

Strong Projects for Future Budget

South Gippsland Shire Council has released the 2019/20 Proposed Annual Budget following its meeting this week with a number of vital projects for the community.

Highlights of the 2019/20 Proposed Annual Budget include:

- \$5.6M for road reseals and other road improvements
- \$4.4M for the Mirboo North Pool Redevelopment
- \$2.7M for the now fully funded Leongatha Business Precinct Project (Bair Street)
- \$2.6M for the Korumburra Community Hub Project (subject to funding)
- \$1.9M to extend and enhance the Great Southern Rail Trail (subject to funding) plus an additional \$57,000 for ongoing maintenance
- \$1.7M for building renewals and upgrades
- \$1.1M for pool renewals at Leongatha, Toora and Foster
- An extra \$910,000 for road maintenance including \$414,000 for gravel resheeting
- \$901,000 for footpath extensions
- \$250,000 for a new toilet block and improved car parking at the Port Welshpool Long Jetty (subject to funding)

South Gippsland Shire Mayor Councillor Don Hill was proud of the proposed budget and ready to hear community feedback.

“Council has been able to increase funding for gravel roads to the tune of \$1 million and also the rail trail maintenance of \$2 million all without cutting any existing services or raise rates above the mandated CPI levels,” said the Mayor.

Submissions for the 2019/20 Proposed Annual Budget will be accepted via

submission@southgippsland.vic.gov.au or in writing to the Chief Executive Officer, South

Gippsland Shire Council, Private Bag 4, Leongatha VIC 3953 before 5.00pm on Friday 26 April.

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