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**MORNINGTON  
SHIRE COUNCIL**

**COMMUNITY  
CAPACITY STATEMENT**

CIVIL, CONSTRUCTION &  
COMMUNITY SERVICES

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# Mornington Island Capacity Statement

The Mornington Island Capacity Statement is designed to provide information regarding locally available facilities, services and workforce for contractors and construction companies wishing to tender and be engaged in works within Mornington Shire.

Mornington Shire incorporates the twenty-two (22) islands of the Wellesley group in the Gulf of Carpentaria. It covers an area of 1227 square kilometres with Mornington Island itself estimated to be about 700 square kilometres in area.

Mornington Island is the largest island in the group. The main township is Gununa which houses the majority of the population. Although Mornington Island is a remote community, the local Council has the capacity to assist contractors and construction companies in tendering for or undertaking construction or civil works. Council's capacity to provide staff may vary in relation to projects being undertaken as Council is one of the largest employer on the Island. As such, when workforce needs are requested it is important to speak with Council in the first instance. Access to additional, local labour can also be sourced through the Community Development Provider *Rise*.

Contractors and construction companies are encouraged to utilise our local services and labour to support the economic sustainability of the Mornington Island community. In line with the Indigenous Employment Opportunities Plan process, outlined under the *Queensland Government Building and Construction Training Policy*, all contractors and construction companies will need to discuss their employment needs and local investment proposals with Council in the first instance. By doing this it will assist with the delivery of projects in community whilst also building a strong and sustainable relationship with the community and its partners.

All Council's trade staff members (Tradesman, Trades Apprentices & Trade Assistants) are available for engagement at competitive value for money hourly rates. These rates will be considered as part of the development of the Indigenous Employment Opportunity Plan. All Council's hourly rates are outlined in Mornington Shire Council's Schedule of Commercial and Regulatory Fees and Charges 2018/2019 which can be found on our website at [www.mornington.qld.gov.au](http://www.mornington.qld.gov.au)

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Mayor

Mornington Shire Council



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CEO

Mornington Shire Council



## Cultural Awareness Training

The traditional owners and custodians of the Wellesley Islands are proud of their culture and traditions. Cultural Awareness Training is a prerequisite **must** for all newcomers to Mornington Island. Cultural Awareness Training is held on a regular basis and for further information and details please contact Mirndiyan Gununa Aboriginal Corporation directly.

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**Mirndiyan  
Manager**

**Monday – Friday**

**07 - 47457215**

**[gm@morningtonisland.com.au](mailto:gm@morningtonisland.com.au)**

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## Workforce Snap Shot

The workforce available on Mornington Island consists of a mix of individuals who possess certified skills and who are able to assist contractors to undertake civil and construction works in community as well as unskilled people who have general labouring experience and are also available for employment opportunities. Contractors with workforce needs are requested to speak with Mornington Shire Council in the first instance. This will support local people to be linked to your required skill sets and put forward for your labour hire and indigenous employment opportunity plan requirements.

**For Council's current Schedule of Regulatory and Commercial Fees and Charges please visit [www.mornington.qld.gov.au](http://www.mornington.qld.gov.au)**

## Council Building & Construction Services

There are no private building, or construction, companies located on Mornington Island. However, Mornington Shire Council has a range of qualified and skilled staff to undertake a variety of tasks. For example Council has Queensland Building and Construction Commission (QBCC) qualified Carpenters, Apprentices, and Trades Assistants available to provide services. To check their availability to undertake works, and/or to obtain a quote for services, please contact Mornington Shire Council on the details provided below.

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**Housing Manager**

**1 Mission Rd Gununa**

**07 4745 7802**

**[tc@mornington.qld.gov.au](mailto:tc@mornington.qld.gov.au)**

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## Electrical Services

There are no private electrical companies located on Mornington Island. However, Mornington Shire Council has Electrical Safety Office (ESO) qualified Electricians, Apprentices, and Trades Assistants. In addition, Council has a Refrigeration Technician Electrician and Trades Assistants. Council's electrical staff can undertake private electrical works on the Island. To check electrician availability, and/or to obtain a quote, please contact Mornington Shire Council on the details provided at the end of this section.

## Plumbing Services

There are no private plumbing companies available on Mornington Island. However, Mornington Shire Council has QBCC registered Plumbers, Apprentices, and Trades Assistants available to undertake private and/or contract works as required. To check Plumber availability, and to obtain a quote, please contact Mornington Shire Council on the details provided at the end of this section.

## Painting & Decorating Services

There are no private painting companies available on Mornington Island. However, Mornington Shire Council has QBCC qualified Painters, Apprentices, and Trades Assistants available to provide services. To check the availability of Councils painting and decorating services, and to obtain a quote, please contact Mornington Shire Council on the details provided at the end of this section.

## Fencing

There are currently no private Fencing companies available on Mornington Island. However, Mornington Shire Council has qualified staff to undertake fencing contracts. Council has a Fencing team which consists of a Supervisor and Trades Assistants available for private and/or contract works. To check the availability of Councils Fencing staff and to obtain a quote, please contact Mornington Shire Council on the details provided at the end of this section.

## Landscaping Services

There are no private Landscaping services on Mornington Island. However, Mornington Shire Council has developed the capacity to provide these services for a fee. Council has a strong Parks and Gardens team consisting of a Supervisor and Trades Assistants available to undertake landscaping services. Additionally, Council also has a Mowing Supervisor with Trades Assistants for all grass cutting needs. To check availability and to obtain a quote, please contact Mornington Shire Council on the details provided at the end of this section.

## Concrete Batching Plant

Mornington Shire Council has a well-established Concrete Batching plant within the community. The Batching Plant team consists of a QBCC qualified Supervisor and a number of Trade Assistants. Additionally Council has a separate Concreting crew which consists of a QBCC qualified Concreter and Trade Assistants.

## Local Building Material Supplies

Being a remote community, Mornington Shire Council has very limited building materials available. Costs associated with purchasing the available materials can be found on the council website. The purchase of materials can be arranged by contacting Mornington Shire Council. All other materials need to be sourced externally by the contractor.

## Heavy Machinery Hire

The Mornington Shire Council can provide a reliable pool of heavy machinery for wet hire arrangements. This equipment is fully serviced with experienced operators and who provide an excellent quality of work. Contact Mornington Shire Council direct with any enquiries.

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**Workshop Manager**

1 Mission Rd Gununa

07 47457881

[workshop@mornington.qld.gov.au](mailto:workshop@mornington.qld.gov.au)

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## Fuel and Oil

Mornington Shire Council has a fuel and oil dispensary outlet that can supply bulk or normal vehicle requirements. Diesel and Opal fuels are dispensed Monday to Friday or at other times if required. Special fuels can be supplied but need to be ordered in advance and this can be done by contacting the outlet direct.

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<b>Workshop Manager</b>	1 Mission Rd Gununa	07 4745 7881	<a href="mailto:workshop@mornington.qld.gov.au">workshop@mornington.qld.gov.au</a>
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## Mechanical and Tyre Fitting Services

There are no private mechanical companies on Mornington Island. However, Mornington Shire Council has a well-developed workshop that consists of trade qualified light and heavy vehicle Mechanics, Apprentices, and Assistants. They also provide a tyre fitting service. Contractors wishing to use these services will need to contact the workshop direct to check the availability of services, and/or to obtain pricing for labour and servicing.

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<b>Workshop Manager</b>	1 Mission Rd Gununa	07 4745 7881	<a href="mailto:workshop@mornington.qld.gov.au">workshop@mornington.qld.gov.au</a>
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## Mornington Island Accommodation

There are three (3) types of accommodation currently available on Mornington Island.

1. **Mornington Island Motel** - The Motel is owned by Mornington Shire Council and consists of ten (10) self-contained cabins. One of which has disabled access. There are three (3) Queen sized rooms and six (6) twin king single cabins. There is also one (1) Queen and single bed size unit. All units have a microwave, fridge, basic cooking facilities, and most have a balcony to enjoy superb view of the channel. There is also an undercover area for any guests wanting to use the barbeque. Day rooms are also available upon demand.
2. **Visitor Accommodation Centre** – Is owned and operated by Mornington Shire Council and is constructed from mining camp style dongas and single container type accommodation. The visitor accommodation has undergone significant changes with new sections which consist of rooms with ensuites and shared kitchen and laundry facilities.

Availability and Bookings of accommodation are to be made via the Mornington Shire Council website at [www.mornington.qld.gov.au](http://www.mornington.qld.gov.au) or contact the council on 07 47457 807



**Motel**





## Visitor Accommodation Centre Room



Visitor Accommodation Grounds

## Mornington Island Airport

Mornington Island has a small airport with regular flights landing. There are currently two air strips one sealed and one unsealed. Planes with a PCN rating of 5 or less are able to land on the Mornington Island air strips. Planes with a PCN rating greater than 5 will require a concession to land on Mornington Island. For further information please contact Andrew Thompson. **The Mornington Island Airport also has a small café for those arriving and departing the Island.**

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Mornington Island Airport

Andrew Thompson

07 4745 7830

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## Regional Express Airlines (REX)

REX Airlines provides regular flights to Mornington Island.

For further information please call **13 17 13** or visit their website [www.rex.com.au](http://www.rex.com.au)

# Local Businesses

## Catering Services

There is a Café located on Mornington Island. This service has the potential to provide catering services whilst operating as a general takeaway food service. Contractors wishing to utilise catering services are advised to contact Guba Wena Café directly in advance.

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<i>Guba Wena</i> <i>Café</i> <b>Manager</b>	<b>Mon – Fri</b> 9am – 12 noon 1pm – 4.30pm	07 47 45 7233	<a href="mailto:manager@gununamanda.com.au">manager@gununamanda.com.au</a>
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## Lelka Murrin (Kiosk)

Mornington Island has a Kiosk that supplies hot and cold food (Monday to Friday) as well as pizza on Friday nights. The Lelka Murrin can also cater for functions, morning teas and lunches. To place an order or obtain a quote contact the Kiosk directly on the following:

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Lelka Murrin <b>Manager</b>	1 Mission Rd Gununa	47457811	<a href="mailto:Chantel.Harley@Mornington.qld.gov.au">Chantel.Harley@Mornington.qld.gov.au</a>
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## Bakery

Mornington Island has a bakery that supplies fresh bread daily (Monday to Saturday) and a variety of pastries and baked goods. The bakery can cater for functions and provide special orders, morning teas, lunches and a variety of different meals. To place an order or obtain a quote contact the bakery direct.

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<b>Bakery Manager</b>	1 Mission Rd Gununa	07 4745 7835	<a href="mailto:baker@mornington.qld.gov.au">baker@mornington.qld.gov.au</a>
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## Butcher

Mornington Island has a Butcher that which provides fresh meat and a variety of food items. Special and bulk orders can be placed and to enquire about costs, or to place orders, please contact the business directly.

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<b>Butcher</b>	<b>Dave Meyer</b>	<b>Mon – Sun 7am – 6pm</b>	<b>0488 198 868</b>
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## Gununamanda Store

**Gununamanda Store** provides a large range of groceries, frozen and fresh products. New products and fresh produce come in weekly via the Barge service which arrives at Mornington Island each Wednesday.

There is also a **Variety Store** within the complex which supplies general household items. Visitors who would like to know more about stocked items and pricing please contact each store for further details.



<b>Manager</b>	<b>Mon – Thursday</b> 9 am – 12 noon then 1pm to 4.30 pm <b>Friday</b> 8.30am – 12 noon 1pm – 4.30 pm <b>Saturday</b> 8.30 am – 12 noon	<b>Lot 9 Lardil Street</b> <b>Mornington Island, Qld,</b> <b>4892</b>	<b>07 4745 7233</b> <a href="mailto:manager@gununamanda.com.au">manager@gununamanda.com.au</a>
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## Other Local Businesses & Community Services

TYPE	BUSINESS NAME	CONTACT
Ambulance Service	Queensland Ambulance	Emergency 000 or 47457383
Police Service	Queensland Police	Emergency 000 or 47479090
Marine Rescue	Volunteer Marine Rescue	Emergency 000 or 47457167
Hospital & Health	Mornington Island Hospital	Emergency 000 or 47457209
Fire Brigade	Queensland Rural Fire & Emergency	Emergency 000 or 0447663443
SES	Queensland Rural Fire & Emergency	Emergency 000 or 0447663443
Mail & Parcels	Australia Post	07 - 47457260
Arts & Culture Centre	Mirndiyan Gununa Aboriginal Corporation	0418 224 953 <a href="mailto:Miart@morningtonisland.com.au">Miart@morningtonisland.com.au</a>
Transport / Freight	Carpentaria Freight	Emma 07 4033 5027 <a href="mailto:enquiries@carpentariafreight.com.au">enquiries@carpentariafreight.com.au</a>

## Recruitment & Training Services

Mornington Island community is serviced by the Community Development Program (CDP) provider *Bynoe*. This organisation has a permanent presence on Mornington Island and is committed to ensuring sustainable employment and training opportunities for local people. Contractors and Employers are encouraged to make contact with *Rise* in the event Council is unable to meet labour hire and indigenous employment opportunity plan requirements.

<b>Ross Furnari</b> <b>Manager</b>	CDP Provider	<b>Mobile – 0488034961</b>	<a href="mailto:cdpmanager@bynoemornington.org.au">cdpmanager@bynoemornington.org.au</a>
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## Additional Information

**Council Website:**

[www.mornington.qld.gov.au](http://www.mornington.qld.gov.au)

Also feel free to look up and follow *Mornington Shire Council* on **Facebook**.

It is important to understand that Mornington Island has an *Alcohol Management Plan (AMP)* in place. Please review information regarding AMP guidelines, restrictions and penalties at:

<https://www.datsip.qld.gov.au/programs-initiatives/community-alcohol-limits/mornington-island>

Queensland Government Building and Construction Training Policy

<https://training.qld.gov.au/employers/trainingpolicy>

<https://www.datsip.qld.gov.au/publications-governance-resources/policy-governance/building-and-construction-training-policy>