

Leongatha Railway Station Site Concept Designs and Works Order Approved

South Gippsland Shire Council approved concept designs and a works order for the Leongatha Railway Station site at its meeting this week.

As the Leongatha Railway Station site is a key component of the Great Southern Rail Trail, concept designs have been approved for pedestrian access to the site which includes the Bair Street pedestrian bridge and car parking.

The approved works order also outlined the following:

- New car park construction behind Bair Street shops 2021/22
- Bair Street Pedestrian Bridge: 2022

Further elements of the works order were subject to funding such as the Apex Park car park reconstruction, landscaping, , Bennett Lane car parks and other items identified in the masterplan.

This work will support the Leongatha to Korumburra and Korumburra to Nyora sections of the Great Southern Rail Trail which were identified as Council priority projects. Concept designs and full details of the works order can be viewed in the February Council Meeting Minutes at www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/meetings

Quotes attributable to South Gippsland Shire Chair Administrator Julie Eisenbise:

South Gippsland Shire Chair Administrator Julie Eisenbise was pleased to take the next step for the Leongatha Railway Station site.

"The Leongatha Railway Station site is a significant part to the Great Southern Rail Trail and we have a fantastic opportunity to improve pedestrian access to the area through our lease with VicTrack.

"By approving the concept designs and agreeing to this works plan we will start to see some positive progress made at the site. I look forward to the improvements and know the community will appreciate the reinstatement of the Bair Street bridge and more car parking," said Ms Eisenbise.

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