

South Gippsland Shire Council News

Winter Weed Management

As the colder weather returns, it's time to think about the challenge of managing invasive weeds which thrive in cooler temperatures and can spread quickly if not controlled.

These weeds not only harm local ecosystems but can threaten agriculture production by overcrowding native plants that are important for healthy farms. By using the right control methods, we can protect our valuable agricultural land and keep our environment healthy.

Weed species to look out for include:

- Gorse a highly invasive, spiny, yellow flowered shrub that grows 1 to 3m tall.
- Broom species, such as Cape Broom a highly invasive, yellow pea flowered shrub, that grows 3 to 5m tall.

- Wild Tobacco Tree a highly invasive woody shrub, up to 4m tall with hairy leaves and blue flowers (toxic to livestock and humans if eaten in sufficient quantities).
- Inkweed a shrub up to 2m tall, with purple/black berries that have a red juice (all parts of the plant are toxic).

Weeds can be controlled chemically (using herbicide), mechanically/manually (pulled out by hand if there are only a few small plants), and in some cases biologically.

An integrated long term weed control plan should be developed to ensure long term control of the target weed species.

Further weed information can be found on the South Gippsland Landcare Network website: www.sgln.net.au

Expression of Interest ArtCubes in Leongatha



South Gippsland Shire Council's trio of portable creative spaces, the ArtCubes, are coming to Leongatha from July 18 to October 29.

Throughout this time, Council is excited to offer month-long creative residencies for each ArtCube over three months. If you are a visual or sound artist, a performance artist, writer, photographer, or maker of any kind, we invite you to apply for an ArtCubes residency.

For more information, visit: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/leongatha_artcubes_eoi

COUNCIL MEETINGS UPDATE: CHANGE OF MEETING DATE

The next Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 18 June 2025 at 2.00pm.

Details will be available on Council's website:

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/councilmeetings

To watch the meeting live or when it suits you, visit:

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/live

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for a new job? We might have the perfect position for you! Check out our current vacant positions here: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/vacantpositions

RECONCILITATION WEEK

This week recognises National Reconciliation Week 2025.

This years theme 'Bridging Now to Next' reflects on the ongoing connection between past, present and future.

South Gippsland Shire Council will be hosting a flag raising ceremony and we welcome everyone to attend.

When: Thursday 29 May at 10.30am

Where: 9 Smith Street, Leongatha

To see details of other events happening in South Gippsland, visit:

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/reconciliation_week

COMMUNITY IMMUNISATION SESSIONS

Protect your family and community through the free, government-funded National Immunisation Program.

Upcoming Community Immunisations Session:

When: Tuesday 3 June Where: Korumburra

For more information on other sessions or to book, visit:

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/immunisation

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