

# Barwon Coast Update

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## WELCOME TO OUR NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

A new committee for Barwon Coast commenced their tenure on 1 July 2019. We welcomed three new members in Meredith Blackstock, Peter Farrell and Fiona Murray. They are joined by seven reappointed members – Phil Emery (Chair), Sandy Gatehouse (Deputy-Chair), Ben Carter, Shelley Fanning, Graeme Hanel, Peter Rankin and Elisa Zavadil. For more info [www.barwoncoast.com.au/committee-members](http://www.barwoncoast.com.au/committee-members)

## BARWON COAST GETS A FRESH LOOK

Barwon Coast was formed in 1995 and soon after a logo was created. 24 years on we have now refreshed our logo and brand to better share with our community and stakeholders who Barwon Coast is and what we stand for in 2019. We want everyone to know that “We Care for the Coast”. Over the coming months you will start to see our new logo and branding on signs, uniforms etc. We hope you like the new look as much as we do!

## OUT FOR COMMENT

We invite you to have your say on a couple of Barwon Coast plans. The key strategic plan and

guiding document for Barwon Coast’s current and future operations will be released for community consultation in mid-October. We will be seeking public comment via email submissions on the draft 2020 - 2025 Coastal and Marine Management Plan (CMMP). The consultation process will be announced on our website, social media and through newspaper advertisements.

We have released a Safety and Environmental Management Plan for the local Port of Barwon Heads. This plan examines safety and environmental risks in the local port. We invite community feedback on this plan via email or phone by 31 October 2019. For the full plan [www.barwoncoast.com.au/boating](http://www.barwoncoast.com.au/boating)



BARWON COAST AS THE MANAGER OF THE LOCAL PORT OF BARWON HEADS ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT HAVE RECENTLY OVERSEEN MAINTENANCE WORKS ON THE MAIN PUBLIC JETTY DECK.

## NEW DOG ACCESS CONTROLS PROPOSED

City of Greater Geelong Council (COGG), on behalf of Barwon Coast, will soon release revised dog access controls for community feedback for beaches at Ocean Grove, Barwon Heads and 13th Beach. We will be supporting this consultation process. We proposed a review of the current dog access controls after significant community feedback that the current controls, in place since 1996, are not effective and are not providing a safe and equitable beach experience for all.

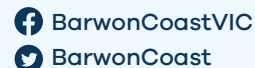
Why is COGG involved? While Barwon Coast can create regulations over the Crown land we are delegated to manage, our enabling legislation the *Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978* does not prescribe penalties to enforce the regulations. Council however can do so as an order of Council under the *Domestic Animals Act 1994*. Barwon Coast in turn pays a fee to COGG to enforce the regulations.

The proposed regulations still allow for the majority of the Barwon Coast beach areas for dog activities. The City will publicly advertise the consultation process. For more information see [www.barwoncoast.com.au/blog](http://www.barwoncoast.com.au/blog)



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