



Don't forget your pet!

Give your pet the care they deserve by ensuring their registration is up to date. Registering your pet greatly improves their chance of being reunited with you should they get lost or go astray. Fees fund a number of our vital services for pet owners, including off-leash dog areas and the Shire's Animal Pound and Community Animal Shelter.

Pet Registration renewal is due by 10 April; it costs \$41.50 to register a desexed dog or desexed cat annually (discounts apply for pension card holders). Under the Domestic Animals Act 1994, all cats and dogs over the age of three months must be microchipped and registered with the Shire. The fine for owning an unregistered dog or cat is \$322. For more information view the payment slip on your renewal notice or visit us online.

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Be involved

Have your say online or in person at any Shire office.

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Sports Capacity Plan Volume 1 – Sports Fields, closes 29 March Participation in sport across the Mornington Peninsula has grown rapidly, particularly female and junior involvement in Soccer and Australian Rules Football. The Plan outlines how to optimise use of existing sports fields and plan for future growth.

Defining the Extent of Tootgarook Wetland, closes 5 April Council's Tootgarook Wetland Management Plan 2018 reviewed the extent of the Wetland, identified a buffer zone and developed a management strategy. Share your feedback on the draft report) or attend a drop-in session on Wednesday 20 March.

Somerville Township Structure Plan, closes 12 April We're inviting feedback on our Draft Somerville Township Structure Plan. The Plan will guide land use, development, urban design and transport decisions.

The Briars Master Plan, closes 25 April The Plan articulates how natural, cultural and heritage beauty at the Briars will be protected and enhanced while sensitively planned additions will provide more opportunities to enjoy the site.

Native plant giveaway! Every year our Shire Nursery at The Briars invites residents to take home indigenous plants free of charge. Bring proof of address and collect two native tubes in celebration of the Peninsula's unique indigenous flora. When: 3–5 April, 10–12 April (9am – 3.30pm) and 6 April (9am–1pm) or until stock runs out.

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Supported Playgroup provides eligible families with free playgroup for children aged 0-5 years in a fun, safe environment run by a qualified facilitator. Visit us online:

📍 mornpen.vic.gov.au/supportedplaygroups

Mental Health First Aid Training We're offering free training to anyone working with or caring for young people on the Peninsula. Two day courses will be held throughout 2019. To learn more and register:

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Asset and Amenity Permit The Shire's assets are often damaged from private building works. Council is therefore re-introducing bonds to the Asset and Amenity Permit. A Permit (cost \$240) is mandatory for work that requires a building permit, is within the Urban Growth Boundary and valued at \$10,000 or more (demolition, relocating a building and installing a swimming pool require a permit regardless of value). If an owner or builder does not have a Permit, works can be stopped and fines can be issued. For more information visit:

📍 mornpen.vic.gov.au/assetprotectionprivatebuildings

The Pillars On 9 October 2018, Council voted to close The Pillars site due to legal advice that raised liability questions for the council and ratepayers. The trial closure is for 4-6 months. A meeting will be held on 10 April 2019 to receive feedback on the summer peak period.

Stellar The development company, Stellar recently promoted the construction of retirement villages and aged care facilities on the Peninsula. Two previous planning permit applications were refused by the Council, one in Mornington and one in Bittern. Stellar has not had any application meetings with the Shire.

Ryman Health The proposed development at the former Mt Eliza Business School site in Kunyung Road, Mt Eliza has not progressed. Although the company continues to promote the development, no formal planning application has been lodged. The Planning Services Committee requested the site be rezoned from a Special Use Zone to a Green Wedge Zone. The Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning has requested further information before the Minister makes a decision.

Around the peninsula

Junior players are Heart of Shire sport

Seawinds: Crs Simon Brooks, Antonella Celi, Frank Martin



Works at Capel Sound's Truemans Road Recreation Reserve to reconstruct the

soccer oval and build a multi-purpose cricket net facility are underway to allow better usability of the recreation reserve and encourage increased participation in sports across the Peninsula. With soccer season well underway the Rosebud Heart Soccer club and Rosebud Soccer club are each fielding an enthusiastic team of junior players for the southern Mornington Peninsula.

Kaufland: make your voice heard

Briars: Crs Rosie Clark, Bev Colomb, Sam Hearn



The Kaufland Stores in Victoria Advisory Committee hearing is

underway – ending 2 April 2018. Council has made its submission. Community members who registered to make a verbal submission will do so on 21 March when the hearing is held Mornington Park Pavilion, 9 Flinders Drive, 10am-3:30pm. While most hearings are in Melbourne CBD, residents can observe at any.

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Respecting our roots

Nepean: Crs Hugh Fraser, Bryan Payne



Stage 3 of the Heritage Review Mornington Peninsula Shire will focus on Blairgowrie, Sorrento and Portsea. It is expected the study will recommend new heritage properties and update Statements



of Significance for some existing heritage places. The Draft Review is open to community feedback until 18 April. Provide your thoughts at any Shire office or have your say online:

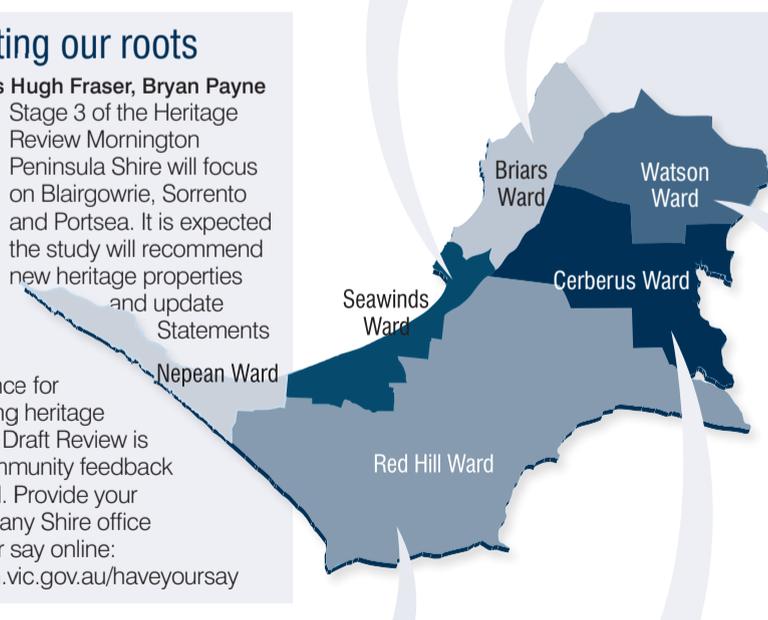
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Eagle-eyed

Watson: Cr Julie Morris



We are working through the budget process, to provide a well-equipped playground and open space at Barber reserve. I am also working closely with the Somerville Eagles Soccer Club to understand their vision for the club and, through the sports capacity study, Council is looking at securing funding for a permanent home ground for the Somerville Eagles.



On a sticky wicket at Main Ridge

Red Hill: Cr David Gill



Recently I visited Main Ridge Cricket ground and discussed many issues, including: irrigation, lack of change rooms, the pavilion's poor condition and dangerous floor boards. Unfortunately this is a common sight in under resourced Red Hill ward. Please bring problems to our attention early, create a paper trail and be persistent in demanding action.

What a wonderful ward

Cerberus: Cr Kate Roper



Come along to Hastings Community Hall from 6–8pm, Wed 20 March for the Cerberus Ward Meeting. We will discuss local issues, update you on ward news, including current and future projects and upcoming events, and answer your questions. RSVP by Friday 15 March by email or phone.

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Events

- 18-31 March** Mornington Peninsula Tennis International Mornington Tennis Centre
- 23 March** High Society, High Street, Hastings
- 31 March** Neighbour Day 2019 Seawinds Community Hub
- 1-30 April** Active April
- 7 April** Sunday Sessions at The Briars The Briars, Mount Martha
- 14 April** Mornington's Biggest Easter Egg Hunt Mornington Park
- 14 April** Harcourts Hastings Easter Egg Hunt Hastings Foreshore
- 20-21 April** Peninsula Busking Festival and Food Truck Carnivale 2019 The Briars, Mount Martha
- 20-21 April** Dromana Potters Exhibition 2019 Old Shire Building, Dromana
- 21 April** Flinders Motoring Heritage Cook Street Flinders
- 21 April** Alfa Romeo Owners Club National Meeting - Show and Shine Mornington Park
- 21 April** Flinders Cricket Club Market B.A Cairns Reserve Flinders

25 April – ANZAC Day To view local events, visit:

📍 mornpen.vic.gov.au/anzacday

- 12 May** Mothers Day Classic – Balnarring to Somers, Coolart Wetlands and Homestead
- 19 May** RSPCA Million Paws Walk Hastings Foreshore
- 24 May** Wild Women on Top – Coastrek Cape Schanck Lighthouse

For a full list of all Shire events including community markets and local music please see our website:

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Information is correct at time of printing.