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Dear Ms Cheers

**PROPOSED COUNCIL PLAN SUBMISSION: DECISION**

Thank you for your submission on the proposed Council Plan 2017-2021, received 7 May 2017.

All submissions were considered by Council in accordance with section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989* (the Act). The purpose of this letter is to notify you of Council's decision and the reasons for that decision.

Council adopted the Council Plan 2017-2021 at its meeting of 13 June 2017 at Rosebud. No changes were made to the proposed Council Plan as a result of your submission, which did not make any specific requests or proposals. Other changes to the proposed Council Plan were made.

Full details of Council's decision can be found in the minutes of the meeting, available at [mornpen.vic.gov.au/councilminutes](http://mornpen.vic.gov.au/councilminutes) and available for public inspection in accordance with section 222 of the Act.

The Council Plan 2017-2021 is available for public inspection at the Council's offices and is published on Council's website: [mornpen.vic.gov.au/councilplan](http://mornpen.vic.gov.au/councilplan)

The following advice is provided in response to the particular points the Rye Community Group Alliance raised in its submission:

***Review of the Mornington Peninsula Planning Scheme***

Council is committed to retaining the Mornington Peninsula as a special and unique part of Victoria that must be protected from inappropriate development, as clearly identified within the Mornington Peninsula Localised Planning Statement. The review of the planning scheme will be undertaken within the next financial year and comply with the regulatory requirements of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* which requires the planning scheme to be reviewed within 12 months from the adoption of the Council Plan.

***Foreshore maintenance***

Current contractual arrangements, which are reviewed annually, provide the ability to dial up or dial down service levels as required. Additionally teams

always work to maximise efficiency and effectiveness of maintenance works by coordinating various programs, such as; fire management, weed management, vegetation management and cleansing. There are also opportunities to enhance operations that will come out of the implementation of Council Biodiversity Management Plan.

### ***Impact of water sports on the coast***

Coastal Management Plans are developed for each of the Mornington Peninsula's foreshore reserves. These Plans provide a framework for sustainable tourism management and growth. The Coastal Management Plans can provide recommendations for future appropriate levels of sustainable tourism use.

The Shire works closely with the Mornington Peninsula Regional Tourism Board to promote the region during off peak, encourage visitor dispersal. Supporting new tourism product in the right locations is also a priority. The Shire currently has a number of operators conducting non-motorised water sports around the bay under commercial licence agreements direct with the Council. There are also similar arrangements with Parks Victoria and other committees of management. We will continue to encourage and support these.

### ***Rye Recreational Boating Precinct Plan***

The Rye Township Plan will provide the strategic vision for the future of Rye. It will develop a strong identity for the township, and suggest improvement works throughout the town centre, Point Nepean Road and foreshore areas.

The plan will be comprehensive, and will ensure all future public works in Rye are in line with the overall vision for the area. The plan will undergo an extensive community consultation process that will involve significant community input.

If you have any further enquiries, please do not hesitate to call me on **5950 1206**.

Yours sincerely

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