

## Foster Streetscape Commences

Works for the Foster Streetscape Project will begin on the 6 February 2017 to deliver a central business district that meets the aspirations of the Foster community.

The Foster Streetscape Project will provide streetscape upgrades for improved drainage, heavy vehicle diversion, visual features and street appeal.

Successful contractor ADA Constructions will commence at the Pearl Park end of the site and will progressively work towards the other end of the project.

Works for the project will include underground drainage, kerb and channel, footpath, pavement works and street furniture with completion expected in mid-2017 subject to weather conditions.

South Gippsland Water is expected to replace the water main in Bridge Street in early March as part of the construction works.

The Foster Streetscape Project was included in Council's suite of priority projects for 2016 and was made possible by a \$500,000 contribution by the Victorian Government.

South Gippsland Shire Mayor Councillor Ray Argento was pleased that the project was about to begin construction after being developed with the community over a number of years.

"The Foster Streetscape Project has been a collaborative project between Council and the Foster community. It will be a significant achievement for the community to see the first set of works begin.

"An extensive amount of consultation with both the Foster Chamber of Commerce and the Foster Community Association alongside input from the wider community has driven the project to its delivery. Once complete the Foster Streetscape Project shall be a point to look back on with community pride.

"The Foster community can expect a significant economic benefit to the area through job creation, increased retail expenditure and market values while enjoying a streetscape that has been designed to support Foster's expected development for the next 20 years," said the Mayor.

Individuals wanting more information about the project and weekly updates on the construction can visit [www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/fosterstreetscape](http://www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/fosterstreetscape) or Council's Facebook page.

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