

## October 2017

At its meeting on 20 September 2017, Council resolved to proceed to give notice of its intention to declare a special charge for upgrade works at Pioneer Bay. A final decision has not yet been made. See future steps timeline below:

Procedural step	Status	Proposed date
Community Information Sessions held. Provided outline of proposed works to affected landowners	Completed	April 2016 and April 2017
Council resolves its intention to declare a Special Charge Scheme at its 20 September 2017 Council meeting, giving at least 28 days prior notice to declaring a scheme.	Completed	20 September 2017
Advertise and place a copy of the proposed declaration on display for at least 28 days after the publication of the notice.	Completed	4 October 2017
Committee of Council to consider all submissions in relation to Council's intention to declare the Special Charge Scheme.	Next step	November to December 2017
Council to consider the Committee's recommendations and decide to proceed with, vary or abandon the levying of the Special Charge Scheme at its Ordinary Council Meeting in February 2018.	Future step	The first Ordinary Council meeting in February 2018
Owners will be advised of Council's decision and of their rights of review if Council decides to proceed.	Future step	February 2018
Appeals can then be made within 30 days to the Victorian Civil Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) for review of Council's decision to proceed with the scheme.	Future step	March 2018
If an appeal is made to VCAT Council will need to await a hearing date. Subject to review and approval by VCAT, Council can then proceed with construction works included in the Special Charge Scheme.	Future step	2019 – possibly earlier if no VCAT appeal is made

Council intends to make a final decision in February 2018 and is calling for submissions from the community. You can find more details about the project by reading:

- Minutes from the 20 September 2017 Council Report

- the proposed Declaration
- the Benefit Ratio Statement
- the Apportionment and Distribution Statement and
- the Layout Plan

The Public Notice was advertised in the South Gippsland Sentinel Times on 3 October 2017 and the San Remo and Phillip Island Advertiser on 4 October 2017.