

Fish Creek Quarry Road Opening As Walking Trail

South Gippsland Shire Council determined that part of the Fish Creek Quarry Road, Fish Creek is to be opened for public traffic as a walking trail following its meeting this week.

The section of road has been used as part of the Hoddle Mountain Trail and Council determined that it is still required by the community.

Council received 27 submissions in support of the proposal and 38 against the proposal while it was open for community consultation. A further petition was tabled with approximately 274 signatures requesting that the section of road be retained for public use.

To mitigate any risks for adjoining farming land, fencing and gating will be required to be installed by the adjoining landowners and Council will install signage.

South Gippsland Shire Mayor Councillor Lorraine Brunt thanked the community for making submissions to the proposal.

"I would like to thank all of our community members for making a submission in relation to Fish Creek Quarry Road.

"This decision hasn't been an easy one as a number of community members had differing views when it came to opening the road.

"I understand that while my position was to support our local agricultural industries – which are our primary economic driver – that the Council have tried to mitigate as many concerns as possible while ensuring this asset is available to the public," said the Mayor.

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