

Help Shape a Better Bass Coast

Community Engagement - Advocacy

Roads

- to VicRoads to maintain and improve their roads
- Even if it's a VicRoads road council can advocate for changes
- I'd like to see the Newhaven four lane plan scrapped & that money spent on some serious upgrades to the whole Island.....goodness knows there's a lot that could be done with \$25 million! I understand it's a VicRoads project, but imagine if we were allocated that money to spend elsewhere on Island roads, instead of creating yet another bottleneck. Oh the things we could do....
- Better access to Phillip Island,
- Improved roads with roundabouts at major intersections.
- Wonthaggi CBD Bypass
- Duplication of the bridge and Phillip Island road to Cowes. I know this is a Vic Roads issue but the council needs to support it.
- Better traffic management, i.e., better access on and off the Island in case of accidents
- Access to the coast road between the Nobbies & penguin parade. I note that in the local paper the board of PINP has accepted the Summerlands trail plan & I hope that this does not include the closure of the coast road. Everyone talks about the need to attract tourists to the Island in winter & off peak & guess what....we have a drive along our coast equal to any with the potential that it may be closed!!! Rather than close it, improve & maintain it & have the addition of some improved off road carpark areas with lookouts to encourage visitation. We run a small accommodation business & one of our busiest months is July & we encourage all of our guests to take this magnificent drive however the road becomes almost impassable after heavy rain!!
- Wonthaggi, in particular, needs an updated traffic plan. There are several intersections where drivers take risks on a daily basis, simply because entering traffic has nothing to slow it down (e.g. White Road - Bass Highway, Korrumburra Road - Bass highway). Roundabouts, or traffic signals are needed.
- Properly fixed roads so there is less road work in future.
- Improved access onto Phillip Island Tourist drive (B420) from side streets particularly where there are corners such as Cape Woolamai Beach Rd and Cleeland Drive etc. This is a very dangerous stretch to turn onto the B420 and during peak traffic it is nearly impossible to get onto B420.

- The Shire to work with Vicroads to improve traffic conditions on Phillip Island (maybe double lanes on main road/or an additional road so there is more than just one way on and off the island).
- More sealed roads (Road & stormwater drainage schemes.)
- Roads need lots of work
- Roads in Ventnor need addressing
- better roads, more roundabouts on Phillip Island road, build a better size bridge to Phillip Island
- Improve the traffic. Double the bridge.
- Better access to island.
- Improved - roads
- Road upgrades such as round a bout/ lights at Cape Woolamai & Sunderland Bay.
- Roads to be improved.
- Road Intersections
- Roads especially are inadequate they need better traffic management planning and better maintenance. I'm not even sure if the blue lines on the Island are even legal But the fact that they are in place proves that roads need to be widened for two lanes.
- Improved roads.
- Road improvements are always welcomed.
- Roundabouts might help with access in and out of Cowes - or lights in summer as the traffic is crazy and keeps many would-be tourists away I'm sure.
- Work with VicRoads to come up with some traffic management solutions to the traffic issues.
- active participation in lobbying State Government for improved roads for Phillip Island.
- look at funding for building an extra bridge and double lane highway.
- Road upgrades such as round a bout/ lights at Cape Woolamai & Sunderland Bay
- There needs to be a better road plan for the island it is ridiculous that there is only one single lane road from one end to the other and one narrow bridge onto the island with all of the events here and the huge growth in population over summer.
- The intersection of Cape Paterson road and the Cape Paterson-Inverloch road is a serious traffic design problem, requiring VicRoads to reconfigure that site. The T intersection for cars turning right into Cape Paterson road has a 15 % angle , it is NOT a T intersection, whereby cars cannot see traffic from their left (from Surf Beach road) and have limited vision of bicycles travelling towards Surf Beach road. I know this because I have observed traffic conduct there for some 28 years. Indeed I was driven over by a car who simply said they did not see me on the bike. Do get that intersection made into the conventional straight T , @ 90 degrees.
- Any further development of Ullathornes rd area re housing estates requires an upgrade of the Ullathornes rd/Bass Hwy intersection. This is getting very busy and needs a roundabout or at least a turning lane installed. How does Old Ford Rd intersection get one yet not Ullathornes???

- We need a second road access to and from the Island.
- Brainstorming session with Vic Roads about traffic congestion at roundabouts in Wonthaggi township particularly during holiday period and weekends
- VicRoads should not be allowed to destroy Newhaven.
- Advocating on behalf of the community to get a commitment by VicRoads to regularly maintain our major roads
- As a new resident to Bass Coast, the issue that impacts me the most is the roads. I think they are a significant community safety issue that require further investment at a State Government level.
- Getting VicRoads to cut the grass along the highway more frequently Getting VicRoads to fix the potholes and bumpy sections between Kilcunda and Wonthaggi
- Wider roads Hospital
- Woolamai and Main Road (roundabout)
- Traffic lights in Wonthaggi.
- Two intersections to be improved - McKenzie & Korumburra Rd intersection needs a roundabout or lights. Also, McKenzie & White Rd intersection - a roundabout.
- Apply to VicRoads to release their jurisdiction to BCSC for Thompson Ave between Church and the Esplanade so changes to street possible - safe bike lane/no angle parking.
- Ask VicRoads to make the blue line available during peak times, either approaching or leaving Philip island. Note: VicRoads's policy is only to open the blue line for three hours AFTER the moto GP i.e. once a year *
- No to VicRoads unnecessarily widening the road at Newhaven. Just improve current roundabout! ***
- Entrance to town a disgrace – carnival side. “VicRoads” fire hazard to start with
- Weakness: Bring back road patrol teams

Health

- HEALTH CARE! I am concerned about the lack of 24/7 emergency health care on the island for not only our ageing population but the huge influx of tourists over the peak season & for major events. We need to realise that it will only take one major accident, on the only access road on & off the island, that involves one or more of the hundreds of busses that visit us daily & we will have a major disaster on our hands. Maybe we don't need a hospital but we certainly need a 24/7 facility that has some sort of emergency department.
- 24 hour health care in Cowes
- an appropriate medical centre with suitable allied services – Phillip Island
- Having a hospital at Cowes.
- Improved 24 hour health service at Phillip Island. Improved upgraded hospital in Wonthaggi to accommodate the growing population and the large influx of visitors each year.
- expansion of the Wonthaggi Hospital
- Hospital Upgrade Wonthaggi
- A hospital on Phillip Island.

- Better health facilities on Phillip Island, especially a hospital
- Hospital
- A hospital
- Improved medical services (local hospital and specialist services)
- improved hospital facilities
- Hospital.
- Hospital Upgrade
- A hospital on Phillip Island
- Triage/emergency medical care on Phillip Island. Advocate to upgrade status of Wonnie hospital to sub-regional.
- A hospital
- 24hr medical clinic
- Better medical clinic/hub for the island
- A Hospital at Cowes
- Better hospital system.
- Hospitals, Emergency Housing,
- update hospital
- A new hospital.
- A Hospital or 24 hour Superclinic for Cowes,
- Full time hospital on Phillip Island. With as much care facility as possible built in. Make it happen!
- Plans to build a hospital on Phillip Island
- Better services such as; medical. The hospital is atrocious.
- There are no decent facilities: hospitals
- A good reliable 24 hor medical service in COWES
- A hospital on the Island
- Phillip Island 24 hour medical service
- Health and Maternity services
- Also a 24 hour medical centre / triage clinic
- Hospital
- Hospital for Philip Island
- Don't upgrade Phillip Island road, keep it a single lane.
- The safety of Cape Paterson residents, by introducing improved system of road and footpaths in the prime location of intersection of the Cape Paterson Road and Surf Beach roads, Cape Paterson
- Hospital reopened
- Hospital
- There needs to be an improvement of the medical services provided in our area.
- Hospitals
- Improve Bass Coast Health and make it sub regional, this will then cater for the influx of holiday times and the residents of the shire and also to keep residents locally and maybe not

sending them out of the shire so it makes it more difficult for loved ones to help the sick/injured.

- Funding and support for a new hospital.
- Hospital improved.
- Retained - hospital and upgrade too.
- Hospital is needed
- Wonthaggi Hospital to receive further investment to make it a first-class regional facility
- Lack of high level care Hospital in Bass Coast. All sick patients are transferred to Metro Hospitals.
- there is no hospital
- 24 hour hospital at cows and Wonthaggi
- Medical facilities
- Lack of a 24/7 emergency medical facility that the 'Hub' apparently won't overcome!!
- No hospital on Phillip Island. Having had emergency ambulance trips to Wonthaggi time was an issue as is easy access to health.
- Concerned about No 24/7 bulk billed medical on Phillip Island
- Concerned about No 24/7 medical, emergency services on Phillip Island
- We need more comprehensive health amenities, with a population that dramatically increases over summer all residents and visitors need access to 24/7 health care .
- There is no 24 hour medical care on the island, nor a hospital that caters for many surgical procedures. When my husband had a heart attack , he had to go by ambulance to Wonthaggi and then to the Monash Hospital for further treatment. My adult children also live on the island and when they decide to start a family it would be nice to know that medical care is available 24/7.
- Quick access to medical facilities if need arises. Have to go to Lang Lang for that. Grantville service too limited.
- The hospital needs that upgrade!
- a local Hospital.
- There should be a larger ambulance presence on the island and a 24 hour emergency medical Centre. Not necessarily a hospital but a 24 hour centre.
- Phillip island woeful health facilities for summer and ageing pop, let alone sporting events
- Lack of quality healthcare, which often results in residents having to go to Melbourne for visits to health practitioners. I understand this is nothing to do with Council, however, it's what I'm concerned about.
- We need a hospital in Cowes. 24Hour medical facilities are needed. No hospital is a huge risk for those people contemplating living in Philip Island on a permanent basis compared to other parts of Coastal Victoria.
- Need a hospital on the island
- A hospital on Phillip Island??? Basic services are lacking for health, I travel back to Melbourne to see doctors and have been told by locals that I am not the only one that does this.

- Mental health facilities are lacking in the area - this seems to impact crime and general safety issues. Whilst this is not a council service council need to continue to lobby the state government for these services to be provided to the area
- People living in should have access to specialist appointments and treatments for which government and non government organisations has few subsidies and procedures which could benefit local community can be explored and could be enlightened
- Council to lobby State Govt for permanent, static 24/7 ambulance stations here. We need more paramedic services. What we have is stretched, even without the tourist population. Also lobby to increase Wonthaggi Hospital to sub regional status. Council can lobby continually for this as we are a safe seat here. We need more ACTIVE support by our Shire on behalf of this community. The Medical and Health hub in Church Street starts building soon. It won't provide the medical/after hours services we need yet, but it's a step towards it. Council can lobby for future expansion to occur quicker. The population has exploded here and the medical infrastructure is the same. It's the single issue most people worry about here. Wait times (with an appointment) at the PI Medical Group is over an hour most days. And that's not in the high season. There are MULTIPLE cases of ambulances unavailable in Melbourne, the medical centre closed and residents and holiday makers are forced to drive themselves (or by an emotional loved one) to a Melbourne hospital. An ambulance is often not needed for serious cases that can be dealt with by a doctor or static paramedic on The Island if they were available after hours. A sick baby at 2am needs a better solution than hoping an ambulance is available or driving your baby to Melbourne and hope their siblings can be cared for in the meantime. Then what if the issue is not as serious as you first thought and you tied up an ambulance needlessly? The Island is special. It's a coastal town that triples in population at specific times of the year and there's one road out and in. People have lived here 20+ years and it's not good enough to say "move somewhere else." ***If Council are going to approve the new residential estates, it MUST ALSO commit to supporting, providing or if relevant, lobbying State Govt for more infrastructure.
- Pressure on Govt for a better Hospital at Wonthaggi with Paediatrics and a hospital in Cowes.
- Concerned about No 24 hour emergency facility on Phillip Island.
- Lack of 24 hour medical service
- 24/7 hospital/ medical on Phillip island
- hospital upgrade.
- Build a hospital.
- Lobby Govt to build a small hospital
- build a hospital
- - A hospital on Phillip Island. –
- active participation in lobbying State Government for improved medical conditions for Phillip Island.
- Full upgrade of Wonthaggi Hospital and increased facilities.
- Funding to upgrade hospital and maternity services
- A hospital

- updating and replacing infrastructure at wonthaggi hospital initiate home birth facilities and water birth facilities in wonthaggi hospital.
- Reopen the hospital
- hospital on phillip is and or at least 24 hour emergency
- Council to lobby State Govt for permanent, static 24/7 ambulance stations on Phillip Island. We need more paramedic services. We need more active lobbying on behalf of our community by the Shire for health. We are a safe seat.
- Hospital upgrades,
- Hospital
- Wonthaggi Hospital to be upgraded to regional status.
- upgrade the hospital
- Supporting Hospital – PI
- Hospital
- 24hr A & E.
- hospital for Phillip Island.
- Hospital reopened,
- Improved Specialist Services to Island for residents. Working closer with State Govt to achieve these goals in regards to medical/hospital needs etc.
- Greater investment in Wonthaggi hospital in conjunction with state and federal governments
- A birth centre in wonthaggi
- Seek affiliation with Southern Health to improve efficiency of Wonthaggi Hospital
- Advocate on behalf of the community for a genuine 24/HR medical facility on Phillip Island that covers all services - the elderly do not have the means to travel off Phillip Island and have to rely on assistance to make appointments.
- The health and wellbeing stats for Bass Coast are dire when compared to the rest of the state. The influence of Local Government is questionable...
- I've lived in SE Gippsland much of my life. I'm appalled at the poverty I see around me and the lack of dignity that results. the number people with little prospect of gaining employment in their lifetime. These are significant issues, & beyond Council's ambit in some ways. Advocacy IS something Council can do.
- Better medical - 24 hours. We need a hospital
- Hospital
- Upgrade of Wonthaggi Hospital
- Require 24/7 first reponse medical emergency service at Cowes
- Having a hospital on Island
- The Wonthaggi hospital - not send patients off to Dandenong and Monash and Berwick but take much more responsibility at our hospital.
- Health on PI - lack of medical facilities. Lack of GPs - pay service. Hospital
- Better funding for hospitals
- Would love 24 hour medical facility for emergency

- Need a hospital 24 hour medical
- 24 hour medical
- 24 hour service and specialists visiting
- Lack of a hospital or emergency service close by.
- No ambulance station in Inverloch - response time?
- Hospital not big enough to handle influx of visitors at busy season Nore specialists visiting
- Expanding emergency services
- Advocate for medical cover – dangerously lacking for population (PI)
- Need advocacy for regional hospital at Wonthaggi

Education

- Improved secondary school facilities
- a state high school – PI
- Development of the much talked about education precinct in Wonthaggi,
- new secondary college
- State secondary school on Phillip Island, we have had a boom with primary school aged children with no choice but to travel to Wonthaggi and beyond.
- a local high school!!
- local public high school in Cowes,
- a secondary school.
- Better education facilities (upgrade Wonthaggi Secondary and a new public secondary school in San Remo)
- Better school facilities (a state government issue)
- public high school
- Public Secondary School near Bass or the Island (I know it's state gov, but could council put pressure on)
- More choice in schools, especially secondary.
- a public secondary school – Cowes
- There are no decent facilities: Schools
- BC needs to develop public high schools in areas other than just Wonthaggi
- Wonthaggi Secondary College - second campus at San Remo (yrs 7 to 10), upgrade Dudley to a 7 to 10 Campus and the new VCE Campus in the Education complex
- improve Cowes primary pool for all to use
- Phillip Island secondary school
- Improve the public secondary schools in Wonthaggi, they are old and too small and do not represent adequately the growing needs of the students in the shire. The buildings are horrible, small, falling down in some areas and are a health hazard and risk.
- Improved upper high school campus in Wonthaggi
- Access to TAFE and training on the island
- A secondary school for Phillip Island.

- Lobby state/federal governments to fund and build a second Secondary School for children living in northern/western half of the Shire. This would alleviate overcrowding of existing Secondary College in Wonthaggi and allow it to continue to be used and reduce travel times for above students.
- A new campus for Wonthaggi Secondary School. The McBride campus is falling apart and is way too overcrowded.
- Plans for a state secondary school,
- A secondary school
- Council should influence the establishment of new education facilities including a new secondary college. Serious consideration needs to be given to a State secondary college on the Island.
- Secondary School for the Island
- secondary school so 200 odd kids didn't have to travel to Wonthaggi every day .
- Lobby for a new public high school.
- Education - a Government High School is a core need for the island , based on community size and growth this should be one of Councils top priorities .
- I know there is a push for a secondary school on the island however an overhaul and improvement of Wonthaggi Secondary College would serve the wider community better. It is not within unreasonable travel distance from the island, it just need improving both physically and holistically from within through a revitalised culture.
- A public high school on the island is a MUST.
- Advocating for a public secondary school – land has been set aside in San Remo for that?*

Police

- Increased capacity of the police force to enable actual timely response to incidents in the waterline areas
- Less crime
- More Policing
- more policing/patrols
- Permanent police presence
- public safety and crime rates in certain areas, all people should feel safe in their communities.
- 24hr Police Station – San Remo
- Greater police presence particularly in tourist season. Like someone stationed at the police station all the time so we call them instead of 000 with non urgent matters.
- prohibit blatant overnight camping in foreshore car parks. Signage needs to be improved. Evening inspections and prosecutions are required.
- Extra revenue to improve police force capacity 24 hours *
- Prevent vandalism of Newhaven boys home *
- Speed cameras operate in this area. Rhyll is a 50km/h zone

- Fines for littering
- Weakness: Police response time around Grantville etc. area ***
- CCTV on either end of Agar Rd to stop potential hooning plus security as we have a lot of hooning issues in the town. *
- Weakness: Police resources
- Threat: Crime
- Lock up the drug people
- Police presence in Wonthaggi needs more attention.
- Police station in Grantville.
- The police let too many drug addicts and drinkers walk around Wonthaggi
- Beach safety Security
- “hoons” endangering pedestrians and road users.
- Less crime (2)
- Harder punishments for people under the age of 18

Other

- Wonthaggi based tourism attractions need much more assistance from local and state government.
- NBN roll out needs to be inclusive.
- Realise the opportunities offered by Wonthaggi as a major regional centre - this will benefit the whole shire (including advocacy for enhanced physical and community infrastructure - hospital etc).
- Bass Coast needs to have rail transport, rather than the VLine bus so that commuting for work and tertiary education is a possibility. Both car and coach transport are unreliable for commuters because of the reliance on arterials and freeways and the inevitable delays. Retirees often do not want to drive to major hospital appointments, hence, they also require something better than the coach service. This is something that council could make representations to the state government about, supporting groups who also see this as a need.
- Cape Paterson Surf Life Saving club building
- Wonthaggi Tourist Bureau Roads in Pioneer Bay Full water and sewer reticulation to The Gurdies
- Liaise with state government to extend rock wall along Cowes foreshore and add many extra groynes
- Build groynes/ place rocks etc along beaches.
- Unity for the whole of Bass Coast - and utilize this to leverage enhanced funding and investment. Make some tough decisions and stick with them without undue influence from minority interest groups.
- Put pressure on State Gov to fund These projects with the revenue they take from the Penguins etc

- Seek funding from State Government as Daniel Andrews went to China to promote Phillip Island!
- If this is to be a major state tourist destination, seek state revenue a.s.a.p to improve access to Bass Coast
- Have a no fracking position to State and Federal government's
- As this area assists the State to bring tourists here, petition state government for greater investment in public infrastructure structure & improved highways for the Bass Coast area since it's a major tourist destination - residents & tourists alike would benefit ??. Cowes is a wonderful beach & hugely popular but remains almost inaccessible for people with physical disabilities. Let's address this inadequacy immediately lots of our visitors are elderly & increasingly we are a retirees haven.
- To sum up Communications, Connections, Secure Food Availability to improve health and education Most of this really takes advocacy and partnerships - with communities, business and government rather than \$\$\$ but mostly it takes a shire willing to dream big and plan for those dreams. Oh and cohesion - can we have please have a cohesive view instead of of these little bits that never fit together
- Improving Wonthaggi's Profile. Phillip Island has a profile as does the Latrobe area. We don't have an image in the public domain and therefore are continually passed by the State Government etc.
- All councillors to pull together to achieve outcomes for all rate payers and community, not just self interest
- Weakness: Management of the coast line ✓✓✓✓*
- One "overall body" for the supervision of the Coastline. Being the first contact. They then direct requests to the particular authority responsible for the specific action in question **
- Make Brian Paynter and Greg Hunt accountable for their seats
- Make Brian Paynter and Greg Hunt accountable for their safe seats!! ***
- Vacant properties made to be maintained all year not just a clean-up once a year especially vacant land. Keep mowed □□□
- Encourage Coles to incorporate some photos landscapes into glass windows so we don't have to see shelves, groceries and trolleys and landscape outside corner
- Petition VIC Government to appoint an administrator – Yes
- Strength: Strong Bass Coast – Vic Government relationship ✓
- Access to State and Federal Government funds *****
- Strength: Provision of services
- Opportunity: CCTV Footage placed at the boat ramps and beaches and Agars Rd.
- Improve council communication with DELWP over the foreshore.
- Lack of internet is a local health issue – not a federal or state issue *
- Council to approve DELWP to take over foreshore currently managed by Grantville & District Foreshore Committee – totally inefficient
- Continue support from Council's Environment team to Coast Action groups / planting groups.
- Improve Centrelink for young people

- Supporting both surf clubs, they 'tie' non residents and residents together. Infrastructure / support. Financial support / advocacy. Council project management ***
- Maintaining and reduce the number of poker machines in Bass Coast
- Weakness: Lack of cooperation between authorities – eg Council/PINP/ Parks VIC ****
- Opportunity: Advocacy and partnerships
- Relationship between Council and PINP good – can be improved *
- Retain partnership with Landcare and strengthen the partnership *
- BCCH are good
- Shire to improve their representation of their community when negotiating with higher government
- Safe Serving of alcohol in community clubs
- Up advocacy of resident when negotiating and planning with corporates and higher government (raise the profile of Bass Coast)
- Better dialogue with DPI and State Government – Cowes Activity Centre Plan, Jetty Triangle
- Drinking Westernport water which I know is separate - back to the awful toilets I suppose!
- Living on \$35/day is a huge health & wellbeing issue
- Openness and to put pressure on the Brian Paynter and Greg Hunts of this world to get a better outcome for the Bass Coast
- A clarification on Council's position in respect to the Port of Hastings development as the site for a new container port
- We need post-people – a postman or postwoman to deliver mail all over the island (in letterboxes like the rest of the world). Why are we not able to have a Postie to deliver the mail? We have all sorts of problems with our local general store, who get angry about deliveries. This is archaic in today's world.
- Council to advocate for better mobile phone coverage for Kernot, Woodleigh and Krowera! ** ✓
- Explain the State and national Government criteria so we can influence exactly what is done with our money.
- Shire is short of ideas.
- Has the shire asked the state government to fund underground power in Marine Parade? The first stage (Woolamai Grove to Bergin Grove) was approved and street trees planted about 30 years ago. Mentioning street trees, why not plant some?
- Improve water quality on Phillip Island – Why were we by-passed by the Wonthaggi desalination service?
- Financial aid from state and federal governments.