

## Statement from the Mayor re: the Suspension of Council

The following is from South Gippsland Shire Mayor Councillor Don Hill:

“The Mayor and Councillors acknowledge receipt of a letter from the Minister for Local Government Mr Adem Somyurek on Tuesday 2 April 2019 at 5.00pm, providing the final report and recommendations from the local government monitor.

“The delivery of the final report from Municipal Monitor Mr Peter Stephenson concludes his appointment at Council effective from 4 April 2019.

“Council will now take time to absorb and respond to the report.

“Whilst this process occurs, Council wishes to reassure the community we will be conducting business as usual and that the service delivery and day to day functions of the Shire will continue, including scheduled Community Forums.

“Councillors are committed to continually progressing our plan and assisting community members with their issues.

“We welcome and support the newly appointed Councillors, and are committed to provide every opportunity for Councillors to receive all necessary training and support to ensure a speedy take up of their duties.

“The Mayor will make a further statement when appropriate,” said the Mayor.

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