

## Advocacy Meetings with Federal Candidates

With a federal election approaching, South Gippsland Shire Council is putting its advocacy priorities forward at meetings with the candidates that are putting their hand up to represent our region in the seat of Monash.

Since his election as Mayor in November 2024, Mayor Cr John Schelling has met with Russell Broadbent, Deb Leonard and Mary Aldred to discuss Council's challenges and opportunities, and the support needed from the Australian Government.

Each candidate also spoke openly about their aspirations and vision for South Gippsland.

These conversations are vital to continue to have a strong relationship with the highest level of government and to continue representing our community, regardless of the outcome of the election.

If you would like to view Council's Advocacy Priorities, you can do so at: <a href="http://www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/advocacy">www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/advocacy</a>

## **Quote attributable to South Gippsland Shire Council Mayor, John Schelling:**

"Working together is how we get the best outcomes for community. Council looks forward to continuing discussions with all candidates and the Australian Government in the coming months to ensure South Gippsland's priorities are being considered."

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