

Motor Racing Track Moving Forward for Leongatha South

South Gippsland Shire Council has issued a notice of decision to grant a permit for use of the land for a motor racing track in Leongatha South, subject to a number of conditions.

The permit (if issued) would allow the applicant to hold a two day competitive motorcycle event as part of the Yamaha Victorian Off-Road Championship Series and a separate annual club day (maximum of two events per year).

Forty-one objections and two petitions were received from the community relating to adverse environmental impacts, noise and amenity impacts, bushfire risk, site safety and future intensification of the use.

In order to mitigate these community concerns while allowing the track to operate, the applicant must provide amended plans to the satisfaction of Council that addresses parking, track length, waste, equipment, marshalling, food vendors, market stalls and emergency and environmental management.

South Gippsland Shire Council Mayor Councillor Lorraine Brunt said it was important to balance the needs of the community for the track,

“As a Council we believe this permit and in particular its conditions will create a space that meets the needs of our motorbike users and the neighbouring community.”

“This decision was certainly one that needed some juggling but we believe it has been the best compromise possible in these circumstances,” said the Mayor.

Those wishing to view the full conditions placed on this approval can visit Council’s website www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/meetings

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