

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE COUNCIL

# Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday 18 June 2025



Council Chambers, Leongatha  
Commenced at 2:00 PM



*South Gippsland  
Shire Council*



## OUR COUNCIL VISION

We care deeply about our people, the land and the future of South Gippsland.

Our Vision is to support the whole Shire in creating economic, environmental and social prosperity for this and future generations.

The Council Agenda relates to the following Strategic Objectives of the Council Plan 2022-2026:

- ◆ Connecting our People and Places ◆
  - ◆ Economy and Industry ◆
- ◆ Healthy and Engaged Communities ◆
  - ◆ Leading with Integrity ◆
- ◆ Protecting and Enhancing our Environment ◆
  - ◆ Sustainable Growth ◆

## PRESENT

**COUNCILLORS:**

*Coastal Promontory Ward*  
Councillor Sarah Gilligan, Deputy Mayor  
Councillor Steve Finlay  
Councillor Scott Rae

*Strzelecki Ward*  
Councillor Bron Beach  
Councillor Nathan Hersey  
Councillor John Kennedy

*Tarwin Valley Ward*  
Councillor Brad Snell  
Councillor Clare Williams  
Councillor John Schelling, Mayor

**NOT PRESENT:****OFFICERS:**

Allison Jones, Chief Executive Officer  
Wendy Ollington, Acting Director Sustainable Infrastructure  
Lucas Gardiner, Director Future Communities  
Michelle Jorgensen, Acting Director Performance and Innovation  
Christian Stefani, Acting Director Strategy and Partnerships  
Rhys Matulis, Manager Governance & Integrity  
Jodi Cumming, Governance Coordinator  
Ally Low, Governance Officer  
Thomas Hender, Desktop Support Officer

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**Allison Jones**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

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## **1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

### **1.1. LIVE-STREAMING COUNCIL MEETING DISCLAIMER**

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Thank you

### **1.2. WELCOME TO THE COUNCIL MEETING**

#### ***Public Questions***

In accordance with *Governance Rules (C82)*, clause 56.4(d) the placement of public questions has now closed. Questions must be received prior to the commencement of the Council Meeting and placed in the receptacle at Governance Officers table. Questions received after the commencement of the Meeting will be considered at the next Council Meeting.

### **1.3. OPENING PRAYER**

As we gather here from diverse backgrounds and beliefs, may we hold privilege with good care and trust. As we deliberate and discuss, may we be wise in our discernment, fair in our decisions and visionary in our planning. May we be guided by our common goal of a strong and united South Gippsland.

**The Opening Prayer was read by Councillor Gilligan**

#### **1.4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS**

We acknowledge the Bunurong and Gunaikurnai people as the Traditional Custodians of South Gippsland and pay respect to their Elders, past, present, and future, for they hold the memories, traditions, culture, and hopes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of Australia.

**The Acknowledgement of Traditional Custodians was read by Councillor Williams**

#### **1.5. APOLOGIES**

**Nil**

#### **1.6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

##### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Minutes of the South Gippsland Shire Council Meeting held on 21 May 2025 in the Council Chambers, Leongatha be confirmed.

##### **RESOLUTION**

**MOVED:** Councillor Hersey  
**SECONDED:** Councillor Gilligan

**That the Minutes of the South Gippsland Shire Council Meeting held on 21 May 2025 in the Council Chambers, Leongatha be confirmed.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



## 1.7. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST FOR COUNCILLORS

The *Local Government Act 2020* (the Act), Division 2 sets out the requirements relating to Conflict of Interest. Disclosure of a conflict of interest in respect of a matter to be considered at a Council Meeting is required under section 130(1)(a) and specifically applies to a relevant person being a Councillor, member of a delegated committee who is not a Councillor and a member of Council staff.

Council's *Governance Rules (C82)* (the Rules), clause 3.0 Disclosure of a Conflict of Interest at a Council Meeting sets out the prescribed manner required to disclose a conflict of interest at South Gippsland Shire Council.

The Rules require a Councillor and/ or staff member who has a conflict of interest in a matter being considered at a Council Meeting to announce before the matter is considered and disclose this in a written notice to the Chief Executive Officer. The details included in the disclosure, explain the nature conflict of interest, whether it is classified as general or material (s.127 and s.128), the name of the relevant person(s) and their relationship to them.

Failure to comply with disclosures of conflict of interest (s.130) may be subject to penalty points and/ or other disciplinary measures depending on the nature of the conflict.

The *Local Government Act 2020* can be accessed from the Victorian Legislation and Parliamentary documents website at [www.legislation.vic.gov.au](http://www.legislation.vic.gov.au).

Council's *Governance Rules (C82)* can be accessed from [Council's Policies](#) webpage.

**Councillor Bron Beach has declared two general conflicts of interest in Confidential Agenda Item 9.1. South Gippsland Shire Council Community Grants Program 2024/25 Round 2, as Councillor Beach is the President of the Leongatha Lyric Theatre and a member of the Leongatha Business Association.**

**Councillor Nathan Hersey has declared a material conflict of interest in Open Agenda Item 2.3. Renaming of a Section of Speight Street Loch - Consideration of community feedback, as Councillor Hersey owns property in the Loch township.**

**Councillor Nathan Hersey has declared a general conflict of interest in Confidential Agenda Item 9.1. South Gippsland Shire Council Community Grants Program 2024/25 Round 2, as Councillor Hersey is a member of the Korumburra Agriculture and Pastoral Society.**



**Councillor Clare Williams has declared a material conflict of interest in Confidential Agenda Item 9.1 South Gippsland Shire Council Community Grants Program 2024/25 Round 2, as a family member holds a leadership position for Leongatha Business Association.**

## 1.8. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST FOR STAFF

The *Local Government Act 2020* (the Act), Division 2 sets out the requirements relating to Conflict of Interest. Disclosure of a conflict of interest in respect of a matter to be considered at a Council Meeting is required under section 130(1)(a) and specifically applies to a relevant person being a Councillor, member of a delegated committee who is not a Councillor and a member of Council staff.

Council's *Governance Rules (C82) (the Rules)*, Chapter 5, clause 7, 8 and 9 sets the prescribed manner required for staff to disclose a conflict of interest when:

- Preparing Reports for Meetings
- Exercise of Delegated Power
- Exercise of a Statutory Function

Council staff must immediately upon becoming aware of a conflict of interest provide a written notice to the Chief Executive Officer disclosing the conflict of interest, explain the nature of the conflict and how it will be managed. Upon becoming aware and declaring a conflict of interest, a staff member may not exercise a power or perform a function in the matter. All prepared reports will record that staff member(s) have considered a conflict of interest and include if any, the details of a disclosure.

Failure to comply with disclosures of conflict of interest (s.130) may be subject to penalty points and/ or other disciplinary measures depending on the nature of the conflict.

The *Local Government Act 2020* can be accessed from the Victorian Legislation and Parliamentary documents website at [www.legislation.vic.gov.au](http://www.legislation.vic.gov.au).

Council's *Governance Rules (C82)* can be accessed from [Council's Policies](#) webpage.

**Nil**

## 2. COUNCIL REPORTS

### 2.1. INTEGRATED PLANNING DOCUMENTS FOR ENDORSEMENT

Directorate:	Strategy & Partnerships
Department:	Governance and Integrity

#### Council Plan

##### *Objective - Leading with Integrity*

*The development of these Integrated Plans sets the strategic direction of the Council over the next four-year term and aligns with the South Gippsland Community Vision 2040 revision.*

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present the completed suite of Integrated Planning (Plans) documents for Council's consideration and determination.

These Plans are fundamental documents for Council as they provide Council's strategic objectives and outline the future financial, and other resource, planning to support the delivery of the Council Plan and Community Vision 2040.

The documents include:

- Council Plan 2025 – 2029 (**Attachment [2.1.1]**);
- Financial Plan 2025/26 – 2034/35 (**Attachment [2.1.2]**);
- Revenue and Rating Plan 2025 – 2029 (**Attachment [2.1.3]**);
- Budget 2025/26 – 2028/29, including the 2025/26 Council Plan Annual Initiatives (**Attachment [2.1.4]**);
- Asset Plan 2025 – 2035 (**Attachment [2.1.5]**);
- Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2025 – 2029 (**Attachment [2.1.6]**); and
- Integrated Planning Engagement Report (**Attachment [2.1.7]**).

Also included as an outcome from the Budget engagement process is the proposal to lease the property at 2746 Meeniyah Promontory Road, Yanakie to the Corner Inlet Motorcycle Club.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Adopts the Council Plan 2025 - 2029 (Attachment [2.1.1]) in accordance with s.90 of the Local Government Act 2020;
2. Adopts the Financial Plan 2025/26 - 2034/35 (Attachment [2.1.2]), Revenue and Rating Plan 2025 - 2029 (Attachment [2.1.3]) and the Budget 2025/26 - 2028/29 (Attachment [2.1.4]); including the 2025/26 Council Plan Annual Initiatives in accordance with s.91, s.93, s.94 and s.96 of the Local Government Act 2020;
3. Adopts the Asset Plan 2025 - 2035 (Attachment [2.1.5]) in accordance with s.92 of the Local Government Act 2020;
4. Adopts the Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2025 - 2029 (Attachment [2.1.6]);
5. Adopts the Integrated Planning Engagement Report 2025 (Attachment [2.1.7]);
6. Publishes all Plans referenced in this Council Report on Council's website; and
7. Enters a lease with the Corner Inlet Motorcycle Club for a term of five years, with a further term of five years, for a rental of \$104 plus GST per annum as there were no negative submissions received to the proposal during the consultation period of 17 April to 7 May 2025.

**RESOLUTION**

**MOVED:** Councillor Gilligan

**SECONDED:** Councillor Rae

**That Council:**

- 1. Adopts the Council Plan 2025 - 2029 (Attachment [2.1.1]) in accordance with s.90 of the Local Government Act 2020;**
- 2. Adopts the Financial Plan 2025/26 - 2034/35 (Attachment [2.1.2]), Revenue and Rating Plan 2025 - 2029 (Attachment [2.1.3]) and the Budget 2025/26 - 2028/29 (Attachment [2.1.4]); including the 2025/26 Council Plan Annual Initiatives in accordance with s.91, s.93, s.94 and s.96 of the Local Government Act 2020;**
- 3. Adopts the Asset Plan 2025 - 2035 (Attachment [2.1.5]) in accordance with s.92 of the Local Government Act 2020;**
- 4. Adopts the Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2025 - 2029 (Attachment [2.1.6]);**
- 5. Adopts the Integrated Planning Engagement Report 2025 (Attachment [2.1.7]);**
- 6. Publishes all Plans referenced in this Council Report on Council's website; and**
- 7. Enters a lease with the Corner Inlet Motorcycle Club for a term of five years, with a further term of five years, for a rental of \$104 plus GST per annum as there were no negative submissions received to the proposal during the consultation period of 17 April to 7 May 2025.**

**CARRIED**

## 2.2. REMOVAL OF RESERVATION STATUS AND PROPOSED SALE OF 71 MACDONALD STREET, LEONGATHA

Directorate:	Sustainable Infrastructure
Department:	Infrastructure Planning

### Council Plan

#### *Objective - Sustainable Growth*

*A decision to allow a change to land that enables further development of land for a subdivision in Leongatha.*

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to propose the commencement of the statutory and community engagement process to sell part of 71 MacDonald Street, Leongatha to the adjoining landowners and if successful, removal of the reservation status.

### RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Commence statutory procedure on accordance with s.114 of the *Local Government Act 2020* to sell part of the land known 71 MacDonald Street, Leongatha and being part Reservation No.1 LP21596S being 127 square metres to the adjoining landowner, for not less than the valuation to be obtained;
2. Gives public notice with respect to the proposal on Council's website and local newspapers in the edition commencing 1 July 2025 in accordance with *(CE84) Community Engagement for Property Proposals Policy (Guidelines)* on the proposal, inviting written submissions to be received by 5pm Monday 28 July 2025;
  - a. If submissions are made to the public notice:
    - i. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to fix the time, date and place of the meeting for the hearing for persons who wish to be heard in support of their submissions;
    - ii. Receives a further report to consider submissions and determine the outcome at the next available Council Meeting;

- b. If no submissions are received to the public notice, implement the proposal in Recommendations 1 and 3; and
- 3. Remove the reservation status and create Road 1 and Lot 1 in accordance with s.24A of the *Subdivision Act 1988*.

## **RESOLUTION**

**MOVED:** Councillor Beach

**SECONDED:** Councillor Williams

### **That Council:**

- 1. **Commence statutory procedure on accordance with s.114 of the *Local Government Act 2020* to sell part of the land known 71 MacDonald Street, Leongatha and being part Reservation No.1 LP21596S being 127 square metres to the adjoining landowner, for not less than the valuation to be obtained;**
- 2. **Gives public notice with respect to the proposal on Council's website and local newspapers in the edition commencing 1 July 2025 in accordance with (CE84) *Community Engagement for Property Proposals Policy (Guidelines)* on the proposal, inviting written submissions to be received by 5pm Monday 28 July 2025;**
  - a. **If submissions are made to the public notice:**
    - i. **Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to fix the time, date and place of the meeting for the hearing for persons who wish to be heard in support of their submissions;**
    - ii. **Receives a further report to consider submissions and determine the outcome at the next available Council Meeting;**
  - b. **If no submissions are received to the public notice, implement the proposal in Recommendations 1 and 3; and**
- 3. **Remove the reservation status and create Road 1 and Lot 1 in accordance with s.24A of the *Subdivision Act 1988*.**

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



## 2.3. RENAMING OF A SECTION OF SPEIGHT STREET LOCH - CONSIDERATION OF COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

Directorate:	Strategy & Partnerships
Department:	Governance and Integrity

**Councillor Hersey left the room at 2:29pm due to a declared conflict of interest**

### **Council Plan**

*Objective - Leading with Integrity*

*Ensuring that Council meets its statutory obligations to consult with the community before making decisions as naming authority, is consistent with the objective of Leading with Integrity.*

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the submissions received from the recent community consultation held on renaming of a section of Speight Street in Loch, to Albert Road. Council received four submissions through its Your Say Online Survey with all submissions either supporting, or not opposing, the renaming.

The current naming of Speight Street, Loch is not consistent with the current Naming Rules issued by Geographic Names Victoria, and it is in the public interest to consider a renaming proposal.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Determines the subject section of Speight Street in Loch, between Albert Road and the intersection of Queen Street and Smith Street to be renamed to Albert Road;
2. Writes to all submitters advising them of Council's decision and notifies the objectors that they have an opportunity to appeal South Gippsland Shire Council's decision with Geographic Names Victoria;
3. Submits the proposed renaming of the subject section of Speight Street in Loch to Geographic Names Victoria for final consideration and approval; and

4. Subjects to Geographic Names Victoria's approval and Gazettal, update Council's Street signage as required.

## **RESOLUTION**

**MOVED:** Councillor Rae

**SECONDED:** Councillor Snell

**That Council:**

1. **Determines the subject section of Speight Street in Loch, between Albert Road and the intersection of Queen Street and Smith Street to be renamed to Albert Road;**
2. **Writes to all submitters advising them of Council's decision and notifies the objectors that they have an opportunity to appeal South Gippsland Shire Council's decision with Geographic Names Victoria;**
3. **Submits the proposed renaming of the subject section of Speight Street in Loch to Geographic Names Victoria for final consideration and approval; and**
4. **Subjects to Geographic Names Victoria's approval and Gazettal, update Council's Street signage as required.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 2.4. FLOOD STUDY IMPLEMENTATION

Directorate:	Future Communities
Department:	Planning and Building Services

**Councillor Hersey returned to the room at 2:30pm**

### **Council Plan**

*Objective - Sustainable Growth*

*This report aligns with Council Plan's commitment to proactively address climate change impacts, specifically by evaluating flooding risk in the context of future municipal growth.*

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's consideration for the adoption and subsequent implementation of several flood studies (**Attachments [2.4.1]-[2.4.11]**). These studies, prepared by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority (WGCMA), pertain to areas within the WGCMA's jurisdiction that encompass a significant portion of our municipality. Further, the WGCMA has developed corresponding Flood Overlay mapping intended for integration into the South Gippsland Planning Scheme to enact the findings of these studies (**Attachment [2.4.12]** and **Attachment [2.4.13]** for the corresponding planning controls).

Council has proactively secured funding through the State Government's Regional Flood-Related Amendments Program to facilitate the implementation of these adopted flood studies into the South Gippsland Planning Scheme. This State-funded program is specifically designed to support such integrations.

The subsequent planning scheme amendment process will be comprehensive, incorporating extensive public consultation. This will ensure all interested parties have the opportunity to provide submissions to Council and an

independent Standing Advisory Committee for consideration before any modifications are made to the South Gippsland Planning Scheme.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Seeks written consent from the Minister for Planning to prepare and give notice of a draft Planning Scheme Amendment C135 to the South Gippsland Planning Scheme, to implement the following flood studies:
  - a. Floodplain mapping for Hedley, 2024 (Attachment [2.4.1]);
  - b. Floodplain mapping for Shady Creek, Welshpool, 2024 (Attachment [2.4.2]);
  - c. 1486-1488 & 1492 Korumburra Wonthaggi Rd, Kongwak – Preliminary flood analysis (Kongwak Butter & Cheese), 2023 (Attachment [2.4.3]);
  - d. Inverloch Region Coastal Hazard Assessment, 2022 (Attachment [2.4.4]);
  - e. Flood impact assessment - 421 Barry Road, Welshpool, 2021 (Attachment [2.4.5]);
  - f. Flood and drainage study for Foster and surrounding catchments, 2019 (Attachment [2.4.6]);
  - g. Floodplain mapping for Tarwin River East Branch, 2019 (Attachment [2.4.7]);
  - h. Floodplain mapping for Tarwin River West Branch, 2019 (Attachment [2.4.8]);
  - i. Floodplain mapping for Fish Creek, 2018 (Attachment [2.4.9]);
  - j. Corner Inlet Dynamic Storm Tide Modelling Assessment, 2014 (Attachment [2.4.10]);
  - k. The Effect of Climate Change on Extreme Sea Levels along Victoria's Coast, 2009 (Attachment [2.4.11]);
2. Introduces flood controls in accordance with the draft planning control maps (Attachment [2.4.12]) and schedules included in (Attachment [2.4.13]) and to utilise the Flood-related Amendments Standing Advisory Committee to review unresolved submissions, if required;

3. Where all submissions are resolved or no submissions to the draft Planning Scheme Amendment C135 are received, requests the Minister for Planning to:
  - a. Prepare Amendment C135 to the South Gippsland Planning Scheme under section 8 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*;
  - b. Use their powers of intervention under s.20(4) to exempt themselves from the notice requirements of ss.17, 18 and 19 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*; and
  - c. Adopt and approve the amendment under ss.29 and 35 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* to introduce flood controls in accordance with Attachments [2.4.12] and [2.4.13].
  
4. Where submissions remain unresolved:
  - a. Requests that the Minister for Planning refer the draft Planning Scheme Amendment C135 and all submissions to the Flood-related Amendments Standing Advisory Committee (SAC), and following receipt of the SAC report; and
  - b. Requests that the Minister for Planning:
    - i. Prepare Amendment C135 to the South Gippsland Planning Scheme under s.8 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*;
    - ii. Use their powers of intervention under s.20(4) to exempt themselves from the notice requirements of ss.17, 18 and 19 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*; and
    - iii. Adopt and approve the amendment under ss.29 and 35 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* to introduce flood controls in accordance with Attachments [2.4.12] and [2.4.13].

**Councillor Hersey moved a motion different to the recommendation**

**RESOLUTION**

**MOVED:** Councillor Hersey

**SECONDED:** Councillor Rae

**That Council:**

- 1. Seeks written consent from the Minister for Planning to prepare and give notice of a draft Planning Scheme Amendment C135 to the South Gippsland Planning Scheme, to implement the following flood studies:**
  - a. Floodplain mapping for Hedley, 2024 (Attachment [2.4.1]);**
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  - j. Corner Inlet Dynamic Storm Tide Modelling Assessment, 2014 (Attachment [2.4.10]);**
  - k. The Effect of Climate Change on Extreme Sea Levels along Victoria's Coast, 2009 (Attachment [2.4.11]);**

2. **Commits to undertaking a transparent and inclusive consultation process during the exhibition of the draft planning scheme amendments to implement the flood studies, including through:**
  - a. **Written notice to all owners and occupiers of affected lands identified in the mapping;**
  - b. **Broad engagement with the wider affected township communities;**
  - c. **Information sessions and other targeted methods, to ensure all impacted residents are informed and have the opportunity to participate and engage;**
3. **Introduces flood controls in accordance with the draft planning control maps (Attachment [2.4.12]) and schedules included in (Attachment [2.4.13]) and to utilise the Flood-related Amendments Standing Advisory Committee to review unresolved submissions, if required;**
4. **Where all submissions are resolved or no submissions to the draft Planning Scheme Amendment C135 are received, requests the Minister for Planning to:**
  - a. **Prepare Amendment C135 to the South Gippsland Planning Scheme under section 8 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*;**
  - b. **Use their powers of intervention under s.20(4) to exempt themselves from the notice requirements of ss.17, 18 and 19 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*; and**
  - c. **Adopt and approve the amendment under ss.29 and 35 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* to introduce flood controls in accordance with Attachments [2.4.12] and [2.4.13].**
5. **Where submissions remain unresolved:**
  - a. **Requests that the Minister for Planning refer the draft Planning Scheme Amendment C135 and all submissions to the Flood-related Amendments Standing Advisory Committee (SAC), and following receipt of the SAC report; and**
  - b. **Requests that the Minister for Planning:**
    - i. **Prepare Amendment C135 to the South Gippsland Planning Scheme under s.8 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*;**



- ii. **Use their powers of intervention under s.20(4) to exempt themselves from the notice requirements of ss.17, 18 and 19 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*; and**
- iii. **Adopt and approve the amendment under ss.29 and 35 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* to introduce flood controls in accordance with Attachments [2.4.12] and [2.4.13].**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 2.5. GRANT OPPORTUNITY - 2025/26 COUNTRY FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB FUNDING PROGRAM

Directorate:	Sustainable Infrastructure
Department:	Infrastructure Planning

### Council Plan

#### *Objective - Healthy and Engaged Communities*

*This report relates to the Council Plan through the sustainable improvement of Council's infrastructure. To create places and spaces for people to connect and participate in local activities, sports and leisure, community events, and enjoy our libraries, parks, gardens and coastal areas.*

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek Council endorsement of a funding application to the *Victorian Government's 2025-2026 Country Football and Netball Program* for the Leongatha Recreation Reserve lighting upgrade.

The report also seeks endorsement of a financial contribution towards the Nyora Recreation Reserve lighting upgrade following announcement by the Victorian Government that they will make a \$150,000 contribution towards this project.

### RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Endorse the application for \$250,000 under the Victorian Government's 2025-2026 Country Football and Netball Program for the Leongatha Recreation Reserve lighting upgrade;
2. Agree to contribute \$50,000 excluding GST to the Leongatha Recreation Reserve lighting upgrade if the funding application is successful; and
3. Agree to contribute \$150,000 excluding GST to the Nyora Recreation Reserve lighting upgrade subject to confirmation of funding provided through the Victorian Government budget.

## **RESOLUTION**

**MOVED:** Councillor Schelling

**SECONDED:** Councillor Gilligan

**That Council:**

- 1. Endorse the application for \$250,000 under the Victorian Government's 2025-2026 Country Football and Netball Program for the Leongatha Recreation Reserve lighting upgrade;**
- 2. Agree to contribute \$50,000 excluding GST to the Leongatha Recreation Reserve lighting upgrade if the funding application is successful; and**
- 3. Agree to contribute \$150,000 excluding GST to the Nyora Recreation Reserve lighting upgrade subject to confirmation of funding provided though the Victorian Government budget.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 2.6. INSTRUMENT OF DELEGATION - S6 COUNCIL TO MEMBERS OF STAFF

Directorate:	Strategy & Partnerships
Department:	Governance and Integrity

### Council Plan

*Objective - Leading with Integrity*

*Council's governance is strengthened by maintaining currency in the delegations and authorisations to Officers, so they can undertake the functions they are required to perform on behalf of Council.*

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to recommend that Council adopts an updated S6 Instrument of Delegation - Council to Members of Staff (**Attachment [2.6.1]**) to include adding a new provision to the *Road Management Act 2024* for relevant officers and updating conditions and limitations for the *Food Act 1984*.

### RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolves that, in the exercise of the powers conferred by s.11(1) of the Local Government Act 2020 and the other legislation referred to in the attached S6 Instrument of Delegation - Council to Members of Staff (Attachment [2.6.1]):

1. Members of Council staff holding, acting in or performing the duties of the officers or positions referred to in (Attachment [2.6.1]) be delegated with the powers, duties and functions set out in that instrument, subject to the conditions and limitations specified in that Instrument of Delegation;
2. The Chief Executive Officer is authorised to sign the S6 Instrument of Delegation (Attachment [2.6.1]), to come into force immediately upon signing;
3. Upon this Instrument of Delegation (Attachment [2.6.1]) coming into force, all previous delegations from Council to members of Council staff (other than the Instrument of Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer) are revoked; and
4. The duties and functions set out in the Instrument of Delegation Attachment [2.6.1]) must be performed by Council officers delegated to do so, and the powers set out in the Instrument of Delegation must be

executed by them, in accordance with any guidelines or policies that Council may adopt.

## **RESOLUTION**

**MOVED:** Councillor Rae

**SECONDED:** Councillor Williams

**That Council resolves that, in the exercise of the powers conferred by s.11(1) of the Local Government Act 2020 and the other legislation referred to in the attached S6 Instrument of Delegation - Council to Members of Staff (Attachment [2.6.1]):**

- 1. Members of Council staff holding, acting in or performing the duties of the officers or positions referred to in (Attachment [2.6.1]) be delegated with the powers, duties and functions set out in that instrument, subject to the conditions and limitations specified in that Instrument of Delegation;**
- 2. The Chief Executive Officer is authorised to sign the S6 Instrument of Delegation (Attachment [2.6.1]), to come into force immediately upon signing;**
- 3. Upon this Instrument of Delegation (Attachment [2.6.1]) coming into force, all previous delegations from Council to members of Council staff (other than the Instrument of Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer) are revoked; and**
- 4. The duties and functions set out in the Instrument of Delegation Attachment [2.6.1]) must be performed by Council officers delegated to do so, and the powers set out in the Instrument of Delegation must be executed by them, in accordance with any guidelines or policies that Council may adopt.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 2.7. INSTRUMENT OF APPOINTMENT - S11A PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT ACT 1987

Directorate:	Strategy & Partnerships
Department:	Governance and Integrity

### Council Plan

*Objective - Leading with Integrity*

*Council's governance is strengthened by maintaining currency in the delegations to Officers with the functions they are required to perform on behalf of Council.*

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report recommends that Council adopts S11A Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation (Planning and Environment Act 1987) for staff member, Katelyn Balfour, under the Planning and Environment Act 1987.

### RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolves, in the exercise of the powers conferred by s.147(4) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*, s.224 of the *Local Government Act 1989* and s.313 of the *Local Government Act 2020*:

1. The members of Council staff referred to in the Instrument of Appointment and Authorisations (Attachment 2.6.1) be appointed and authorised as set out in the instrument and detailed in this report; and
2. The Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation come into force immediately when signed by Council's Chief Executive Officer. It will remain in force until such time as Council determines to vary it, or it is revoked by Council's Chief Executive Officer in the event:
  - a. The officer resigns from Council; or
  - b. Is appointed to a position where this appointment and authorisation is not required or suitable.

## **RESOLUTION**

**MOVED:** Councillor Gilligan

**SECONDED:** Councillor Williams

**That Council resolves, in the exercise of the powers conferred by s.147(4) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*, s.224 of the *Local Government Act 1989* and s.313 of the *Local Government Act 2020*:**

- 1. The members of Council staff referred to in the Instrument of Appointment and Authorisations (Attachment 2.6.1) be appointed and authorised as set out in the instrument and detailed in this report; and**
- 2. The Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation come into force immediately when signed by Council's Chief Executive Officer. It will remain in force until such time as Council determines to vary it, or it is revoked by Council's Chief Executive Officer in the event:**
  - a. The officer resigns from Council; or**
  - b. Is appointed to a position where this appointment and authorisation is not required or suitable.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



## 2.8. SUMMARY OF STRATEGIC BRIEFINGS - 13 APRIL 2025 - 12 MAY 2025

Directorate:	Strategy & Partnerships
Department:	Governance and Integrity

### Council Plan

*Objective - Leading with Integrity*

*Council's transparency and governance is strengthened by regularly reporting on summaries of briefings held, that assist Council to make informed decisions in Council Meetings on behalf of the community.*

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of the information presented to Councillors between 13 April 2025 and 12 May 2025.

This aligns with the principles of the *Local Government Act 2020* and supports transparency around Council decisions and actions.

### RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes this report, the Summary of Strategic Briefings - 13 April 2025 – 12 May 2025.

### RESOLUTION

**MOVED:** Councillor Williams

**SECONDED:** Councillor Rae

**That Council receives and notes this report, the Summary of Strategic Briefings - 13 April 2025 – 12 May 2025.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2.9. DOCUMENTS SEALED, CONTRACTS VARIED, AWARDED OR EXTENDED BY CEO -  
13 APRIL 2025 -12 MAY 2025**

Directorate:	Performance and Innovation
Department:	Financial Strategy

**Council Plan***Objective - Leading with Integrity*

*Council's transparency of financial decisions made and overall financial sustainability is strengthened by regularly reporting on documents sealed, contracts awarded, varied or extended under the CEO's delegation.*

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report documents the following actions undertaken by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) which occurred during the period 13 April 2025 to 12 May 2025. Council's *Procurement Policy (C32)* requires the CEO to report to Council any of the following actions undertaken to the next appropriate Meeting:

- Documents sealed;
- Contracts awarded after a public tender process within the CEO's delegation;
- Contracts varied or extended by the CEO which exceeded the CEO's delegation;

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receives and notes this report Documents Sealed, Contracts Varied, Awarded or Extended by CEO - 13 April 2025 -12 May 2025.

**RESOLUTION**

**MOVED:** Councillor Gilligan

**SECONDED:** Councillor Rae

**That Council receives and notes this report Documents Sealed, Contracts Varied, Awarded or Extended by CEO - 13 April 2025 -12 May 2025.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **3. NOTICES OF MOTION AND/OR RESCISSION**

**Nil**

### **4. COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

#### **4.1. REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Councillor John Kennedy be granted leave of Council Meeting  
16 July 2025.

#### **RESOLUTION**

**MOVED:** Councillor Gilligan

**SECONDED:** Councillor Rae

**That Councillor John Kennedy be granted leave of Council Meeting  
16 July 2025.**

**CARRIED**

## **4.2. COUNCILLOR UPDATES**

**Councillor Gilligan, addressed Council by reporting on attendance at or made comments on:**

- **Attended Coastal Round Table meeting**
  - **Acknowledged upcoming attendance at National Government Assembly in Canberra**
  - **Acknowledged MAV feedback**
  - **Attended event hosted by Gippsland Emergency Relief Fund in partnership with Resilient Building Council on 17 June 2025**
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**Councillor Finlay, addressed Council by reporting on attendance or made comments on:**

- **Acknowledged Bendigo Community Bank grant funding**
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**Councillor Rae, addressed Council by reporting on attendance at or made comments on:**

- **Acknowledged 9 July to 15 June – Men's mental Health Week**
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**Councillor Beach, addressed Council by reporting on attendance at or made comments on:**

- **Attended Southern Lights Festival**
  - **Attended Arts Advisory Committee and gave shout-out to the work in this area – acknowledging visit south Gippsland website**
  - **Acknowledged the Art Cubes coming to Leongatha**
  - **Attended and acknowledged Access and Inclusion Committee Meeting**
  - **Attended and acknowledged the Science and Engineering event held in Korumburra on 11 June 2025**
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**Councillor Hersey, addressed Council by reporting on attendance at or made comments on:**

- **Presented at the Victorian Government Supply of Homes as Chair of One Gippsland**
  - **Attended and acknowledged multiple meetings and events such as Loch Resilience Meeting, Live4Life Dinner and Fight MND Event in Korumburra**
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**Councillor Williams, addressed Council by reporting on attendance at or made comments on:**

- **Acknowledged Community Groups and Volunteers**
  - **Acknowledged BumpIn**
  - **Acknowledged Lyrical Theatre Upcoming Footloose**
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**Councillor Snell, addressed Council by reporting on attendance at or made comments on:**

- **Acknowledged mental health**
- **Requested community to engage with Flood Study Implementation in Gippsland Regions**

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**Councillor Schelling, addressed Council by reporting on attendance at or made comments on:**

- **Attended Reconciliation Day Event**
- **Life4Life Annual Dinner**
- **Acknowledged Mossvale Park Association**
- **Acknowledged Treaty event in Bairnsdale**

## 5. URGENT BUSINESS

Normally no motion should be debated by Councillors unless the matter is already included as an item on the Agenda. However, in some circumstances it is possible to raise urgent motions.

Council's *Governance Rules 2020* (clause 22 - Urgent Business) adopted on 19 October 2022, allows for where a situation has not been provided for under the *Governance Rules*, the Council may determine the matter by resolution. Established practice has provided for urgent motions to be raised at Council provided the matter cannot be dealt with at the next Council Meeting or by Officers under delegation.

It is necessary for the Councillor wishing to raise a matter of urgent business to raise a motion similar to the following:

'That consideration of (the issue) be dealt with as a matter of urgent business and Councillor....be allowed a 'short period' to indicate the reason(s) why the matter should be considered as a matter of urgent business.' If the Chairperson accepts the motion as meeting the urgent business criteria, normal meeting procedures in Council's *Governance Rules 2020*, clause 22 will apply.

If the motion to accept the item as a matter of urgent business is passed by Council, the motion relating to the specific issue can then be put and debated in the normal way.

**Nil**

## 6. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

### 6.1. PETITIONS AND JOINT LETTERS

Petitions and Joint Letters are written requests that have been signed by a number of community members. According to the *Governance Rules (C82)*, *clause 57*, members of the community may submit a valid petition or joint letter to a Councillor or to Council addressed to the Chief Executive Officer.

At the Meeting a petition or joint letter is presented, Council will consider a motion to receive it, the matter itself will not be considered unless determined as urgent business.

The Councillor presenting the petition or joint letter is responsible for ensuring that they are familiar with the contents and purpose of the petition or joint letter and that it does not contain language disrespectful to Council.

The requirements of the lead petitioner are detailed in the *Governance Rules (C82)*, *clause 57*.

Source: [Governance Rules \(C82\)](#) – adopted 19 October 2022.

Nil



## 6.2. ANSWERS TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Answers to previous questions taken on notice at a former Council Meeting, are included in the Minutes of this Meeting.

Background material submitted with a question will not be recorded in the Council Meeting Minutes.

Source: [\*Governance Rules \(C82\)\*](#) – adopted 19 October 2022.

**Council received four sets of public questions. Two sets of questions are provided in these minutes. One set was a duplicate and one set was unable to be answered as it does not comply with the Governance Rules.**

Public questions to Council received from Mr John McCombe in relation to various Council topics. This question was taken on notice at the 21 May 2025 Council meeting.

### **Question 1:**

***Do Council Staff consider themselves to be Civil Servants (Public Servants) or staff of a corporation – a business (supplying services to the South Gippsland Shire constituents)?***

### **Response:**

Although, it would be safe to assume that many Council employees consider themselves as working on behalf of the South Gippsland community, Victorian Council employees are not specifically defined as public servants under the *Public Administration Act 2004*.

### **Question 2:**

***Does the Council share the same view as the administration on this situation?***

### **Response:**

As per the response to question 1, the status of Council staff is defined by legislation. Councillors understand that Council staff employment arrangements are determined by the *Local Government Act 2020*.

### **Question 3:**

***If it's a corporation, why do we have directors answering to the CEO, and if it's not, why do the staff refer to the constituents as being clients and/or customers?***

### **Response:**

Council is not a corporation, as per Section 12 of the *Local Government Act 2020*, a Council consists of its Councillors who are democratically elected in accordance with the Act.

Custom practice in Local Government in Victoria is that 2<sup>nd</sup> level leaders are referred to as Directors, General Managers or Executive Directors.

South Gippsland Shire Council is committed to act in the community's best interest and work to meet people's expectations of Council. The terminology of "customer" was introduced by our current Mayor as a way of increasing responsiveness to our community.

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**Public Question received by Mr Stanley Woodhouse in relation to environmental impacts at Barry Beach Marine Terminal.**

**Question:**

***"I am sure the Council is aware of the proposed developments at Barry Beach Marine Terminal. Esso Australia, along with its port operator Qube are beginning site readiness works at the facility ahead of plans to transport and demolish a number of retired Bass Straight oil and gas rigs. The Council has previously voiced support for the development and use of the port, and states on its website in a post from 2023:***

***'Our Support for any significant expansion is dependent, of course, on the completion of a rigorous Environmental Impact Study showing any impacts to our natural surrounds could be effectively managed and appropriate community engagement'***

***Considering the community concern surrounding Esso Australia's planned actions and the above commitment to a rigorous Environmental Impact Study, will Council be pushing for the proposed activity to be declared a controlled action under the EPBC Act, and will the Council be demanding an Environmental Impact Study?"***

**Response:**

Council understands that the current EPBC Act process (EPBC Number: 2025/10178) being undertaken by Esso Australia Resources Pty Ltd is assessed by the Australian Government. The process undertakes an environmental impact assessment undertaken by the proponent. Council encourages anyone interested in the EPBC Act process to review the available information available via their online Public Portal.

Council has been kept informed of the proposed oil and gas decommissioning project at Barry Beach Marine Terminal. Officers and the operators of the Terminal remain engaged in active discussions with respect to future operations on the land and the need for relevant approvals.

Council will ensure that any future planning permit applications are in accordance with any decision made by the Australian Government in relation to this matter.

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**Question received in relation to the Leongatha Cattery and Kennels.**

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The Mayor acknowledged this public question by stating that Council understands the public interest in this matter however, this question has been disallowed as per the Governance Rules Clause 56.10(j) as it relates to a current enforcement matter.

Council understands the public need for the service and are working collaboratively with the business owner.

### 6.3. SUBMITTED PUBLIC QUESTIONS

All community member questions for Council Meetings are to be written and submitted to the Governance Team by 9.00am on the Monday morning preceding the Council Meeting to allow time for a response to be prepared, where possible, for the Council Meeting. All reasonable attempts will be made to answer pre-submitted questions at the Meeting. When further time is required to prepare an answer, questions may be taken on notice and responses will be provided at the next Council Meeting.

On the day of the Meeting, questions on the prescribed form must be received prior to the commencement of the Council Meeting by 2.00pm and placed in the receptacle at the Governance Officers table. These questions will be taken on notice, included in the Minutes and responses provided at the next Council Meeting.

Public Question Time in Council Meetings is to be used for matters that are relevant to the business or functions of Council and are clear and legible. Questions may not be allowed where the question(s) is deemed to be:

- Related to a matter beyond or outside the powers of Council;
- Trivial or frivolous;
- Defamatory, indecent, abusive or objectionable;
- Derogatory or designed to embarrass a Councillor, a member of Council staff or a member of the community;
- Related to subject matter previously received and responded to;
- Related to a matter already considered and resolved upon by Council;
- Breach Council's confidentiality obligations; and/or
- Illegible, vague or not make sense.

A person may submit a maximum of three (3) questions for any one Council Meeting, this includes a combined total of three (3) questions for related parties or groups. The total word count of all questions submitted is to be 100 words or fewer.

Background material submitted with a question will not be read out or recorded in the Council Meeting Minutes.

The CEO retains the discretion, in consultation with the Mayor, to not refer questions to Council meetings if there is a more effective or appropriate way to respond to the matters raised. Answers to questions from a member of the community who is present in the gallery will be read out at the Council Meeting by the CEO or Mayor.

Source: [Governance Rules \(C82\)](#) – adopted 19 October 2022.

**Council has received one set of public questions submitted via the Council question box, at the start of today's Council meeting. This has been taken on notice.**

**Council received six public questions prior to today's meeting. Two questions were unable to be answered, as they do not comply with the Governance Rules.**

**Mr David Amor submitted 3 public questions:**

**Question 1**

***Do the Councillor's know the new opened toilets in Korumburra has only 4 toilets and 1 disabled toilet? Prior there was 13 toilets to be used. Shire has made it better for buses to park . 2 buses equals 120 kids ,this now means 20 mins for the toilets. Why so small, when public uses them every day?***

**Response:**

The Korumburra previous facility: had 9 cubicles facilities in total which included one accessible cubicle and 1 urinal.

The new facility: includes five cubicles in total and includes one accessible cubicle and one changing places facility.

Council acknowledges that there are fewer toilet cubicles in the new facility than there was previously. However, it is noted that there were never 13 toilets available for use as claimed, and the facility has never been expected to accommodate two busloads of people at one time.

We are confident that the new facility is a safer and more efficient arrangement, that will perform satisfactorily for the Korumburra community and meet demands the vast majority of the time.

**Question 2**

***IBAC shows our shire for size and only 29 K of people our shire is almost the worst shire to deal with, how are you going to fix this problem?***

**Response:**

In December 2024, IBAC launched its corruption and misconduct allegations dashboard as publicly accessible, which allows people to view and search for corruption and misconduct allegations across Victoria's public sector.

The de-identified data from 1 July 2018 to 31 December 2023 aims to improve transparency by providing a clearer picture of public sector corruption and potential risks. Recently Council Watch posted a social media post with a cropped image which gave the impression that South Gippsland Shire Council

was the second highest Council for reports made to IBAC in relation to corruption.

This social media post was misleading as the user required to click on the image, to expand to the full data set that indicated South Gippsland Shire Council as 29<sup>th</sup> and this is comparative with Council's size.

Please note IBAC makes it clear that submissions received by IBAC do not indicate if corrupt conduct has occurred and this dashboard should only be used as an indicator of IBAC workload commitments.

### **Question 3**

**How soon away is public presentations and why has it taken so long to get a direct answer please. Can it be weekly or monthly when all Councillor's to hear across our shire.**

#### **Response:**

Currently, community members may submit an Expression of Interest via Council's website to present to Councillors on topics of interest during Community Days.

Council is currently reviewing the approach to community member engagement in consultation with the Councillor group for Council meeting days. This review must also consider Council's legal obligations and logistical considerations to manage any future engagement processes. This review is on schedule to be completed in August 2025.

**Mr Don Hill submitted 3 questions. Two questions were unable to be answered as they do not comply with the Governance Rules.**

### **Question 1:**

**Did Councillors only attend two briefing days between April 13th and May 12th 2025?**

#### **Response:**

Yes, Councillors attended two briefing days during this time. This included eight briefing sessions and two Council meetings. As per South Gippsland Shire Council's standard practice, if a calendar month consists of five weeks, the fifth week is marked as a Council free week.

## 7. CLOSED SESSION

The *Local Government Act 2020* (the Act), section 66 provides that if a council or delegated committee determines that a meeting is to be closed to the public to consider confidential information, the Council or delegated committee must record in the minutes of the meeting that are available for public inspection –

- a) the ground or grounds for determining to close the meeting to the public by reference to the grounds specified in the definition of **confidential information** in section 3(1); and
- b) an explanation of why the specified ground or grounds applied.

The Act defines **confidential information** in s.3(1)(a)-(l), and includes information that may prejudice or impact; commercial negotiations, the security of Council, land use planning, law enforcement, legal privilege, personal information, private commercial information, confidential meeting information, internal arbitration, Councillor conduct panel information and information specified under s.77 of the previous *Local Government Act 1989*.

Once confidential information has been considered and decided in a closed session of a Council Meeting, a further resolution to resume open Council is required.

### RECOMMENDATION

That Council pursuant to section 66(5)(a) and (b) of the *Local Government Act 2020* close the Council Meeting to the public to consider the following confidential information:

1. Per s.3(1)(f) Agenda item 9.1 - PERSONAL INFORMATION - South Gippsland Shire Council Community Grants Program 2024/25 Round 2, designated as personal information,
  - a. being information which if released would result in the unreasonable disclosure of information about any person or their personal affairs;
  - b. the grounds for designation have been made to protect the privacy of the applicants (personal information).

## **RESOLUTION**

**MOVED:** Councillor Rae

**SECONDED:** Councillor Gilligan

**That Council pursuant to section 66(5)(a) and (b) of the *Local Government Act 2020* close the Council Meeting to the public to consider the following confidential information:**

- 1. Per s.3(1)(f) Agenda item 9.1 - PERSONAL INFORMATION - South Gippsland Shire Council Community Grants Program 2024/25 Round 2, designated as personal information,**
  - a. being information which if released would result in the unreasonable disclosure of information about any person or their personal affairs;**
  - b. the grounds for designation have been made to protect the privacy of the applicants (personal information).**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**The Council Meeting closed for closed session at 3:25pm.**



## **8. MEETING CLOSED**

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Council Meeting open to the public will be held on Wednesday, 16 July 2025 commencing at 2:00pm in the Council Chambers, Leongatha.

**The Council Meeting closed at 3:35pm.**

**Confirmed this 16th day of July 2025**

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**Councillor John Schelling, Mayor**