

Amendments Passed for Public Participation

South Gippsland Shire Council has amended the Public Participation in Meetings with Council Policy following its meeting this week.

Community members now have an extended time range to submit questions in Council Meetings and can nominate to read questions aloud during Public Question Time.

Council will consider up to three questions from a community member at each meeting which will be reviewed prior by the Chief Executive Officer so responses can be provided in the meeting or during the meeting by the Mayor.

This change in process has been implemented to enhance Council's transparency and further support informed decision making of Council.

South Gippsland Shire Mayor Councillor Don Hill was pleased the amended policy was passed.

"Council did not think the previous policy was producing a satisfactory outcome for the community and so after considering this matter we have decided to keep the best of the current policy and include the ability to ask questions in council in person as was done in the past," said the Mayor.

Those wishing to submit a question to Council can complete an expression of interest form at www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/questions

Individuals wishing to view the updated policy can visit Council's website at www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/policies

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