

Council Discretionary Fund Revoked

South Gippsland Shire Council has revoked the Councillor Discretionary Fund following implementation of the *Local Government (Improved Governance) Act 2015.*

The new legislation was informed by the Local Government Investigations and Compliance Inspectorate's Review of Councillor Discretionary Funds.

South Gippsland Shire Council was acknowledged in the review as one of only four Victorian Councils that demonstrated accountable practices for the fund.

Despite this the review stated that there were inherent risks associated with the Council Discretionary Fund program across the state, causing the cancellation of the fund.

At its meeting yesterday, Council received and noted the remaining allocations for the Councillor Discretionary Funds from the 23 November 2015 to the implementation of the new legislation.

Council will consider the objectives of the Councillor Discretionary Fund Program during the review of the 2016/17 Community Grants Program.

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