

**UPDATE**



**Tenders are now open for the design of the Surf Coast Aquatic and Health Centre in Torquay.**

Council is aiming to appoint a design team at its 24 November meeting.

With design expected to take about 12 months, we anticipate starting construction in April or May 2023 and completing the build mid-2025.

The \$39.25M facility will be integrated with the recently-completed Wurdi Baierr Stadium, and will include:

- an indoor heated 50-metre pool
- a multi-purpose warm water pool
- a gym and group fitness room
- allied health and office suites
- meeting rooms for community organisations
- program spaces for community multi-use.

Funding for the centre comprises \$20M from the Australian Government, a total of \$13.5M from the Victorian Government including a \$3.5M grant from its Growing Suburbs Fund, and \$5.75M from Surf Coast Shire Council.

For information and updates visit [surfcoast.vic.gov.au/Aquatic](http://surfcoast.vic.gov.au/Aquatic)



**Get your holiday accommodation ready for summer visitors**

The kerbside bin system on the Surf Coast Shire has changed since last summer, and guests may be looking for guidance on how to dispose of waste and use the bins correctly.

We have a section on our website dedicated to helping owners/managers of holiday rentals set up the four-bin system for guests.

[surfcoast.vic.gov.au/rentals](http://surfcoast.vic.gov.au/rentals)

You can help them understand the four-bin kerbside service with:

- general tips for communicating your requirements to visitors
- printable posters and flyers
- resources to order and place inside the residence.



**Download SCRRApp**

**Surf Coast Rubbish and Recycling App**

- Get reminders about bin night
- View and download your collection calendar
- Check what goes in each bin
- Receive notifications when there is a change to the service, like a broken down truck, code red fire days or an extra scheduled collection.



For more info visit [surfcoast.vic.gov.au/SCRRApp](http://surfcoast.vic.gov.au/SCRRApp)

**✓ MASK ✓ TEST**



*Relax*

**Be COVID Safe on the Surf Coast**

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### Vax to the Max

Congratulations Surf Coast Shire. You have achieved more than 95% first dose COVID-19 vaccination and at the time of writing were closing in on the 80% target for double dose.

This is an outstanding result and shows what a caring community we are. Getting vaccinated protects you, your family and your community.

It also moves us closer to greater freedoms and a long awaited COVID normal summer.

### Masks still important

The COVID-19 Delta variant is highly infectious. Even vaccinated people can pass it on and might do so without having any symptoms themselves. It's important we keep wearing masks when required and follow the other rules, including checking-in.

### Check-in

When you check-in at a venue you are helping protect yourself and everyone you come into contact with. Contact tracers rely on check-in information to let people know if there has been a positive case at a given venue. Without checking-in you may miss that vital text or phone call. It's less than a minute's work that could save lives.

### Testing

Regular testing is the key to containing outbreaks. If you have symptoms don't hesitate – arrange a test straight away. The more time between the onset of symptoms and a test result the more risk of COVID-19 spreading – in a family, amongst friends, at a workplace or in the community. Symptoms can be mild, but you should still get tested.

### More info

The Victorian Government's Coronavirus website is the place to go for the latest information. Visit [coronavirus.vic.gov.au](https://coronavirus.vic.gov.au) for the latest COVID-19 public exposure sites and the latest on local outbreaks and restrictions.



### New Council Plan based on People Place Future feedback

Council's People Place Future project, which kicked off in January, has concluded with the adoption of the Council Plan and other key strategic documents on 28 September this year.

The Council Plan, incorporates a Health and Wellbeing Plan, and provides the strategic direction for the decisions and activities of Surf Coast Shire Council for the term of the Council.

People Place Future was one of the largest community engagement projects ever undertaken by the Council. The first phase attracted some 1200 responses. Then a community panel was brought together comprising a representative sample of residents. Submissions were then invited on draft versions of the plans before they were considered by Council.

The community panel produced a recommendations report and a long term community vision for Surf Coast Shire, which reads:

**“From the hinterland to the coast, from the first peoples to the children of the future, we are an active, diverse community that lives creatively to value, protect and enhance the natural environment and our unique neighbourhoods. We will leave the Surf Coast better than we found it.”**

Council used this vision as the guiding light for the content of its Council Plan.

### There are seven themes in the Council Plan:



First Nations reconciliation



A healthy connected community



Environmental leadership



Sustainable growth



A robust and diverse economy



Arts and creativity



Accountable and viable Council

Supporting the themes are 19 strategies which summarise what we will do to achieve the goals attached to each theme. We also developed a long term finance and asset plan.

You can view all the plans at [surfcoast.vic.gov.au/peopleplacefuture](https://surfcoast.vic.gov.au/peopleplacefuture)