite a few farmers around Burnie area spray glyphosate in their paddocks to remove grasses and weeds before planting. Some of those paddocks directly border or are very close to rivers, creeks and other water courses. Burnie City Council should be proactive in educating farmers of their legal responsibility in using farm chemicals that persist in soil and whatever is grown in the soil as well as the run off into water courses. Also why are school ovals and grassed areas being sprayed with glyphosate when it is a neurotoxin and poisonous to children? Why do BCC spray this stuff all over the place?"

2017-
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12:09

"No"

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"Burnie is a boring town. We are moving like most people here. More opportunities elsewhere for employment and for families to do things"

2017-
10-15
07:48

"Shame more of our council aren't as passionate as ken dorsey in promoting and talking amongst our community. he wants change is always active it would be nice to see other councillors have his passion or at least make themselves known in the wider community not just among the people they know"

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"Not really"

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21:00

"N/A"

2017-
10-14
18:44

"No"

2017-
10-14
16:26

"No"

2017-
10-13
23:10

"Great idea!"	2017-10-13 22:03
"I don't know how it can be policed over the smoking and language around the bus mall and Kmart."	2017-10-13 20:46
"Nah"	2017-10-13 20:42
"No"	2017-10-13 20:08
"Honestly it sounds petty but if Centrelink was moved from down I feel it would create less unemployed people to sit on the streets smoking and intimidating elderly and young people and tourist from town"	2017-10-13 19:04
"The lack of meaningful employment (i.e. places to form careers) & poor utilisation of educational opportunities by much of the public (young & old adults)."	2017-10-13 18:51
"Not at this stage"	2017-10-13 16:54
"Great idea to put this survey out and giving people a voice."	2017-10-13 16:44
"I think that the council should do more to advertise for volunteers for community events and such. I enjoy taking advantage of opportunities presented to me but don't often see opportunities to volunteer for council-run events. Volunteering should be publicized more as it is a great way to learn new things, meet new people, and have fun in the community."	2017-10-13 16:26
"Sick of there being no social life in Burnie other than sex drugs and alcohol Oh yeah, the price of smokes, fucking ridiculous"	2017-10-13 16:26
"No"	2017-10-13 15:09

"No"	2017-10-13 14:22
"No"	2017-10-13 13:30
"Burnie and surrounding Municipality is a fantastic place to live , visit etc but we need to keep what we have and build and move forward and make it more than the Ghost Town it will become. We are clean green which is a great poitive."	2017-10-13 13:23
"I"	2017-10-13 13:09
"No "	2017-10-13 12:01
"Burnie is dying. It isnt going to grow with the current councils attitude as they are all friends with business owners that want to control the enviroment they operate in."	2017-10-13 10:14
"Burnie has potential but the gov needs to crack down on pokies use so the money flows to shops eg.retail rather than pubs"	2017-10-13 08:07
"Better eating places and more opening of shops on Sat and sun"	2017-10-13 00:29
"Make the community more based upon the future generation. Attract young people and dont let the city become a retirement village. Why do we have a million chemists and restaurants but no bowling alley or young bars. "	2017-10-13 00:25
"Ulverstone beats Devonport and Burnie for vibrancy. Devonport is having huge \$\$\$ thrown at it right now. Burnie is going to be a derelict hole in another year or 2"	2017-10-12 23:54
"Need new/ different shops No smoking in the cbd. And more buses and better times "	2017-10-12 23:28

" "	2017-10-12 23:25
"Burnie is slowly dying"	2017-10-12 23:20
"Nope "	2017-10-12 22:57
"Not really"	2017-10-12 22:29
"I believe my children will grow up and move away unless there's more employment. We can't as we're part way through major renovations or we'd be forced to move against our will."	2017-10-12 19:50
"No"	2017-10-12 17:44
"No"	2017-10-12 14:09
"No"	2017-10-12 13:21
"Burnie needs to keep its population to survive"	2017-10-12 11:40
"housing should be more affordable, on the private rent market the amount you pay and the condition of the homes is terrible."	2017-10-11 19:31
"No"	2017-10-11 13:33

"Burnie doesn't attract many people, if anything it deters more people than what it attracts. Even my family and I are seriously considering moving at the end of the year because we don't enjoy living in Burnie anymore."	2017-10-11 12:32
"None"	2017-10-11 11:17
"Stop wasting time on trying to improve Burnie by focusing on the last generation but by taking into account what the milenial generation suggest. Past generations are looking at the present, where as we, as young adults are focusing in the future"	2017-10-11 10:48
"No."	2017-10-11 10:10
"No."	2017-10-11 08:46
"No. ☹️"	2017-10-11 07:32
"No"	2017-10-11 01:51
"without jobs and general hope for Burnie younger citizens will continue to leave and Burnie will slowly die, but thats okay old people will be the only ones who give a fuck "	2017-10-11 00:11
"No"	2017-10-10 23:32
"Make Burnie Great Again"	2017-10-10 23:19
"No"	2017-10-10 23:17

"Not in particular."	2017-10-10 23:03
"Burnie is a cute little town that as a whole is running very well, there are just a few little things that could be done to make Burnie a more recognised and visited place"	2017-10-10 23:03
."	2017-10-10 23:01
"No"	2017-10-10 22:44
"no"	2017-10-10 22:35
"No."	2017-10-10 22:29
"Burnie lacks places that are fun. My siblings and friends are always complaining that they have to travel to devonport just to go bowling. on going events will get people out of their houses and start making a difference"	2017-10-10 22:26
"Burnie could be a better place then maybe even Canberra. Unlike Canberra, Burnie has beaches and who knows what could happen."	2017-10-10 22:25
"Nil"	2017-10-10 22:21
"No"	2017-10-10 22:20
"no"	2017-10-10 21:04

"Burnie needs to pull it together"	2017-10-10 20:40
"Burnie needs a big change and soon."	2017-10-10 20:32
"Renovations should occur to make the city look more modern to entice more potential home buyers into the area"	2017-10-10 14:23
"No"	2017-10-10 13:46
"No"	2017-10-10 12:40
"No"	2017-10-10 12:17
"Thankyou for letting me complete this survey, I hope you have large success with this!"	2017-10-09 18:03
"Maximise foreshore area at South Burnie"	2017-10-08 16:52
"No"	2017-10-06 19:49
"No"	2017-10-06 13:01
"More weekend activitys for younger family's"	2017-10-06 00:04

"Just what i said before"	2017-10-05 23:31
"No"	2017-10-05 20:27
"I lived away from Burnie for 14 years and returned 2 years ago. Yes, the city has improved but there is still a long way to go"	2017-10-05 20:02
"Burnie doesn't have any opportunities for jobs and for the future."	2017-10-05 19:11
"Something has to give these councillors THAT we vote to work for us to listen to what people are saying and a big cull in the councillors that have been there for ages and keep putting there selves up for election new blood is needed"	2017-10-05 18:26
"No"	2017-10-05 18:14
"No"	2017-10-05 17:51
"Thank you for reading this, & good luck with your plans."	2017-10-05 17:20
"When you enter Burnie either from Wivenhoe or Cooee all we are greeted by are car selling yards. Not good. Every visitor from the mainland comments to me about this and says that it is not very friendly or a good look."	2017-10-05 16:34
"No"	2017-10-05 11:53
"Yes, look to the future and rebuild the culture and busines district around current and expected future trends, let's not play catch up let's set the trend"	2017-10-05 10:21

"We do love it in Burnie, but with our special needs family, we need to travel interstate or out of the region for better healthcare/support. This needs to be provided here."	2017-10-05 09:49
"good luck, nothing changes unless you are on a cruise liner."	2017-10-05 09:39
"shake up the council seem the people on the council get ahead all the time and the little people are struggling"	2017-10-05 09:01
"I'm not sure what the answer is but something has to be done. Housing Tas claims they don't have enough properties yet continue to rent homes to mainland criminals which creates issues in itself in Burnie. The crime rate has sky rocketed. The jobs are there but the wages are not. It's turning into a retirement coast where the only thing it will become is a good spot to retire"	2017-10-05 08:03
"Get rid of the bogans that hang around the kmart complex"	2017-10-04 23:49
"No"	2017-10-04 22:44
"No"	2017-10-04 22:19
"The short parking times near the town centre are not a good idea, the council rates are the same as Melbourne or Sydney , this discourages property investment"	2017-10-04 22:12
"Burnie is a beautiful town, if we could get the population up to 50k and the businesses to support them, I think Burnie will begin to take care of its self."	2017-10-04 22:12
"More jobs, more retailers or more people will leave Burnie"	2017-10-04 21:49
"Burnie is such a depressing place to live. I have lived here all my life , I have been working full time in Wynyard for 18 years whilst living in Burnie. I have watched Wynyard go from strength to strength and Burnie go from decent to a pretty horrible place to live. I live in one of the nicer parts of Burnie , how people live in the not so nice places I have no idea."	2017-10-04 21:45

"We need to think outside the box."	2017-10-04 21:30
"No"	2017-10-04 20:59
"Traffic flow along waterfront is too restricted....!!!"	2017-10-04 19:28
"Good Luck"	2017-10-04 19:10
"Get Jacqui Lambie to do a nude calendar "	2017-10-04 18:44
"I better not answer"	2017-10-04 18:24
"get new people on the council"	2017-10-04 18:24
"I'm like every one else. Half a heart beat from leaving to go interstate for better opportunities."	2017-10-04 18:11
"I rally like the new ping pong tables"	2017-10-04 18:00
"I believe that if Burnie wants to progress as a city there needs to be more opportunity for employment . Also There is a severe lack Of entertainment for those over 40 . There is little to do for our young people and Thor in the 30 - 60 age group ."	2017-10-04 17:40
"No"	2017-10-04 17:30

"We have only been in the area for 3 years but we love it. The area does need more economic activity but, at the same time, it would be a disaster to try to develop the area to a degree that would destroy it's character. The world is full of big cities and areas with high population densities. I'd hate to see NW Tassie end up as just another overpopulated Hell-hole."	2017-10-04 16:25
"Great to see someone doing this, the Council are not concerned about feedback, only revenue. The Councillors are disgraceful. I shopped at Burnie every week and supported several of the businesses in town. But after a string of parking fines I no longer shop at Burnie I drive from Wynyard to Devenport instead"	2017-10-04 16:09
"VOTE FOR JACQUI LAMBIE at the next 10 elections !"	2017-10-04 15:58
"We need better services"	2017-10-04 15:38
"Burnie is a great little town, it is going through a rough time as are many regional towns. It needs some new direction and simple steps like free weekend parking might make a difference attracting shoppers back."	2017-10-04 15:37
"As somebody who has moved to Burnie from interstate, I for sometime found it difficult to find opportunities for friendships. I have also found that you have to happen to know the right person before you will here about activities. Also there is also a lack of diverse educational prospects in Burnie, people are being forced to move to Launceston or Hobart regularly for university, and or for work."	2017-10-03 13:16
"BORN HERE, WORKED HERE, PURCHASED HOME HERE AND WOULD LIKE TO RETIRE HERE BUT CURRENTLY NOT SO SURE. FAMILY EVEN WONDERING WHAT FUTURE THERE IS FOR THEM."	2017-10-03 12:58
"no "	2017-10-03 08:50
"Burnie is a great place and has a lot of potential, changing stigmas and attitudes is crucial. Negativity needs to be if the past"	2017-10-02 20:56
"If things do not improve soon. Me and my family will be forced to move to the Mainland. I have a large number of friends and family members desperate to move back but the current employment situation makes this just a dream"	2017-10-02 20:34

"no"	2017-10-02 20:12
"Make the CBD into something like Harbour Town in Melbourne with entertainment, decent shopping outlets and accommodation"	2017-10-02 19:14
"The city of Burnie would benefit hugely by the abolition of paid parking. The council, like so many other provincial councils seems to be divided between anti-progress individuals on the one side and rampant money-grubbing capitalists on the other. There needs to be more balance and accountability."	2017-10-02 19:09
"No"	2017-10-02 18:25
"Some research - locate other communities outside Tasmania with a similar demographic and situation - evaluate what has worked to revitalise them. Consider looking at their development over an expanse of time."	2017-10-02 17:45
"No"	2017-10-02 11:32
"Perhaps we need councillors with more energy for change?"	2017-10-01 13:13
"read through everything I have already said again and again and made things place somewhere that people want to stay and not leave or go live on the mainland where everything is better and there are way more opportunities"	2017-09-30 01:52
"Ask the community more on their opinion of what could make burnie better"	2017-09-28 18:49
"Let's get things happening sooner rather than later"	2017-09-28 17:59
"Vote "yes" for same sex marriage"	2017-09-28 16:05

"Be great if Burnie could become a city that is on the map and in peoples thoughts." 2017-09-28 13:13

"Burnie's economic problems are NOT of its own making. They are the result of 34 years of neoliberalism, a body of right wing economic theory that both major parties have slavishly pursued for all those years. Neoliberalism calls for privatisation of everything, such as energy production, which has only resulted in escalating power bills for consumers. Neoliberalism also calls for the dismantling of the policing of markets & the activities carried out by the big banks (regulation). This caused the GFC & resulted in many companies going into receivership even before the GFC." 2017-09-27 00:35

"Would like toknow if u actualy plan on doing anything about this or if me filling in this survey was just a waste of my time!" 2017-09-26 19:11

"Nah" 2017-09-26 19:00

"Burnie need to get its stuff together" 2017-09-26 17:11

"In the zone Burnie is the only place for kids to go that is free and safe, the council should be encouraging and helping them in this!" 2017-09-26 17:00

"All those who are critical should also provide solutions. There is always the 20% that complain and moan and they seems to domineer social media - remember there are approx. 20,000 people in Burnie who dont complain all the time. Probably the only people who will be bothered to answer this survey are those 20% complainers. Having this survey online you will miss the 55 yr old + people who 'don't do social media' therefore missing out on opinions from those who have lived in Burnie for 40+ years." 2017-09-25 09:02

"I appreciate someone taking the time to make the survey. I hope they listen and something geta done and the council stops killing the cbd and surrounding areas. Have a nice day :)" 2017-09-24 16:25

"I really hate the new parking meters being placed in the cbd. What was wrong with the old ones? The new ones don't allow you to let someone else use up any of your left over time unless you hold up the traffic to hand your ticket over. And what a waste of paper where the old ones didn't need this. I can't help but see that this is a money making idea of the council plain and clear! And placing them in all the popular areas of the cbd is another give a away of this plan. Maybe parking should be calculated on how much you earn and you buy vouchers to use? Just a though." 2017-09-24 08:43

"No"	2017-09-24 07:38
"Embrace the past, don't be scared of the future."	2017-09-24 00:30
"it would be good to have aldermen who are truly passionate about improving Burnie, rather than only looking after their own interests."	2017-09-23 22:37
"Although there seems to be a bad stigma of our town, there are some incredible people & businesses doing amazing things contributing to Burnie."	2017-09-23 21:52
"Thank you for taking the time to set up this survey. I really hope for Burnie's sake that the responses are taken seriously by those who have the power to make and inforce change."	2017-09-23 21:45
"We need more incentives for small business"	2017-09-23 20:39
"Poor Burnie has nothing going for it, you couldn't pay me to move back from the Sunshine Coast, it's a real shame because it's meant to be home"	2017-09-23 20:28
"Real opportunities to be constantly explored, offering to train people for local jobs. Construction jobs awarded to local businesses and not mainlanders."	2017-09-23 20:03
"No"	2017-09-23 19:20
"The biggest issue is around the bus stops. I am unsure what can be done about this"	2017-09-23 18:54
"Good luck"	2017-09-23 18:21

"Nil"	2017-09-23 18:20
"BURNIE - "Be as you wish to seem""	2017-09-23 12:58
"I have many, but good on you for the survey, probably getting lots of pointers , good and bad. We are quick to want change , but honestly Burnie could be a fantastic place to spend a day or two, great little eateries, well some have closed, good clothes shops and hardware shops, we have a lot to offer, but the realisation that we don't cater for elderly and disability in and around the town should be looked at , as we are all heading that way so an acceptance for what is inevitable to us all wouldn't go astray. But help the shop owners now before you don't have any at all "	2017-09-23 12:46
"As a teen it's hard to find things to do with friends and therefore it encourages people to stay at home and use more electronical devices instead of socialising with the rest of the commmunity around us"	2017-09-22 22:17
"The council needs to stop refusing plans put before them and let Burnie grow"	2017-09-22 20:56
"_"	2017-09-22 18:33
"Nope"	2017-09-22 16:32
"I hope the results of this survey are taken into serious consideration by council. The youth of Burnie is depending on action, to ensure they have a decent town to stay, live & work in. We should have similar opportunities & facilities to Launceston & Hobart."	2017-09-22 12:45
"Council to be more pro active "	2017-09-22 11:06
"No"	2017-09-22 10:53

"People need to be active in their community and not just complain. There are dozens of sporting groups, bands, arts groups, community groups for both young and old. Our community is quite vibrant if you look to see what is there. We already have many community events such as Burnie Shines, Burnie 10, A night on the terrace, New Years Day Carnival, Easter in the park, Carols etc"

"Too many people are social commenters but not prepared to join in community activities The age of volunteers is too high and many high profile people are only interested in self promotion and not the advancement of the organisations they represent "

"Stop grizzling Burnie ie a great place to live Support business and events"

"Relocate bass Highway to much further inland, completely bypassing the area."

"our Councillors need to do more, there are a few that seem to be the only ones putting ideas forward."

"No"

"Thank you very much for allowing Burnie's citizens to have their say"

"No"

"Why do they feel the need to keep lowering speed limits....?"

"There is a big gap between rich and poor and shouldn't be"

"No thank you"

"Burnie is very behind. We need to step up"	2017-09-21 22:43
"No"	2017-09-21 22:16
"I'm not confident that anything will change. The council members are too greedy and are not tuned into what the community wants or needs"	2017-09-21 21:48
"Bob. Please save the city. And provide more gigs. Amen"	2017-09-21 21:46
"No"	2017-09-21 21:45
"No"	2017-09-21 20:44
"Get rid of the wood chips at the wharf- unsightly!"	2017-09-21 20:04
"No"	2017-09-21 19:47
"B"	2017-09-21 19:47
"A more family friendly city would be great!"	2017-09-21 19:47
"No"	2017-09-21 19:37

"No...."	2017-09-21 19:36
"No"	2017-09-21 19:34
"Burnie needs help"	2017-09-21 19:31
"Burnie could be great. We need to start thinking outside the box - let's do some festivals, some fun things. Let's improve shopping and the appearance of the city center. Close it off to traffic, free parking, street markets. We can do better."	2017-09-21 19:27
"I hope people see and get on board with this survey because I have had so many conversations with people around how Burnie is declining."	2017-09-21 19:17
"I come from Wynyard originally, never thought i would be happy in Burnie but i am."	2017-09-21 19:13
"No"	2017-09-21 17:41
."	2017-09-21 17:25
"I hope it isnt to late for Burnie. But I fear it is. Too many unemployed, uneducated bogans walk the streets. Burnie has no pride anymore."	2017-09-21 16:07
"Great idea to get public feedback."	2017-09-21 14:50
"Make councillors more accountable get them out into the public get around all business schools hospitals locals find out what needs doing and instead of them all just sitting around arguing because they all want to be mayor instead of fixing things something might actual start moving forward!!!"	2017-09-21 14:02

"Burnie may offer degrees through the UTas campus here but there aren't many career choices further on unless one wants to be in agriculture, teaching/childcare, or hairdressing."	2017-09-21 12:17
"I will be leaving Burnie as it does not offer my family much opportunity. Lack of jobs and lack of weekend activities really makes the place not fun to live in"	2017-09-21 11:38
"The council needs to make a change and quickly"	2017-09-21 11:32
"A train from Smithton which travels through to Burnie and onto Launceston and then Hobart. With eventual links to West coast."	2017-09-21 10:39
"No"	2017-09-21 08:52
"No"	2017-09-21 08:19
"Sack our Mayor and get someone with some balls. My wife and myself are going to sell out because of the mess the council have made of what could of been a beautiful beach resort like Cooe, a bloody disgrace."	2017-09-21 07:55
"No"	2017-09-21 07:39
"thankyou for doing survey its good to see someone cares and i hope it helps"	2017-09-21 07:38
"We just need an attitude change, its actually a beautiful part of the world. Not enough people get out to see that though"	2017-09-21 06:43
"No"	2017-09-21 06:09

"Put money in to practical thing not just shit" 2017-09-21 05:55

"Burnie city council waste so much money on shit pointless projects like the recent swimming pool upgrade that doesn't even have a covered area for children. And the dam project at Romain park. Also the state government need to learn how to repair roads properly, im from WA lived in Burnie 10 years and ive never seen city roads like it. Should send them a bill for wear and tare on my tyres and suspension" 2017-09-21 03:31

"No." 2017-09-21 02:59

"No it is a big problem" 2017-09-20 23:16

"No, I do not think I do" 2017-09-20 23:00

"Something needs to happen now" 2017-09-20 22:37

"I think Burnie has huge industrial potential and could be great again. But like the rest of the country it is being sucked dry by our own government. High taxes on anything that is addictive. How that is legal I'll never know. Low income areas not just Burnie have pokies in every pub. The government preys on this and its tearing community's apart just like the drug ice. Ive watched good mates out of work into drugs and next stop is risdon. The government is so out of touch with its own people it isn't funny. More people like Jackie lambie is what we need. Cheers" 2017-09-20 22:33

"Again, paying for parking in this tiny town is outrageous. The arts centre is fantastic as is the Library. The police need to police more. Get the dealers and users out." 2017-09-20 22:14

"No" 2017-09-20 21:55

"No" 2017-09-20 21:45

"Help the teenagers of this town who have no where to go and nothing to do. They are our future."	2017-09-20 21:23
"just wondering what the purpose of this survey is? Will it be taken to the council? Will the results be released to the public? Thanks"	2017-09-20 21:04
"Nope"	2017-09-20 20:34
"The coast needs to retain the younger generation. Burnie needs to focus on retaining young people in the area and this needs to happen by getting the university to create a stand alone facility that would attract people from around the nation to come study (eg the STEM facility). This would create an interest in the city, create jobs and change the demographic of Burnie for the better. This should be their number one goal."	2017-09-20 20:18
"Looking for betterment"	2017-09-20 19:17
"Burnie is fantastic. It offers so much and yet people continue to whinge about it?! Also sick to death of people who don't even live here trash talk it. They shouldn't be doing that when it is a place of value to others."	2017-09-20 19:03
"Innovation. Need new faces to bring fresh ideas"	2017-09-20 18:49
"People winge and curry on about it but I have lived in better places as well as worse places it isn't the town that makes it your home town it is you who makes it your hometown. Meaning if I stay and try and do my bit to help locals out and also put ideas forward there is a chance things may improve but if I sit around winge and do nothing then nothing will change"	2017-09-20 18:48
"Need to market the good points about Burnie as there are some, it should be published how much the timber industry is doing for Burnie. I think this is a great way to get some really good feedback from the people of Burnie."	2017-09-20 18:33
"I hope people will turn up to more council meetings and record and post to social media how incredibly lazy our 'representatives' are. From what I have witnessed only Steve Kons and Ken Dorsey represent their community and the rest wish to create a committee to do the job that they were elected to do."	2017-09-20 18:00

"Good idea to get a feel for what people are thinking and a poignant manner but with room to hear a diverse range of questions."	2017-09-20 17:26
"No"	2017-09-20 17:26
"Yes"	2017-09-20 16:43
"Burnie has the potential to be great. Grab it with both hands and create that future! For everyone."	2017-09-20 16:41
"Burnie is a fantastic little spot with a lot to offer if only the right things can be tapped into. We need visionaries. Maybe we should ask David Walsh to bring some ideas. One person can even make a difference. I'm relocating back to Burnie from Hobart due to a work transfer and would love to see our city a jewel of Tasmania!"	2017-09-20 15:59
"Not many cities in Australia can look down their Main Street at the beach and out to sea. That is quite special. We have a great resource here and an excellent public area to encourage people to use this open space with our wonderful boardwalk and picnic area. Burnie park is always a beautiful location to spend time. The Emu Valley Rhoddo Garden is world class and we should all be very proud of this terrific volunteer run tourist attraction."	2017-09-20 15:53
."	2017-09-20 15:42
"Burnie used to be fine as it was - a 'traditional' industrial town where at least people had jobs Burnie has not been able to change - all this bullshit about Burnie being an 'arts' centre (it's not) and Burnie becoming wonderful because of Utas (it won't) is just over-inflated hype"	2017-09-20 15:20
"It's sad to see Burnie declining, it's time to make a change."	2017-09-20 14:30
"No"	2017-09-20 14:28

"I moved away from this Dump for the very reasons i listed. "	2017-09-20 14:26
"nope"	2017-09-20 14:01
"good on you for this survey"	2017-09-20 13:42
"Good job with putting this survey together. It would be nice if some notice was taken of peoples thoughts and opinions."	2017-09-20 13:27
"This survey has does not necessarily reflect the views of many business owners in Burnie. Yes, there are some businesses battling, but there are some breaking records, and some extremely confident for the future (some are spending millions on their facilities to service the Burnie people). This survey asks questions that are simple yes / no answers which are going to lead to negative connotations.... e.g., the question about parking fees being too expensive. This is a great town to live in - lifestyle, ease of traffic, mostly friendly people, hospital facilities, airports, affordable housing (compared to the rest of Australia). For those that think it's so bad, please keep your negative attitude and opinion to yourself and stop publicly bagging us, or leave."	2017-09-20 13:02
"Burnie as a whole is decreasing day by day and no wonder more people are leaving than staying"	2017-09-20 12:59
"MESSAGE FOR Bob Tolputt Hi Bob, We were not certain how to make direct contact with you. Mayor Dow would like to arrange an appointment with you regarding your survey findings. Would you please contact her personal assistant Karen Kelly on 6430 5705."	2017-09-20 12:51
"Nope"	2017-09-20 12:22
"nil"	2017-09-20 12:04
"No"	2017-09-20 11:42

"Just get something done. If things don't improve we will be moving away to somewhere else ."	2017-09-20 11:32
"No"	2017-09-20 11:22
"When I was a child and into my teens the CBD was a much better place. It seemed more active and alive. What has gone so wrong in our little town that friends and family are moving away from the place they once loved."	2017-09-20 11:06
"Some. But more than can be expressed here."	2017-09-20 10:46
"For goodness sakes interview a few positive 'ideas' people you know and publish that in The Advocate. People could well be suffering from even deeper depression after reading the results of your survey. Just coping with possibly IS part of the reality further de-energises people. How about a spark of optimism and joy about what we HAVE achieved... the pulp proud history, the farming tradition, the business people, the inventors, the gardeners, the 'family' people, the sporting enthusiasts and grand sporting events, the arts that are flourishing (Bell Shakespeare here recently.. it was GOLD!). We're far from dead here. Cheer up!!!"	2017-09-20 10:45
"My friends and I wanted to start a business in Burnie but couldn't afford the rent. If it was possible to get som kind of rental subsidy or loan there would be more businesses creating more jobs and maybe people could afford to create fun things to do and I think it would greatly improve Burnie"	2017-09-20 10:44
"To be honest I'm about ready to leave this city"	2017-09-20 10:35
"At this rate it will be last one out turn the lights off"	2017-09-20 10:34
"Burnie is a great place and has a unique location, it's a shame it's managed by a regressive council."	2017-09-20 10:27
"No"	2017-09-20 10:27

"Good job Bob!"	2017-09-20 10:18
"Burnie is a shit hole with nothing to do"	2017-09-20 10:15
"Great to see someone is engaging with the community to establish what it is they would like their community to look like Bob. You are a jet!"	2017-09-20 09:52
"Cut the red tape and political garbage and get Burnie working again. There is far too much blaming the next person or organisation . Start working together. Burnie council is full of red tape and can't do this because off..... Improve facilities for volunteers welcoming cruise ships"	2017-09-20 09:34
"Better shopping will bring more business to burnie"	2017-09-20 09:31
"Burnie isn't very well liked. I am 20 and I have a full time job but almost everyone I know my age has left to go somewhere where they can get a job or study. Does anything even happen at Burnie UTAS?!? What a waste of money."	2017-09-20 09:30
"There would be much more, but perhaps another survey is forthcoming. Quality of life and generational aspirations here are easily bigger, but longer-term, problems, as an example."	2017-09-20 09:27
"Burnie is a good place lets hope it can become vibrant again."	2017-09-20 09:24
"Nope"	2017-09-20 09:15
"Burnie has so much potential with amazing seaside views but I feel we have a very conservative local government and especially the Burnie council who are more focused on following protocols and dealing with mundane issues which don't matter so much to the local people rather than looking at ways to bring more people to the coast and get them to stay here. Burnie needs revitalising!"	2017-09-20 09:14
"Bcc stop spending money on stupid things. You need to lower costs so you can lower the rates. You're one of the richest councils in a poor town. Use that money to make things viable for your residents. Lower the parking costs stop being greedy."	2017-09-20 09:08

"Sack council, reduce ineffective staff. For a dying (or dead) town it may be too late"	2017-09-20 09:03
"Burnie was once a vibrant enjoyable place to live, it's now a sad depressing shell of its former self."	2017-09-20 09:02
"Stop the price hike"	2017-09-20 08:58
"The Brighter the City and more fun it delivers is the key to its survival. Having two service stations opposite the surf club is ludicrous ! The Council needs to purchase these sites and resell or create business through space and if needed structures to kick start business. Burnie has done this previously with the Cinema for example, they used their land build a cinema, leased it out then sold! The Council need to be progressive, trhey need to be daring, they need to take calculated risks. The council have reserve Monies, this is crazy! A Council are not in the business to build funds from the tax payer! they need to reinvest in the City every 12 months. A City that stands still will take longer to recover, this City has been like a statue for 10 years"	2017-09-20 08:55
"Improve Burnie, or a lot more businesses and young people will leave."	2017-09-20 08:53
"no"	2017-09-20 08:45
"No"	2017-09-20 08:40
"I lived in Burnie for sixty years and shifted because of a lack of oppertunity."	2017-09-20 08:22
"Thank you for trying to make a difference to our city. I was born here, I love this area, and I want it to be somewhere where my family can grow and continue living well into the future."	2017-09-20 08:21
"Could be a great town. A truly liveable city where people from all over Australia and the world would love to live. We need to drive change and peoples way of thinking if we truly want to move forward and into the future."	2017-09-20 08:15

"There is a scary amount of work to be done to this city..... i have lived here my whole life and have never been so dissapointed in so many aspects..... apart from me being so incredibly close to family and friends this city doesnt offer us anything anymore"

2017-09-20 08:12

"This was a great questionnaire. Will anything come of it? I for one are willing to help. Manisfry@gmail.com"

2017-09-20 08:02

"No, just don't go much on the people and their attitude"

2017-09-20 08:01

"No"

2017-09-20 08:00

"Good luck. Burnie needs to invest in itself and get over the 1970's feel of the town. It expects ships but dumps people next to the wood chip pile. It needs to seriously invest millions in a city wide revamp similar to Devonport but bigger. "

2017-09-20 07:58

"No"

2017-09-20 07:55

"I am credulous enough to think that Burnie isn't too far gone, but something drastic needs to be done. The priority needs to be shifted to the future (eg, Devonport, Launceston) and the leaders need to listen to the community."

2017-09-20 07:48

"I grew up in Burnie and was absolutely devoted to the place it had lots of public spaces where you could just sit down with drink in sunshine unharrassed by passerbys. Now there is little in regards to employment property values residential and business are consistently declining"

2017-09-20 07:37

"Yes I would be happy to pay more for my rates in order to make all parking free in burnie. It would bring more people to our town and businesses would improve, thus more money would flow through our economy"

2017-09-20 07:30

"No"

2017-09-20 07:21

"Nope"

2017-09-20 07:15

"No"	2017-09-20 07:13
"Lol. Take a look at the Devonport council. Eg. The difference between the two pools recently built"	2017-09-20 07:08
"Long way behind Devonport, having said that Devonport has a natural advantage. Maybe capitalise on the industrial look and feel (without relying on heavy industry for growth)"	2017-09-20 07:03
"none"	2017-09-20 06:58
"Difficult to capitalise on growing employment opportunities in niche technology and small business innovations etc when we also have very low rates of higher education completion"	2017-09-20 05:56
"No"	2017-09-20 04:55
"Burnie is great, just show the country what we have and how it has played a part in building this great country."	2017-09-20 04:19
"I came to Burnie for two years for a job. That was 17 years ago. I love the area and have seen improvements in the cleanliness of the town. However, with two major employers closing there is going to be a long period of adjustment. This stuff should have been thought about and planned for years ago. Tourism is not the be all and end all. Selling OUR waterfront area to the UTas is not the answer when they are only offering poor quality courses that can be done anywhere else. They should have made it a requirement that courses be ones that our kids have had to leave the state for, like Occupational Therapy. And not useless associate degrees, but real ones. The Council needs to stop pretending Burnie is something it is not. It is and always will be a working class town - now it just needs some work."	2017-09-20 04:18
"burnie appears to be dying, biggest population decrease of any tasmanian town last year, should no longer be classed as a city given current population of less than 20,000"	2017-09-20 01:48
"Time to move to the mainland"	2017-09-20 01:42

"Council needs to stop being scared of backlash and spending money if you want Burnie to be a community again then treat us like one trust us and please listen"

2017-09-20 00:52

"No."

2017-09-20 00:46

"I really hope Burnie gets it together"

2017-09-20 00:21

"Burnie has so much potential. It has come so far from the polluted town it once was. The Burnie City Council are extremely ineffective and seem to throw money around in the hopes that it looks like they're doing something, despite doing anything that will help Burnie in the long term. It saddens me greatly that I may not be able to move back to Burnie, where my family reside, because of a lack of opportunity and for fear of settling in a soon-to-be ghost town."

2017-09-20 00:20

"Not really"

2017-09-20 00:07

"Burnie is a thorn in the sight of Tasmania. It is behind the times, profiteering and socially stagnant. There is very little community engagement, very little care put in burnies future. We either have to burn it to the ground and rebuild or we have to join together as a community and fight for the Burnie we want not the Burnie the council is going to give us"

2017-09-19 23:52

"I won't shop where I have to pay OR be treated like crAp"

2017-09-19 23:37

"Enter text here No I shop in Ulverstone,"

2017-09-19 23:22

"As said previously."

2017-09-19 23:17

"No"

2017-09-19 23:13

"Burnie council please improve. A greater focus on family friendly activities is needed."	2017-09-19 23:09
"How about making use of the wonderful Tourism Volunteers we have to be present (wandering) in the main CBD area, similar to what Melbourne & Brisbane have. Or setting up a info booth in the CBD during the Spring/Summer period"	2017-09-19 23:06
"The makers Centre and Tourist Information is poorly located currently off to onside of a dual laned highway. It is difficult to identify and access for visitors not familiar with the town making it an easier option to stay on the highway and keep driving. Needs to be more easier to access."	2017-09-19 22:51
"I was born in Burnie when the pulp was thriving it is sad to see it decline It has declined to the point were it is run by old people for old people."	2017-09-19 22:45
"I know this survey isn't directly aimed at blaming the council but all negative comments usually fall back on the council. It's easy to blame them for all of Burnie's problems...maybe we should take a look at ourselves, if you are unhappy do something about it yourself."	2017-09-19 22:33
"Give our youth something to do. They seek drugs for recreational simulation. Simply there is nothing else to entertain them"	2017-09-19 22:31
"Burnie used to be a great place...lots of opportunities, and very few unemployed people. We need some sort of impetus to get people involved and interested in the future wellbeing of the town and it's residents. I've no idea what, sorry, but something definitely needs to be done."	2017-09-19 22:28
"No"	2017-09-19 22:24
"People who are passionate shouldn't wait for the council. Get together and start initiate things yourselves. Start it from the ground up."	2017-09-19 22:23
"I saw this on the Advocate article about how a lot of people are negative. I disagreed at first, but that's probably just from my personal perspective (my full-time job is recent, and before that I was in the long-term unemployed). Burnie is obviously down from its peak, but I don't think things have worsened significantly in the last few years, it's more like a big drop when the industries left and a stagnation ever since. We're a small town in the far corner of a relatively-unpopulated state, there are businesses or careers or opportunities that aren't available in Hobart, let alone here. Maybe the NBN will change some of that (ha)? At least there are some plans with the "City of Makers", the new Uni campus, that sort of thing, but maybe we should just set our sights a little lower?"	2017-09-19 22:22

"No"	2017-09-19 22:20
"At the end of the day we need people attracted to the area with fresh thoughts and ideas because there is a lot of conservative, opinionated twats who live here and lots of drug addicts."	2017-09-19 22:14
"No"	2017-09-19 22:13
"Burnie lacks civic pride but as well as big redevelopment projects the people need to be brought on board to find that pride themselves"	2017-09-19 22:13
"I would not be here if it weren't for family ties. Lots of people are the same. Once you have no ties you'd leave to go to better places with higher employment and life opportunities like many have already."	2017-09-19 22:10
"Yes don't know why I even bother doing this because NOTHING gets done..."	2017-09-19 22:07
"The current council really is an anachronism to progression. Too many investors obviously getting tax breaks for letting properties sit idle. Too little thought about encouraging redevelopment and reinvestment."	2017-09-19 22:06
"Would be nice to stop smoking within the whole cbd, make areas for smokers, make it look nicer because its not very inviting"	2017-09-19 22:02
"Burnie needs to be brought back to life. At the moment it is dead and wonder why am i even living here."	2017-09-19 21:58
"No"	2017-09-19 21:55
"There have been many improvements to Burnie and still is people investing in Burnie however one major impact is the high rate of teenager pregnancy, generational unemployment and increase of addictions. Without employment people are unwilling to invest back into the community. Some are not quick fix answers either"	2017-09-19 21:49

"Something needs to be done soon or burnie will become a retirement village and welfare capital"	2017-09-19 21:44
"No"	2017-09-19 21:43
"I'm a stay at home mum (no option for that in the question) I think your survey questions are very leading and it's no wonder you have gotten a negative response with the way a lot of it is worded. I think burnie and surrounds are a great place to live and raise my family, just the right mix of country and city. It is what you make it"	2017-09-19 21:41
"I live in Wynyard because it's a nicer place to live than Burnie. Even though Wynyard doesn't have that much to do here, it's still a nicer place to live and spend my weekends with my family going to the beach or the local park. I'm from Sydney and lived in Perth for 14 years, I'm use to never having to travel far for services, shops, food or entertainment. In Tasmania, you have to travel to Launceston virtually to get some family entertainment, services, better food places and a better shopping experience p. That sucks, I don't want to travel 4 hours return from Wynyard to achieve any of those things, Ulverstone and Devonport aren't much better, they have no entertainment for families, how many times can you go to don river railway? I've been about 5 times in the last 2 years b cause there isn't much else to do. And the shopping situation in Burnie is absolutely stupid. No bridal/formal dress stores, only 2 or 3 shoe shops other than target or Kmart. 1x handbag store that has ridiculously expensive prices, no chemist warehouse or Priceline pharmacy for cheaper perfumes and makeup, no cheaper clothing store for families other than best n less or Kmart, only 1x toystore for the whole community. Burnie needs to lift its shopping game and have more variety in the type of shops in Burnie, we don't need anymore cafe style shops or boutique clothing stores."	2017-09-19 21:40
"Rates are cheaper in Melbourne's eastern suburbs. The price of rates in Burnie is pathetic. All I get is my bins emptied, nothing else "	2017-09-19 21:38
"Not Really"	2017-09-19 21:37
"People first"	2017-09-19 21:35
"Listen to the people"	2017-09-19 21:33

"More community events please - especially along the waterfront - food vans, free movies, local bands, etc. Tell the council to stop doing idiotic things like giving multi-million dollar waterfront land away!!! That land belonged to the people of Burnie, and should not have been given to the university."	2017-09-19 21:33
"Need to work on youth unemployment"	2017-09-19 21:25
"Nope"	2017-09-19 21:13
"Whilst it's important to acknowledge the challenges so that we're not in denial, I think it's important to maintain optimism and focus on the positives as much as possible. I think innovation is needed and we should acknowledge the local success stories and look to other towns who've faced similar challenges and overcome them."	2017-09-19 21:13
"The lights of Burnie are nearly out. It is time for strong leadership or accept the outcome and target a much smaller city."	2017-09-19 21:11
"The burnie council make decisions on the sly behind closed doors. They are not transparent and refuse to listen to the communities idea and concerns."	2017-09-19 21:05
"No"	2017-09-19 21:04
"Good to see you doin this survey and great to see somebody caring about the community."	2017-09-19 21:04
"Moving out asap"	2017-09-19 21:04
"I love my job at the hospital it is really the only thing keeping me here currently. I commend the businesses that are pushing this bad time"	2017-09-19 21:03
"The reason I left the North west coast was due to lack of jobs and it's quite a small and depressing place."	2017-09-19 20:59

"No."	2017-09-19 20:58
"We are on the cusp of many more jobs becoming available in this thriving city."	2017-09-19 20:56
"I moved away 3 years ago, took my grown sons and their families, they need a better future that Burnie isn't offering. The place is dead and has nothing to keep people there. Something needs to be done before it becomes a retirement/ unemployment capital riddled with drug abuse and crime"	2017-09-19 20:55
"Well done on creating this survey so people can share their views on the city."	2017-09-19 20:55
"good survey, should be more like it and hopefully the advocate continue to publish the results"	2017-09-19 20:54
"No"	2017-09-19 20:53
"Put a positive spin on this, have you spoken with the Chamber of Commerce members or Citylink who represent retailers, you may learn from those with more relevant local knowledge, don't be so negative."	2017-09-19 20:53
"Please let's all help make Burnie a place our youth of today want to stay and bring up there own family"	2017-09-19 20:52
"Skatepark and motorbike track behind plaza in shore well to many motorbikes and young ones on them riding thru parks in this area .. Plenty of area there being unused think about it."	2017-09-19 20:51
"I lived in Burnie for 20 years and would never live here again. I come to Burnie when absolutely necessary but avoid it if possible."	2017-09-19 20:50
"I love living here but theres certainly alot to be improved"	2017-09-19 20:49

"What plans or visions are actually in place? Where do the BCC see Burnie in 5/10/15 years time?"	2017-09-19 20:47
"Display paintings,artwork or photos in empty shop windows to relieve the "empty for so long look" Apart from 2-3 aldermen you would not know who else is on the council.(Dorsey, Kons, Dow)"	2017-09-19 20:46
"we need new faces in the council to steer Burnie forward."	2017-09-19 20:42
"We really need an industry or large employment opportunity to give the community some faith in the area. Shops may be more viable for owners then. We need employment opportunities to keep young people in Burnie. How can this be realised? I don't have answers..."	2017-09-19 20:36
"Bypass the town (highway). Council engage community"	2017-09-19 20:36
"All said in previous responses, thanks for the survey"	2017-09-19 20:34
"There is only one women's clothes shop in Burnie, not good enough"	2017-09-19 20:29
"No"	2017-09-19 20:28
"Get rid of the wood chips!!!!"	2017-09-19 20:27
"I grew up in Burnie and always found it an apathetic place. The aesthetics have changed a lot. But the attitude hasn't"	2017-09-19 20:25

<p>"The Burnie council seems to be focused on existing businesses instead of attracting or seeding new opportunities. Look at Wellington, NZ's, start-up success, actually seeding new ventures. If we had a progressive council more events would be approved, the importance of internet would be realised and exciting new ventures would be supported rather than opposed and rejected. I have lived overseas/interstate for 12yrs and been back for 5yrs - the minor progression in Burnie I find stifling, the budget decisions ridiculous, and the blasé council attitude appalling. A blasé attitude towards growth/innovation and a severely stringent position opposing change/new ideas - I am currently looking to move back interstate. The beautiful scenery, accessible outdoor activities and natural wonders have kept me here hoping for change, but I do not want to wait until I am in my 50's."</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:25</p>
<p>"Sometimes you can smell the wood chips"</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:24</p>
<p>"My family and I are packing up at the end of this month and moving to Launceston. We don't enjoy living in Burnie anymore and I think the only reason we have stayed here this long is because we have family here."</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:22</p>
<p>"not to many years ago burnie was the go ahead town on the north west coast now it would seem devonport has gone ahead and burnie has stagnated, need to find forward thinking people on burnie council and get rid of the present fossils there now"</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:21</p>
<p>"No"</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:19</p>
<p>"More eateries on the foreshore"</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:19</p>
<p>"We need more bike paths in Burnie!"</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:18</p>
<p>"Burnie isn't in bad shape. Current negativity is just people unable to accept they need to change too."</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:16</p>
<p>"No"</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:12</p>
<p>"No"</p>	<p>2017-09-19 20:08</p>

"It's a beautiful place with really friendly people and I'm sad I will be relocating to Hobart due to lack of opportunity for myself and my partner."

2017-09-19
20:08

"I was surprised to find that the survey so far has been negative. I have lived in Hobart and in Launceston and quite like Burnie. I like that it is not too busy, I find parking easy - I choose the multi-story or Kmart and walk as nothing is more than a block or two away. I think people must want to pull up right outside the shop they are visiting - you can't be guaranteed that in any prospering city. Kmart's parking prices are cheap and often free if you have bought something from the Plaza. There are not a large variety of stores in Burnie but I can find what I need most of the time or save up for a trip to Launceston. We have some nice little eateries, that serve good food. A suggestion for council would be to support businesses by providing good customer service training to all working in the CBD or businesses that attract tourists. Basic pleasantries, manners and ability to answer questions about our local area has not been strong."

2017-09-19
20:06

"If only this would help. These have been done many times in the past but no action ever taken only salaries"

2017-09-19
20:06

"Nope"

2017-09-19
20:04

"I grew up in burnie, I moved away for 6 years and came back, I couldn't find any decent work in the area so I've had to go elsewhere. I don't like traveling away from my young family, so I've decided to try and start a business with 2 mates, the council is so slow at approving anything, we had literally done all the work for them, yet we've waited weeks and weeks for a plumbing permit. Far too long, no wonder no one bothers to try any more."

2017-09-19
20:04

"Get your finger out your butts"

2017-09-19
20:04

"It was a shock moving here. You had to give up decent and affordable restaurants open for decent hours into the evening. You had to get earplugs for the music volume and comprehend half the people around you in clubs had been "pre drinking". You have to get used to the nepotism and the lack of confidentiality in some areas of health, disability and community. You give up the idea of accessible wilderness that comes with the idea of Tas. There are some wonderful gems of people in this community but they are not the majority and are hard to find. The most welcoming people tend to be the ones who do not originally come from here. Very many cliques. At least houses are still affordable and farmers markets are lovely. There is also a good sense of community when it comes to fundraising and the potential to be recognised for things you do. It is nice and small enough for that :)."

2017-09-19
20:03

"Good luck with the results , stay focused and positive. I was not in Burnie 25 years ago , I don't know the Burnie of the past. Maybe look at the town with a different focus m the pulp mill is gone , Heavy industry is on the way out. People come here because it's a beautiful place, great scenery, great food , clean fresh if not a little cool air, its never too hot and its only cold for a short while and when its really cold be get the amazing snow caps and a winter wonderland . We have an amazing piece of coast to drive along any or every day, we have very few traffic lights and we are not over crowded. We get to live a quiet lazy lifestyle but are only a short flight away from the razzle dazzle of the mainland. Flights cost are not outlandish. There are jobs on the North West if you want to work and we have every level of Educational and sporting facility at our fingertips. . Burnie the North West and Tasmania is and are an Awesome place to live and WORK ."

"Get me out of here!" 2017-09-19 20:01

"Burnie has been steadily declining over the past 10 years. Young adults do not want to stay here. If they do it's because there are no other options open to them and they end up in menial jobs or no jobs at all. The decline of TAFE based learning has had an impact on this." 2017-09-19 20:01

"There are definitely worse places to be. Overall Burnie is a decent place to live with a young family. Our councillors and government reps need to work together to improve our area instead of fighting over petty garbage to grab headlines. When this happens we will see improvement." 2017-09-19 19:57

"No" 2017-09-19 19:56

"I welcome the idea of card-based welfare payments in Burnie, like their trialing in other states." 2017-09-19 19:55

"I really like the concept of this survey and agree on principle with your reasons behind doing it, though feel the design could have been more neutral so as to not lead the responder. The intro in particular should not have placed people into a negative frame of mind prior to starting, no wonder it is "overwhelmingly negative" so far! Despite the above, I do applaud you for taking an interest in our community and trying to make it a better place." 2017-09-19 19:55

"nope" 2017-09-19 19:55

"Burnie is a dead town. In about 6 months my partner has to look for a new job and the chances we will have to move are high and that's just not acceptable. Living in Burnie is stressful and boring. Beautiful place to love but it's a almost a ghost town." 2017-09-19 19:53

"No"	2017-09-19 19:52
"No"	2017-09-19 19:52
"filter out the burnt and stale councilors with greater self interest than the community's"	2017-09-19 19:52
"The council needs to listen to the residents"	2017-09-19 19:52
"Enforce the non smoking in the City, review the parking and get some more convenient parking in the City - if I can't find a park in front of a shop, I won't shop"	2017-09-19 19:49
"No"	2017-09-19 19:48
"Great survey"	2017-09-19 19:47
"The lack of ability to find employment with all the jobs going to young kids is really hard. I feel like it would be a better place if the community had a chance to grow and were given the ability to work and be involved in their own community."	2017-09-19 19:47
"nope"	2017-09-19 19:46
"Lower rates. Extend rubbish tip times. "	2017-09-19 19:45
"Youth of Burnie are not happy to live in Burnie! Make it more comfortable and a trendy town"	2017-09-19 19:39

"Nope"	2017-09-19 19:39
"Burnie is depressing and I'm about ready to move on"	2017-09-19 19:37
"Free parking"	2017-09-19 19:37
"I think the challenges facing Burnie are similar to many regional areas: to move positively into the future we need to look for the things that make Burnie unique & build on those areas. For example, we need to highlight the benefits of cheap housing, range of sporting opportunities, access to the University and proximity to the beautiful coastline, the mountains & the Spirit of Tasmania."	2017-09-19 19:35
"Good on you for getting out there and gathering peoples thoughts"	2017-09-19 19:33
"Burnie could be something special if we let it."	2017-09-19 19:31
"Bring Burnie back to life! "	2017-09-19 19:29
"Burnie - change your attitude. Like attracts like - to be a positive and vibrant place with jobs, opportunities, fun etc then we all need to be positive, vibrant, inclusive, responsive, welcoming and fun. Try it - you might like it! We have the makings of an amazing city - let's stop trying to be like every other city (boring) and find and celebrate our individuality!"	2017-09-19 19:29
"I think the burnie council need to get themselves in order. Have a look at the books when Alderman Kons was in the council was cashed up"	2017-09-19 19:26
"No"	2017-09-19 19:25

"Not enough time, but the main problem is council."	2017-09-19 19:25
"Burnie could do so much better!"	2017-09-19 19:24
"No"	2017-09-19 19:24
"The wood chip mill is loud and can be herd day and night..surely this is illegal..."	2017-09-19 19:22
"Nope"	2017-09-19 19:21
"No"	2017-09-19 19:20
"There's not much to attract people to burnie and not much to keep people in the town"	2017-09-19 19:19
"No"	2017-09-19 19:19
"Since moving to Burnie 2 years ago from the Mainland Burnie is a miserable place to live"	2017-09-19 19:18
"Nope"	2017-09-19 19:18
"No"	2017-09-19 19:17

"Thank you for putting this together"	2017-09-19 19:16
"I know this is more up to the university, however, more course options would help bring more people to Burnie and help to build up Burnies economy."	2017-09-19 19:15
"I'm an ex-mainlander who loves Burnie with a passion. I want to see it thrive. It has the potential for greatness"	2017-09-19 19:13
"A city by the sea with nothing in it "	2017-09-19 19:12
"Nope"	2017-09-19 19:12
"No"	2017-09-19 19:12
"More youth services"	2017-09-19 19:12
"I'll be moving towns if Ken Dorsey becomes mayor."	2017-09-19 19:11
"No"	2017-09-19 19:11
"No"	2017-09-19 19:11
"Very leading questions"	2017-09-19 19:10

"thanks for caring about Burnie"	2017-09-19 19:09
"Not happy at all really"	2017-09-19 19:07
"Nope"	2017-09-19 19:06
"Burnie has consumers, like me , who are very loyal to some businesses (Not Just Books, Joyce Jewellers etc.), but when it comes to a lot of purchases, I go online because I can get the same product cheaper and faster delivered. Overall, there doesn't appear to much grand old architecture in Burnie, it's not a pretty city as it stands, it's old, grimy and needs a good karcher and a paint job to clean it up. look at the Burnie Arts and functions centre , art gallery/ Museum precinct. It's ugly to look at. That whole area could be a cultural precinct with cafe's etc, outdoor performances/ markets/ food festival - but it needs to be cleaned up to attract people and to fulfill it's 'venue' potential."	2017-09-19 19:03
"N"	2017-09-19 19:00
"I love it here but everyday someone we know is planning there way out of here"	2017-09-19 18:37
"i now shop in wynyard and ulverstone or even devonport wher disabled parking is free"	2017-09-19 18:34
"I have lived in Burnie all my life (third generation) and always have loved it. Unfortunately, now just noticing the decline in the CBD and surrounds and it is such a pity as it used to be such a vibrant place to live and shop. I am hopeful changes will made to improve our town and bring it back to it's once vibrant city. By the way, A H Pease shoe shop is still providing the excellent and personal service for which it has always been known for. Proof that a business with old fashioned values regarding service and a good product will survive :). Thank you for developing this survey."	2017-09-19 18:31
"Burnie needs to engage more across all age groups"	2017-09-19 18:22

"Why is the tip never open when you want it to be?"	2017-09-19 18:21
"Our leaders need to stand up and be accountable or get out and let some else have a go . I am not sure where our counsellors live but the place is dirty and unloved I can see this why can't they ? How do we attract visitors and new residences to burnie when it's unloved where is our pride in this beautiful part of the world .I know we can fix burnie but we need to wake up to ourselves ."	2017-09-19 18:13
"Thanks for the opportunity!"	2017-09-19 18:12
"No"	2017-09-19 18:10
"Burnie (Emu Bay please!) has fantastic potential. It's a town right on the edge of the sea... the port is fine, ships are fine....it is a fabulous backdrop to a town. The new Bunnings is great but even that seems empty of people and I don't know why..... It's a real shame, as it could be a FABULOUS place and one day I think it will be"	2017-09-19 17:47
"God help us :)"	2017-09-19 17:47
"No"	2017-09-19 17:41
"Need new Council, new ideas"	2017-09-19 17:39
"I would love to help turn it around but where are the community opportunities?"	2017-09-19 17:24
"I think the questions in the survey are worded in a way that channel people into responding how you want. Survey questions should be less guiding."	2017-09-19 17:21

"Burnie can be so much more than it is now - keep moving forward. Don't look behind for the solutions - be innovative, daring and take risks to bring positive change."	2017-09-19 17:12
"Whatever is done it should not involve Burnie City Council getting involved in 'commercial ventures' or 'commercial partnerships'. Council has stuffed up the Point, Burnie Greens and the like - this is not a space for the BCC - it lacks the required business smarts."	2017-09-19 17:10
"no"	2017-09-19 17:05
"The council needs to stop worrying about lining their own pockets like individuals such as Steve Kons has done, and start thinking about the locals that live here and what they can do to make life for the family's more enjoyable"	2017-09-18 21:10
"Burnie has so much potential and the surrounding area...it needs to be looked as a coastal resort town!!! Changed the vibe...and be positive and the council should be encouraging lower rentals...give people a chance to really make a go!!!"	2017-09-18 20:46
"There should be a plaque to Brett Whiteley for his evasiveness and company line attitude when it came to the NBN. He denied everything we're seeing now would be a problem."	2017-09-18 19:01
"No."	2017-09-18 18:19
"No"	2017-09-18 17:56
"What a great idea conducting this survey "	2017-09-18 15:58
"no"	2017-09-18 14:37
"No"	2017-09-18 10:58

"Good luck, hopefully some positive feedback will start conversation and we will move forward and make this place great again"	2017-09-17 10:39
"Burnie needs to double its population and to do that we need more jobs. Government agencies could relocate offices to Burnie like what ATO did 17 years ago."	2017-09-16 17:31
"Burnie is a great innovative city and should be moving forward. Unfortunately some of the residents have no respect for the town. This is evident when looking at litter, cigarette butts lying around, young joins disregarding speed limits and young people loitering around shop entrances. would be great to see Burnie grow again"	2017-09-16 09:57
"no"	2017-09-15 22:40
"Burnie is now filling up with young families in their 30's which is excellent. Council needs to move with the times and Burnie is going to be a VERY desirable location to live in the future....all that beautiful waterfront, stunning farmland, gorgeous gardens, affordable housing, nice beaches, a great modern hospital and a University that is getting larger and servicing the whole west coast.....what more do people need to make a great life for themselves and their children ?"	2017-09-15 12:27
"No"	2017-09-14 22:52
"You are missing a few question opportunities to give a balanced actionable view: What do you Love about living Burnie? How long have you lived in Burnie? Why are you living in Burnie right now? If you have lived elsewhere - why did you come back? "	2017-09-14 20:57
"Good luck with this survey :)"	2017-09-14 19:59
"No "	2017-09-14 15:15
"No thanks"	2017-09-14 14:57

"No"	2017-09-14 14:24
"I think if the council took the people who actually live in Burnie and have lived here awhile into account it would be a much better city"	2017-09-14 14:09
"No"	2017-09-14 13:34
"No more buildings on our foreshore as we are losing our view of the water. Concerned about the UNI building more near west park!"	2017-09-14 13:00
"Burnie just seems to be in limbo, kind of not bad but nothing great. I think the demographic of people in Burnie possibly hold us back from getting with the times"	2017-09-14 12:56
"Find ways to fill all the empty spaces "	2017-09-14 09:59
"no"	2017-09-14 09:20
"No"	2017-09-14 08:45
"The current council are apathetic at best. At worst they are a nightmare to deal with. They don't listen and they are rude. Instead of creating opportunities they do things counter to people's interests and really only serve themselves. A massive overhaul is needed on how they operate."	2017-09-14 08:38
"free parking and empty buildings are the biggest problem facing Burnie"	2017-09-14 08:30
"The price of parking is the biggest issue facing Burnie."	2017-09-14 08:18

"No"	2017-09-14 08:17
"No"	2017-09-14 08:05
"No"	2017-09-14 06:53
"Add more colour.. Not inviting for the entry of Burnie at either end. Update welcome signage. "	2017-09-14 06:05
"Really hope people in Burnie start to stand up and build our city together Most important thing is the council really need to do things for the city"	2017-09-14 00:21
"Seriously looking at relocating my family to Hobart unless Burnie doesn't improve. Rates are going up, services are being cut, cost of living is skyrocketing. The council need to take action not just sit and discuss the issues... listen to the people rather than get offended when suggestions are made. It's about time the police take back the city from these people vandalising and committing crimes, driving good families away."	2017-09-13 23:24
"Something needs to happen soon as Burnie is becoming very sad Live in Burnie, work in Ulverstone"	2017-09-13 22:30
"You blokes complaining all the time about the good old days. You know nothing."	2017-09-13 22:02
"Stop nepotism in the work place, they are pushing good new people out of the area because they can't get a job. Council should've done this survey."	2017-09-13 19:56
"Something seriously needs to be done, before Burnie turns into a ghost town!"	2017-09-13 19:53
"no"	2017-09-13 19:02

"No."	2017-09-13 18:24
"no"	2017-09-13 17:03
"Eventually Burnie and surrounding Councils will need to move to a regional Local Government model. Currently there is not enough political or economic clout generated by 5 small councils acting in their own self interests."	2017-09-13 14:18
"Maybe free parking like ulverstone. Or a parking membership ticket, which could be paid annually and could be display on car. Im always getting tickets. Id rather pay 200 or so a year and park any where. Maybe have a 2 hour max so people wouldn't hog areas . This probably would entice people to shop more leisurely as not rushing to get back to car. Also wider parking places for people with children. "	2017-09-13 09:50
"Involve the community on issues instead of councillors doing what they think is right and some of them being in the pockets of big business a balanced is needed. A healthy community is a community that is listened to and looked after."	2017-09-13 07:51
"Not just in Burnie but overall, i think governments and politicians either need to dramatically lower the prices of everything to match the wages of an average person, eg. Rent, food, clothes, rates, power, water etc or they need to look at the wage award to match the cost of living as it is so people do not have to work so much to make ends meet and can go out and enjoy the community comfortably."	2017-09-13 07:15
"This town sucks, and I don't know if it can be fixed."	2017-09-13 01:57
"No"	2017-09-12 22:20
"No"	2017-09-12 21:05
"No you have them all, just one, parking meters are anti social, just look at ulverstonev main St and penguin main St, they sre thriving"	2017-09-12 20:57

"The times are changing and we need to keep up or get left behind, we need to stop relying on the traditional industry and ways and look outside the Box, to few people controlling to much, and to many people with good ideas to scares to have a go"	2017-09-12 20:56
"I hope the people of burnie get an improvement from this survey."	2017-09-12 20:08
"So glad someone is finally taking the time to see what the community wants"	2017-09-12 19:58
"Good luck.. with Governments and Council attitudes and their stingy financial help to improve the State/listen to the citizens, all of the NW Tassie needs it."	2017-09-12 19:43
"Piles of wood logs/chips just don't look good.. Log trucks ruin the city (noise and sight pollution)"	2017-09-12 18:48
"Loved the survey, thanks, Bob!"	2017-09-12 18:40
"Work out what Burnie is. Don't hold onto localism, it is a word that excludespite. Who ever lives and works here is local. Not just a born and bred."	2017-09-12 18:36
"Layout of this survey is awful on mobile"	2017-09-12 18:22
"Please bcc save burnie before it becomes the next Tasmanian ghost town"	2017-09-12 18:09
"I hope somebody takes the time to read what i have written and show someone who is able to act ..I am happy to discuss my thoughts and ideas with anyone who is prepared to listen rowan cunningham email..installunit@gmail.com"	2017-09-12 17:36
"I hope we can make Burnie better."	2017-09-12 17:28

"Burnie is a shithole"	2017-09-12 17:17
"Also we need a set of traffic lights at the intersection at mount Street and Rosalyn avenue it is ridiculous trying to get in and out of that place particularly at peak hour school times"	2017-09-12 17:15
"Nope."	2017-09-12 03:44
"You asked about empty building. You asked about shopping and parking cost. Ian Jones is correct. Online shopping devastates small business. Rents are commercial in confidence agreements and shop owners are entitled to ensure that they rent to good business and good prospects. Plenty of business has opened and gone bust in 12 months or less leaving the property owner to clean up after. Parking is set to create turnover. Burnie is locked in to its space so needs to charge for parking. Parking does become essential revenue for councils just as speeding fines and traffic violations are essential revenue for state governments. "	2017-09-11 20:10
"Burnie is great place to live but there are are places like Ulverstone that seems to thrive in their shopping etc always busy. Burnie is a little sad in that department"	2017-09-11 19:58
"Burnie has a lot going for it. We just need some smart thinkers to help it shine."	2017-09-11 12:31
". "	2017-09-11 09:11
"No"	2017-09-11 08:48
"I would like the burnie council to listen to what local people want and offer opportunity to local businesses to participate in local events etc"	2017-09-11 08:45

"The blame does not lay entirely with the council. Businesses close down because they cannot afford the upkeep of the store fronts, this is due to both rent/rates AND the people giving them custom. People don't shop in Burnie because there's almost nothing they can't find nicer and cheaper online or in Launceston and Hobart. The population itself isn't enough to upkeep both Upper Burnie and the CBD as full and functional commercial centres. In order to fill these empty stores, potential businesses need to "fill the gap", in which they are the sole local distributors of *something*. These shops need to be filled with whatever is missing from the local community and surrounds, not more hokey-pokey gadget and homewares produce."

2017-09-10 19:16

"Not off top of head"

2017-09-10 13:39

"I have travelled to every state, there are plenty of worse places than Burine to live or bring up a family"

2017-09-10 12:04

"No"

2017-09-10 09:17

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2017-09-10 09:09

"Good survey"

2017-09-10 03:03

"-Promote the Christmas parade more and other events. -Offer prizes for Business shop window, Christmas displays, floats etc -New Christmas decorations for the City, maybe have a Christmas tree on the foreshore, special celebration for turning on the lights/festival late night shopping event Twilight markets on foreshore in Burnie in Summer with wine/cheese tasting etc"

2017-09-09 23:31

"I'm sorry to say, but it's too late for Burnie. There's only one thing that can save Burnie now and that's Luck. If by chance something happens to lift the region and provide employment then we may see a gentle uplift of the town. It's likely that nothing will happen though as we are obviously considered a backwater by the state government. Burnie is destined to continue its downward spiral- there is no money here to provide the injection it really needs and we are so far behind the game that we would be years away from even seeing some sort of respectable community rebuilt through hard work and government backing. The survival of Burnie depends on the prosperity of the NW as a whole. That stretch of water is the biggest problem we have- we need to make it easier for people to come here and spend their money. Let's be honest, it's our fellow Australians across the water who have all the money- get them here spending it. Tourism is our only hope- they need to be able to drive here basically. Build a tunnel or a bridge across the straight in to Northern Tasmania and watch things change- huge employment created and an influx of tourists, not to mention the ease of road-freight in and out of this state all of a sudden, all stimulating Tasmania as a whole and having a flow on effect to Burnie. Sounds crazy I know but it's what it will take to get Burnie and this island as a whole back on track. Without a large scale project to create employment and a long term vision we will never see any change to our current position in the grand scheme of 'Australia'. Bring us in to line with the rest of Australia by joining us by highway. It's the only way."

2017-09-09
23:05

"The Burnie city council are a joke !"

2017-09-09
22:06

"We want our children to live in a place with job opportunities and things for them to do. Burnie dose not offer that much and sadly our love ones move to bigger and better places."

2017-09-09
21:54

"This is a great idea to get the ball rolling..."

2017-09-09
21:41

"No"

2017-09-09
20:35

"No"

2017-09-09
20:14

"Nope"

2017-09-09
20:09

"There is always room for improvement."

2017-09-09
20:03

"There is supposed to be no smoking around the bus stop area in town, but you never see anyone enforcing that, people have to walk along there. Move the groups of undesirables on that hang around outside Kmart and other shops Ulverstone has a weekly market outside Peir 1 why can't Burnie have something similar Offer free try an activity day, like surfing, tennis. Something's don't even have to be free, gold coin donation"

"Fascism is capitalism plus murder!" 2017-09-09 18:48

"Steven Wright for mayor. " 2017-09-09 18:19

"Whilst we blame council unfortunately the people in Burnie do not seem to help themselves much which is a shame. We need to tackle unemployment but then do those unemployed want too?? Would like to mention whilst I currently don't live in Burnie I grew up there, I work there and my children go to school there" 2017-09-09 17:34

"Thanks for taking an interest in our town" 2017-09-09 16:21

"I love living on the outskirts of Burnie, we're very lucky to be able to wander to the beach and not be walking around a thousand other people.....we need more employment opportunities." 2017-09-09 16:04

"I think Burnie is already a fantastic place to live in. Upon visiting other cities including Hobart I can not wait to get home. The council do a fantastic job and work together to get things done. Sure something's take time, they don't happen over night." 2017-09-09 15:17

"No" 2017-09-09 15:14

"No" 2017-09-09 14:33

"Burnie needs a boost badly" 2017-09-09 14:25

"have a community working bee once a year for people to just go out and do a general clean up or rubbish collection and let community members have a say in what needs to happen or what needs cleaning"	2017-09-09 13:25
"Burnie will keep declining unless major changes are made to invite people to our city. Unemployment needs to be looked at, too many dole bludgers, get them working for council cleaning up area."	2017-09-09 11:04
"Parking and high rents is burnies detriment! It was the councils fault Burnie lost so much parking during the street scape. The council caused the issue now they need to fix it at their own cost. Parking metres need to go and the multi-storey car park is the biggest rip off ever"	2017-09-09 09:53
"Thanks for doing this!!!"	2017-09-09 08:04
"No"	2017-09-09 07:48
"I think a lot needs to be changed as I'm seeing the economy declining and people moving due to lack of opportunity and the fact there are limited jobs, education and the mainland offers more option. I find after two years over there they buy an investment here as it's the only way to ever move back and own a property"	2017-09-09 07:36
"No"	2017-09-09 06:51
"Hope there is an outcome from this survey"	2017-09-09 01:35
"I was born in Burnie and have lived here on/off my whole life. The town seems to have died over the last 20 years, even the Burnie Park is not what it once was.... the council really needs to start asking the residents, instead of making decisions without resident input. Even though we are moving, we are renting our house..as one day we hope to return when our children are independent adults."	2017-09-08 23:56
"No"	2017-09-08 23:44

"I'm a young adult myself and have lived in Burnie my entire life. I have seen shops come and go, many facelifts of town and the one thing I think dwells with most is boredom. The idea of a name change ?! Why was that even news ? Some of the ideas coming from the alderman are idealistic at best and yet some ideas aren't too bad. Just feels that the ideas that go forward aren't engaged with the people that really want it. Example.. The calisthenic gym equipment installed on the east side of the surf club.. yes it's there "	2017-09-08 23:38
"No"	2017-09-08 22:46
"Government grants for cheaper housing purchasing specific to our postcode would help attract young people to move back here"	2017-09-08 21:55
"Answered ."	2017-09-08 21:49
"How about new xmas decorations instead of the tired dirty ones which go up each year they are always the same"	2017-09-08 21:42
"No"	2017-09-08 21:15
"No"	2017-09-08 20:57
"By getting rid of parking meters ppl would probably stop going to Ulverstone and wynyard plus a bigger coles supermarket"	2017-09-08 20:13
"Encourage new business, development & private entrepreneurs. Make development a positive process (with in guidelines)"	2017-09-08 20:10
"Don't give up do more Align our house prices to mainland our prices are way too cheap compared to any other city by the sea"	2017-09-08 19:54

"Nah"	2017-09-08 19:48
"Burnie could become exciting again by either lowering or offering free parking (like Ulverstone & wynyard) Offering fun entertainment like ten pin bowling, go carts, putt putt golf & roller skating. To stop MORE businesses closing down just make their rent more affordable. Put in a few novelty shops & something like JB HiFi which will attract MANY people"	2017-09-08 19:39
"No"	2017-09-08 19:19
"No"	2017-09-08 19:07
"Its good you're asking."	2017-09-08 19:02
"Burnie is dying fast my son has an apprenticeship but when he's finished we are moving"	2017-09-08 18:59
"no"	2017-09-08 18:56
"A revamp of the NYE event it is getting dated. Keep improving the waterfront and make the most of our beautiful coastline."	2017-09-08 18:45
"Good luck"	2017-09-08 18:39
"There needs to be a strong focus of the long term prosperity of burnie. Too much time is wasted on short term options."	2017-09-08 18:30
"Dale elphinstone has done so much for Burnie."	2017-09-08 18:23

"No"	2017-09-08 18:08
"Not really"	2017-09-08 18:00
"people who run burnie need pull their heads out of their arses"	2017-09-08 17:35
"No"	2017-09-08 16:58
"No"	2017-09-08 16:51
"Thankyou for taking the time to do this i hope changes will happen"	2017-09-08 15:56
"No"	2017-09-08 15:21
"We need fresh ideas and new blood on our Council. There are too many who sit on their laurels and collect a massive pay check for doing sweet FA."	2017-09-08 15:09
"NA"	2017-09-08 15:01
"No"	2017-09-08 14:54
"We should 'nt be paying for water..."	2017-09-08 14:26

"\"	2017-09-08 14:21
"Burnie city council needs to wake up and have a good look around. They need to start asking local families what they want."	2017-09-08 12:35
"Burnie has been through some tough times before...we willpull thru"	2017-09-08 12:19
"Not at present"	2017-09-08 12:04
"The only person that wants to hear our opinions is ken doesy! He wants to make burnie better and actually listen to the people unlike all the other too big headed ones who only want the big pay and have their heads up there own bums"	2017-09-08 11:29
"Cheaper parking"	2017-09-08 11:13
"We definitely need more industry to create employment, employment creates other employment by way of shops and other industries. We need more jobs to keep people here. I think this is the biggest issue Burnie is facing."	2017-09-08 10:54
"No"	2017-09-08 10:04
"Buses running on fun theme nights to avoid parking stresses"	2017-09-08 08:30
"No"	2017-09-08 06:15
"Not at this stage"	2017-09-08 00:33

"None"	2017-09-07 22:49
"We have a beautiful position her on the coast we should be playing on these strenghts attracting the huge number of tourists that frequent our state now. We need fresh ideas and a council thats prepared to go outside the box. "	2017-09-07 22:36
"No"	2017-09-07 22:05
"I appreciate the work that the council do to keep footpaths etc in CBD clean"	2017-09-07 22:00
"Thank you for undertaking this survey. I hope that the results will be analyzed, and then taken on board by the Burnie City Council."	2017-09-07 21:18
"Good luck"	2017-09-07 21:00
"More presence is required of the mayor and alderman in town. I only ever see Steve kons and ken dorsey on the streets talking to burnie residents the others.seem to sit on their laurels"	2017-09-07 20:51
"..."	2017-09-07 20:43
"Good luck to you. Burnie has much potential to become a fine place to live and play!"	2017-09-07 20:31
"Youth need more oppurtunties and innexpensive entertainment"	2017-09-07 20:17
"No"	2017-09-07 20:06

"Burnie sucks. A place you actually move away from to have a life. Sorry truth hurts sometimes."	2017-09-07 19:39
"N/a"	2017-09-07 19:35
"It is not a community council..In it for there own pockets... Burnie has the highest Rates in Tasmania after our capital Hobart... come on really should it be that high. WHAT DO THEY GIVE US 4 IT... 4 tip passes"	2017-09-07 19:33
"No"	2017-09-07 19:29
"Burnie is a beautiful place I came from the tropics to here in 2009. I researched alot before we came. It is our home we love it"	2017-09-07 19:24
"No thank you, I have said everything "	2017-09-07 19:19
"Burnie is doomed and stuck in an ever worsening cycle of drugs and desperation"	2017-09-07 18:56
"No"	2017-09-07 18:47
"Family family family ENTERTAINMENT... fun park..."	2017-09-07 18:44
"Many medical professionals come here for short term contracts, say they love the place but don't stay. Maybe try to follow up with some of them?,"	2017-09-07 18:44
"Not really"	2017-09-07 18:32

"The council needs to make changes before Burnie turns into trash"	2017-09-07 18:17
"No"	2017-09-07 17:34
"Mount St outside Centro, is an absolute disgrace. Stinks of stale cigarettes. Police walking the streets would be a bonus, might stop some of the drug dealing that goes on in the unused Centro carpark ramp."	2017-09-07 17:24
"The future is always bright if enough people want to make it that way."	2017-09-07 16:54
"✖"	2017-09-07 16:33
"not really. we do a lot of shopping in Ulverstone and Devonport and sometimes travel to Launceston or Hobart."	2017-09-07 16:18
"I do love Burnie, but as an ex-mainlander I sorely miss having access to a wider variety of healthcare providers, universities, cafes, and a better night life. Burnie doesn't have to be the next Melbourne or Sydney by any means, but it needs to modernise to keep young people here."	2017-09-07 16:15
"Burnie isn't a city."	2017-09-07 16:13
"Burnie needs to improve or change, otherwise it will turn into a ghost town within the next 10-20 years."	2017-09-07 15:40
"No"	2017-09-07 15:39
"This is my home town. I do not want to live anywhere else. I am sad at its decline. I hope the future improves so we can thrive."	2017-09-07 15:34

"I love Burnie and it's people, but the council doesn't seem to care about revitalization in the CBD. 2017-
Other nearby towns don't penalize shoppers for coming to town like Burnie. The council seems 09-07
completely out of touch with how to attract business and keep people coming to town." 15:13

"No" 2017-
09-07
14:59

"I'm genuinely scared to have and raise kids in the community I live in at the moment, isn't that
just sad. From disgusting and abusive neighbours, to teen bullies who go unpunished, to thieves 2017-
who get away with it, people that drive their cars into the paths of oncoming traffic or do a 09-07
'burnout' and end up killing innocent bystanders. Why would I want to bring a child into this 14:55
community and have to deal with not only those actions but those actions going unpunished and
its only getting worse. Time to shape up Burnie!"

"I hope to see Burnie grow business wise and not continue to decline" 2017-
09-07
14:32

"Something needs to be done to increase employment this is really the only way to turn Burnie 2017-
back around." 09-07
14:29

"I would like for Burnie to get back to being a good place to raise your family and I feel we are 2017-
getting further and further away from that, with the lack of opportunities for our children and the 09-07
mentalities of many around here" 13:59

"N" 2017-
09-07
13:55

"No." 2017-
09-07
13:32

"We need innovation and technology to get us going forward" 2017-
09-07
13:29

"More jobs" 2017-
09-07
13:21

"Need to breathe some life into the town. It's old and drab and boring"	2017-09-07 13:04
"No"	2017-09-07 12:32
"I'm enjoying living in Burnie. I love all of the walking tracks. It's just a shame that broken glass seems to remain on paths."	2017-09-07 11:36
"No"	2017-09-07 10:50
"We have the best place in Australia to live yet we are not doing enough to promote it and to help those that are trying to make it work! Think about tourism...maybe try and attract a 4/5 star hotel to build here?"	2017-09-07 10:45
"No"	2017-09-07 10:26
."	2017-09-07 10:08
"Burnie has the opportunity to grow into a large productive city if we add things that will encourage others to come and shop or visit like Hobart has the Luke Jackson fight which attracts people from Australia to come watch"	2017-09-07 10:02
"Love living in Burnie. Needs more youth services"	2017-09-07 09:47
"Not today"	2017-09-07 09:15
"As mentioned prior"	2017-09-07 08:44

"No"	2017-09-07 08:34
"Think I've said enough hey lol"	2017-09-07 08:17
"I love Burnie It's safe compared to other bigger cities. The coast line is amazing! It's not all bad living here"	2017-09-07 08:14
"No thank you"	2017-09-07 08:04
"I have summed up my thoughts"	2017-09-07 06:48
"I think I've summed t up"	2017-09-07 06:39
"There needs to be more excitement for those coming to Burnie on cruise ships so they spend their money here and more incentives for local business owners to also shop locally further boosting local economy. Developing a system for local business owners to also sell online as a collective group could be good too."	2017-09-07 06:34
"If only a large manufacturer could replace APPM - Burnie could get back to what it once was"	2017-09-07 05:30
"more small businesses should be encouraged to offer alternatives to multi nationals."	2017-09-07 00:37
"No"	2017-09-07 00:36

"The disrespect that Council have towards community groups that regularly contribute (Burnie Brass Band - since 1891 & Burnie Surf Club since 1921) is appalling and shows they have little regard for what makes a Community. This needs to change before we all become selfish individuals who have no care for our fellow citizens, or no care in making a contribution to the society in which we live."	2017-09-07 00:23
"No"	2017-09-07 00:20
"N"	2017-09-07 00:20
"We are screwed unless drastic change for more employment and entertainment and tourist attraction is sorted. And clean up the bogans and druggies. And the town needs a face lift all round town looks ugly."	2017-09-07 00:10
"How can we increase property value? All equity has been lost in the continuing decline of market prices."	2017-09-07 00:00
"Thanks for seeking my opinion."	2017-09-06 23:44
"No"	2017-09-06 23:38
"No"	2017-09-06 23:33
"Industries change, Burnie isn't what it once was but that's OK. We don't need to change the city because it will inevitably develop itself and change people's minds"	2017-09-06 23:33
"Na"	2017-09-06 23:30
"BURNIE WOODCHIP PILE IS THE TOURISM HIGHLIGHT OF AUSTRALIA "	2017-09-06 23:30

"Try to bring some artists to the BAFC that young people would enjoy."	2017-09-06 23:26
"What a shame... Burnie is such a beautiful place... I'm moving to Qld because there is things to do there and it's not a hole!"	2017-09-06 23:19
"Burnie have great stores like Cotton On, Intersport, cafe selection, Red Herring, fish Frenzy! Just great things that people love! We need a locked in Business for the Old Cotton on and Bakers Dozen buildings in the Kmart plaza that are different and exciting for all ages! We need to get that beach front concert up and happening that was cancelled due to lack of preparation and professionalism! Burnie are on the up but we must never be satisfied!"	2017-09-06 23:19
"People will just keep traveling to other more diverse places if Burnie doesn't step up and stop living in the dark ages. Most people work Monday to Friday. Kids have sporting events Saturdays. Leaves parents with no 'real' time to do anything."	2017-09-06 23:14
"Let's build on what we have and make Burnie thrive"	2017-09-06 23:11
"Why hasent the council attempted to gather these kinds of ideas etc itself. I am also passionate about burnie. Contact me on Lucas.haines@hotmail.com if you want more ideas"	2017-09-06 23:11
"Good luck and thank you"	2017-09-06 23:11
"Burnie could be a great town again with some guidance"	2017-09-06 23:10
"Not really"	2017-09-06 23:10
"Stop the negativity!! Burnie is a great place "	2017-09-06 23:09
"That we as a community need to be involved and support each other"	2017-09-06 23:05

"With Christmas season fast approaching, get rid of those now daggy recycled bin liner Angels at every entrance to the city, actually new decorations altogether. Also a mall would be great."	2017-09-06 22:57
"I love Burnie and wouldnt live any where else. I feel there is a significant drug problem here. Burnie needs a new identity something to draw tourists here . We can be the gateway to the wonderful North West."	2017-09-06 22:55
"No"	2017-09-06 22:47
"Put parking spaces along the beach front where the concrete blocks were taken out. Block entrances from motorbikes to all walkways parks etc"	2017-09-06 22:33
"Make hospital parking free.."	2017-09-06 22:32
"I love living in the Burnie area but we need to inject life into this beautiful city by the sea! Diversity is the answer. Not more of the same. Paint the grey walls put some colour back into the place pretty the old girl up!"	2017-09-06 22:29
"If changes aren't made soon it will be a case of last one out turn off the lights"	2017-09-06 22:19
"No"	2017-09-06 22:18
"Thanks for letting us have a say."	2017-09-06 22:01
"No"	2017-09-06 21:57
"Ban smoking in town"	2017-09-06 21:51

"We need to attract more residents, higher population will bring the need for more services, jobs, education etc"	2017-09-06 21:47
"I sadly believe Burnie will never recover to how it used to be until another large employer sets up in Burnie, with the pulp gone and caterpillar the unemployment in Burnie has skyrocketed and as we all know high unemployment brings with it all sorts of other social issues that Burnie is now experiencing"	2017-09-06 21:44
"Burnie is beautiful, every place in Australia is doing it tough at the moment"	2017-09-06 21:43
"No"	2017-09-06 21:33
"pretty much said it all"	2017-09-06 20:51
"Rates parking building rent all seem to be going up and up but not seeing any results for all that money, and seriously 2 markets on the same weekend wtf and the council thinking pull your head out of your ass , thanks for taking the time to see what the real people are wanting , I could go on tip prices too dear and stupid opening hours"	2017-09-06 20:49
"Form a team to drive what's in Burnies interest Come up with a fix or plan, get community and government support. and buy in from local industries, start with a small project that has some impact and grow from there"	2017-09-06 20:43
"Clean out the non productive workers from the council. Too many sit around up at the works station on three mile line."	2017-09-06 20:01
"No"	2017-09-06 19:58
"I hope my thoughts are placed into consideration"	2017-09-06 19:19
"Good on you for this survey, proactive, not just whinging like me."	2017-09-06 18:53

"Burnie has become a town of bogans - which has been reinforced for me when I have to excuse local behaviour when showing visitors around the local area."	2017-09-06 18:52
"No"	2017-09-06 17:54
"It's past my dinner time ."	2017-09-06 17:42
"Cement or bitumen the romain dam track"	2017-09-06 17:32
"We need new councillors as the one there are there for themselves need change"	2017-09-06 17:26
"Thanks for caring enough to make this survey"	2017-09-06 16:58
"I love Burnie and think it needs to grow in more positive ways"	2017-09-06 16:13
"We moved to Burnie 13 years ago as we felt it was a growing and lively city. There has been a very noticeable decline in Burnie over the last five years. It's quite sad really."	2017-09-06 16:06
"_"	2017-09-06 15:55
"Burnie city council planning department have a lot to answer for in terms of the lack of building/developments in Burnie. The amount of absolute garbage that you have to go through in order to build is a disgrace, and particular members of the Burnie city council planning and building departments need to be looked in to. The barriers the general population face is enough to turn anyone away from the town. And with this comes the loss of employment opportunities for builders and a myriad of trades/retail. It's an absolute disgrace!!!"	2017-09-06 15:50

"No"	2017-09-06 15:19
"No"	2017-09-06 15:18
"Burnie is going ok, new pool is working well and utilised by many. Need to make the most of our spaces and assets, especially the foreshore to drag people into town with events to participate in."	2017-09-06 15:08
"No"	2017-09-06 14:59
"I'm a 39yo male. Born and raised in Burnie. I remember our hope filled times of plenty. And I've seen our slow decline. We have a beautiful little town here. The North/ West Coast should be the envy of the state, and we were. But we've slowly become the joke... The black sheep, the pimple... I know this can be reversed and Burnie, in particular, will be envied again... But not without looking outside the box for solutions. If the situation is to change, first, WE need to change."	2017-09-06 14:29
"In a while I think Burnie is a great city it's just a shame that it's dying"	2017-09-06 14:18
"Stop trying to sell the community as retail giant, the future is in education not in tourism We talk it up but it is not real"	2017-09-06 14:15
"First chance I get I'd would move from Burnie."	2017-09-06 13:56
"Most of the council aldermen do not put up motions, they are meant to lead but don't know how. They are retired set warmers at best."	2017-09-06 13:47
"No"	2017-09-06 13:40

"D"	2017-09-06 13:26
"Burnie Is Shit and I'm Getting Out Of Here Once My Lease Is Up"	2017-09-06 13:14
"..."	2017-09-06 13:14
"I've been here in Burnie all my life, it was a very busy place in the 80s-2000 odd. Since the paper mill closure, tioxide and Caterpillar, Burnie has died and council are to busy listening to the wrong people to fix the issue."	2017-09-06 13:08
"Yes, it's very much appreciated the survey you're providing for feedback. Thank you."	2017-09-06 12:58
"No"	2017-09-06 12:56
"Start communicating with the stakeholders, those who like Burnie and want to be proud of it. "	2017-09-06 12:47
"All it will take is a few small changes to make this town good again.... the ripple effect. Go Bob!"	2017-09-06 12:45
"Local government should not be used as a conduit to a political life. People who take this avenue become councillors for their own selfish reasons rather than being there to represent and assist the ratepayers."	2017-09-06 12:37
"Good luck"	2017-09-06 12:36
"no"	2017-09-06 12:36

"No"	2017-09-06 12:35
"No that about covers it"	2017-09-06 12:27
"Vote 1 Bob Tolputt"	2017-09-06 12:17
"Action needs to be taken not just talked about and that comes from the levels of government, the government that forgets it is paid to represent we the people. Burnie is not a back water, welfare, bogan, ghost town and deserves to treated better and spoken about better than it is. Tired of hearing 'I hate Burnie' 'full of bogans' 'nothing there, no reason to go there' 'best thing about Burnie is seeing it in the rear view mirror"	2017-09-06 12:03
"Many people have grown up here so want to stay in the area but employment just doesn't make that possible."	2017-09-06 11:55
"We as a family have decided to Leave Tasmania and a lot has to do with the way Burnie is going down hill..."	2017-09-06 11:31
"We all as a community need to join in, stop blaming others and take some responsibility for our own actions. There is employment out there, it may not be what you want, but it will be a start. Stop abusing the system and really try to get your life on track, set goals and give the next generation something to look forward to, not be afraid of."	2017-09-06 11:29
"I have discovered the Lizard? Parents and baby area but it's limited times and often closed)due to volunteer shortages? Need something like this to be looked into more and have more options for new mum's w little babies"	2017-09-06 11:04
"Burnie is a fantastic place"	2017-09-06 10:28
"Burnie City council need to get there head out of the sand and take a good look at wider prospect of this city. Not waste money on ridiculous ideas."	2017-09-06 10:15

"Have been in burnie area for 47 years and itd sad to see it go down the ghost town road maybe the dumbest mayor could stop worrying about state run to politics and more focus on burnie"

2017-09-06 10:06

"I love Burnie. I love Tassie. Burnie is a safe community, occasionally brought down by dickheads who ruin things for everyone else. But I would love to see more buskers on the street, and encore doing free singing or acts in town. Get the schools involved with friendly markets in town and advertising to send their kids there. Make it a smoke free zone. I would love to see the cops out and about more. Even general security at school.times for those few who ruin it for everyone else. And longer parking. Parking on the streets should have the option of going into 3 he parking. 1 hr is sometimes not.enough"

2017-09-06 10:00

"Burnie has come a long way since the pulp days. It is looking more beautiful. Hopefully this survey will generate some outcomes to launch Burnie into an even better future."

2017-09-06 10:00

"More scrutiny is required before money's are spent on questionable projects"

2017-09-06 09:50

"If we don't do something now, Burnie won't be here in 10 years!"

2017-09-06 09:44

"Its going to take time and planning and radical changes. Investment for the long haul. Council and businesses need to be prepared to build it and wait for people to come."

2017-09-06 09:30

"I still have a major beef about the token gift of prized crowned land to a university/business. After completing my grad cert at uni I am less inclined to have any association with the makers workshop etc with such an under handed deal. When there is a perfectly good facility & land near by for the extension of accommodation & educational purposes. Also the Burnie surf club dilemma."

2017-09-06 09:27

"This is one of the most beautiful places I've seen and we are not making the most of the opportunities. We need to keep our children here with jobs and better education opportunities. We need to attract new people into the district. We need open minded discussion and planning for the future and to re invent ourselves as a viable city. Like it or not, we can no longer run on the back of the timber/paper industry. We have to get over it, move on and find a new direction and the state government should fund and prop up viable industries as it has done for the forestry industry for so many years"

2017-09-06 09:26

"no"

2017-09-06 08:59

"The number of empty shops in the CBD is not a reflection of the overall economy of Burnie. Industries such as dairy processing, horticulture, forestry, manufacturing and transport/logistics are thriving."	2017-09-06 08:55
"I love Burnie and promote it every chance I get The transformation over the years still amazes me We just need to build on and improve the great city we have"	2017-09-06 08:51
"Plan for the future but live for today"	2017-09-06 08:46
"Run the council business as a business , not a charity."	2017-09-06 08:37
"Let's get a whole new council body!"	2017-09-06 08:36
"stop all the arty farty waste of money on things like those stupid city of burnie rusty metal sighs and the pulp displays for a pulp we dont have anymore. attract large business like elphinstone and the pulp and tioxide that used to be here. and please dont follow these mainland foreshore ideas or devonports living city plan - its a bit of a job for the boys thing with people on the development group owning the companies that are constructing it"	2017-09-06 08:34
"No"	2017-09-06 08:30
"Give us a reason to stay. There is nothing keeping people here"	2017-09-06 08:22
"Burnie needs help and shouldn't be to proud to ask for it. Thank you for the opportunity to have a say"	2017-09-06 08:06
"Excellent potential"	2017-09-06 08:04
"No thank you"	2017-09-06 07:50

"No"	2017-09-06 07:30
"I think its a great idea to try to rally the reidents of Burnie together to try and bring it back to it's full glory"	2017-09-06 07:27
"Time for Dow to go, the social experiment is over "	2017-09-06 07:26
"No we are moving from Burnie in 4 weeks mainly for the healthcare reasons and job opportunity"	2017-09-06 07:25
"No time to answer- 3 kids need breakfast!!!"	2017-09-06 07:24
"It's easy to blame others (council, government, national businesses), it's harder to ask what we can do better to improve our own lot."	2017-09-06 07:22
"A kick start is needed but unfortunately I don't know what it is"	2017-09-06 07:09
"No"	2017-09-06 06:56
"Id like to see Burnie be the amazing town it was once. Busy happy people"	2017-09-06 06:55
"Burnie can't be known as the paper city, this part of our history has been and gone. We should be known as an adventure hub, we have amazing world class natural history on our door step. We need a New image."	2017-09-06 06:53
"No"	2017-09-06 06:43

"No"	2017-09-06 06:35
"More police presence on the street walking cracking down on drugs in our clubs here it is so bad it's everywhere in our clubs our kids tell us what is going"	2017-09-06 06:33
"Burnie needs major help to get back on its feet"	2017-09-06 06:26
"The council is strangling the town (has strangled)"	2017-09-06 06:23
"Something's got to change"	2017-09-06 06:19
"Burnie would be a great place to work/shop but they lack variety. I would much prefer going to larger places with more variety than shop in Burnie"	2017-09-06 06:11
"I lived in Melbourne for 10 years. The NW Coast truly is an amazing part of the world. We take it for granted! Support local!"	2017-09-06 06:05
"No thanks"	2017-09-06 05:52
"More programs/entertainment for youth to get them off the streets"	2017-09-06 05:27
"We lack a sense of vibrancy, community and purpose. Engage people, cut through red tape. Have a unique selling point!"	2017-09-06 05:24
"I have traveled to a lot of places all over the world and while there are beautiful and rich in history Burnie is still home. I believe our council does all they can for us but unfortunately there is only so much money to go around and it can't all be spent on fun things like community events it needs to go towards maintaining our roads and upgrading our tip facility. Many people do not understand this and it is unfortunate."	2017-09-06 05:17

"Moving our family away from Burnie - to a nicer place with more opportunities (especially for our children) - is always on our mind. Affordable property price is probably the only thing that has kept us here - and even this is getting out of control."	2017-09-06 04:35
"Its a pensioner tpwn"	2017-09-06 03:57
"We need more options for nights out i.e bars or clubs"	2017-09-06 03:08
"No"	2017-09-06 03:02
"Burnie has changed dramatically over the years, and it worries me about my children's future in what is already a ghost town."	2017-09-06 02:35
"People need reasons to feel proud of their city. This helps reduce vandalism and other destructive behaviour."	2017-09-06 02:34
"Thanks for asking these questions"	2017-09-06 02:30
"Thanks for asking."	2017-09-06 01:59
": "	2017-09-06 01:58
"I'd love to get involved with making a difference in our state. I hope this helps gets the ball rolling."	2017-09-06 01:38
"Something needs to be done to fix this ghost town!"	2017-09-06 01:34

"Good job"	2017-09-06 01:11
"No"	2017-09-06 01:10
"Try and make burnie a better place"	2017-09-06 00:37
"No"	2017-09-06 00:30
"Nil"	2017-09-06 00:30
"Burnie has great potential, it just needs to be nurtured and cultivated!"	2017-09-06 00:27
"Get rid of politicians. Local, state and federal."	2017-09-06 00:12
"I hope you get something going for doing this GOOD ON YOU"	2017-09-06 00:08
"I want a reason to stay. The city by the sea needs to up its game. There is as inage for the waterfront precinct. WHAT? WHERE? make it real."	2017-09-05 23:48
"No"	2017-09-05 23:42
"Get the Burnie council to crack down on abandoned properties in our suburbs. They are unsightly and more importantly they are dangerous by attracting the wrong people. The neighbours have to put up with it and feel unsafe in their own homes. The council does nothing when locals raise concerns or make a complaint to them."	2017-09-05 23:34

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"No"	2017-09-05 23:27
"Something needs to change as Burnie is not what it used to be. After living away for 5 years and coming home to start a family of my own I realized how far behind Burnie is and the people outside Kmart don't help the image! There needs to be more activities and events for all ages!"	2017-09-05 23:25
"It's time we invest in the future."	2017-09-05 23:23
"Very scary and unwelcoming place"	2017-09-05 23:20
"No"	2017-09-05 23:19
"Would be nice if our tax paying money would go to good uses, not just decorating Burnie."	2017-09-05 23:12
"There is not enough investment into generating income into the community"	2017-09-05 23:09
"The time to act is now No point having a 20/20 vision if the town is bereft of people and money by then "	2017-09-05 23:05
"Why are the rates in Burnie equivalent to those in major capital cities? They have increased from \$1100 per year including water now the same is \$2500. In 10 years a rough 125% increase, why?"	2017-09-05 23:01
"Burnie currently lacks a sense of community"	2017-09-05 22:59

"No"	2017-09-05 22:58
"I think this is a very good survey and I hope something comes of it"	2017-09-05 22:54
"Congratulations on the improvements to the park at the beach near Fish Frenzy. Looks vibrant and is a beautiful space for families."	2017-09-05 22:54
"No"	2017-09-05 22:51
"I hope that the majority of people don't use this survey to throw negative unuseful information at you. I love Burnie and there has been a lot of really positive change in the last 20yrs or so"	2017-09-05 22:43
"We have a beautiful bay, fernglade reserve. Burnie needs to embrace it's environment and make it a place everyone needs to see. Burnie could also work on its presentation of its history, walking tours, information boards etc."	2017-09-05 22:40
"Make Burnie cleaner"	2017-09-05 22:39
"I'd like to move away from Burnie asap."	2017-09-05 22:38
"There really is nothing here for children, 1 park that that is pretty bad and doesn't cater for all ages. There are children in this world as there is nothing for them here"	2017-09-05 22:38
"Burnie is better than it was 20 years ago, but is going through a dip again recently. We need to provide the youth with more to do"	2017-09-05 22:34
"Anita Dow is a boring mayor !! Get a vibrant council"	2017-09-05 22:32

"No."	2017-09-05 22:29
"The pool is so damn cold and not worth paying to go in and freeze"	2017-09-05 22:29
"No"	2017-09-05 22:28
"Its just really sad to see empty streets empty shops and the tumble weeds rolling down the streets of what once was a thriving metropolis "	2017-09-05 22:26
"No"	2017-09-05 22:25
"No"	2017-09-05 22:24
"No"	2017-09-05 22:20
"I've lived here for just over one year so can only relate a short experience of Burnie."	2017-09-05 22:19
"Burnie has potential but with less businesses and more bogans it's slowly deteriorating. I do like the idea of the ping pong tables providing the equipment don't get stolen and I like the beach front as it's family friendly and a nice summer hangout place"	2017-09-05 22:18
"No "	2017-09-05 22:17
"Good survey. Good luck with it."	2017-09-05 22:13

"we should be making the most of tourism"	2017-09-05 22:12
"the night clubs have a bad reputation for fights which doesn't promote a healthy enviroment for young people to visit our town"	2017-09-05 22:12
"No"	2017-09-05 22:11
"Would be nice to see burnie go from old person to catering for all, we have the care industry - which leads onto cafes ect, but no family feeling . We need to cater for families a time zone amusement - a Myer shopping complex - a Harris scarf."	2017-09-05 22:09
"Our council is terrible. Not a member of the surf club but am disgusted they are thinking of taking the club off them. We need more family events and seriously the smoking in the CBD is the reason I do not shop there"	2017-09-05 22:09
"Maybe the mall area cleaned up with more chairs eatry area. Burnie just isn't welcoming - it's get in get out."	2017-09-05 22:05
"Lets make changes"	2017-09-05 22:05
"I believe that it is ridiculous that we have so many councils in such a small geographic area... I believe this leads to lack of cohesion across the coast. I understand that the cradle coast authority was designed to take on some of this role but I am not sure how successful This is at improving life for people on the coast and specifically in Burnie"	2017-09-05 22:04
"The Burnie Olympic Pool facility is fabulous - i have now become a regular user. I also utilise the boardwalk to Wivenohoe & bike/walkway between Burnie & Cooee - its great. Glad to see Yacht club foreshore steps fixed. A major concern is the market held there - it should be held at show grounds as it has appropriate parking etc"	2017-09-05 22:04
"Very annoyed that bcc are still more worried about their own agenda and wasting money on rubbish eg removing a wall in the council chambers that a normal business would of just worked around as financially it's not necessary. They need to stop blocking and opening up our zoning issues to get around things so we can welcome in new business."	2017-09-05 22:02

"If you're running for council, good luck with it."	2017-09-05 22:01
"No, thank you for giving me the opportunity to voice my opinion."	2017-09-05 22:01
"Nope"	2017-09-05 21:58
"Empty shops could be leased for low rent to budding artists to bring interest to the town and truly make it a 'City of Makers'."	2017-09-05 21:57
"Lots. Our council need to be more seen. Pretty hard to read that they make more money than most councilman in the state but nothing really seems to be happening to justify their wage (cost) I hope that this survey really does get people listening and discussing issue. We really do need to shake it up a bit..."	2017-09-05 21:55
"Burnie needs to be constantly progressing forwards, constantly building. Don't spend money on focus groups, spend time with the community, we're free and happy to share our opinions and visions for the community that WE want to be a part of."	2017-09-05 21:55
"Burnie is not that bad. The city is what you make it. Jobs are there if you put in effort. Stop blaming the council for stuff"	2017-09-05 21:54
"No"	2017-09-05 21:54
"Council need to allow more community input when voting on events in and around burnie and remember times have changed and fresh new ideas aren't always a bad thing"	2017-09-05 21:53
"I fear if things continue the way they going now, our young people will have no choice but to move away"	2017-09-05 21:53
"No. But I hope we can find a way to make Burnie vibrant again."	2017-09-05 21:51

"No"	2017-09-05 21:51
"Please help our community with employment opportunities, mental health services, education qualities provided and self worth"	2017-09-05 21:51
"None"	2017-09-05 21:50
"Nope"	2017-09-05 21:50
"No"	2017-09-05 21:49
"No"	2017-09-05 21:49
"Nope."	2017-09-05 21:46
"Not at this stage"	2017-09-05 21:45
"No"	2017-09-05 21:44
"Thanks"	2017-09-05 21:44
"None"	2017-09-05 21:43

"It's full of creative inventive people who are slowed down by red tape etc."	2017-09-05 21:39
"No"	2017-09-05 21:37
"No"	2017-09-05 21:37
"Great job Bob."	2017-09-05 21:35
"No"	2017-09-05 21:35
"No"	2017-09-05 21:33
"Good Luck with wanting to make change! Let's hope this survey begins some new conversations!"	2017-09-05 21:33
"No"	2017-09-05 21:32
"No"	2017-09-05 21:28
"Encourage new business, create more jobs, lower rent and get the empty shops filled. There's nothing to look forward to in Burnie."	2017-09-05 21:27
"No"	2017-09-05 21:27

"So much negativity around the place we all should help in getting our little town back on track ."	2017-09-05 21:27
"Currently I'm seeing very little in terms of progress happening from the BCC so at this point I'd be happy to see anything change. From someone who has fond memories of the village green fair as a child, is there a reason this sort of event is no longer happening?"	2017-09-05 21:26
"No"	2017-09-05 21:26
"Would love to see the city improve so our children can stay here instead of having to leave to find suitable employment opportunities"	2017-09-05 21:23
"Guys come on, this is Tasmania. Burnie is on the coast, we have good produce, a growing number of distilleries, wineries, breweries and amazing food places. There is so much opportunity and it shouldn't be wasted on shiploads, reject shops and freakin Kmart! Let's get some class!!!"	2017-09-05 21:20
"Get rid of the council and start again."	2017-09-05 21:17
"I think there has been change in the burnie community with sporting venues .. The burnie Aquatic centre is a fantastic facility .. it surprises me the people who haven't yet used it .. Have been involved as a volunteer in the community for a non for profit sporting organisation .. the council where supportive for us a the time .."	2017-09-05 21:15
"The new swimming pool is too cold. Rates are ridiculous Parking too dear"	2017-09-05 21:15
"No"	2017-09-05 21:06
"UNFORTUNATELY ONLINE SHOPPING HAS KILLED A LOT OF TRADE IN ALL ASPECTS OF RETAIL ONLY FAST FOOD AND COFFEE WILL SURVIVE"	2017-09-05 21:00
"Council need to think 'out if the square' and take some risks"	2017-09-05 20:58

"Nothing that's appropriate"	2017-09-05 20:58
"I love living on the NW Coast. Life is what you make it, wherever you are."	2017-09-05 20:58
"No"	2017-09-05 20:55
"I love this town. But including myself....most of us are lazy aholes. Including everyone at the council. Can't be bothereds run high in Burnie unfortunately."	2017-09-05 20:50
"Burnie is slow and boring for the most part. Great for the elderly, and a safe place to raise kids I guess. But there really are no opportunities. To do anything fun, or get any type of experience, you need to travel!"	2017-09-05 20:49
"Burnie is frustrating. What have Devonport done to seemingly continue to grow and get new business and opportunity? Maybe a place to start looking for ideas to improve."	2017-09-05 20:46
"No."	2017-09-05 20:43
"What can the BCC do? It would need to be infrastructure. Idea - widen cbd footpaths, make space for casual seating, single lane-one way traffic."	2017-09-05 20:36
"No"	2017-09-05 20:32
"New thoughts should be heard "	2017-09-05 20:31
"None"	2017-09-05 20:31

"I am not a Burnie native but through job opportunity moved here and have made my life and home in our city. I think we have a great city with so many things to celebrate it just seems so much is focused on the negative."	2017-09-05 20:30
"Burnie needs to have a better brand amongst fellow Tasmanians."	2017-09-05 20:27
"..."	2017-09-05 20:27
"Yes become a "can do" city, not a negative, gimme, gimme, culture"	2017-09-05 20:22
"Personally I'd just like to see crime and drug issues addressed more directly and openly by the entire community. Other than that the community and council are doing a pretty good job."	2017-09-05 20:19
"No ... Burnie is a has been city/town"	2017-09-05 20:18
"Good luck!"	2017-09-05 20:17
"Ask the people what we would like not what we should think."	2017-09-05 20:15
"no"	2017-09-05 20:12
"No"	2017-09-05 20:11
"So many things to change and improve STOP talking about them and getting specialists in to discuss them. Which costs more money and make this town as awesome as it can be."	2017-09-05 20:02

"People should have more input into whatever happens in burnie Not just a select few involved with council"	2017-09-05 20:02
"no"	2017-09-05 20:02
"No. Sick of speaking about it. Pointless"	2017-09-05 20:01
"Burnie is a beautiful place but I don't believe there is any opportunity here anymore"	2017-09-05 20:00
"Minimal effort for Maximum gain!"	2017-09-05 19:59
"The council needs to listen to the people"	2017-09-05 19:58
"No"	2017-09-05 19:53
"I love Burnie and don't plan to leave but believe my children may have to to seek employment opportunities when they grow up."	2017-09-05 19:40
"People power is real! We need to pull together as a community and support our local businesses and let our region grow & thrive!"	2017-09-05 19:40
"No"	2017-09-05 19:37
"No"	2017-09-05 19:35

"I have no facts, but the talk is that burnie has some of the highest rates with little return fir rate payers. Our council members are the highest paid abd that doesn't look good."	2017-09-05 19:34
"No"	2017-09-05 19:33
"Beautiful place to live, just needs more investment and some creative thinking by governments to bring different businesses in"	2017-09-05 19:33
"Stop worrying about walking tracks from burnie to wynyard and build something that is beneficial for the community i dont know what that is but give us something to do that doesnt cost an arm and a leg"	2017-09-05 19:31
"The burnie council has become farcical - the mayor is more interested in furthering her political career, while other councillors are busy buying commercial real estate or undertaking property developments. Work for the region, and stop increasing rates to keep the 'business' in the black. Oh and hand back the surf club to the surf club! Don't penalise the organisation for the shoddy management! The Bayviews will get no business from the people if they continue pushing"	2017-09-05 19:29
"Hopefully this survey can help make some positive changes to our city."	2017-09-05 19:27
"Free parking a must! People will go to Wynyard in preference for shopping because of the free parking."	2017-09-05 19:26
"Moved to Hobart. Kids employed in training/ career based jobs. Other kid at uni and enjoying the support of family. Burnie needs jobs jobs jobs"	2017-09-05 19:23
"The council and its services should be here to provide for the people of burnie, not just to exist to be funded by the people of burnie"	2017-09-05 19:23
"Hurry and fix our beautiful city before everyone leaves. So much potential but no one prepared to listen to the people"	2017-09-05 19:18
"needs to be more opportunity for low income owners to be able to purchase a house or land. Even rental prices are going through the roof."	2017-09-05 19:16

"Thanks for creating this survey..keep them coming! We love having a say, we love Burnie!"	2017-09-05 19:12
"The council need to listen to their community. I must say it seems Ken Dorsey is the only one that seems to be pushing for changes in the community, who is willing to fight or at the very least, listen."	2017-09-05 19:09
"No"	2017-09-05 19:09
"Burnie could do with a decent cafe that serves great coffee and cake options"	2017-09-05 19:08
"Nuh"	2017-09-05 19:02
"No"	2017-09-05 19:02
"It is only family support from our parents keeping us here. As a shift worker we would struggle to find care for our children without grandparents to help out."	2017-09-05 19:00
"I have been living in Burnie for ten years and the state of the city concerns me on many levels. From the council and there ineptitude in carrying out their commitment and duty to the rate payer and residents of Burnie to the sly and underhanded dealings that only seem to benefit the well established and self obsessed community members."	2017-09-05 18:56
"Burnie"	2017-09-05 18:54
"Stop spending tax payer money on tourists who are here for small amounts of time and focus on the citezens and make them excited to shop in their own town"	2017-09-05 18:51
"Some larger parking spaces for large vans and large mobile homes would assist tourists to spend more time in our city, also the ability to park for tickets via card or internet (PayPal or similar) would make it easier to park in car parks other than the multi-storey"	2017-09-05 18:51

"Vote 1 Bob"	2017-09-05 18:51
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"I have plenty to say but there wouldnt be enough room!! Burnie is in a rapid state of decline and unless we get a new council with a fresh new vision to take us forward i can only see it turning into a ghost town"	2017-09-05 18:50
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"Good luck with this Bob"	2017-09-05 18:48
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"Not really"	2017-09-05 18:47
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"We need significant change. Aldermen, politicians."	2017-09-05 18:43
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"Burnie has many talented performing artists. An opportunity to foster that talent wouldnt go astray."	2017-09-05 18:42
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"Great place"	2017-09-05 18:31
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"We need to do something soon as I am over shopping in burnie and happy to shop on line as lack of shops"	2017-09-05 18:30
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"Thank you for this survey. I hope it can help change where Burnie is headed"	2017-09-05 18:25
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"Yes burnie is in the biggest slump out of any city in Tasmania with lack of vision and the spending of public funds on rubbish the city doesn't need"	2017-09-05 18:20