

This is how you can do something

Gloucester Council voted 5 to 1 yesterday in favour of the camping ground at Jack Road Gloucester but there were some heavy conditions applied. We have to pay over \$3,000 in Council fees and make available a \$26,000 bond in case of damage to public property.

Groundswell Gloucester cannot now write a cheque for \$30,000 or anything like that but it will still be done.

Despite people with mining interests saying, that unless all your grandparents were born in the valley then you have no right to speak up, we know better. The risks of CSG extraction are a state-wide, even a national issue.

I have received many requests through the Groundswell email account saying "I wish you well but I can't get to Gloucester, how can I help?" Here is how:

Donate money

Donate to our camp fund whatever you can afford (details follow). Any amount will help: if 1,000 people put in \$30 that will do it. If 6,000 people care enough to give us \$5 each we will get there.

Spare us half an hour

Everybody can give us some time no matter what money you can afford. Tell your friends and family. Talk over the back fence. Get on the phone. Pass on this email, post on facebook or tweet. Tell your workmates over a cuppa. Give out our bank details.

For and against

There were three groups against the camp: AGL, the police and a local vocal minority. The speaker for Advance Gloucester (who often says they are not pro-mining) showed his class and was rebuked by the mayor for calling us "flies attracted to a dung heap".

Thanks to all those who lodged submissions in favour of the camp (over 80%). Thanks to all those who turned up at the Council chambers to show that we are peaceful and responsible and that we care (again over 80%).

Congratulations from myself and our President, Julie Lyford.

David Hare-Scott
Vice President Groundswell Gloucester
18 September 2014

Bank details

Account: Groundswell Gloucester Inc. Acct No 100 166 385
BSB: 802 214 Label your donation "camp"

Send cheques to:

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