



Updated Council Meeting Prayer for South Gippsland Shire Council

At today's Council meeting, Council decided to make a change the Council Meeting prayer. The prayer is read at the start of each Council Meeting and has not been updated in over ten years.

The new prayer reads:

"As we gather here from diverse backgrounds and beliefs, may we hold privilege with good care and trust. As we deliberate and discuss, may we be wise in our discernment, fair in our decisions and visionary in our planning. May we be guided by our common goal of a strong and united South Gippsland."

The new prayer captures the values and goals of Council and reflects the South Gippsland's diverse communities.

All levels of government read a prayer or statement at the start of each sitting day or Council meeting. The new prayer will be used for the first time at the October Council meeting.

Quote attributable to South Gippsland Shire Council Mayor, Mohya Davies

"The Council Meeting prayer was updated to better reflect the South Gippsland community. The old prayer served our community well for many years, but over time our region has changed, and we wanted a prayer that would be inclusive of everyone regardless of their beliefs or background. We also wanted a prayer that would clearly articulate Council's collective values and I think we have achieved this."

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