

Preferred Korumburra Community Hub Location Announced

The Korumburra Railway Yards was endorsed as the preferred location for the Korumburra Community Hub at Council's meeting this week.

The project has an estimated cost of \$5 million that will require consideration by Council in future budget discussions. Additional funding assistance will be required from both the State and Federal Government to build the Hub.

The new hub would see a range of local services under one roof including; the library, Milpara Community House, Senior Citizens, multipurpose meeting spaces/rooms and a commercial kitchen. The Hub will also provide space for the Korumburra and District Historical Society and the Rotary club art display.

The new location would provide a new area for township development and assist in reviving Commercial Street. The building would be situated next to a potential future rail trail and be the first critical step in re-purposing the railway yards as a usable public space.

The location of the preferred site is flat which means that there will be plenty of space for car parking and for any future building extensions if required.

Having identified the Railway Yards as the preferred site, the next step for Council is to approach VicTrack with the intended plans for them to consider the leasing or sale of the required space.

South Gippsland Shire Mayor Councillor Lorraine Brunt is enthusiastic to see the project go ahead.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for Korumburra and a much needed resource for the town.

"Community hubs are a brilliant way to bring people together and provide a welcoming and warm environment for both local residents and visitors to the town.

"I am excited to see the next steps of the project progress and am looking forward to see what the outcome will be," said the Mayor.

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