

Public Questions

Council Meeting 11 August 2026



Mornington
Peninsula Shire

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

The following questions were received without notice at the 11 August Council Meeting.

Potholes at the Briars

Frederick Crump, a resident of Hastings asked the following question:

At Tyabb's Shire Meeting 12 months ago, on return from Japan, a verbal request to former Mayor A Marsh concerning the dreadful potholes at the Briars Historical Park. Despite further requests 1 year on, to the current Councillors including a written request, still no action taken, why is this?

Council advises we understand your concerns and appreciate you taking the time to bring this matter to Council's attention. The road network within The Briars is maintained as part of Council's regular maintenance and inspection program. Road conditions are monitored and prioritised based on a range of factors, including safety, asset condition and available resources.

We can advise that the road is scheduled to be assessed as part of upcoming maintenance works, with regrading anticipated to commence in the coming weeks, subject to operational requirements and weather conditions. These works are intended to address potholes and improve the overall condition of the road surface.

We appreciate your patience and understanding while these works are programmed and completed.

Shelter Advisory Committee

Rosy Fischer, a resident of Mornington asked the following question:

Can an advisory committee (not staff affiliated) be formed to oversee the pound operations? The committee would provide strategies for the improvements of pet outcomes e.g. increased adoptions, reduced kill rates, increased open hours, introduction of foster carers / volunteers and providing transparency to the public.

Council advises we will be undertaking an independent Service Review of the Community Animal Shelter which will include but not limited to staffing numbers, operating hours, and foster carer and volunteer programs. Recommendations from this Service Review will be



considered by Council upon completion, therefore, an advisory committee will not be required.

Pet adoption / fostering

Rosy also asked the following question:

Why did it take the pound one month to contact Sophie about adopting Greg when she applied on Pet Rescue? The day she was contacted by the Shire, he was suddenly put "on hold" yet he was still available the previous day? Subsequently she adopted a senior cat elsewhere.

Council advises due to privacy; Council cannot comment on matters relating to other individuals. If Sophie would like to contact Council's Community Safety team, they would be more than happy to discuss this matter.
