





TWEED
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The water tastes salty - what happened?

The Tweed's drinking water is returning to normal after salt water entered the Bray Park Weir last Monday night. This led to water restrictions on external water use being imposed during the week to take the pressure off the remaining water supply. This restriction no longer applies.

The water remained fit to drink at all times (it was always within the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines) however many residents found the taste too salty and turned to bottled water.

The salt water unexpectedly overtopped the weir pool due to much higher than predicted tide levels. The predicted tide had not indicated sandbagging of the wall was required. With little rain in the past few months, river flows were not strong enough to hold back the salt water.

Council's Manager Water and Wastewater, Anthony Burnham, said tides were over 400mm higher than predicted pushed over the weir wall on Monday night.

"Since last Saturday, all the high tides have been greater than predicted but the last of these occurred last Tuesday. There were many weather and ocean factors that contributed to this tidal anomaly, however the effects of climate change resulting in rising sea levels and longer periods of low river flows will continue to increase the frequency and intensity of these events," Mr Burnham said.

"This current incident brings into clear focus the need to raise the level of the weir and Council will begin consulting with affected landowners and other stakeholders to progress and gain the approvals and licences needed for this important project and move it off the drawing board and into construction."

In the days following the incident, releases of water from Clarrie Hall Dam assisted in flushing out the weir pool and the Bray Park Treatment Plant was able to start producing better quality water.

"We'd like to thank affected businesses for their understanding patience in this situation and residents for their cooperation in holding off washing their cars and watering gardens last week, actions which allowed the supply to last while we fixed the problem," Mr Burnham said.

"Thanks also to Gold Coast City Council for opening the pipe connection between Coolangatta and Tweed Heads providing an additional three megalitres of water.

"We are very appreciative of the huge effort of the community, our staff



The Bray Park Weir wall is usually sandbagged when very high tides are expected. Unfortunately, the predicted peak was well exceeded last Monday, and salt water entered the weir pool.

and the assistance of external agencies, local water carriers and contractors (particularly Sandpiper Dredging and Mobile Dewatering Group) and the Gold Coast City Council who have worked to control the situation.

For more detailed information on what happened, see the series of related media releases at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/newsroom.

Council was unable to inform residents of the water issue in last week's Tweed Link due to printing deadlines. To always stay in touch, please like or follow Council's Facebook, Twitter and Instagram accounts, subscribe to receive our media releases at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/Subscribe or call us on (02) 6670 2400.

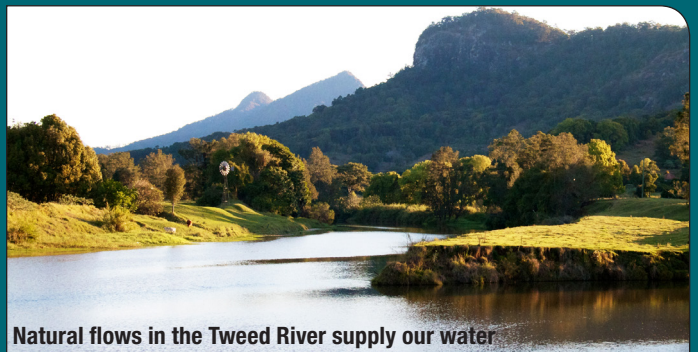
Where does your water come from?

There are three water supply networks in the Tweed Shire. The major network supplies Tweed Heads and surrounds, the Tweed Coast and the Murwillumbah district, while two small networks supply the rural villages of Tyalgum and Uki.

For much of the year, natural flows in the Tweed River supply our water.

During drier months (when flows in the freshwater section of the Tweed River fall below the 95th percentile), flows are supplemented by releases from Clarrie Hall Dam situated on Doon Doon Creek - a tributary to the Tweed River. The dam has a capacity of 15,000 usable megalitres and is protected by buffer zones including more than 900 hectares of Council-owned forested land and Mount Jerusalem National Park.

When water is released from Clarrie Hall Dam, it flows down Doon Doon Creek and into the Tweed River upstream of Uki village. It then flows down to Bray Park Weir (a man-made tidal barrier that stops salt water entering



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the fresh water supply). Once the water reaches Bray Park Weir, it is extracted, treated and pumped via a network of more than 718km of pipes to 41 reservoirs throughout the shire.

Ari becomes youngest Olive Cotton finalist

The list of finalists for the Olive Cotton Award in 2017 features many of the biggest names in Australian portrait photography, but it has also continued the emergence of a talented young local.

In 2014, Ari Messina was a winner in Tweed Regional Gallery's Les Peterkin prize for portraits for local primary school children.

Fast forward just three years and Messina, now aged 12, has become the youngest finalist for the Olive Cotton Award, which has been touted as Australia's leading prize in portrait photography.

His piece, *Dark Side of a Girl*, hangs among the other 71 finalists for 2017, on exhibition in Tweed Regional Gallery until Sunday 8 October.

Messina said his selection as a finalist was a "really big surprise".

"At the time I took it, I didn't have any intention to entry it in the Olive Cotton Awards but after I looked at it on the computer, my mum and I knew it would be good to enter," he said.

Messina said he was exposed to photography from a very early age because his grandfather and uncle are both photographers.

"Being immersed in it really got me to enjoy taking photos," he said.

Messina said he did not have any particularly ambitions with his photography. Right he was just enjoying taking photos and learning how to use his camera.



The portrait's subject Mishi Messina and photographer Ari Messina

A September worth singing about

September brings a busy month of activities for Tweed Regional Museum, as part of its Tweed On Film exhibition.

Tweed on Film celebrations continue with a special singalong screening of iconic Australian film *Muriel's Wedding*, to be held at Murwillumbah's Regent Cinema on Friday 29 September from 6.30pm.

Brush up on those classic ABBA lyrics, dress up in a fabulous *Muriel's Wedding* outfit and come along for a fun movie night when a noisy audience is definitely encouraged.

The event is a Friends of the Tweed Regional Museum fundraiser and tickets are available from the Regent Cinema and Tweed Regional Museum Murwillumbah.

The series of *Tweed On Film* public events begins on Thursday 14 September with a networking event for people who work in film, television or digital media or want to be part of the film industry.



Tyalgum Park opening

Preparing for a public celebration to officially open the Tyalgum village's upgraded Memorial Park and new skate park ... Tyalgum Community Consultative Group members Mic Julien (left) and Finola Horlin (right), with Council's Coordinator Waste Management Rod Dawson and Community Development Officer – Families and Youth, Sylvia Roylance.

The celebrations this Saturday, from 10am to 2pm, will include skateboarding workshops and demonstrations, circus activities, a free barbecue and stalls.

The \$200,000 upgrade was a joint project of Council and the Tyalgum Community Consultative Group, with funding from the Federal Government's Stronger Communities Program.

For more information, phone Council's Community Development Officer – Youth, Sylvia Roylance, on (02) 6670 2400.

Screenworks: meet your local screen industry organisation will turn the spotlight on the local screen industry and the opportunities to be involved.

Get a behind-the-scenes peek at one of the Tweed's longest running screen industry events, when *I'm a Celebrity: get me into here!* is also held on 14 September.

Meet the Producer and Community Liaison Officer of the UK series of *I'm a Celebrity ... Get Me Out of Here!*, which is filmed near Murwillumbah and attracts a UK audience of about 10 million viewers.

Hundreds of locals are employed to produce the television series, which takes celebrities from their creature comforts and puts them in jungle conditions for a number of weeks.

Postcards from the Tweed, on Tuesday 26 September, is an ABC North Coast workshop teaching people to make video 'postcards' of their favourite Tweed locations.

The one-day session will hone participants' skills in digital storytelling.

For more information, visit <http://museum.tweed.nsw.gov.au/>



LINDISFARNE

Fun Fest

SATURDAY 2 SEPTEMBER 2017

10.00am at Sunshine Avenue, Tweed Heads South

www.lindisfarne.nsw.edu.au/community/funfest-2017.html

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Koala crusaders celebrate corridor land purchase

A land purchase to foster the Tweed Coast's koala population, announced last Friday by the NSW Government, has been welcomed by Council as a "rare and far-reaching opportunity" for local koala conservation.

The State Government has purchased 100 hectares of land from private owners, through a fund of more than \$10 million to acquire vital koala habitat.

The land adjoins Council's Koala Beach bushland reserve and will be added to Cudgen Nature Reserve.

"This purchase is a rare and far-reaching opportunity to make a real difference for koalas on the Tweed Coast," Council General Manager Troy Green said.

"Council has worked closely with the NSW Department of Environment and Heritage to identify the significance of this land and propose it for acquisition.

"The level of demand for coastal living throughout Australia is one of the reasons that species such as the koala have become threatened with extinction."

He said the land will assist the recovery of Tweed Coast koalas because it:

- Provides the final piece in the puzzle for the reserve network around Koala Beach
- Protects areas of significant koala activity identified by koala studies in 2011 and 2015
- Avoids the site's use for rural residential purposes, as previously proposed
- Provides a potential location for a proposed koala holding facility that will allow for the vaccination of koalas against the disease chlamydia
- Provides a strategically important location in the creation of an additional 300 hectares of koala habitat – one of the goals of the Tweed Coast Comprehensive Koala Plan of Management

Council's Senior Program Leader - Biodiversity, Scott Hetherington, said the purchased site is actively used by koalas and has areas suitable to establish additional habitat.

"It's also a critical connection for nearby habitat and will enable better fire and weed management of existing reserves," Mr Hetherington said.

"Improved management is critical to addressing threats to the Tweed Coast koala population, which was listed as endangered in 2016.

"This land provides a key chance to demonstrate that through good planning and management, we can create a situation that is good for people and good for koalas."



Council's Senior Program Leader - Biodiversity, Scott Hetherington (left), Natural Resource Management Coordinator Jane Lofthouse, Friends of the Koala President Jenny Hayes, Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary Senior Veterinarian Michael Pyne and Friends of the Koala member Maria Smart at Friday's announcement of the 100-hectare land purchase to expand the Tweed Coast corridor of koala habitat.

He said the land acquisition addressed multiple priority identified in the Tweed Coast Comprehensive Koala Plan of Management, the NSW koala recovery plan and the NSW Chief Scientist and Engineer's key recommendations from the Independent Review into the Decline of Koala Populations in Key Areas of NSW.

"Council prides itself on being at the forefront of koala recovery, demonstrated through its successful delivery of the \$3 million Tweed Byron Koala Connections project, numerous industry awards and ongoing demand for technical input to koala conservation and recovery projects throughout NSW and South-east Queensland," he said.

INVITATION TO COMMENT

Invitation to Comment on a Proposed Telecommunications Facility at Murwillumbah

Optus plan to install a telecommunications facility at Murwillumbah Golf Club, 233 Byangum Road, Murwillumbah, New South Wales, 2484.

The proposal involves the erection of a 30 metre monopole, install a turret-mount atop the monopole and attach three panel antennas, one 600mm parabolic dish antenna, eleven non-electromagnetic emitting remote radio units and a three-bay outdoor equipment at the base of the monopole. Vehicular access would be via exiting routes and construction would be entirely within the site boundaries.

For this site, the ARPANSA Environmental EME Report shows the maximum level of EME emitted has been calculated to be 0.36% of the ARPANSA public exposure limit at 236.64 metres from the telecommunications facility. The public exposure limit is 100% and therefore the proposal is compliant by a substantial margin and the proposed infrastructure will comply with ACMA EME regulatory arrangements and the ARPANSA Public Exposure Limits.

Depending on the outcome of the consultation process, it is Optus' intention to submit a development application for the telecommunications facility in September 2017.

Further information can be obtained from Benjamin Davies (02) 8233 9905 or bdavies@urbis.com.au.

Written submissions should be sent to: Urbis, Level 23, Tower 2, Darling Park, 201 Sussex Street, Sydney, New South Wales, 2000 by 5pm on 13th September 2017.

Library news

English Conversation Group - Are you learning English? Join our English Conversation Group. The group is aimed at people from non-English speaking backgrounds who wish to improve their English speaking skills. Meeting each Wednesday at 10am in the Murwillumbah Library.

Family History - Are you interested in family history but don't know where to start? All welcome to a beginners presentation by Tweed Gold Coast Family History and Heritage Association. Monday 4th September 10am start. Bookings essential. Phone Murwillumbah Library (02) 6670 2427

CYCLE QLD ADVENTURE TOUR

Kyogle, Uki, Murwillumbah, Tomewin, Currumbin Valley and Currumbin, **Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 September 2017. From 6.30am to 2.30pm increased bicycle traffic will be experienced on the following roads:**

Saturday 9 September

Summerland Way, Kyogle - 6.30am - 8am, Kyogle Road from Kyogle to Uki - 6.30am - 1pm, Smiths Creek Road - 8.30am - 1.30pm, Stokers Road - 9am - 2pm, Murwillumbah Street - 9am - 2.30pm.

Sunday 10 September

Queensland Road 7am - 9am, Tomewin Road 7.30am - 10am, Currumbin Creek Road 8am - 11am, Dungan Street 8.30am - 12 noon.

Roads will not be closed however please plan for delays or seek alternative routes. For details - <http://cyclegld.com.au/> or call the Bicycle Queensland Office on (07) 3844 1144.



Winning Central Park quotes

The community has spoken and has chosen four quotes to appear on engraved pavers in the new Kingscliff Central Park, being built as part of the Kingscliff Foreshore Revitalisation.

A public vote on Council's Your Say Tweed engagement website has picked quotes submitted by four residents:

- Get your Vitamin Sea here: Yolana Barker
- Salty toes and sand in my clothes – I know I'm home – in Kingscliff: Ashley Raso
- Stay a while, leave with a smile: Annette VanZetten
- From beach to creek and village too, Kingscliff aims to welcome you: Renee Shaw

Almost 400 votes were received when Council asked community members to select their favourite from a shortlist of 14 quotes.

Many great suggestions were received when we invited residents to describe in 13 words or less what they love about Kingscliff and the Central Park, which is scheduled for completion in February.

A new building for the Visitor Information Centre will open in Central Park this week. VIC volunteers will be housed in the temporary building while the Community Hall is upgraded as part of the revitalisation project, and will be able to provide details and updates on the project's progress.

Security fencing along the south-west corner of Central Park was moved back towards the beach late last week, to allow pedestrian access away from the road and carpark. It will be moved back further in coming weeks, once paving around the cenotaph is completed.

The fence has been scheduled to be moved earlier this month but was postponed by a rescheduling of work.

For more information, visit yoursaytweed.com.au/KingscliffForeshore

Second Hand Saturday a stroke of genius for easy sales



Coleen Lewis's neighbour painted such a positive picture about Second Hand Saturday that the Banora Point resident couldn't resist getting involved when the event is held again next month.

"She really enjoyed being part of last year's event and sold a lot of items she no longer needed," Coleen said.

"My home could do with some uncluttering and Second Hand Saturday looks like a wonderful way to clear out those items.

"There are a few of us in the neighbourhood who will be having our own sales this year."

The award-winning painter said that uncluttering would include selling a number of her artworks.

Many years of painting had left her with a host of works around her house and it was time to find new homes for some of them.

Second Hand Saturday, NSW North Coast's biggest garage sale day, will be held on Saturday 23 September and households have until 13 September to register to have their own sale.

Participants can also opt to have a follow-up sale on 30 September.

The number of garage sales has grown steadily since Second Hand Saturday was first held in 2006 and is this year expected to top 1000 sales throughout the Tweed, Byron, Ballina, Lismore, Kyogle, Richmond Valley and Clarence Valley shires.

Every participating sale receives free promotion throughout the region, in a bid to encourage people to reuse and recycle preloved items and send less to landfill.

Second Hand Saturday is coordinated by NE Waste, which is funding by each of the seven Northern Rivers local governments to manage waste initiatives for the region.

To register or for more details, visit www.secondhandsaturday.com.au

 **TWEED SHIRE COUNCIL**

Father's Day Memorial Service

Tweed Valley Cemetery, Eviron Road, Eviron
Friday 1 September 2017, 11am

A shared moment
for fathers to remember
or to remember a
treasured father

A combined memorial service by
the Murwillumbah Churches Together
and Tweed Valley Cemeteries



Light refreshments provided

For details phone (02) 6670 2435 or visit
www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/Cemeteries

REQUEST FOR OFFER

TCHP2017002 Caretaker Kingscliff Beach
Holiday Park Management

**Offers close: Wednesday 4pm
27 September 2017.**



Offers must be lodged as specified in the offer documentation.

Request For Offer documentation is available at no charge from Council's website at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/tenders. Hard copy documentation is available and costs will be in accordance with Council's advertised photocopying fees.

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For further information please contact Mr Andrew Illingworth on
(07) 5523 4111.



No wet wipes are flushable

2 weeks on: Customer Service Officer Deb Howell is amazed that all three wet wipes put in these jars two weeks ago are still fully intact while the toilet paper has disintegrated. The hands-on 'No wipes down our pipes' experiment at all Council customer service counters allows residents to see for themselves that wipes do not break down in water and should not be flushed down the toilet regardless of what the label on the pack says. Every day Council workers have to clear multiple wet-wipes blockages from its sewer system at great cost to the ratepayer. But, if the blockage occurs on private property, the cost to clear it is borne by the property owner. In Sydney there have been cases where blocked pipes have done significant damage to homeowners' properties and those property owners have had to pay thousands of dollars to unblock pipes.

ROAD WRAP

Flood repairs: Motorists are advised to expect delays this week as work continues in various locations on Byrill Creek, Kyogle (6km in), Cedar Creek, Minnows and Fernvale Roads.

Temporary traffic lights: Clothiers Creek Road, Tweed Valley Way (Blacks Drain) for flood repair works.

Road closures: Major upgrade of Tumbulgum Road, between Sunnyside Lane and Old Ferry Road, Murwillumbah (to Christmas 2017). Roadworks Commercial Road, Murwillumbah.

Stop/slow flagmen, expect delays: Drainage, kerb and gutter, and road construction, Gray Street, Tumbulgum. Constructing sewer main Fraser Drive, from Botanical Circuit to Amaroo Drive, Banora Point. Stormwater drainage, kerb and gutter and new pavement Hillcrest Avenue, between James Road and Ridgeway Street, Tweed Heads. Road upgrade Queensland Road at Cane Road intersection; patching Kyogle Road near Mount Burrell. Culvert reconstruction Palmvale Road, Palmvale. Revetment works Tweed Valley Way, South Murwillumbah. Footpath closure Wharf Street, Tweed Heads. Stormwater culvert construction, Spring Valley Road, Cudgera Creek. Cycleway construction Fraser Drive (most work off shoulder but some delays). Limited delays on Henry Lawson Drive, between Coach Road and the Tennis Courts, due to road reconstruction associated with subdivision works.

WILD DOG CONTROL (1080 BAITS AND EJECTORS)

The **NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service** is advising all neighbours and visitors of wild dog monitoring and 1080 wild dog baiting (including canid pest ejectors) in Cudgen and Mt Nullum Nature Reserves, Mebbin, Mooball and Mt Jerusalem National Parks. The monitoring and required control programs will be carried out between 4 September and 30 November 2017.

These works are undertaken in accordance with the *North Coast Local Land Services Wild Dog Management Plans* and *NPWS Northern Rivers Regional Pest Management Strategy*.

Landholders are encouraged to participate in control programs on private property and should contact North Coast Local Land Services to discuss and arrange programs.

Please note: People should be aware of the baiting programs and avoid bait/ejector stations in all areas, at all times. Signs will be located in areas where baits have been laid indicating the date baits were placed. Delays may occur due to unsuitable weather conditions and associated restricted access. Additional programs may be undertaken following initial programs depending on wild dog activity.

Dogs are not permitted in National Parks or Nature Reserves. People should be aware of the control programs, keeping domestic pets to designated pet exercise areas under control and avoiding bait stations/ejectors at all times.

For more information contact North Coast Local land Services on (02) 6623 3900 or the NPWS Tweed/Kyogle Area office on (02) 6670 8600.

ON EXHIBITION – DRAFT EVENTS SPONSORSHIP POLICY

The **Events Sponsorship Policy** provides a framework for Council to offer financial assistance to event organisers to develop, host and grow events in the Tweed Shire.

It is also an important element of the Tweed Shire Events Strategy 2016-2020 and the Community Strategic Plan 2017-2027.

This policy has been reviewed to assist in implementing the actions from the Tweed Shire Events Strategy 2016-2020.

The Draft Policy is on exhibition from 29 August to 25 September 2017, with submissions accepted up to 9 October 2017.

The Draft Policy is available on Council's website www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/OnExhibition.

Public submission can be made via email to tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au or in writing and addressed to:

General Manager

Tweed Shire Council, PO Box 816, Murwillumbah NSW 2484

TWEED MASONIC CENTRE

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DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION DETERMINATIONS

Notification of Development Application Determinations for the purposes of Section 101 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979* (as amended).

APPLICATION DETAILS

APPROVED

DA17/0049 - Two lot subdivision

Lot 2 DP 567071, No. 22 Raward Avenue **BANORA POINT**

DA17/0376 - Addition of a bedroom and deck to lot 2 in attached dual occupancy

Lot 2 SP 33089, Unit 2/No. 24 Poinciana Avenue **BOGANGAR**

DA17/0313 - Pontoon

SP 19853, Lot 35 DP 260432, No. 33 Shearwater Parade **TWEED HEADS**

DA17/0382 - Addition of weather screen to balcony of Unit 11

Lot 11 SP 61136, Unit 11/No. 2-4 Stuart Street **TWEED HEADS**

DA17/0385 - Earthworks to create 2 flood free mounds

Lot 1 DP 873009, Lot 2 DP 873009, No. 357 Racecourse Road

TYGALGAH

DA17/0418 - Alterations and additions to existing dwelling

Lot 2 DP 250581, No. 6 Boyle Avenue **BANORA POINT**

DA17/0494 - Two storey dwelling, in-ground swimming pool and 1.8 m front fence

Lot 61 DP 1208915, No. 8 Echo Lane **CASUARINA**

DA17/0484 - Alterations to an existing shed comprising hand basin, toilet and internal walls to create a storage room

Lot 10 DP 1229885, No. 7117 Tweed Valley Way **FERNVALE**

DA17/0402 - Dwelling with attached garage and inground pool

Lot 143 DP 1202149, No. 52 Seaside Drive **KINGSCLIFF**

DA17/0470 - In-ground swimming pool

Lot 19 DP 1214044, No. 39 Drift Court **KINGSCLIFF**

DA17/0489 - 1.8 m and 1.5 m post and wire fence

Lot 7 DP 435510, No. 11 Brisbane Street **MURWILLUMBAH**

DA17/0478 - Two storey dwelling

Lot 448 DP 1144944, No. 29 Shearer Court **TERRANORA**

The above development determinations are available for public inspection free of charge at the Planning and Regulation Division, Murwillumbah Civic Centre, during ordinary office hours or viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/datracking

REQUEST FOR OFFER

RF02017116 Riva Vue Estate Playground Upgrade Offers close: Wednesday 4pm 6 September 2017.

Offers must be lodged as specified in the offer documentation.

Request for Offer documentation is available at no charge from Council's website at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/tenders. Hard copy documentation is available and costs will be in accordance with Council's advertised photocopying fees.

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For further information please contact: Mr Ashley Tewes (02) 66702400.



Readers who are unsure of when their meter is read can look up their water week at:

www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/MeterReading

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The following Development Application has been received by the Tweed Shire Council and may be viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/datracking for a period of 14 days from **Wednesday 30 August 2017 to Wednesday 13 September 2017.**

The proposal is not designated development and the Tweed Shire Council is the consent authority.

Applicant	Location	Proposal	Application No.
M Penman and S Penman	Lot 2 DP 319724; No. 85 Phillip Street CHINDERAH	alterations and additions to existing place of public worship	DA17/0535

Any person may, during the period specified above, make a submission in writing to Council in relation to the Development Application. Where a submission is in the form of an objection, then the grounds of objection are required to be specified. Any person may, during the above period, make a written submission to the General Manager of Council. It should also be noted that Council has adopted a policy whereby, on request, any submission including identifying particulars will be made public. Council will give consideration to the "Public Interest" and requests for confidentiality by submitters in determining access to submission letters. However, the provisions of the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 - GIPAA may result in confidential submissions being released to an applicant.

Please Note- Requirements regarding Disclosure of Political Gifts and Donations

A disclosure is required to be made in a statement accompanying the relevant development or planning application by a person who makes the application. In addition, a person who makes a written submission either objecting to or supporting a relevant development or planning application must also make a disclosure if the person has made a reportable political donation.

Further information regarding Donations and Gift Disclosure are available on Councils' website www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/PlanningInformation.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Murwillumbah Farmers' Market – Every Wednesday 7–11am. All-weather shopping at the Murwillumbah Showground. *Know your farmer, know your food.* Support your local farmers.

Pottsville Beach Markets – Always the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. Next market 3 September.

Kingscliff Ratepayers and Progress Association meets Monday 4 September at 6pm downstairs at Kingscliff Public School

Banora Point & District Residents Association meets Monday 4 September at 7pm at the Banora Point Community Centre

Chinderah Residents Association meets Tuesday 5 September at 7.30pm at Cudgen Leagues Club

TWEED DISTRICT ORCHID SOCIETY'S SPRING SHOW

To be held September 7, 8 and 9, in Jessie McMillan Hall, Wollumbin St, Murwillumbah. Opens 8.30am daily concluding 3pm Saturday. Admission \$2.

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