

Administrators' Community Update Adopted

The third South Gippsland Shire Council Administrators' Community Update – part of the Good Governance Framework - was adopted at Wednesday's Council Meeting.

The Administrators' Update is a report on the progress that has been made towards restoring good governance practices and in implementing the recommendations of the *Commission of Inquiry into South Gippsland Shire Council Report 2019*.

The update shows that the primary tasks that the Administrators were required to undertake as part of the *Commission of Inquiry* are well underway.

These include the Community Leadership Program which commenced last year and the adoption of significant policies such as the *Governance Rules*, *Election Period Policy*, *Public Transparency Policy* and the *Councillor Expense Policy*. A review of other governance policies is progressing.

The update also discusses progress on key Council activities such as the \$2M COVID-19 Community Support Package and Community Grants Program. It also speaks to the engagement that the Administrator's have undertaken with groups and associations within the community.

The update can be viewed at: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/yourcouncil

Quotes attributable to South Gippsland Shire Chair Administrator, Julie Eisenbise

"As Administrators we are pleased to see renewed confidence within the South Gippsland community. Activities such as the Community Leadership Program are helping to create a new generation of leaders and positive partnerships have been built between Council and the local community. Despite COVID-19 and all the challenges it bought, it feels as though 2020 was a significant year in terms of what was able to be achieved for this resilient community."

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