



## SWANSEA MAIN STREET REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Detailed design on the Swansea Main Street upgrade continues, Council have now consulted with all properties in the impacted zone.

The image here shows treatment “of a kind”, implying that something similar to these elements could exist in the indicated locations.

In general, the footpaths will be improved to allow for better pedestrian and disabled access. So far, feedback has been positive, with the exception of the second proposed “Loo with a view”, In the community this has either strong support or strong opposition.

The construction commencement time frame is preferred to be after Easter for traders, however there are grant timelines to meet as well, which may require the project to begin earlier in a staged approach to minimise disruption while meeting grant deed commitments.



## COLES BAY FORESHORE PATH

This project has progressed to the detailed design stage. Directly impacted properties have been visited, and discussions with property owners have taken place. Briefings and feedback are ongoing with other stakeholders.



In the meantime, consultation for this project will continue to ensure that key stakeholders' views are heard and accommodated as far as practical.

**You can find better resolution images of both plans on the Council website, using this URL:**

<https://gsbc.tas.gov.au/community-projects/major-projects/>



## MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Dear Residents and Ratepayers,

To enable informed discussion on the future budget and community levels of service, Councillors and senior staff will be pro-actively delivering background information on the financial sustainability of Council through several communication methods from now until the Council budget for 2022-2023 is established.

In summary this information will comprise of:

- Background information on asset renewal principles
- Council's asset backlog position and what that means for levels of service
- The ratios that provide the picture of a Council's financial sustainability
- The targets for the respective ratios that are required to be achieved for sustainability
- Models of rate level increases and how over time these achieve the required ratios for sustainability

This will keep the community informed about future need for Council revenue and measures that Councillors must consider in order to achieve long-term financial sustainability.

Keep an eye on the Council website and Facebook page and other communication channels for opportunities to find out the background and to ask questions.

Our next round of Community Connect sessions where the process will begin are as follows.

### COMMUNITY CONNECT SESSIONS

#### WEDNESDAY 1 DECEMBER 2021

TIME	LOCATION
10:00am to 11:30am	Coles Bay Town Hall
2:00pm to 3:30pm	Bicheno Town Hall

#### WEDNESDAY 8 DECEMBER 2021

TIME	LOCATION
10:00am to 11:30am	Swansea Town Hall
2:30pm to 4:00pm	Triabunna Town Hall

Tasmanians are well known for volunteering their time, with past research showing that Tasmania leads Australia in rates of participation. The Glamorgan Spring Bay municipal area is no exception and we are

fortunate to have a large number of volunteer groups involved in our communities across a wide range of activities. Our volunteer's range in age from young to old, and it's wonderful to see working bees around on any given weekend.



Volunteering helps build stronger more connected communities. There are several benefits for individuals and organisations that result from volunteering including improving physical and mental health and wellbeing, so very important in our world today. There are nearly 300,000 volunteers in Tasmania donating at least 68million volunteer hours to the community. The value of volunteering was estimated at \$4 billion in benefits to Tasmania in 2019.

Glamorgan Spring Bay Council is proud to be associated with volunteer groups and is committed to providing ongoing support. Thankyou from us!

Last but not least, best wishes to all for a most memorable and joyful Christmas season. Have a great time and keep safe.

Greg Ingham,  
General Manager





## RECENT MAYORAL ACTIVITIES



Mayor Robert Young

SEPT	13	ABC Radio Mayoral Moments Interview
	16	Attended the Municipal Emergency Management Committee Meeting
	18	Attended Bicheno Triangle Public Meeting at Bicheno
	29	Attended National Police Remembrance Day (Online)
OCT	8	Attended SERDA meeting Sorell
	15	Attended online meeting with Director of Local Government
	25	Attended meeting with FAI and other community members in Coles Bay
	29	ABC radio Mayoral Moments interview

## BE BUSHFIRE READY

**Make your plan right now. It will take five minutes and could save your family's lives.**

Go online to the **Tas Fire Service website** to create your personal plan to suit your family, animals, and property. It is easy to make. You can print copies of your Bushfire Plan, download it to store on your devices or the cloud, and share it with others. You'll get a reminder to update it each year.

Your plan will remind you:

- What you can prepare right now
- During bushfire risk conditions – what to do and how early you'll leave

- Who to tell, where to go and several options for how to get there
- What to pack, ready to take with you
- How to prepare your animals
- How to get your property ready, whether you're choosing to leave early or staying to defend it
- About your back-up options for emergencies.



**Tas Fire Service website**

## STAY INFORMED

It's up to you to keep yourself up to date with current conditions and warnings by monitoring, listening and staying connected.

### MONITOR.

Monitor information at [fire.tas.gov.au](https://fire.tas.gov.au) and the weather at [bom.gov.au](https://bom.gov.au)

Keep up to date with the news around your area.

Check your surroundings for signs of fire such as smoke, flames or embers. It could be your best information source.

### LISTEN.

Your local **ABC radio station** is an emergency broadcaster. Use a radio or the free **ABC Listen app** on a mobile phone.

**Tip:** Power may fail during a bushfire, so if you rely on radio, keep a battery-powered radio handy or use a radio app on your smartphone.

### CONNECT.

Visit the Tasmania Fire Service website and check for bushfire warnings and alerts. [fire.tas.gov.au](https://fire.tas.gov.au)

Follow Tasmania Fire Service on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#)



Visit [alert.tas.gov.au](https://alert.tas.gov.au) for all emergency services alerts.

## WORK EXPERIENCE STUDENTS

Glamorgan Spring Bay Council takes pleasure in supporting our local high school by hosting both year 9 and 10 students.

Depending on the student's goals, Council provides work experience in a variety of areas. Work experience allows students to gain hands-on experience in our organisation while also assisting individual students in making informed career decisions by assessing their aptitudes, interests, and exploring potential careers.



We recently had two Triabunna School students join Council for work experience who potentially are interested in working in the outdoor and indoor environment. Students were able to actively participate in the field by weed identification, using drone technology, and engaging in community tree planting alongside volunteers from the Orford Community Group, as well as collecting trash at the WTS Orford. Students were able to work closely in an administrative setting to get a sense of what administration is like in Local Government.





## UPDATE ON THE ORFORD FORESHORE MASTER PLAN

Council and Parks and Wildlife Service have jointly engaged independent consultants, *Inspiring Place* working with *North Barker Ecosystem Services*, to develop a Master Plan for the Orford Foreshore. The area covered by the Plan is the public land surrounding the Prosser River estuary downstream to the Tasman Highway bridge and including the sandbags/training walls, Raspins Beach to the north and most of Orford Beach to the south.

The aim of this project is to prepare a Master Plan to assist land managers and the community to:

- Better understand, conserve and manage natural and cultural values, in particular the internationally recognised Important Bird Area (IBA);
- Improve community and visitor experience;
- Improve the provision of appropriate recreational facilities; and
- Enhance community connectivity between the Orford foreshore and the town centre.
- Progress to date has included:
- Preliminary consultation with Local and State

Government stakeholders and local community groups; and

- A summary of the values, issues and options prior to preparation of a Draft Master Plan.

The next steps due to be completed in early 2022 are as follows:

- Release of the draft Master Plan for public review and feedback; and
- Preparation of an Issues Report and finalisation of the Master Plan for endorsement.



## MARINE & BUILDINGS – SUMMARY OF RECENT WORKS

### Buckland Hall

A new entrance is being constructed at the Buckland Community Hall funded by both the Local Roads Community Infrastructure (LRCI) phase 2 funding, and the Drought Communities round two funding. As well as new entrance stairs the Hall will have a compliant disability accessible ramp installed. A new entrance awning will be constructed as part of the project.



### Gateway to Maria Island

The waiting area around the Gateway to Maria Island ferry terminal building has been upgraded. Along with new exposed aggregate concreting and

garden edging, extra seating and a bike rack has been installed. This project was funded by the LRCI program phase 2. Parks and Wildlife have installed at their cost new power entry and exit doors.

### Bicheno Boat Ramp

Planning has been approved for the proposed jetty extensions to the existing jetties at the Bicheno recreational boat ramp.



### HEALTH SERVICES

Council wishes to give thanks and acknowledgement to our community for rolling up their sleeves and receiving the jab. We are extremely proud of our municipal area and the vaccination rate that we have received so far. The COVID vaccination data looks very positive, in fact at the time of writing Glamorgan Spring Bay had the highest-level vaccination rate (second dose) in the State along with Hobart!

We greatly appreciate those directly involved, medical practitioners and Council staff for their early initiative in getting the Triabunna State Government Clinic set up.

Council would also like to recognise the Swansea General Practice for their remarkable COVID

vaccination response, taking the lead and being the first to begin vaccination in our area!

East Coast Health and Council would like to welcome Dr Kelly and clinic nurse Katie Pennington to the Bicheno General Practice. Dr Ayati has joined our East Coast Health Triabunna practice. It is great news to be able to welcome our new health workers to our community. We also express gratitude to the locum doctors that served our municipality during the recruitment stage.

We ask that everyone welcomes our new health care workers to our community.



Postcode	Population	Dose 1 (n)	Dose 2 (n)	Dose 1 coverage (%)	Dose 2 coverage (%)
7215	3018	2498	1958	82.8	64.9
7190	2949	2552	2224	86.5	75.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5967</b>	<b>5050</b>	<b>4182</b>	<b>84.6</b>	<b>70.1</b>

\*This extract takes in the two main postcodes which overlap GSB, unfortunately the government are unable to be more accurate as the commonwealth data does not take in our Local Government Area on its own.

### COUNCIL'S ONLINE REQUESTS

#### Works Requests

To notify Council of any repairs, maintenance, or issues relating to roads, footpaths, trees, signage, flooding, or any other general requests, please submit a [Works Request](#) via the Council website.

The requests are then processed and forwarded to the appropriate department for further investigation.

#### Bin Requests

Please submit a [Bin Request](#) via the Council website, if you are requiring any of the following:

- Replacement wheelie bins
- New wheelie bins
- Replacement lid
- Additional set of wheelie bins
- Replacement wheel

[gsbc.tas.gov.au/fees-payments/online-requests/](https://gsbc.tas.gov.au/fees-payments/online-requests/)



## SCHEDULE OF ORDINARY MEETING DATES 2022

Ordinary Meetings of Glamorgan Spring Bay Council for 2022 are to be held in the Triabunna Council Offices and are scheduled as follows:

MEETING DATE	TIME
Tuesday 25 January 2022	2:00pm
Tuesday 22 February 2022	2:00pm
Tuesday 22 March 2022	2:00pm
Tuesday 26 April 2022	2:00pm
Tuesday 24 May 2022	2:00pm
Tuesday 28 June 2022	2:00pm
Tuesday 26 July 2022	2:00pm
Tuesday 23 August 2022	2:00pm
Tuesday 27 September 2022	2:00pm
Tuesday 25 October 2022	2:00pm
Tuesday 22 November 2022	2:00pm
Tuesday 13 December 2022	2:00pm
Tuesday 13 December 2022 (Annual General Meeting)	5:30pm

As resolved by Glamorgan Spring Bay Council in April 2017, all Ordinary and Special Meetings of Council are to be audio/visually recorded and streamed live. A recording of Ordinary and Special Meetings of Council will be available via the link on the Glamorgan Spring Bay Council website following the meeting.

Due to maximum density limits associated with COVID-19, members of the public wishing to attend a Council Meeting must register their attendance using the following link on Council's website

<https://gsbc.tas.gov.au/council/register-to-attend-council-meetings/> or by contacting Council's Executive Officer on 6256 4777.

Registrations will open on the Thursday prior to the scheduled monthly Council Meeting and will close by 12 noon the day before the meeting. Once the maximum numbers have been reached, no further registrations will be accepted and only members of the public who have registered for the meeting will be able to attend.







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## COUNCIL CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR PERIOD OPERATING HOURS

### Council Office

Council Offices will close at 12:00pm on Friday 17 December 2021 and will re-open on Tuesday 4 January 2022 at 9:00am.

### East Coast Health Medical Centre

Please be advised the Triabunna and Bicheno practices will be closed on the following days:

Friday 17 December - Closes at 12:00pm

Friday 24 December from 12 midday

Monday 27 December - Closed

Tuesday 28 December - Closed

Monday 03 January - Closed

### Waste Transfer Stations

All Waste Transfer Stations will be CLOSED on Christmas Day. All other days remain unchanged.

Monday to Friday - 2:30pm to 4:30pm

Saturday - Closed

Sunday - 10:00am to 2:00pm

Open all public holidays - normal operating hours apply.

### Kerbside Collection

There will be no interruptions to kerbside collections over the Christmas/New Year period. Our contractors will be operating on all public holidays during this time.

### Council Communication Subscriptions

We encourage you to receive our newsletter and communications electronically by going to [www.gsbc.tas.gov.au](http://www.gsbc.tas.gov.au) and subscribing or emailing [community@freycinet.tas.gov.au](mailto:community@freycinet.tas.gov.au) and request an electronic version.

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