

Transition of Council-Managed Caravan Parks

An update and proposed timeline for the transition to leasing out the Yanakie and Long Jetty (Port Welshpool) Caravan Parks was provided to the September meeting of Council. The decision to lease these parks was resolved at the February 2021 Council Meeting.

It is proposed to have leases commence on 1 July 2022 which will allow time for draft leases and tender documents to be finalised in accordance with the amendments in the State Government's standard Caravan Park lease template.

The transition document will detail actions up to the end of the 2021/22 financial year (30 June 2022) and support staff and site holders with the changes to occur during this time.

The leases will extend for 21 years in accordance with the *Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978* and State Government guidelines for camping on Crown land.

More information on the transition can be found in the Agenda and supporting documents from this month's Council Meeting at www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/councilmeetings

Quote attributable to Kerryn Ellis, South Gippsland Shire Council Chief Executive Officer:

"This is a positive step forward for our region. After what was intended to be a temporary take-on of these two Caravan Parks to get them up to standard, we are now ready to lease them out through a tender process later this year. While the more procedural elements play out, both parks will be operating 'business as usual' and will be adequately staffed until the end of this financial year.

"We would like to thank those Council staff members who have worked hard over the past few years to assist with the improvements to the parks."

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