

Good news: new loos!

Fish Creek, Toora and Yanakie should be sporting sparkling new public toilet facilities for locals and visitors alike by the end of June.

After extensive community consultation over the past two years, site clearing will commence shortly at all three locations and Council's contractor Landmark should start the reconstruction in mid-April.

"The existing toilets are over 20 years old and need replacing," said Council's Director of Engineering Services, Anthony Seabrook. "As well as serving our local communities, the quality and cleanliness of public amenities make a distinct impression on visitors and with a rapidly growing tourism industry we want that to be a positive one."

Temporary toilets will be provided at Toora and Yanakie while the works are being carried out and the existing toilets at Fish Creek will be available during this period.

There will be four new cubicles at Fish Creek and Toora and five at Yanakie.

Council has contributed \$330,000 to the toilet facilities project and the Yanakie community \$10,000 to their facility. The State Government 'Putting Locals First' program has provided a further \$300,000 toward a comprehensive upgrade of the Yanakie Recreation Reserve which will complement this project.

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