

Public Comment Sought for Council Fundamentals

South Gippsland Shire Council is seeking comment from the public on the Revised Council Plan 2017-2021, Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget and Proposed Rating Strategy 2019-2022.

All three vital documents are at the core of Council's services and values, they outline the future operations of the organisation.

Submissions are encouraged and should be sent via email.

- For the Revised Council Plan 2017-2021 and Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget: <u>submission@southgippsland.vic.gov.au</u>
- For the Proposed Rating Strategy 2019-2022: <u>ratingstrategy@southgippsland.vic.gov.au</u>

Alternatively submissions will be accepted in writing addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, South Gippsland Shire Council, Private Bag 4, Leongatha VIC 3953. All submissions will close at 5.00pm on Friday 26 April.

Submitters who elect to be heard will have an opportunity at the Open Hearing of Council on 22 May in Council Chambers, Leongatha. Submissions relating to the Revised Council Plan 2017 - 2021 and Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget will occur at 10.45am and submissions relating to the Proposed Rating Strategy 2019 – 2022 will occur at 2.15pm. Council will consider the submissions on 29 May followed by the formal consideration for adoption at the 26 June Council Meeting.

South Gippsland Shire Mayor Councillor Don Hill looked forward to receiving feedback from the community.

"The s223 submission process allows all ratepayers to provide their views which can lead to changes being made to the final approved documents.

"We look forward to receiving suggestions and input as this Council values highly the principal of open transparent debate and community engagement in Council's processes," said the Mayor.

Those wishing to view the documents can visit Council's website <u>www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au</u> or Council's offices at 9 Smith Street, Leongatha during business hours.

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