

# Mayor's Message



We are extremely lucky to have such great people in South Gippsland and I am encouraged to see the way so many people look out for one another.

Putting others before self is something that I see regularly in our local area, and I want to take a moment to acknowledge that and encourage those who give so much.

## **Remembrance Day**

Remembrance Day is 11 November and there will be several services being held across South Gippsland. This is an opportunity for us to pause, reflect, acknowledge and remember the service and sacrifice of our service men and women.

## **Our Artistic Community**

In South Gippsland, we have a diverse community and creative expression in all its forms thrives here. There are some really exciting projects happening.

Ash Taylor has started work on the Leongatha Railway Precinct Mural. Working throughout November, Ash will create a vibrant piece of art that will transform this space. Make sure you visit her and see the mural come to life.

After a successful program of events in Mirboo North, the ArtCubes have moved on to Fish Creek and will be there until 28 January 2024. The organisers have a really high calibre program, including the local Kindergarten and Primary School children who are occupying the ArtCubes now. To view the program, please visit: <https://visitsouthgippsland.com.au/artcubes>

## **Capital Works Tour**

Councillors recently took a tour through South Gippsland to see first hand the progress being made at some of the Capital Works projects.

Some of the projects include:

- The **Korumburra Railway Station** – renewal works are nearing completion and the building is looking fantastic. This is a terrific space that has so much potential, which Council is exploring.
- The **Korumburra Community Hub** – since our last walk through, this space has changed so much. Seeing users of the Hub moving in and getting ready for the opening on Friday 10 November is certainly an exciting step. I can really see how the building will be utilised for our people.

- The **Meeniyán Community Hub** – demolition at the site is underway, which will make way for new public toilets, meeting room and covered communal seating area. What a great asset this will be to the Meeniyán community and visitors.
- The **Venus Bay Streetscape** is progressing and the works are on track for completion by the end of 2023.

It will be exciting to see all of these projects completed for the benefit of our community.

### **CFA Fire Preparedness Session**

The CFA is running a free online session for South Gippsland Shire residents and non-resident property owners so we can all know how to prepare our property for the fire season.

It will be held on Tuesday 14 November from 7.00pm to 8.00pm.

To book, please visit: <https://bit.ly/3QGxNiu>

**Cr Nathan Hersey – Mayor**