

# Council Plan 2022 - 2026 Summary



South Gippsland  
Shire Council

*This Plan sets out the strategic directions and priorities of South Gippsland Shire Council for the next four years.*

The Council Plan 2022 - 2026 has been developed alongside the Community Vision 2040 to ensure we are well on the way to reaching those 2040 aspirations.

## Themes



### *Leading With Integrity*

In 2022/23, Council is proposing:

- Investing \$127,000 in volunteering and community development via the Community Leadership Program to strengthen community expertise and leadership.
- Implementing a Customer First Project to improve the customers experience.
- Developing and implementing an Advocacy Strategy, which includes Council's Priority Projects.



### *Connecting our People and Places*

In 2022/23, Council is proposing:

- Allocating an additional \$900,000 on road works to improve gravel road conditions, and purchasing plant equipment to maintain and protect our assets.
- Advocating for increased access to fast and reliable internet and phone connections.
- Allocating \$100,000 to undertake a feasibility study for future pedestrian and bike paths in Venus Bay and Sandy Point.



## *Economy and Industry*

In 2022/23, Council is proposing:

- Developing and implementing the 2022 - 2026 Public Health and Wellbeing Plan and include a Disability Action Plan.
- Contributing \$55,000 to attract and deliver events to boost visitation and the local economy.
- Bringing together business, education and government to understand and pro-actively advocate to improve education outcomes and skills in our community.



## *Healthy and Engaged Communities*

In 2022/23, Council is proposing:

- Investing \$127,000 in volunteering and community development via the Community Leadership Program and development of Community Plans.
- Partnering with the community to open the Korumburra Community Hub as a shared community space.
- Developing a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) in partnership with the Bunurong and GunaiKurnai people.



## *Protecting and Enhancing Our Environment*

In 2022/23, Council is proposing:

- Investigating improved waste management systems including adding Organics Waste to kerbside collection to divert waste away from landfill, and support the community to transition to a three-bin system.
- Developing a Tree Replacement Plan for trees removed by Council.
- Planning and implementing bio-link corridors to increase the percentage of tree cover and habitat in our Shire.
- Partnering with land managers, farmers and LandCare to develop and implement weed and pest mitigation programs.



## *Sustainable Growth*

In 2022/23, Council is proposing:

- Protecting the character of our coastal townships by spending \$60,000 to develop new Planning Scheme guidelines.
- Allocating \$50,000 to implement actions from the Industrial Land Supply Study, to encourage the investment and development of industrial land.
- Spending \$100,000 to undertake a comprehensive review of the South Gippsland Shire Planning Scheme to expertly review local Planning zones, overlays and policies to retain the look and feel of our unique townships while supporting future growth.
- Decreasing the time taken for planning applications to be finalised.