

Funding Approved for Coastal Strategy

South Gippsland Shire Council has allocated \$55,000 for the development of the South Gippsland Coastal Strategy following its meeting.

The strategy will identify current land use and development issues, incorporate previous strategies/plans, consider legislation and regulatory changes and compile them into a single document to aid community understanding and provide a platform for advocacy on identified issues.

The study area will encompass the coastline and the area inland including the townships of Welshpool and Toora. The strategy will enable Council to present its overall vision for the coast, assist in future decision making and help with advocacy to the Victorian Government and other agencies.

The preparation of the strategy will include community and key stakeholder consultation to assist in identifying coastal issues and possible solutions.

South Gippsland Shire Council Mayor, Councillor Lorraine Brunt looked forward to seeing the community participate in creating solutions.

"The community will play a significant role in identifying the key issues our coastal townships face in a variety of areas.

"This will help Council produce the Coastal Strategy to identify the limitations and opportunities we have along our coastline and how we can ensure they are appropriately managed for our region," said the Mayor.

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