

# Barwon Coast Update

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## PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE OF OUR CARAVAN PARKS



THE BARWON HEADS CARAVAN PARK IS MANAGED BY BARWON COAST.

Planning for the future of our coast is an important part of our work. In 2021 we are developing a Precinct Master Plan (PMP) for our accommodation service businesses.

This PMP will detail a program of specific works for the care, protection, improvement and management of the Barwon Heads and Riverview caravan parks and the Riverside seasonal campground. It will guide development and use for up to the next 10 years within a realistic and achievable budget.

The PMP will translate the principles outlined in our key strategic document - the *Coastal and Marine Management Plan 2020-2025 (CMMP)*. The CMMP is currently with the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change for approval as required by the *Marine and Coastal Act 2018*.

We will be engaging with Traditional Owners, the community, campers and other key stakeholders to ensure community aspirations for the future of our accommodation services are considered in the PMP.

We will be advertising engagement opportunities in newspapers and online. If you would like to register your interest in being involved in this process please visit [bit.ly/barwoncoastPMP](https://bit.ly/barwoncoastPMP)

## ILLEGAL ASBESTOS DUMPING

There has been a recent increase in the illegal dumping of asbestos cement sheeting on our area of management. It costs thousands of dollars to fund its removal and to ensure the area is safe for further use.

The amount dumped is often small in size and would fit easily in a standard trailer. A trailer load of this quantity of asbestos sheeting can be disposed of at the Drysdale Transfer Station for \$62.50. This keeps the environment and coastal users safe and also enables us to spend the funds saved on caring for the coast.

For further details on disposal of asbestos see [geelongaustralia.com.au/services](https://geelongaustralia.com.au/services)  
If you see someone dumping waste illegally contact the EPA on **1300 372 842**.

**ENSURING WASTE IS DISPOSED OF CORRECTLY IS ONE OF THE WAYS WE CAN ALL CARE FOR THE COAST**

## WILDLIFE ON THE BEACH

We are so lucky to share our shores with wildlife. Whales, migratory seabirds, seals, penguins, echidnas, lizards and wallabies also call our coastline home. It is really important to remember to give these animals their space, keep dogs on a leash and if wildlife appear injured or distressed call the appropriate authorities.

For injured seals please call the **Marine Response Unit on 1300 245 678**. The **Whale and Dolphin Emergency Hotline is 1300 136 017** and for all other wildlife please contact us on **5254 1118** or contact a local vet or wildlife carers.

The Department of Environment Land Water and Planning also has an online tool for wildlife response [wildlife.vic.gov.au/injured-native-wildlife/wildlife-tool](https://wildlife.vic.gov.au/injured-native-wildlife/wildlife-tool)

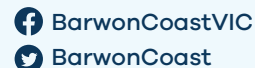


A YOUNG SUBANTARCTIC FUR SEAL RECENTLY WASHED UP ON THE OCEAN GROVE SPIT FOR A REST.



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