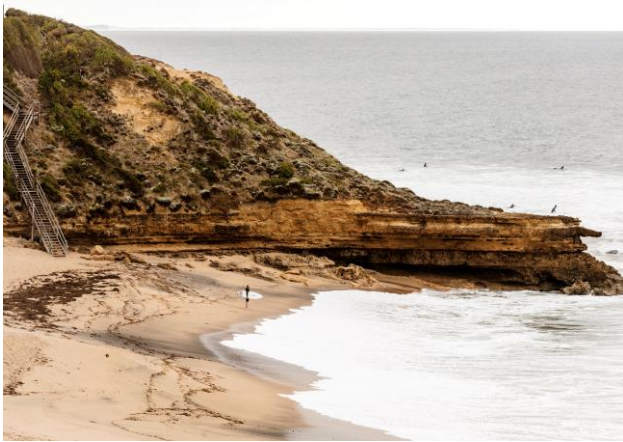


Great Ocean Road Region Standing Advisory Committee FACT SHEET

The Victorian Government established a standing advisory committee to strengthen the planning system and protect the Great Ocean Road region and its landscapes (under Section 151 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*).



Action #11
STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Timing: Short term (2020)

- The standing advisory committee will act as a Review Panel for Planning Scheme Amendments and Planning Permits that are called-in by the Minister for Planning.
- The advisory committee will act as a Land-use and Design Review Panel for councils, for visitor economy development proposals that are consistent with the Strategic Framework Plan and associated Planning Guidelines.
- The Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change, or a delegate, may refer coastal and marine management plans and applications for consent to use marine and coastal Crown land to the standing advisory committee to provide advice.
- The committee will provide independent expert advice to the Minister for Planning on sustainable land development and development proposals to protect the Great Ocean Road region and support sustainable developments.
- The Barwon South West Regional Planning Services team within the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) will liaise with Planning Panels Victoria (PPV) to support the standing advisory committee.
- Appointments to the committee have been made:
 - Co-Chair:** Kathy Mitchell
 - Co-Chair:** Nick Wimbush
 - Deputy Chair:** Michael Kirsch
 - Members:** Elissa Bell
Ann Keddie
Michael Malouf
Kate Partenio
- The new planning approvals process will provide greater certainty for developers by streamlining the process for appropriate development projects and stop inappropriate proposals in their early stages.
- Over time, detailed land use and design planning guidelines will be prepared to accompany the Strategic Framework Plan. These will provide clear direction on the quality of proposals and design standards for development projects to be assessed as “appropriate”.
- Planning services support will also be provided to supplement the councils’ capacity to assess large and complex land development projects, reducing the timelines and providing greater certainty.



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