

Cowes to Stony Point Car Ferry Business Case

Bass Coast and Mornington Peninsula Shire Councils and the Victorian Government are preparing a business case to determine the cost, requirements and viability of a vehicle and passenger ferry service between Cowes, French Island and Stony Point.

There are many potential opportunities that can be achieved including:

- Enhanced employment and education opportunities
- Greater tourism connectivity between the Mornington Peninsula and Phillip Island
- Increased visitor activity
- Greater access to emergency services
- Better access to public transport

The proposal to move from a passenger ferry to a car ferry has arisen due to the potential community, environmental and economic benefits, but these have yet to be evaluated in a comprehensive Business Case.



Developing a Business Case requires extensive public consultation to understand the needs of the local community and businesses as well as the benefits that this new infrastructure link could provide.

The information you provide will outline the impacts and opportunities that are important to our community when forming the Business Case for a car ferry between Cowes, French Island and Stony Point.

Please find overleaf the opportunities for you to get involved. You can take advantage of all of these, or simply select the ones most convenient to you.

We look forward to you joining the conversation!

Have your say ...

Join the conversation and tell us what you think

Public consultation will commence in September with two key phases:

- Input into developing the business case
- Feedback on the business case

Methodology and Timeline



Get involved

Industry Meeting

9.30am - 11.00am
Thursday 5 October
Cowes Cultural Centre
Thompson Avenue, Cowes

Community Meeting

11.30am - 1.00pm
Thursday 5 October
Cowes Cultural Centre
Thompson Avenue, Cowes

Drop in Session

4.00pm - 7.00pm
Thursday 5 October
Cowes Cultural Centre
Thompson Avenue, Cowes

Online Survey

If you are unable to attend the above sessions you can still provide input via an online survey:

- [Residents Survey](#)
- [Business Survey](#)

Direct Feedback

You also have the opportunity to communicate directly with the project team. Please contact consulting partner Mark Olsen via email mark.olsen@earthcheck.org or your local Council representative.

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