

Community Consultation Summary Report

Help us enhance Cape Schanck

Meet your Red Hill Ward Councillor
and Mornington Peninsula Shire
Mayor David Gill

We would love to
hear your ideas
for enhancements
to Cape Schanck.
Please drop in
to be part of the
conversation.

Friday
29 March 2019
5pm – 7pm
Boneo Community Hall
572 Boneo Rd, Boneo



If you can't make it to the drop in session, here
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Key Issues

The below community key issues were identified:

1. Community reserve and playground

A local playspace and community gathering place.

- a. Short term or interim solution to provide a local gathering place, to be implemented as soon as possible
- b. Long term solution to provide a suitable local playspace and community place

2. Trails and Pathways

Local trails and pathways for walking and cycling

- a. Shorter term or interim solution to provide informal local walking and cycling trails
- b. Longer term solution to provide formalised pathways for walking and cycling
- c. Longer term Roadside Trails for equestrian and mountain bike riders.

Other issues

3. Maintaining Cape Schanck's Coastal Rural and Neighbourhood Character

4. Road traffic and speed limits

Purpose

To provide a summary of the feedback received for the Cape Schanck Infrastructure Projects;

- primarily the Local Playspace and Placemaking Projects, and
- secondly Traffic and Transport

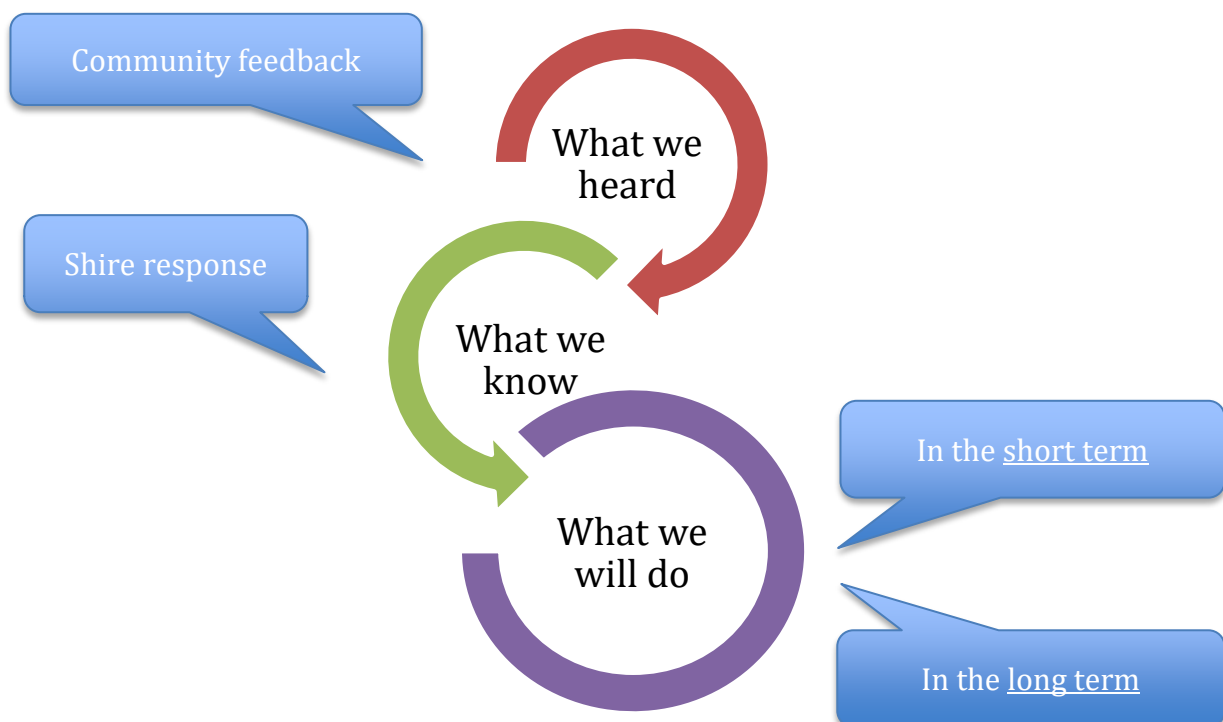
Community consultation

A community meeting was held on Friday 29 March Community at the Boneo Community Hall. Approximately 25 community members attended the meeting.

In addition, a number of community members made submissions to the Shire via email.

Feedback Analysis and Overview

The feedback has been collated and reviewed by Shire Officers. This document provides a summary of this feedback and an indication of how this information will be used to inform the direction of the projects.



1. Playspace and Placemaking

We have heard the community and what they would like; a community preferred, available and suitable location.

Local Playspace

Key Issue: A local playground and community place (space).

What we heard:

- Requests for a place for people to connect, socialise and the kids to play
- Requests for playspace in a central and safe location close to most homes
- Requests that the playspace would be in the local area and within walking and biking distance (400-800 metres)
- Requests for a playspace with formalised play equipment and nature-based play in a bushland setting
- Requests for a social gathering place with a co-located picnic and seating area
- Requests that the local character would be respected and reflected in the design landscape and planting theme

The community proposed several sites within the local Cape Schanck area that could be suitable for a local playspace.

The community's views were divided as to 27 Bernards Way, Cape Schanck being an appropriate location for a playspace or community gathering place.

Request for a **short-term** option was apparent to provide a place to gather and socialise as an interim solution to having a **long-term** option of a suitable site, for a playspace and co-located community gathering place.

What we know:

The Shires Playspace Strategy 2015 – 2020 identifies the need for a new local level playspace in Cape Schanck.

The level of facilities offered at a local park varies but should at a minimum include:

- Double swings
- Natural shade and natural landscape features
- Open ended play elements for social and imaginative play
- Playground structure for 3-12-year olds
- Park bench seating and a picnic table
- Accessible paths

Please note, that there are no standard site assessment criteria for new playspaces as each location is unique and requires individual site assessment.

The Shire completed a feasibility study of the public open space reserve sites within **walking and biking distance of the main residential area** of Cape Schanck.

- Bernards Way Reserve – 27 Bernards Way

- Blacks Camp – Corner of Cape Schanck Road and Boneo Road
- Bass Vista Drive - 21 Bass Vista Drive

The Shire completed a feasibility study of the public open space and reserve sites that would generally **need to be accessed by car, due to their distance** or accessibility issues from the main residential area of Cape Schanck.

- RACV Resort Cape Schanck – gated community/ predominately private land
 - 38 Casuarina Drive
 - No off road access to site (no formal footpaths)
 - Main Hotel – Trent Jones Drive
 - 1.5kms from main residential area
 - Private playground of RACV Resorts
 - Risk of exclusive access only to Cape Schanck patrons/members
- Boneo Community Recreation Reserve – 570 Boneo Road, Boneo
 - 6.0kms from main residential area
- Fingal Picnic Area, Cape Schanck National Park – 164 Cape Schanck Road, Cape Schanck
 - 2.0kms from main residential area
 - Significant Risk associated with
 - Requires Parks Vic approval
 - Cultural Heritage Permits
 - not obtaining statutory approvals required to construct a playground
 - Probability that Parks Vic would cost shift to Council
 - Possibility that the State Government Strategic direction would request a Regional destination playspace to be co-located with the community picnic/bbq area
 - Risk of significant cost increase due to regulations and statutory requirements, well beyond that of the Local Playspace*
 - Council budgetary constraints to deliver project

What we will do with this feedback

- a. **The short-term** vision and solution will be commenced as soon as possible to provide a social gathering space and passive recreation activity.

Currently the only available and suitable site is 27 Bernards Way, Cape Schanck.

The proposed works to be undertaken are:

- Landscape amenity improvement works and revegetation
- A general site clean-up and restoration works
 - Weed management, the removal of woody & herbaceous weeds
 - Indigenous planting around central open lawn area
 - Tree pruning/uplifting at the front of the site to increase views lines in and out (passive surveillance)

- b. **The long-term** vision and solution required

- A local co-designed social and playspace
- The location would be within the general residential within walking distance of the majority of residents (400-800 metres)
- Consist of a Local Playspace* and social gathering place

Currently there is not a suitable or available site that would satisfy the requirements of a local playspace* therefore a parcel of land would need to be acquired by the Shire to meet this purpose.

The preferred land parcel would be best located within the residential area of Cape Schanck. The land parcel would need to be either purchased on the open market, which you be the better method to obtain a land parcel. However, if a land parcel could not be obtained on the open market then it would need to be acquired by the Shire. The Shire would need to peruse the formal process of Compulsory Land Acquisition (Land Acquisition and Compensation Act 1986).

A land acquisition, to be successful, requires strategic justification that the land is required for public purpose. Land acquisition can be done either by negotiation or compulsorily. Currently there only a few vacant land parcels (those without a residential dwelling) within Cape Schanck residential area.

The Shire has commenced the process to identify suitable sites within the Cape Schanck residential area, in the form of an options paper. The Shire will undertake community engagement as part of the process.

2. Pathways

Walking & cycling

- In the **short term**, the Shire will investigate the existing goat tracks and trails along Cape Schanck Road reserve on the western side underneath the power lines and any interconnecting streets to ensure safe sight lines and road verges.
- In the **longer term**, the Shires Ride Safe Strategy is currently being developed. It will identify and delineate the local cycling network. The network will present the safest cycling environment for all users. Identified deficiencies in the network will be listed and actions developed to address them, moving forward.
- Trails in the **longer-term**, Shire Officers have been working through the strategic trail priorities on the Peninsula, with a current focus on the Port Phillip and Western Port Bay Trail missing links, which form a large portion of the strategic trails on the Peninsula. Officers anticipate a review of the Roadside equestrian and mountain bike trails strategy in the 2020/21 financial year, which will go out to for community consultation and comments.

*Shire Playspace Strategy 2015-2020

`Land Zoned within MPSC Planning Scheme

Other Matters, we heard from the community.

3. Coastal Rural and Neighbourhood Character

Key Issue: Maintaining the local character of Cape Schanck

What we heard:

- To ensure that area is not urbanised by the built environment (hard surfaces and infrastructure).
- The desire to maintain the existing coastal-rural character and neighbourhood character.
- The desire to maintain the existing bushland setting and the natural environment.
- To maintain the “Green Wedge” of the Cape Schanck and surrounding areas; including the vast majority of the Red Hill Ward.

What we know:

The Mornington Peninsula Council values this area and feels that we are fortunate to call this part of the world home. In turn we have a special responsibility towards protecting the Green Wedge and ensuring that it is protected, planned and managed in the interests of both the current community and those of the future.

What we are doing:

The Shires Green Wedge Management Plan 2019 vision is to deliver;

- A place where infrastructure and facilities of all kinds are planned, designed, constructed and managed having regard to the needs of the community and the special character of the area.
- A place that keeps about seventy percent of the Peninsula’s land mass as a rural land resource in recognition of its value for current and future generations.
- A place that protects, conserves and enhances the diversity, quality and extent of natural systems for their international, national, regional and local significance.
- A place that retains a rural character, defined by agriculture and natural systems land uses, heritage places, attractive vistas, unobtrusive buildings and a low population settled in relatively few buildings that is:
 - At its strongest in key locations including: significant landscapes, land with coastal frontage, land adjoining urban growth boundaries and separations between closely located townships; and
 - Protected by population, industrial and commercial growth being located inside the Urban Growth Boundary.
 - A place where the critical role of sustainable agriculture is recognised, protected and supported as a key land use and the productive capacity of land is conserved and enhanced for the future and supports landowners to provide sustainable land stewardship.

4. Traffic and transport

Key Issues: Safe local roads

What we heard

What we heard	What we know/What we will do
Cape Schanck Road	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The residential area of Cape Schanck Road, to be lowered from the current speed limit of 80km/hr to 60km/hr 	<p>Traffic and Transport team to investigate the current conditions criteria to determine feasibility to lower speeds against Vic Roads guidelines.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If the Shire receives VicRoads in principle support to the possibility of lowering the speed to 60kms, Traffic and Transport team will prioritise proposal with Shire wide Safer Speed proposals.
Boneo Road Traffic	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The lowering of the current speed limit of 100km/hr to 80km. The sealing of the road shoulder, road widening, the implementation of on road cycle lanes and other road improvements. Boneo Road duplication from the freeway to Browns Road. The installation of a round about at Boneo and Limestone Roads. 	<p>Boneo Road is a VicRoads managed road, however;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Shire's Traffic and Transport team are currently and will continue advocate to VicRoads for road safety improvements.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The extension of the Mornington Peninsula Freeway extension to Boneo Road including an overpass of Jetty Road. 	<p>This project has a Liberal Federal Government Budget Commitment to fully fund project in 2019-2020.</p>
Boneo Road Cyclists	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General cycling road users. Organised cycling events and meets. 	<p>Shires Ride Safe strategy is currently being developed. It will identify and delineate the local cycling network. The network will present the safest cycling environment for all users. Identified deficiencies in the network will be listed and actions developed to address them, moving forward.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All cycling events would require VicRoads approval as it is a VicRoads managed road.
Boneo Reserve and School Zone	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> During school hours and on Market/events days, lowering the current speed limit from 60km/hr to 40kms and the installation of illuminated speed signs. 	<p>Boneo Road is a VicRoads managed road, however;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shire Traffic and Transport team are currently and will continue to advocate to VicRoads for road safety improvements.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extending hours of operation to events (Boneo Market) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shire Events team - As part of the Event Permit, a Traffic Management Plan that has been approved by VicRoads and Shire Traffic and transport team.
Boneo Road access to/from RACV resort	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turning traffic tuning into and out of the resort. 	<p>Boneo Road is a VicRoads managed road, however;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Shire Traffic and Transport team are currently and will continue advocate to VicRoads for road safety improvements.
Bushrangers Bay parking area	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parking demands and capacity issues at peak times overflow parking issues 	<p>As Bushrangers Bay parking is located of Boneo Road it is therefore VicRoads managed road and parking area is on Parks Victoria managed land.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Shire Traffic and Transport team are currently and will continue advocate to VicRoads for road safety improvements and raise this issue with Parks Victoria.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parking enforcement (bad parking behaviour) Traffic speed monitoring to 100km/hr compliance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shire Parking Enforcement officers currently and will continue to patrol the area. The Police force are responsible for monitoring and enforcing speed limits.

What do you like most about Cape Schanck?

Peaceful position

Peaceful surrounds natural beauty

Great views
Scenic views
Views + Community = Peace + Tranquillity

Nat. environment

Great place of tranquility quiet - Nat. area of conservation

Peace + quiet, trees, farms, animals, escape from it!

Great views of the coast with panoramic views

Peaceful, beautiful views

Great views of the coastline

The unique dramatic features

Peaceful tranquility peaceful

Great the Mornington Peninsula, surrounds the perfect settings

Sense of community

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