

Q7 Do you have any cost effective ideas for activating our CBD?

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Twilight Markets Musical events including buskers from outer regions Hawkers Food markets incorporating local food vendors & stall holders TEDTalks in the park Concerts in the Park Discount Bargain Shopping nights Increased security at night	1/2/2019 2:29 PM
2	Discourage offices from the CBD, particularly those that don't generally cater or provide a service to the general public such as government offices. These add to the "dead" feeling our Main Street has on weekends, take away the vibrancy and interest of the Main Street and push the rents up making it hard for retail businesses to afford space in the CBD, or force them to close.	12/20/2018 9:41 PM
3	Teddy-bear picnics, food festivals, outdoor cinema events, Pop up graffitiant day etc	12/19/2018 9:31 PM
4	Reduction of rentals. Pop up shops are good. Weekend cafes.	12/19/2018 3:38 PM
5	Bring back Wild Oats (the Concert that had well-named bands playing not the same old Northam Bands), Movies under the stars (like what York does for the children), more Twilight Markets, Cider and Pork Festivals ... I mean why cant Northam do this ... I asked the Shire to turn the fence near the bridge and river on Newcastle into a love lock fence but that didnt happen.	12/19/2018 1:30 PM
6	Deregulate opening hours of shops. Older shops, look at a coat of paint. Buskers Farmers market on a Sunday. On Saturdays there are other activities on and people can't attend.	12/19/2018 1:19 PM
7	No	12/19/2018 11:55 AM
8	Fill the empty shops with local arts that can become art tours. Curated by local artists. This could also include venues for music. People can visit empty shops engage in visual art as well as music and performance.	12/19/2018 11:04 AM
9	Bring back summer outdoor cinemas and concerts in the park	12/19/2018 8:44 AM
10	Love the yoga.	12/19/2018 8:13 AM
11	A good cinema or even put up a permanent outdoor cinema on the wall that gets painted(hungry birds) people would flock in to watch family movies etc and during the day use could run local ads on the screen for local businesses it's right in the center of town aswell	12/19/2018 7:59 AM
12	No	12/19/2018 7:21 AM
13	Displaying local artists artworks in empty shop windows would be aesthetically pleasing and provide a platform for local artists to display and sell their work. An idea was raised to do this at Artist's revolution, with lighting to highlight the works at night. There may be an interest to do walking tours of the artworks in the CBD followed by a social gathering/markets on the village green	12/19/2018 6:34 AM
14	Live Bands, Arts & craft	12/18/2018 11:12 PM
15	More free events, car shows, fundraising events	12/18/2018 10:32 PM
16	Firstly, concentrate and engage in making current events and things that are right in front of you, better! The Avon Decent...it is one of Northam's biggest events and it's not being embraced. Bayswater does it way better and they've only got the finish line! All the competitors should go in the parade. It'll keep the competitors here the night before and their families can spend money in the town!	12/18/2018 10:27 PM
17	Plan to remove 9-5, 5 Day a week government funded agencies from the Main Street. Even consider incentives to relocate 9-5, 5 Day a week commerce from the Main Street.	12/18/2018 8:55 PM
18	Offering crèche facilities for parents that need to food shop.....	12/18/2018 8:51 PM
19	Movies in the park	12/18/2018 8:04 PM
20	Dinner banquet on the grassed area in the Main Street - close parts of the street off permanently for pedestrians To use	12/18/2018 8:04 PM
21	Something for the little ones on weekends such as a "dressed up party person" who encourages reading, giving printed ideas on books available at library. Free play/rides areas at shopping centres for little ones so a carer can be with child while other is shopping.	12/18/2018 7:37 PM

22	No	12/18/2018 7:21 PM
23	No, the issue lies with the owners of the shops and their need for greed, council could review rates? But thats always a headache for everyone....	12/18/2018 6:56 PM
24	If you look at who attends the events put on by the town, they tend to be more out-of-townees that come up for the day. Northam must give incentives to those who live local to come out and enjoy. Living in the shire costs fuel money to get into town just to pay as much as everyone else, eg. swimming pool during summer. Also Northam seems to be big on sport and does not offer much for those who are not big on this. Make it user friendly, people can go a enjoy the surroundings with shade, maybe food & drink vendors. Markets that happen on a Sunday rather than always on a Saturday. Don't forget about our seniors that can't always get out and about without help. A community bus (or buses) that run every half hour or so around the north and the south of the river so everyone can get out. Taxis are expensive and even those who are not well off financially could do with this kind of service. (even if it was between the hours of 8am-7pm in summer and less in winter)	12/18/2018 6:46 PM
25	Lowering rent so the buildings become occupied maybe the commerce could see if there is any grants available to help with something like this	12/18/2018 6:28 PM
26	Build housing units overlooking the river behind ugly back of shops on Munson Avenue.	12/18/2018 5:49 PM
27	Some shop frontages are dirty and desperately need a re-vamp and/or a paint job. I think every shop should be painted and kept in an acceptable state and it should be made compulsory. This alone would attract more tourists and in turn more businesses may open.	12/18/2018 5:33 PM
28	Kid Play Centre for Families Year round kyaking on the river	12/18/2018 5:25 PM
29	Convert the main street into a mall allow for cafes/eateries to use the sidewalks for dining. If cafes stay open longer and on weekends as well they will come!! Rock on Dome!	12/18/2018 5:16 PM
30	cheaper rent, one shop is asking \$6000 a month!! another \$2000....there is a shop in Maylands approx. same size asking \$\$3800 month	12/18/2018 5:07 PM
31	Give a facelift to some of the buildings	12/18/2018 4:49 PM
32	1. Providing Free Entertainment in the Main Street	12/18/2018 4:27 PM
33	Movies in the park or at the town pool - regular basis with a calendar for planning. More consistent use of park area with activities so it becomes a place people expect to see things on rather than the current use for locals drinking under a tree. Rotation of cafes open earlier for breakfast or Pre-work coffee	12/18/2018 4:10 PM
34	Current Chamber of Commerce are doing a brilliant job. Seeing more action these days than ever before. Its a work in progress.	12/18/2018 2:17 PM
35	Bernard park is lovely area. Outdoor movies. Not old repeats. Good bands of an evening with fam bbqs was great. Big crowds. Then quality of bands dropped horribly so folks stopped going. Utilize the area. Shops facing river.	12/18/2018 1:53 PM
36	Maybe coffee shops opting on weekend, or something to encourage visitors to come to Northam on weekend.	12/18/2018 1:35 PM
37	Try encourage weekend visitors	12/18/2018 1:24 PM
38	Free activities encouraging community involvement such as arts and crafts and painting activities for adults as well as children.	12/18/2018 12:31 PM
39	Kmart	12/18/2018 11:28 AM
40	Maybe the pop up shop could have displays of business that are home based so the community can see what these business's have to offer the company mm unity members.	12/18/2018 11:20 AM
41	Cheaper rent	12/18/2018 10:30 AM

42	River Kyaking when other events are on, ie Avon Decent, bring back tube racing. Somewhere for kids to go and keep busy instead of walking the streets causing wanton distraction. A decent multi function skate/recreation area that could include fitness equipment. Regular movie screenings, make use/ promote sound dome in park Implore current businesses to improve customer service and lengthen opening hours. When we moved here we didn't realise everything closed at 5pm, being used to shops closing at 5.30/6 and opening 8/8.30 instead of 9 here. Shops that open on weekends - nothing is open from around 1pm. We DO NOT need more fast food places or we'll become the fast food capital of the wheatbelt. While some business have ok customer service some stores need to lift their game by making sure they have the stock or order stock in a timely manner instead of making customers wait for months as this does not promote confidence in the fact that local businesses want your custom, instead making it easier to decide to shop in Midland. Lower rents on shops especially as we appear to be more expensive than Perth suburbs. The general opinion within the community is the Main Street is owned by 2 people and they don't care the shops are empty, refusing to lower prices, because eventually someone will be willing to pay the price. Northam can not afford store owners to be greedy especially when there is a monopoly. Business to offer cheaper products especially office supplies. Why would you pay \$20-\$30 for laminating pouches when you can buy them for \$15 in Midland? Product supply is limited in Northam and quite often there is no offer in price range so you either pay too much or shop else where outside Northam. I also think the Chamber needs to be more visible. The only time I hear about them is the business awards each year. They need to see what other towns /remote towns are doing and seeing if ideas are adaptable to Northam and running promotions all year. At our last place of residence the Chamber was mentioned on a regular basis (it was like you heard their name mentioned weekly) and everyone knew who was on the chamber due to their regular promotion. I have no idea who is on the Northam Chamber or what they actually do around Northam.	12/18/2018 10:11 AM
43	Buskers on the village green, dance schools showcasing their talents, Twilight markets once every 2-3 months, colour runs around the river, Dogs day out walk around the river,	12/18/2018 10:08 AM
44	No	12/18/2018 9:54 AM
45	Weekend activities would be a definite. Mini festivals a couple of times a year, whether that be music or art shows. Bernard Park is such a beautiful space to utilise more. Summer movie nights. Maybe something like Fremantle recently did with a long table lunch. It was half a kilometre long and raised a considerable amount of money for charity. Everything was donated, and delivered by volunteers, I would definitely volunteer for something like this, and there are so many community organisations that could benefit from something like this, it would not have to be just one. Anyway, just a thought. I love Northam, and would like to see it really grow into its wonderful potential.	12/18/2018 9:33 AM
46	Anything that is kid friendly	12/18/2018 9:26 AM
47	As stated in the previous question, I am all for presentation and eye catching ideas. The main street of Northam has so much potential already, such as the remaining old architectural buildings, trees, bins with photos on them, seating, lawned area, fountain (that could be improved) and it's continuing additions and improvements. I feel if there were more shop items displayed outside the shops, soft music from a few shops in particular locations on the street, more seating and cafe's (in the main street) this alone would activate the CBD. More pop-up events, I love the out door Tai chi, sporting promotions that have been done on a few occasions. Perhaps some vintage style displays such as a few old vehicles in the main street, art displays from AVAS or other communities, short performances from sporting places like PCYC (sparring display, gymnastics or dancing), street performances are always crowd attracting. And while these are going on at perhaps...the village green, people might go to Yasou for a coffee. Maybe there could be a sausage sizzle going on and a couple of local singers or performers doing a short stint of their talents. The local artisans could create something on location, and while this is going on, have some music playing. Demonstrations and live performances are eye catching and will draw curious people to them. The singing group in Northam could perform for half an hour or so, the Men's Shed could have an activity or demonstration of their talents. These things also need advertising well, which is a big necessity.	12/18/2018 9:07 AM
48	Better lighting, better access to the river front and dog friendly areas or off-leash dog exercise areas for families to bring their pets.	12/18/2018 9:04 AM
49	I think it's going nicely - the farmers markets and stuff etc -Christmas fair etc I think the Shire makes things difficult to open new business -I'd LOVE to own a business in the Main Street -but since building a new house and the inconsistency of the Northam shire staff and their understanding or interpretation of rules and regulations for houses are anythingvti go by--- then my opening up a new shop is fraught with hassles etc ..	12/18/2018 8:39 AM
50	Educational Workshops and activities that include young and old, with certification award gained.	12/18/2018 8:15 AM

51	In summer bbqs by the river would be good. You could get local charity groups, like Rotary for example, to put on community bbqs (where ppl pay a gold coin donation or something), and have some local talent for entertainment. Other things that get kids involved, like scavenger hunts would be good over the holidays. Put specific pictures around town and kids have to locate them and mark them off on a sheet for a prize. Could be tickets to the pool or something as a prize.. Mini golf would also be a great idea. I have seen indoor mini golf courses that can be used year round. A store/shop dedicated to local/Wheatbelt crafters/hobbyists to display their products would create interest. If people are not going to the CBD out of fear of hooligans, maybe more police patrols would work. The local police officers could engage more by walking around and keeping an eye on things, and make their presence known. I know I feel much safer when there are police visible, and I know that people generally behave themselves when police are visible.	12/18/2018 8:01 AM
52	Nil sorry	12/18/2018 7:59 AM
53	Market stall nights where main street closed themed	12/18/2018 7:21 AM
54	Buskers,	12/18/2018 7:16 AM
55	The town is quite busy on a Saturday morning but I think something on a Sunday would be good. Not only will it increase the activity of the town but also give locals something to attend or engage in...	12/18/2018 7:13 AM
56	Keep the village green. It's a great meeting place and area for activities such as the Farmers Markets, Christmas on Fitzgerald, etc. Reduce or subsidise the rent cost of Main Street premises for start-up businesses. Make it more affordable to encourage them to stay.	12/18/2018 7:10 AM
57	Perhaps a playground on the green area across from the boulevard.... I think in terms of activities there are enough	12/18/2018 7:01 AM
58	The police need a stronger presence, my partner will no longer shop in Northam due to the frequent theft & violence she is faced with while just performing a simple task such as getting a loaf of bread.	12/18/2018 6:58 AM
59	Encouraging businesses to open weekend to encourage Perth based day trippers	12/18/2018 6:48 AM
60	More shaded parking, more trees! People from out of town complaining that because they are in town for more than a couple of hours, their cars get very hot, so they return home earlier to beat the heat.	12/18/2018 6:43 AM
61	would like to see a cinema in town or ten pin bowling alley in town	12/18/2018 6:09 AM
62	Put a river boat restaurant on the river	12/18/2018 6:02 AM
63	No	12/18/2018 6:01 AM
64	competitive pricing	12/18/2018 4:23 AM
65	Increase parking in the Main Street, move the islands that the council put in a couple of years ago. Training for current business owners and their staff on customer service.	12/18/2018 1:22 AM
66	Live music (so much talent local) Cafes open weekends Gift stores/newsagent open weekends Pop up shops/bars seem to be a hit Maybe cafes (children friendly) Kmart	12/18/2018 12:04 AM
67	More family activities	12/17/2018 11:27 PM
68	Festivals! Look at York Festival for inspiration. They did an amazing job. And perhaps Sunday trading would assist.	12/17/2018 11:07 PM
69	Cafes that are open for people to go to after work	12/17/2018 11:01 PM
70	I had heard an idea about a walk with holograms which I thought was a great idea. The holograms would give you information about Northam's past and you use your iphone which is encouraging a younger audience also. The walk would obviously utilise the Main Street and river.	12/17/2018 10:40 PM
71	Farmers markets, stalls on main street on Saturdays. Show case and advertise Northam attractions across Perth areas. More events to attract tourists. Link heritage displays in CBD activities.	12/17/2018 10:34 PM
72	Night skating through town (rollerskating/blading)	12/17/2018 10:27 PM
73	There are currently no cafes with a play area (apart from Maccas) for parents with young children to be able to enjoy a coffee and get together while the kids play. The only option is to get takeaway coffees and take the kids to the park. Too bad if it's raining.	12/17/2018 10:20 PM
74	Community groups utilising the calendar better and not planning all things on the same weekend to encourage tourism and locals to stay within the CBD	12/17/2018 10:11 PM

75	Twilight markets Northam giftcards	12/17/2018 10:07 PM
76	dredge the river and clean it up so you can have water activitys	12/17/2018 10:01 PM
77	Family fun centre	12/17/2018 9:59 PM
78	No	12/17/2018 9:57 PM
79	Coffee van or train carriage coffees in the village green	12/17/2018 9:50 PM
80	Community events, for all ages	12/17/2018 9:49 PM
81	no	12/17/2018 9:44 PM
82	Family nights.	12/17/2018 9:39 PM
83	Yeah tell the people who own the shops to bring them up to scratch because none of the shops on the CBD are up to OHS standard and make the fronts look attractive. You can't expect people to pay top dollar for an office when there is paint peeling off the walls. Talk to the owners or pass some sort of local legislation that inforces that they keep it up to standards to attract businesses.	12/17/2018 9:35 PM
84	The grass area where Fitzgerald's st pub used to be should be used for multiple retail businesses	12/17/2018 9:32 PM
85	As above... marketing strategies when events are on? Joint school / youth events? Trading hours only Monday to Saturday - build up revenue and all traders have a rest Sunday.	12/17/2018 9:32 PM
86	More outdoor family activities.	12/17/2018 9:29 PM
87	Mall from post office to Grey St. ; leave the street as is and add large pot plants etc.. This could be for weekends only or full time.	12/17/2018 9:28 PM
88	Not to my knowledge. Rent expectation needs a correction. Country towns have always been on the high side in relation to \$ per sq mtr. A correction needs to be realised to again achieve vitality in exploring potential new small businesses. This flow in effect will bring confidence back into small communities.	12/17/2018 9:21 PM
89	Coffee shops open all weekend. Can't wait for Dome to open so we can go for Breakfast on Sunday. Pathetic other coffee shops don't open on Sunday. Why can they open in Toodyay and York all weekend but not Northam?	12/17/2018 9:20 PM
90	Nil	12/17/2018 9:19 PM
91	Bring the market stalls forward to the "village green" and extend back to Bernard park! Have 'safe to talk benches' there, and encourage community events like the Pollard's Christmas Day barbecue in 2017! Make it easier!	12/17/2018 9:18 PM
92	Make the Main Street more family friendly shops	12/17/2018 9:12 PM
93	make the main street a mall from Grey st to Gordon st. Use the mall to hold events - street stalls - street art. get more retail into the main st instead of offices. make the streets people friendly instead of vehicle friendly - encourage more people to walk around the streets. more crosswalks to encourage foot traffic. we need to get more people to get out of their cars and become foot traffic through the CDB. Encourage food and drink businesses to open out of normal hours to attract people. no food and drink equals no people. invite car or motorbike clubs or other large clubs to have a "club run" to Northam to bring people in but we need to have places open all hours for them. Build a proper museum. the town is full of history and full of exhibits sitting in sheds all over town waiting for a secure place to be displayed. Museums attract people. the sound shell appears to be a white elephant - give it some life. wildlife tours of the river. historic building tours re start the cemetery tours excepting the cemetery is a disgrace and the Shire should be ashamed. Military sites tours - we have numerous sites over the Shire. i would encourage shire reps to visit Rangiora in New Zealand to see how they attract and keep people living and shopping in their local area, only 15 minutes from Christchurch. They may have around 18000 people but their town is massive compared to Northam. We are so far behind. We have to stop using Midland as an easy "out" for Northam being a failure. We need to learn new ways and invent new ideas. Being a "people friendly" town would be a start. Also look at the Choose Respect program. it may change some attitudes. we need to lift up the lower socio economic people to include them. We also need people to take pride in their town starting from their own houses, street verge and street. Pride will bring a tidier town all round as at present it is less than appealing. Make people feel safe. Most people in town would not walk around after dark for fear of being attacked.	12/17/2018 9:12 PM
94	Twighlnt markets	12/17/2018 9:08 PM
95	Start a walking group and have a coffee afterwards. Have one of the art studios teach kids about painting/art in the village square.	12/17/2018 9:06 PM

96	Main Street side alfresco dining, Buskers	12/17/2018 9:05 PM
97	Pop up coffee Van Kids activities - bubble blowing, sumo wrestling, art events, build your own art, movie nights are great, put them in the village green rather than near the water park Greater parking options- parking down the Main Street makes it hard to engage both sides Light show on the bank buildings at Christmas Again	12/17/2018 9:03 PM
98	bring people in with demonstrations & events eg choir concert, battle of the bands, outdoor dance, art installation similar to sculptures by the sea or miniature city, street theatre (buskers?), street piano, oversize chess, outdoor table tennis	12/17/2018 9:02 PM
99	Grants and fundraising. I for one as a parent of 3 children would greatly help to support such causes	12/17/2018 8:59 PM
100	Difficult with so many offices in Main Street. Need to encourage strip shopping	12/17/2018 8:58 PM
101	Lower rent	12/17/2018 8:56 PM
102	No sorry	12/17/2018 8:56 PM
103	more garden stalls. less huts filled with junk and more filled with items i have found in the shires webpages. introduce home vegetation farming	12/17/2018 8:54 PM
104	Weekly/fortnightly movies in the park	12/17/2018 8:54 PM
105	More use of the village green Fixing the old sign above old Radiowest building to make a statement. Buskers in Main Street Replacing sun damaged signs on highway with photos similar to rubbish bins of iconic buildings to encourage people into CBD	12/17/2018 8:53 PM
106	Bowling alley, open Mic at the sound shelter. Bring back concerts in the park.	12/17/2018 8:51 PM
107	Orienteering weekends, with prize being northam Bucks, car boot or flea markets. Would be great at the old coles carpark until something goes in there. If you imagine the swapmeets in Belmont and Morley as examples. Stall holders pay \$10 per car bay same price as Perth and gold coin donations to the rotary club to buyers.	12/17/2018 8:51 PM
108	Hmmm. Unfortunately, no.	12/17/2018 8:50 PM
109	A bar, more shops, bigger restaurants	12/17/2018 8:46 PM
110	Something for small children	12/17/2018 8:45 PM
111	discussion and mediation between the various event-holding groups in the town to better utilise the current events before adding to the current line up	12/17/2018 8:44 PM
112	Not sure sorry	12/17/2018 8:44 PM
113	Make it one way for the traffic and more people friendly	12/17/2018 8:43 PM
114	1) Nominate a series of bland walls within the township to have both regional and contemporary paintings/artwork undertaken with vibrant colours. 2) Hold mini art and taste festivals within alley ways (similar to Melbourne) 3) encourage potential owners/developers/shire to put up 'mini shops' averaging 10sqms or so with a mandate that they be filled with both lifestyle and local produce operators.	12/17/2018 8:43 PM
115	What the Chamber is doing already appears to be working . More population needed to support the town.	12/17/2018 8:42 PM
116	Online advertisement, free public events, free movie nights, night markets, street art - like art walk in Kalgoorlie	12/17/2018 8:42 PM
117	Retail parking	12/17/2018 8:41 PM
118	Have an annual street food truck or similar. "Northam on a plate."	12/17/2018 8:40 PM
119	More family events Music festivals / food festivals Cheaper rents for retailers	12/17/2018 8:40 PM
120	Community Tai chi classes on the river morning and evening, sign posted walking track to sight see Northam places of interest (do it yourself walking track) with cameras for safety	12/17/2018 8:39 PM
121	Improvements to street appeal of stores	12/17/2018 8:34 PM
122	Building a purpose built community arts centre that can showcase our local talent, sell art works, involve the community with workshops and classes, incorporate a cafe to draw the tourists in.	12/17/2018 8:33 PM
123	No	12/17/2018 8:32 PM
124	Outdoor evening events. Outdoor cinema. Film Festival. There's an opportunity to hold a horror film festival here in Northam.	12/17/2018 8:32 PM

125	Nightlife	12/17/2018 8:31 PM
126	More live bands in the park, not just at the pubs..	12/17/2018 8:15 PM
127	Food and movie nights on the village green that are family friendly \$\$\$ wise. Activities out the front of the banks on the saturday morning - perhaps market stalls on the Saturday Mornings lining the street.	12/17/2018 4:56 PM
128	Music and furniture	12/17/2018 8:45 AM
129	School choirs on village green	12/16/2018 8:22 PM
130	More pleasant sitting areas, more security cameras,	12/16/2018 8:02 PM
131	No	12/16/2018 7:38 PM
132	More variety of stores	12/16/2018 11:59 AM
133	The retail market has never been more challenging, as people have less spending money and online shopping is inevitable. Even lowering rents (which the market will determine) may not be the answer we are looking for. Very old narrow frontage outdated buildings are not what vibrant retailers are looking for - it is an Australia wide problem.	12/15/2018 7:35 PM
134	Paddleboats on the river, night markets either fortnightly or monthly through the summer months, cinema under the stars in summer.	12/15/2018 6:33 PM
135	As above	12/15/2018 3:27 PM
136	A really cost effective way to activate the CBD would be to have regular police patrols along the street and around the parks, particularly at events. There have been a number of times that I have been out and been worried about unsocial behaviour. I actually think the main street has a lot of great things in it. I don't believe the shops are that expensive to lease but perhaps the chamber of commerce could perhaps (with the owners permission) actively promote empty shops and their lease rates.	12/15/2018 12:50 PM
137	Night food markets with alfresco table n chairs and a busker weekend nights or weekend days. Businesses opening past 12 noon sat and open Sundays with food retailers to draw people in for weekend meals and shop browsing.	12/15/2018 9:29 AM
138	Retail shops kept together in shopping centres Main Street for business and services	12/15/2018 8:43 AM
139	more businesses open . the problem is so few shops are open past the travel agent that people are tired of coming in and nothing there	12/15/2018 7:56 AM
140	see Above.	12/15/2018 5:41 AM
141	Work with the Aero club, and my local car clubs. Last years hill race was fantastic, the balloon festival was fantastic(sorry I am unsure about how cost effective that is)	12/15/2018 12:49 AM
142	Less by law restrictions More outdoor seating/side walk displays allowed for shops Cheaper leases in Main Street More events like Christmas on Fitzgerald Food trucks every Friday or sat night during summer	12/15/2018 12:05 AM
143	Close of Fitzgerald Street from Roundabout to Bakery and make it a walking mall ... put all shops on Target side and then grass river side.	12/14/2018 7:46 PM
144	The general streetscape needs re-invigorating. A lot of shops are run down and need uplifting eg. paint jobs. More garden beds along the street to improve aesthetics are required. Geraldton's shopfront are spruced up and have seats along the streets' footpaths and since Northam's main street is long, seating should be installed. Wi-Fi? I know there's free wi-fi in the mall but I never see many people there. Maybe because wifi goes hand in hand with a coffee, food or drinks but there isn't anything like that in the mall. shaded/covered seating areas in the mall that have tables where you can eat or have a coffee whilst you browse the internet could be a good idea. Public art that is colourful and VIBRANT not meaningful and bland like a lot of the current installation needs consideration too. Pleasant and aesthetically pleasing shopping precincts always pull shoppers.	12/14/2018 4:55 PM
145	Beautifying the river is very important. A RV Freindly Park close to the CBD (Enright Park is the perfect location. Travellers can park, have their car serviced or walk easily to the main CBD) A restaurant built on the river bank would be a real bonus.	12/14/2018 4:39 PM
146	Regular (monthly / Quarterly?) evening evening events similar to Christmas on Fitzgerald.	12/14/2018 2:21 PM
147	Nope	12/14/2018 12:17 PM
148	converting the main street from gordon st to grey st to one way	12/14/2018 11:25 AM
149	Reduction in rental of businesses will increase new businesses opening	12/14/2018 9:47 AM
150	No	12/14/2018 9:26 AM

151	No	12/14/2018 8:54 AM
152	"City Walk" - from 4-5pm, participating stores in main street are open during winter hours and have hot chocolate and biscuits, and you view ONE Cool Thing - taken from "art walk", where all the art galleries would open and have wine and cheese open on the first friday of the month	12/14/2018 8:42 AM
153	Longer opening hours for shops-maybe changing hours to utilise hours at end of day. Cafe hours to cater for people leaving work. Musicians, entertainers.	12/14/2018 6:39 AM
154	Previously we had a motorbike festival that was great! Utilise the river more, have fish in sections or water sports. Have all town events in the Main Street: ie the Northam show. Northam has good activities, they are just so spread out, the hockey fields is kms away from the footy club, you've got the space bring them all together~ you make kids decide one or the other	12/14/2018 6:22 AM
155	Encourage businesses to open Sunday and change markets etc yo Sunday Place like a ghost town compared to Toodyay and York	12/14/2018 6:20 AM
156	Look after the business on the edge of town as they bring in and supply a lot of your cbd customers. Include them in initiatives one for ones etc	12/14/2018 5:49 AM
157	Closing off the main street from Tyrepower up the National Bank Corner on weekends turning it into a shopping mall with live music in the Village Green. Shops can bring out tables into the main street and sell. Cafe's encouraged to have outdoor dining, cars diverted along Minson Ave or Wellington Street.	12/13/2018 11:46 PM
158	Lower rents, more pop up shops to try out new businesses	12/13/2018 11:16 PM
159	- run weekend outdoor movies on a public screen somewhere, BYO - encourage/supplement cafes to open longer (restaurants open only at 1700, so in the meantime you cant get nice food)	12/13/2018 11:01 PM
160	Stop Council approving developments outside the CBD. Perhaps high rents are discouraging new businesses - lower rates for CBD properties may be passed on by landlords then lowering rents.	12/13/2018 10:40 PM
161	Artwork on the blank walls around the main street using our local talented artists, promote to photographers as back drops. Create weekend activities in the main street.	12/13/2018 10:37 PM
162	Busking by the river, organised walks by the river for tourists	12/13/2018 9:59 PM
163	Offer new businesses surport aid if needed	12/13/2018 9:26 PM
164	No	12/13/2018 9:24 PM
165	look at the GERALTON Funtavia facebook page. It is a sort of popup for many different entertainment . We could do with a bowling alley or roller skating rink. Somewhere all ages family friendly can go.	12/13/2018 8:48 PM
166	More businesses around the CBD that invite people into town	12/13/2018 8:45 PM
167	Outdoor cinema. Annual Rodeo would attract people to Northam to see what a great place it is Continued involvement with the Fringe festival to bring acts to Northam.	12/13/2018 8:41 PM
168	Get some music in the park, stop catering for under 10 and over 50. You do nothing for the teens in this town no wonder they all leave.	12/13/2018 8:28 PM
169	Market's	12/13/2018 8:27 PM
170	No sorry	12/13/2018 8:14 PM
171	Footpaths that are easier to use when disabled eg not allowing cafes to have 3/4 path taken up with tables and having racks of clothing and signs blocking paths (Good Sammys do this all the time) to make it more welcoming, cafes etc to be accessible for all	12/13/2018 8:09 PM
172	Have shops open on weekends, coffee shops, gift stores. Create a reason for people to stop in northam.	12/13/2018 8:07 PM
173	Signs for the aboriginal centre, night markets, regular busking opportunities or a talent show for all ages	12/13/2018 8:06 PM
174	No	12/13/2018 7:54 PM
175	encourage more pop up shops, burger joints	12/13/2018 7:47 PM
176	No	12/13/2018 7:44 PM
177	??	12/13/2018 7:34 PM
178	Just cut cost on everything...	12/13/2018 7:34 PM
179	Haunted NORTHAM tours	12/13/2018 7:23 PM

180	Once dome opens I believe it will bring more tourists, coffee shops open with good food for longer hours etc. we need to see shops open longer Saturdays too.	12/13/2018 7:18 PM
181	For Café's to be open on Saturdays and Sundays, particularly afternoons. It drives people to Perth when you can't go somewhere in Northam to meet with a friend for coffee.	12/13/2018 7:13 PM
182	Stop making products expensive, and people will buy more.	12/13/2018 7:10 PM
183	.	12/13/2018 7:09 PM
184	Heritage walks that incorporate Indigenous and recent history	12/13/2018 7:07 PM
185	Nicer trees - cherry blossoms or jacarandas. Treasure hunt - clues in certain businesses Picnic in the park festival Shakespeare in the park play Movie night in the park	12/13/2018 6:59 PM
186	- increased busking (incentived with vouchers) - closing off Main Street with a dedicated mall (not so cost effective)	12/13/2018 6:58 PM
187	Mini golf, indoor play centre, cinema	12/13/2018 6:25 PM
188	There needs to be more for the youth to do in Northam	12/13/2018 6:23 PM
189	Money bring the issue but the entrance to Northam should be moved from Mitchell ave to Newcastle st to avoid the eye saw of the detention centre	12/13/2018 6:23 PM
190	6 months half priced rent	12/13/2018 6:23 PM
191	Teddy bears picnic at the Village Green, rotating street art/art space on the village green walls, pedestrian crossings rather than pedestrians give way at speed humps	12/13/2018 6:22 PM
192	Having a planned pub crawl an aged specified pub night like 18-25 night rnb night or like a night tour on the river up to Burlong pool and back also bringing up some artist from perth and bring back the concert in the park during summer time	12/13/2018 6:21 PM
193	Cheaper rent for buisness to open longer an more different ones to open	12/13/2018 6:18 PM
194	WALKING GROUPS Boxing classes for families/ youth/ Mums Self Defences	12/13/2018 6:16 PM
195	Wellness Retreat would attract people from all over the world	12/13/2018 6:13 PM
196	The killer is the amount of RENT owners r looking for on the buildings in the CBD	12/13/2018 6:13 PM
197	Night Markets in main street each month - like Xmas on Fitzgerald	12/13/2018 4:00 PM
198	Weekly business highlights with triple m radio, balloons microphone maybe on a Friday when the draw is on for shopping local.	12/13/2018 3:53 PM
199	Get shop owners to lower their rents	12/13/2018 3:53 PM
200	do not let anyone build on the "Village Green" use the village green area for more activities during the week	12/13/2018 3:08 PM
201	encouraging existing cafes to open weekends, somehow enticing buskers and street performers to perform here.	12/13/2018 3:06 PM
202	A local barter market would be awesome where you didn't have to pay a fee to sell or trade stuff! Using the sound stage in Bernard park once a week by getting WA music artists to come up and perform and having the area around the stage set up like a mobile garden bar. Start a youth festival once every year the local schools and out of town schools can use it to show case their drama groups or dance competition groups. Offer free work shops to the youth, food truck festivals once a month there are hundreds of amazing vendors in WA that we could contact and see if they would like to attend	12/13/2018 2:55 PM
203	We are losing a lot of our elderly residents, therefore losing a lot of history. I believe a concerted effort is required to collate and collect the information from these people before we lose them.	12/13/2018 2:51 PM
204	Northam needs a life injection	12/13/2018 2:43 PM
205	I'd just like to get what the central Fitzgerald street shop keepers get, this end of town is a joke, no designated smoking area at Northam tavern, rubbish everywhere, no cameras at such a high risk area, I work here alone	12/13/2018 2:30 PM
206	Random pop up activities on village green - giant bubble blowing, community art installation (for example, bunch of reclaimed stuff from Remida in Perth and making a collage), band and bbq. Maybe lunchtime learning activities in the pop up shop? Walking tours?	12/13/2018 1:55 PM
207	Not really off the top of my head. The locals would have to be re-educated that there was something in weekends, evenings etc maybe that may start to happen once the dome opens 7 days a week	12/13/2018 1:35 PM
208	Anything that encourages weekend trading	12/13/2018 1:30 PM

209	Not right now	12/13/2018 1:19 PM
210	Clean foot paths with high pressure ckeaner More peopke open sunday More proactive with tourism eg. Bus from train stn n tours Entertainment in park	12/13/2018 1:14 PM
