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New facility proposed for Elephant Walk

A new public toilet is proposed for Elephant Walk, Torquay, with plans now on display and open for comment.

The Great Ocean Road Coast Committee (GORCC) has earmarked \$180K for the project, which CEO Richard Davies said would cater for walkers, picnic-goers and other recreational users.

“There is currently a well-used public toilets located at Elephant Walk, which is a popular destination for families and visitors however , its design and condition require improvement.

“The existing Torquay Play Park toilets (located on the Foreshore at the eastern end of Zeally Bay Road) – was constructed approximately 30 years ago.

“These facilities are currently in poor repair and the toilet block is located parallel to the Esplanade, Torquay,” he said.

As identified in GORCC’s Torquay Foreshore Master Plan, the preferred location for the new facility similar to the original facility, which will be demolished.

“ The current layout is poor and there is a lack of disabled access .

“The new facility will be sensitively designed and located and will provide for all ability access,” he said.

“The toilets will be designed to integrate with the foreshore, whilst providing a user-friendly facility consistent with its high visibility and use.

“Sensitive material selection and landscaping mean the building will integrate with the natural coastal landscape.”

The building design adheres to requirements set out in the Victorian Coastal Strategy and associated sitting and design guidelines for structures along the Victorian coast.

The plans are available for viewing at gorcc.com.au and feedback is sought via email or hardcopy submissions. Submissions close 5pm 28th March 2014.

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