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*** Next OSCAR General Meeting

The next monthly General Meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on **Thursday, 28 February 2019** at the North Shore Community Centre. [Minutes](#) for the January meeting are now available on the OSCAR website. The [Agenda](#) is also on the website. Please let us know if you wish to have an [apology](#) recorded.

Major items of correspondence is placed on the Members section of the website as it is received or sent.

*** Have you thought about joining OSCAR as an individual member?

If you are not already an individual member of OSCAR (Associate or Student) please give consideration to becoming one. The current membership fee for individual membership is \$0; while this class of membership does not give you voting rights you will have all other entitlements of membership and can have access to the Member Only section of the OSCAR website by request.

WHY BOTHER? One measure of the credibility of OSCAR is the number of formal members, who have committed to OSCAR’s aims and objectives, it has. It also means you can take part in OSCAR activities even if you do not belong to a resident or community group.

HOW? Easy, just complete our [online application form](#).

*** Current “Have your Say” opportunities - SCRC

Coastal Pathway Upgrade - Maloja and Tay Avenues – due 28 February 2019

Local Law Review: Proposed Amendments to Local Laws – due 3 March 2019

*** Have your say on the New Noosa Plan

The New Noosa Plan is the draft planning scheme that will replace the current Noosa Plan 2006. It strives to protect the look and feel of Noosa while providing a blueprint to shape the shire’s growth over the next 20 years.

The New Noosa Plan is the culmination of several years of engaging with the community. A discussion paper in October 2016 provided community feedback and that information has helped prepare the New Noosa Plan.

The New Noosa Plan will facilitate more housing and business choices, continue the place based approach of the existing planning scheme, future transport needs and opportunities for rural enterprises. It considers how we live, work and play in the future. It sets the rules for development including new or changing land uses, subdivision, building works, landscaping and clearing of vegetation and all forms of engineering works.

As required by the State Government, the New Noosa Plan differs from the current Noosa Plan with changes to the structure, zones and land use definitions in particular.

The New Noosa Plan has undergone a rigorous review by the State Government to ensure it complies with the Planning Act 2016, State Planning Policies, South East Queensland Regional Plan and other State interests.

Now is your chance to review the New Noosa Plan and have your say. The draft planning scheme can be accessed [online](#) using Council's ePlan.

Written submissions are welcome up to Monday 20 May 2019, 5 pm and may be submitted via the Your Say webpage, by email or post.

Council will consider submissions and make appropriate changes before sending it back to the State Government for a final review and sign-off from the Minister.

HOW TO HAVE YOUR SAY

- visit us at the Council’s pop-ups throughout the Shire in February/March 2019 - refer to Key Dates for times and locations
- visit us at Pelican Place - 3 Pelican St, Tewantin (2 doors down from main Council building) and chat with a Planner
- Call us direct on 07 - 5329 6360
- Make a submission using our [online submission](#) form, or;
- email your submission to: mail@noosa.qld.gov.au, or;
- post your submission to: Noosa Council PO Box 141, Tewantin, QLD 4565
- drop your submission off at a Library or our office at 3 Pelican St, Tewantin

***** SEQ Council of Mayors priorities for Sunshine Coast infrastructure**

The South East Queensland Council of Mayors recently released its list of 47 critical projects needed to bust congestion and traffic gridlock in South East Queensland by 2041.

For the Sunshine Coast the priorities are:

- North Coast Rail Line duplication from Beerburrum to Landsborough (priority 6 of 47)
- A multi-modal transport corridor from Kawana Town Centre to the Mooloolah River Interchange and a Bells Creek Connection from Caloundra South to the Bruce Highway (9)
- Six-laning of the Bruce Highway from Bribie Island Rd to Caloundra Rd (11)
- Sunshine Motorway upgrades to four lanes from Kawana Way to the MRI and six lanes from Mooloolaba Road to the MRI (14)
- Light rail from Kawana to Maroochydore CBD via Mooloolaba (22)
- Fast rail from Brisbane to the Sunshine Coast via Moreton Bay (23)
- Camcos corridor from Beerwah to Kawana (29)
- Camcos corridor from Kawana to Maroochydore (33)
- Light rail from Kawana to Caloundra was ranked (36)
- Level crossing removal at Landsborough ranked (38)
- Rapid bus system from Nambour to Maroochydore (47)

***** New on the OSCAR website**

Maroochydore City Centre PDA Development Scheme Amendment

[OSCAR submission](#)

RTI information

[Right to Information](#)

New process for handling Councillor Complaints

[Councillor complaints](#)

State and Council transport policies

[Transport policies/strategy](#)

***** Useful links/resources**

Have your say opportunities

Noosa: <https://yoursay.noosa.qld.gov.au/>

SCRC: <https://haveyoursay.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/open-consultation>

Code of Conduct for Councillors in Queensland

[Code of conduct for Queensland councillors](#)

Current E-Petitions on the Queensland Parliament's website

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Note: There are a number of local government related e-petitions that you may wish to support. Note: petition 2989-18 - [Reform of Queensland Planning Legislation](#), petition 3049-18 - [Sunshine Coast public transport system](#) and 3067-19 - [Commission of Inquiry into Local Government Procurements and Contracts](#).

News about Bills and Legislation in the Queensland Parliament where there has been activity in the last seven days

[Current Bills and Legislation in the Queensland Parliament](#)

CCC publications

[Useful CCC publications](#)

Accessing government information from the Environmental Defenders Office (EDO)

[Accessing government information](#)

SCRC Disclosure Log – for material obtained following RTI applications.

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*** FACEBOOK strategies

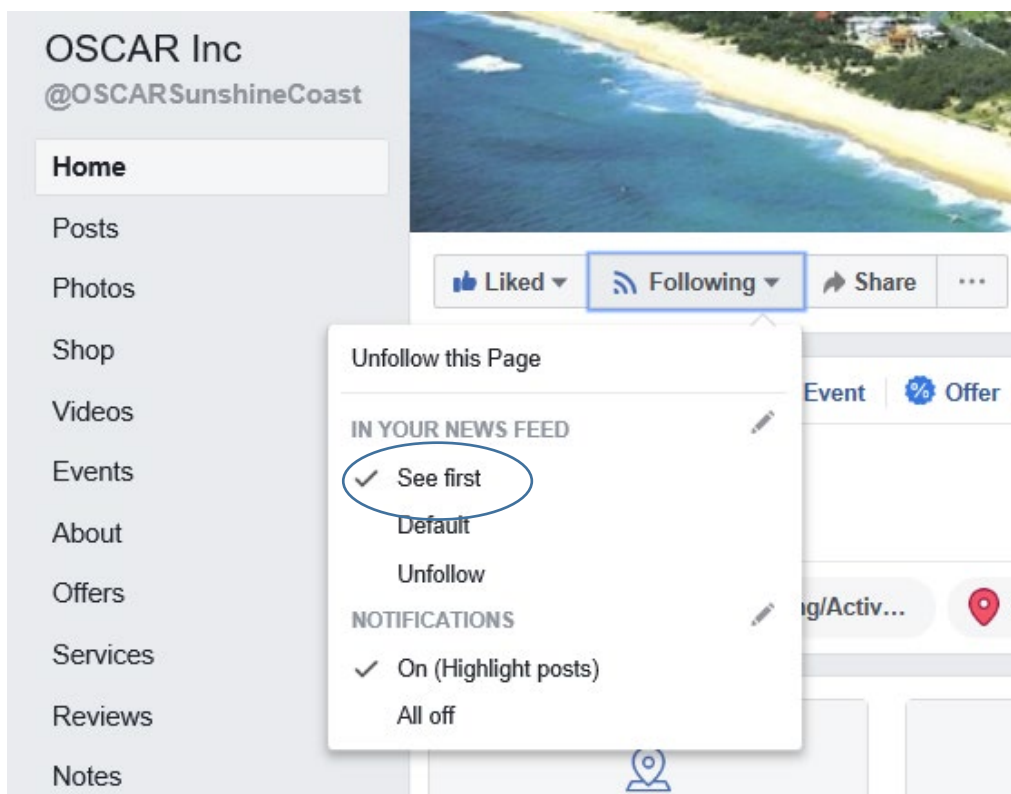
Facebook has background algorithms that determine the reach of your posts, regardless of your followers.

In other words, just because people like your page, does not mean that they will see all of your posts.

To work the algorithms you have to get your followers to support you by doing the following:

1 Change their following status to See first

This ensure that they are seeing your posts first, but the post visibility will fall off unless they follow this up with engaging with the post.



2 Get them to LOVE AND WOW your posts

Likes give a little boost to the visibility of your posts on Facebook but Love and Wow spread them further.



3 Get them to COMMENT on your posts

This increases it's visibility a bit more than just Love and Wow.

4 Get them to SHARE your posts

This boosts it a bit more. People interacting with post that other people have shared boosts it further again.

Final tips

- This tip is debated a bit but post once a day MAXIMUM. Don't flood your followers.
- Post CONSISTENTLY. Have regular days you post and do it consistently on those days.
- Find the balance between the light, heavy and passionate content.

Non Facebook related tips

- Define the issue/s in terms of your community
- Communicate the issue/s and the solution in an engaging manner.
- Find your early adopters and engage with them. This video has a lot of business lingo in it but explains early adopters and why it can be so hard to gain traction:
<https://youtu.be/WxD2JME3GSU>
- Think about creating video content and if you do, keep it under 4 minutes.
- MAKE SURE YOU KEEP YOURSELF SAFE FROM DEFAMATION

*** Upcoming events and key dates

18 February 2019 – Noosa Council General Committee Meeting

10:00 am at Council Chambers in Tewantin – view [agenda](#).

21 February 2019 – Noosa Council Ordinary Meeting

6:00 pm at Council Chambers in Tewantin – view [agenda](#).

28 February 2019 – SCR Council Ordinary Meeting

9:00 am at Council Chambers in Nambour – view [agenda](#).



From February 2019 these Noosa Council meetings can be [viewed](#).

NB If you wish to unsubscribe at any time please [reply](#) with REMOVE in the subject line.