

## Rates Notice Delay

There will be slight delay in the delivery of South Gippsland Shire rates notices this year due to ongoing deliberations regarding compulsory kerbside collection in Venus Bay. A report recommending the introduction of a six-month compulsory garbage and recycling service for Venus Bay was presented to Council on 22 July. Although the recommendation was initially carried, a notice of rescission has been lodged which will require discussion at the next Council meeting on 26 August. A notice of rescission is a motion to amend or rescind a previous Council decision.

Although the compulsory kerbside collection deliberations only impact ratepayers located in Venus Bay, Council is keen to ensure that all ratepayers receive their rates notices at the same time. It is anticipated that rates notices will be distributed after the next Council meeting on the week beginning 7 September.

When it comes to paying rates, this year there is more flexibility than ever with the introduction of a nine instalment payment option in addition to the quarterly or once off payment options. The nine instalment option was a Rating Strategy Committee recommendation that was adopted by Council. Rate payments can also be made via the online payment system available at [www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au](http://www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au).

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