

Seeking Feedback on Draft Public Amenities Policy

Community members will be invited to share their thoughts on the draft Public Amenities Policy following Council's decision yesterday.

The policy aims to define a framework and guiding principles for the servicing and sustainable management of public toilets Council manages.

The policy establishes the following for Council:

- Responsibilities for the ongoing management of existing public amenities
- Guidelines to follow when considering whether or not to add a non-Council owned or managed public amenity to Council's current cleaning and maintenance services program and capital renewal planning
- Guidelines to follow when considering a new public amenity
- The means for Council to determine service levels for cleaning and maintaining public amenities

A number of discussions have been held with the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning and local community associations in regards to the management and maintenance of these amenities.

South Gippsland Shire Council's Building Coordinator Alister Fixter said the policy would assist with future planning of public amenities.

"Council receives numerous requests from community groups and individuals requesting additional public amenities and increased servicing.

"The development of the Public Amenities Policy will assist Council in responding to community requests in a consistent and fair manner," said Mr Fixter.

The draft policy will be available to view on Council's website, Council's office, local libraries and visitor information centres.

Submissions can be made in writing to Property, Private Bag 4, Leongatha, 3953 or via email to council@southgippsland.vic.gov.au until 11 August.

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