

Council is seeking community feedback on the possible introduction of a Dog Leash Order. Currently South Gippsland Shire does not have a Local Law or Policy that requires dogs to be kept on a leash in public.

Council's Strategic Objective 3.3 states:

Promote a safe and healthy community through our municipal public health programs, Emergency Management Plans and regulatory activities that meet our statutory obligations

By introducing this order, Council can enhance the protection of our community, flora and fauna in the Shire.

Currently Council does not have an order in place for dog owners to restrain their dogs with a leash or similar restraint. Dogs are allowed to roam free throughout the Shire, as long as they are under verbal control of their owners. The introduction of a Leash Order will specify the "On-Leash and Off-Leash" areas within our Shire.

Council is not asking dogs to be kept on a leash within your private property. It is only in public areas such as streets, beaches, parks, rail trails and commercial areas.

1. Do you own a dog?					
Yes	No				
2. Do you support a Dog Leash Order?					
Yes	No				
3. Where do you think dogs should be on-leash?					
Townships	Parks and Reserves	Public Beaches	Rail Trails	Nowhere	Other
4. Where do you think dogs should be off-leash					
Townships	Parks and Reserves	Public Beaches	Rail Trails	Nowhere	Other
5. Other comments					