Glenelg Shire Council

SSA Public User Guide

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Introduction

The new 'SSA' (Spectrum Spatial Analyst) program is our new Public Online Mapping system. The new system makes it easy to find properties, print maps and turn various map layers on or off.

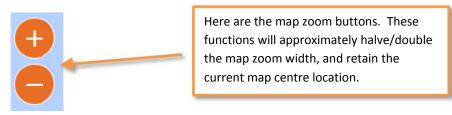


Map Navigation Controls

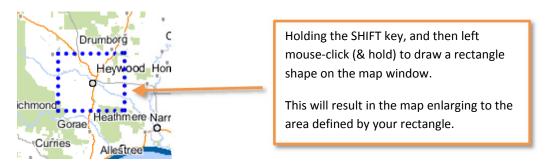
The key zoom and pan functions are described below:

Zoom In/Out

Option 1 - Map Buttons



Option 2 - Draw Rectangle (holding SHIFT key)



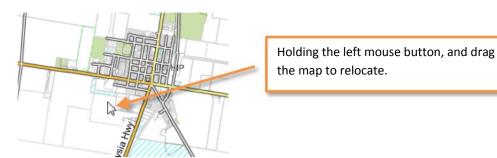
Option 3 – Mouse Scroll

The third option for zooming control is via your mouse scroll wheel:

- Scroll forward to ZOOM IN
- Scroll backward to ZOOM OUT

Pan Map

The move the map around (and retain the current zoom level), simply left mouse-click (& hold) to drag the map to a new location.

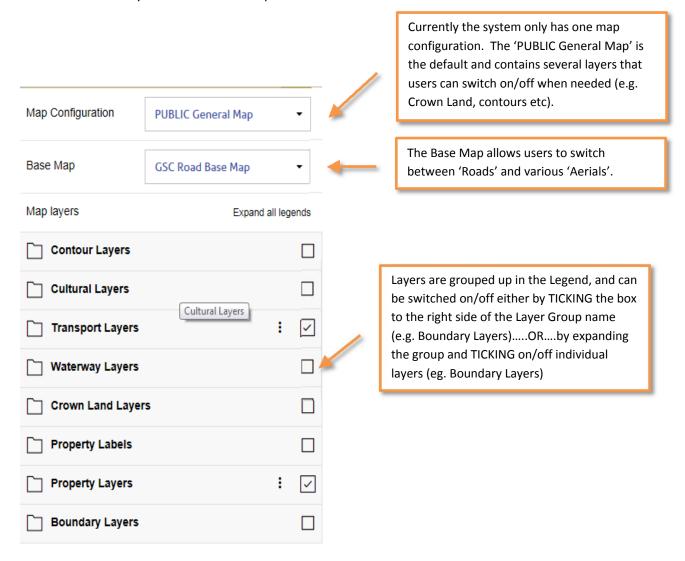




Layer Control

When the SSA System first loads, there are a number of 'base' layers that appear by default (e.g. property boundaries and roads). Within the 'Layer Control' (or Legend) however, many more map layers are available for users to turn on as required (e.g. contours, transport, crown land).

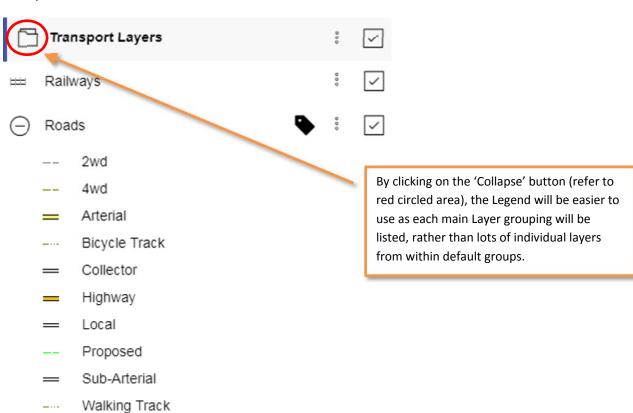
This GIS Data Library contains the most up-to-date information from State Government.



** PLEASE NOTE **

By default the system will auto-expand those Legend Groups that have been pre-configured to be switched on by default. For example 'Transport Roads' (see image below). It is therefore suggested to collapse these expanded layer groups when navigating the Legend in order to make the Layer listing less 'busy' and easier to view.

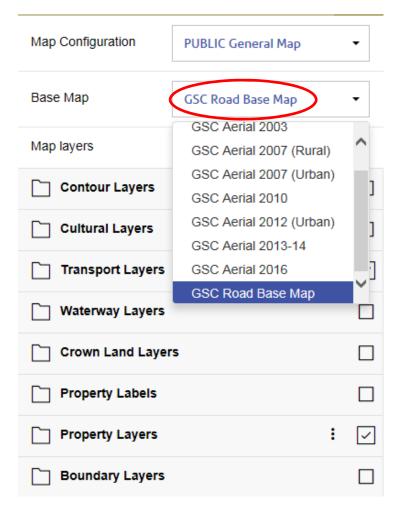
Example:



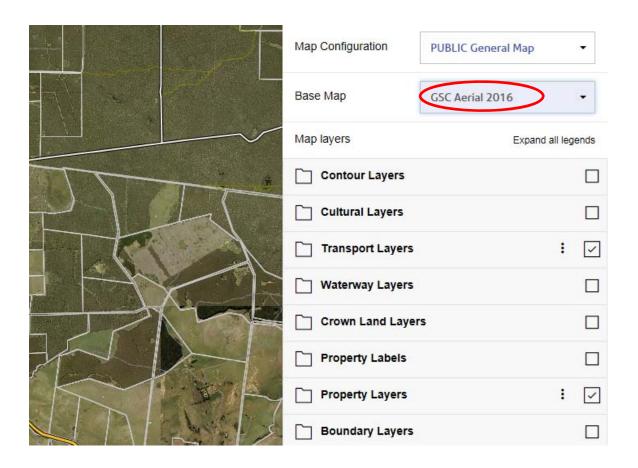
Aerial Photographs

The aerial photographs are not listed in the Legend as an actual 'Layer', but rather they are available as a 'Base Map' option.

Click to open the Layer Control Panel.



By changing the 'Base Map' dropdown list to 'GSC Aerial #', the map will be refreshed with the aerial photograph as the backdrop to whatever other layers you have turned on at that time:



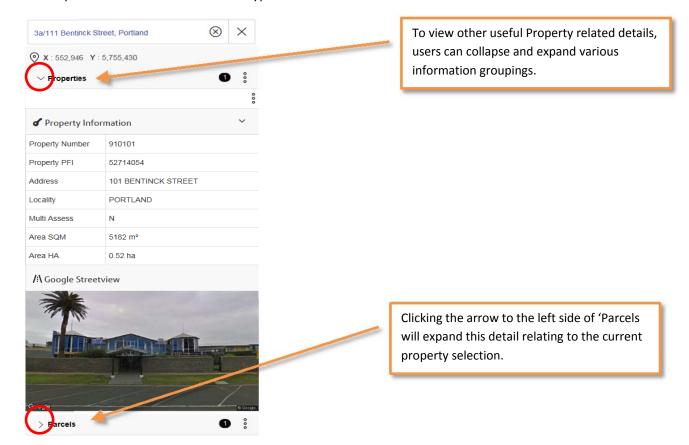
Locate Index (Search Function)



Enter a Property Number, Address or Title and a list of matches will appear to select from. ** Simply type the first portion of the address to ensure a match is found. E.g. '40 Duncan')

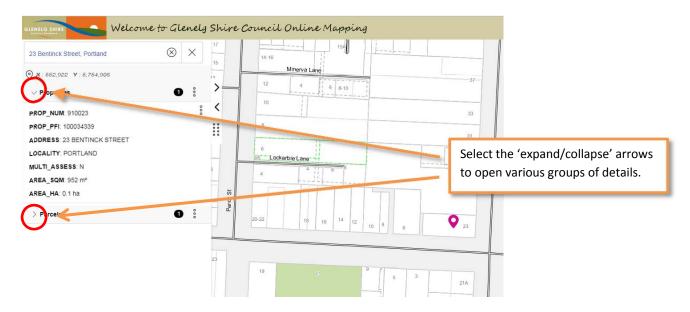


The following image illustrates the result of the selection. By default the 'Properties' detail is expanded to show key Property information. From here, users can collapse this 'Properties' detail and expand other useful information types such as 'Parcels'.



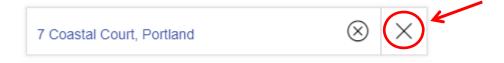
How to Get Information from the Map

If you would like to view details against any map object (e.g. property, road or waterway), simply click on the map area with your left mouse button. The left side INFO panel will appear with related details



How to Clear the Current Selection & Map Marker?

To remove the map marker/tab (i.e. clear your current selection), simply click the top-right 'X' button on the left locate panel (refer to image below).



Queries (Searching)

In addition to the 'Locate Index' search function (described above), users can develop their own custom searches. For example, you may wish to locate a road by the road name. The locate index will only allow for property numbers, address owner or title description. Therefore any other searches must be performed using 'Queries'.

Custom Queries

Users can define their own query using any available map table. For example, search for waterways by name.

To access both 'Custom' queries follow similar steps as per the previous section (Saved Queries):



Example #1: Locate the Casterton Town Hall

The map table we will search is 'Community Venue':



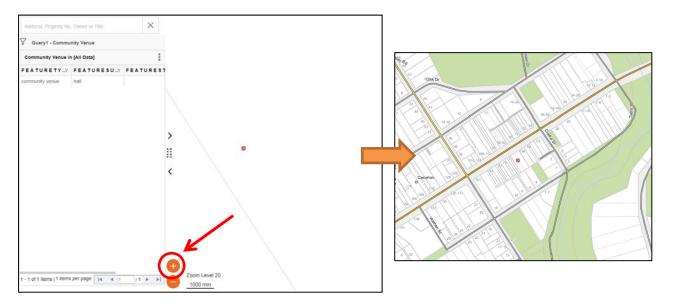
The filter this time around will set to 'Custom Filter':



Next, complete the following details for the Custom Search:



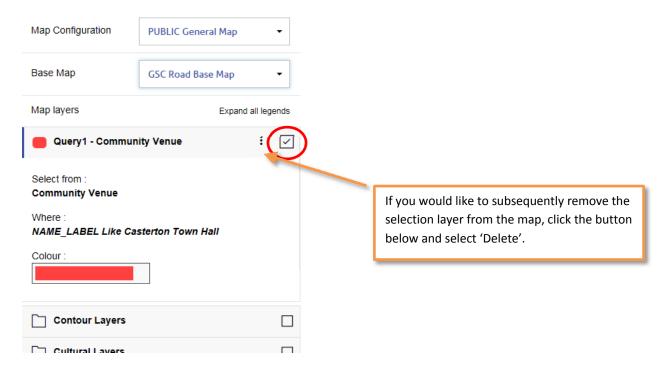
Once the results are located on the map & info panel, you may need to zoom out in order to properly view the selected map object:



** IMPORTANT ** To clear the current selection(s) list, simply click the 'X' button on the top-right of the left INFO panel. To clear the actual map highlights, DELETE the annotation layer (e.g. 'Query1 – Community Venue) from the Legend (right panel).

To remove selections or annotations from the map window, follow these steps:

Access the Layer Control panel, and select the 'options' button as shown below:



Next select 'delete' and the query or annotation will be removed. Alternatively you can simply untick the 'visibility' option for these same map layers, but this will result in them being retained in the Layer Control.

Printing

Printing to either PDF or hard-copy is possible using the built-in 'Print Preview' function.

Firstly click on 'Tools' button at the top-right side of the main Legend panel, and select 'Print Preview':



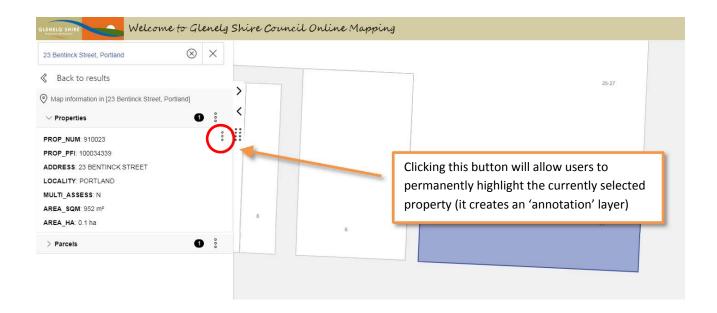
A new print preview window will appear allowing you to either 'Print to PDF' or Print using the standard File > Print function from your browser:



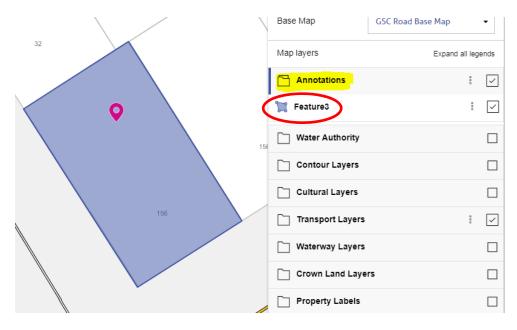
Highlight Property on the Map (Create Annotation Layer)

It is sometimes useful to highlight a property object on the map. Initially, when a property is first selected a map marker appears on the map providing location coordinates. This map marker will disappear as soon as another selection is made or selection is cleared.

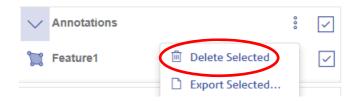
In order to have a more permanent highlight of a property (or properties), click the '3 small circles' button to the right side of the selection detail (in the left panel), and select 'Add as Annotation'



Once the selection is added as annotation layer, the right side Legend panel will display a new layer.



To remove Annotations either UNTICK the display box, or delete permanently by clicking the '3 small circles' button next to 'Annotations' in the right side Legend panel.



Measuring Tools

Similar to Exponare, SSA has the ability to measure distances and areas on the map window.

Click the '+' button on the top-right of your screen:



Select an appropriate measuring tool, for example 'Area':

Measurement Tools

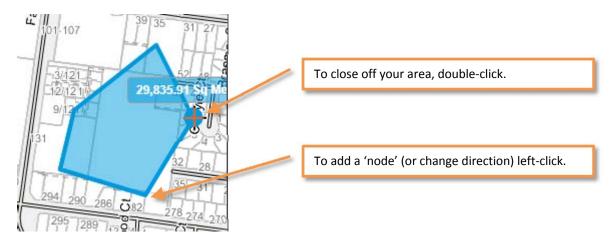




Set the preferred measuring units:



Next, begin measuring your area but left-clicking and moving your mouse across the map window:



To finish off the area, double-click.