

Road Management Plan Adopted for South Gippsland

At the September Council Meeting, South Gippsland Shire Council officially adopted the Road Management Plan 2025, a key strategic document that sets the standards for managing the region's road network. The Plan provides a clear and consistent framework to guide Council's inspections, response standards, and maintenance of its road and associated infrastructure network in line with legislative requirements and community expectations.

The Road Management Plan has been aligned with the Municipal Association of Victoria's Insurance Road Management Plan Template to ensure service levels are consistent with sector best practice.

Key updates to the Road Management Plan 2025 include:

- A focus on strategic standards, making the Plan easier for the public to understand while allowing Council greater flexibility in its day-to-day operations.
- Refined intervention levels to ensure timely and consistent responses to road defects.
- An updated asset hierarchy that aligns with Municipal Association of Victoria's recommendations and improves inspection practices.
- Benchmarking of service levels with other regional councils to ensure alignment with emerging standards.

The initiatives outlined in the Road Management Plan will be delivered within existing operational budgets. The increased inspection frequencies will be managed through procedural improvements, compliance monitoring, and regular reporting.

To read the adopted Road Management Plan, please visit: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/roads-and-infrastructure

Quote attributable to Cr John Schelling, Mayor South Gippsland Shire Council:

"The adoption of the 2025 Road Management Plan reinforces our commitment to providing a

safe and reliable road network for everyone in South Gippsland.

"This Plan provides a clear and consistent framework for how Council manages our roads, footpaths, and other infrastructure.

"This is a strategic and responsible approach that balances community expectations with available resources, ensuring we can deliver essential maintenance effectively and efficiently within our existing budgets."

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