



Tweed Valley Wildlife Carers and homeless support groups You Have a Friend and Fred's Place need your help this Christmas and New Year. You can support them through the Mayoral Christmas Appeal.

Please give generously at Christmas

The annual Mayoral Christmas Appeal is now open to assist those in need, including injured wildlife.

There are three charities to support this year: Tweed Valley Wildlife Carers and homeless support groups You Have a Friend and Fred's Place.

Tweed Valley Wildlife Carers rescue and rehabilitate native fauna for return to their natural environment as well as advocating for conservation and welfare of our local wildlife. This year they received more than 3600 calls, rescued some 2300 animals and released around 1000 animals back into their natural environment.

Tweed Valley Wildlife Carers urgently needs: towels (old or new), pillow cases, hot water bottles, old beanies and puppy training pads.

Fred's Place, a St Vincent de Paul Society facility located in Tweed Heads, offers support services for people who are experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness.

You Have a Friend supports the homeless, marginalised and single parents and their children, providing 300 meals a week on

the streets in the Tweed area and Coolangatta.

According to Australian Bureau of Statistics data, on any given night, one in every 200 people are homeless. In NSW, this equates to 105,237 people or 40.8 per 10,000 people.

You Have a Friend and Fred's Place need non-perishable foods, toiletries, coffee/tea, sugar, long-life milk, cordial, ring pull cans, instant noodle cups and simple first aid products.

Items for Tweed Valley Wildlife Carers and You Have a Friend can be dropped off to the Murwillumbah Council office in Tumbulgum Road.

The Tweed Heads Council office in Brett Street is accepting items for Fred's Place and Tweed Valley Wildlife Carers. All donations will be accepted until the end of January 2019.

Anyone wishing to make monetary donations is asked to contact the agencies directly: Tweed Valley Wildlife Carers – www.tvwc.org.au or call (02) 6672 4789; You Have a Friend – www.youhaveafriend.com.au/sponsorship or call (07) 5524 2008; Fred's Place – call (07) 5536 1906.



Glen Bowe of Positive Fitness won the overall Tweed Shire Access and Inclusion Award for 2018.

Good guy Glen is positive about fitness inclusion

Personal trainer and tennis coach, Glen Bowe, has been recognised as the overall Tweed Shire Access and Inclusion Award winner for 2018.

Glen, who owns Positive Fitness, was recognised for his dedication to helping people with a disability participate in tennis and gym programs.

He also employs people with intellectual disabilities and autism in his business and has supported many people with disabilities to obtain an international tennis coaching qualification through the Australian Tennis Professional Coaches Association. This qualification enables participants to seek employment as professional tennis coaches.

The 2018 Belonging Award went to Kingscliff Performing Arts for supporting people with disabilities to dance. Cudgen Leagues Club was recognised for the Dementia Friendly Community Award and President of Blind Citizens Australia, Suzy Hudson, received the Faye Druett Award for Advocacy.

The Shrink Company and Hastings Point Dune care were Finalists for Excellence in Access and Inclusion. The Shrink Company provides advocacy for people with mental health conditions. Hastings Point Dune Care was recognised for making all of their activities accessible and inclusive for everyone.

In brief ...

Check Open Space list twice

Christmas has come early thanks to the draft Open Space Strategy. We've made a list of over 200 projects across the Tweed and we need your help to check it twice.

The proposed projects include a fenced off-leash dog area for Murwillumbah, outdoor exercise equipment for Pottsville, a protected swimming area for Fingal Head, a new playground for Tweed Heads West, shade for the playground at Terranora and tennis courts for Chillingham and Tyalgum.

Tell us what you think by completing our online survey and you could win a family stay at Kingscliff North Holiday Park valued at \$560.

Hurry, consultation closes Sunday 16 December 2018. The link is www.yoursaytweed.com.au/openspace

Monitoring sewer flows

Council contractors this week began monitoring the flow of sewage within Murwillumbah's sewer system to help plan for future repairs and improvements to the system.

Contractors from ADS Environmental Services are inserting flow and level sensor monitoring equipment in sewer manholes and pipes at various locations around the town to determine the capacity and performance of the system.

During the study, which will continue through to April next year, they will need to visit each testing site at least three times to insert, monitor and recalibrate equipment if necessary.

Sewage flow and rainfall data collected, together with hydraulic modelling, will be used to help plan system rehabilitation and improvement works.

The contractors will be working near, and at times within, private property to access manholes and pipes. When they need to enter a private yard, they will contact the residents in advance. At no time will they need access to any house or building.

There will be no disruptions to the sewer system during the monitoring period.

Anyone wanting more information can contact Engineer Simone Gillespie by calling Council on (02) 6670 2400.



Environmental Services' Fabio Ortiz stands by as Lloyd Johnstone is harnessed up to enter the manhole and Manfred Faust stands ready if needed.

Certificate of Merit for Access and Inclusion winners were:

- Kyle Sculley who is a disability advocate that provides a positive voice for children with special needs.
- Tweed Regional Libraries for providing accessibility throughout their buildings, for being dementia friendly and for promoting inclusion of children with additional needs.
- Woofer Wares, a pet supply and dog grooming business that provides opportunities for employment, training and ease of access to their services for people with disabilities.

Guest speaker at the awards ceremony was the world's fastest blind man on a motorcycle, Ben Felten, who recorded an average speed of more than 266km/h in March 2018. Ben spoke about the degenerative eye disease that left him completely blind by his late 20s and his journey to becoming a land speed record holder.

Patron of the awards and paratriathlete, Bill Chaffey, said these awards were important to recognise those who had opened the door to more inclusion in the community.

"However, I look forward to the day when inclusion is part of everyday life and we no longer need to hold Access and Inclusion Awards," he said.

Visit www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/AccessInclusionAwards to see the full list of honoured businesses.

Council Meeting Agenda Wednesday 12 December 2018

The Council Meeting Agenda for Wednesday 12 December 2018 is available on Council's website www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CouncilMeetings. The meeting will be held in the Harvard Room, Tweed Heads Administration Building, Brett Street, Tweed Heads commencing at 5.30pm.

- 1 Confirmation of Minutes of the Ordinary and Confidential Meeting held Thursday 15 November 2018
- 2 Confirmation of Minutes of Extraordinary Meeting held Friday 30 November 2018
- 3 Confirmation of Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 6 December 2018
- 4 Schedule of Outstanding Resolutions at 12 December 2018
- 5 Mayoral Minute for November 2018
- 6 Receipt of Petitions at 15 November 2018

Orders of the day

- 7 Greening the Shire
- 8 Single Use Plastic and Plastic Drink Bottles
- 9 Land Acquisition EOI – Tiny Homes

Reports for consideration

General Manager

- 10 Quarterly Payment – The Tweed Tourism Company

Planning and Regulation

- 11 Tweed Valley Hospital – Actions taken on Resolution of 15 November 2018
- 12 Rural Land Strategy for Adoption
- 13 Draft Kingscliff Locality Plan and Development Control Plan – Interim Review of Consultation Feedback
- 14 Pocket Herb Noise Assessment – Lot 3 DP 1191598 No. 67 Howards Road, Burringbar
- 15 Cobaki Concept Plan Mod 8 – Comments to the Department of Planning & Environment
- 16 Development Application DA18/0517 for a Pop Up Bar, Cafe, Food Van and Ancillary Facilities at Kingscliff Beach Bowls Club at Lot 468 DP 755701; No. 131 Marine Parade Kingscliff

Community and Natural Resources

- 17 Homelessness Policy v2.0
- 18 Equal Access Advisory Committee
- 19 RF02018125 Bulk Receipt of Food Organics & Garden Organics

Engineering

- 20 Doon Doon – Classification of Land as Operational
- 21 Crescent Street, Cudgen – Classification of Land as Operational
- 22 Bells Boulevard, Kingscliff – Classification of Land as Operational
- 23 Classification of Land as Operational under the Voluntary House Purchase Scheme
- 24 Tweed Valley Hospital – s138 Application DWY18/0327

Finance, Revenue and Information Technology

- 25 Monthly Investment and Section 94 Development Contribution Report for Period Ending 30 November 2018
- 26 NSW Government Parking Fine Concessions

People, Communication and Governance

- 27 Customer Experience Standards and Managing Unreasonable Customer Conduct
- 28 Legal Services Register Report for the Period 1 July to 30 September 2018
- 29 Compliments and Complaints Analysis Report for the Period 1 July to 30 September 2018
- 30 Policy Update – Secondary Employment
- 31 Annual Code of Conduct Reporting – 1 September 2017 to 31 August 2018

Sub-committees/working groups

- 32 Minutes of the Tweed Regional Museum Advisory Committee Meeting held Wednesday 22 August 2018
- 33 Minutes of the Aboriginal Advisory Committee Meeting held Friday 5 October 2018
- 34 Minutes of the Aboriginal Advisory Committee Meeting held Friday 2 November 2018
- 35 Minutes of the Floodplain Management Committee Meeting held 2 November 2018
- 36 Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Minutes Meeting held Thursday 22 November 2018

Confidential items for consideration

Community and Natural Resources in committee

- C1 Update on Negotiations with Solo Resource Recovery on Proposed Variation to Collections Contract, and Negotiation with Polytrade on Sharing Return for Container Deposit
- C2 Proposed Renaming of Park at Burringbar

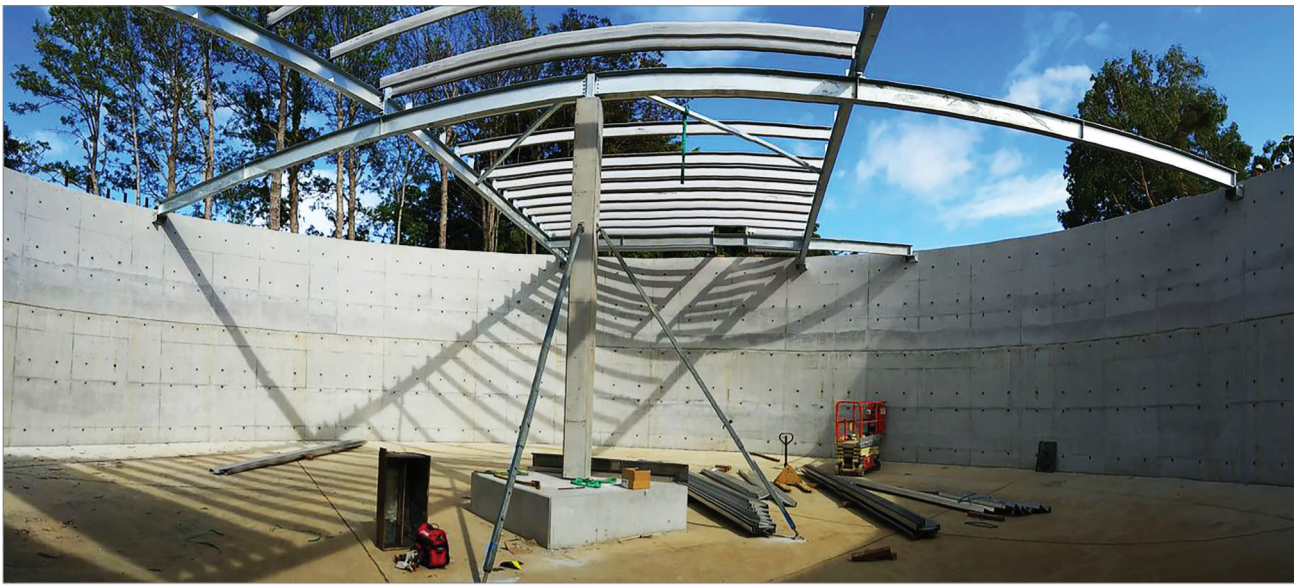
Engineering in committee

- C3 Development Servicing Plans for Water Supply and Sewerage Services

The Agenda for the meeting, which may also include any late or supplementary reports, will be updated prior to the date of the meeting. The meeting is open to the public.

It should be noted that confidential items are considered in closed session, which excludes media and public.

Minutes of this meeting will be available as soon as practical following the meetings and are unconfirmed until they are formally adopted at the next Council meeting.



The new reservoir taking shape at Chambers Lookout.

New water reservoir for Banora Point

Construction of a new water reservoir at Banora Point is nearing completion.

Council contractor Stirloch Constructions is due to complete the build of the new three-megalitre concrete reservoir in January, after starting in March 2018.

The reservoir has been built near the existing reservoir at Chambers Lookout, named after the inaugural President of the Tweed and Northern NSW Avocado Growers Association, Pat Chambers.

The new reservoir has 350mm thick walls, is seven metres tall and 25 metres round. It comprises 60 tonne of reinforcing steel and 273 cubic metres of reinforced concrete.

The new reservoir will provide additional supply capacity for the current and future developments planned for the area, catering for the projected population growth as new houses are occupied.

Local developers contributed towards the \$2.2 million cost of the project.

Video flooded with views

More than 13,300 people have viewed Council's video *When the Levee Breaks – A 500-year ARI Flood in Murwillumbah CBD*, with about 600 viewers reacting to it on Facebook with a comment, like or share.

The one-minute video shows how a large flood like this would unfold and what would happen after water overtops the main levee protecting the town. A flood of this size could have happened had the rainfall in March 2017 kept on for only a few more hours.

Hundreds of viewers clicked through to the State Emergency Service (SES) page on how to make a home emergency plan.

"It's great that this video has reached such a large number of people and that we keep flooding issues in the public interest, but what's important is that they act on the take-home message and make their home emergency plan now," Council Chair of the Murwillumbah Floodplain Management Committee Danny Rose said.

"We are now in storm season and everyone should have a plan on what to do in an emergency."

See the video online on Council's YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VAKetZtWngc&t=57s>

Auditorium closes for upgrade

The final stage of the Tweed Heads Civic and Cultural Centre Administration Building redevelopment is about to get underway.

The Auditorium will be closed from 1 January to 16 March 2019 to undertake the works and no bookings are being taken from 1 January to 30 March 2019.

The project will include:

- a technical upgrade to the Auditorium – commencing January 2019
- universal access to the main entrance of both the Tweed Heads Administration Building and the Cultural Centre (Library and Auditorium) – 2019
- establishment of a Social Enterprise Café – 2019

The technical upgrade will include updating sound and lighting equipment, installing fire safe stage curtains, installing an audio loop, completing structural upgrades to address load bearing for the stage lighting.

The redevelopment project is part funded by the Australian Government through the Building Better Regions Fund.

Taking a trip to the tip?



Save time and money. Prepare before you're there.



Proof of Tweed Shire residency

Have ID with your name and Tweed Shire address on it.



Avoid. Reduce. Reuse. Recycle.

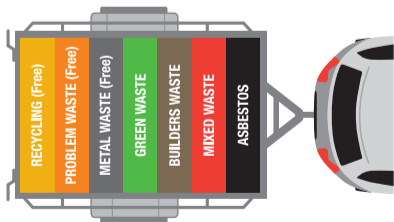
Before you throw your items away think about: Can it be repurposed?

Would someone else be able to use it? Donate it, sell it or modify and use it.



Remove and dispose of asbestos safely

- Have it wrapped and transported according to legislation www.safework.nsw.gov.au
- Let staff know that you have it on board
- Asbestos is only accepted from Monday to Friday 7am to 2.30pm at Stotts Creek Resource Recovery Centre



Sort your load and save

Have your free recycleables and problem waste separate from your landfill waste. Disposing of your landfill waste first will save you money.

Additional FREE recycling on site

- Cardboard and paper
- Plastic and glass bottles/containers
- Steel and aluminium cans



Stotts Creek Resource Recovery Centre

Leddys Creek Road, Stotts Creek (Off Tweed Valley Way)
Phone: (02) 6670 7400 Fax: (02) 6676 6065

Open: Monday – Friday, 7am – 3.45pm

Weekends and public holidays, 9am – 3.45pm
(Closed Good Friday and Christmas Day)



#RecycleRight



Keep it simple. Keep it clean. Keep it coming 'round.

Keep it Simple



Only recycle these items



GLASS BOTTLES & JARS

PLASTIC CONTAINERS

PAPER & CARDBOARD

STEEL AND ALUMINIUM

Keep Out Soft Plastics



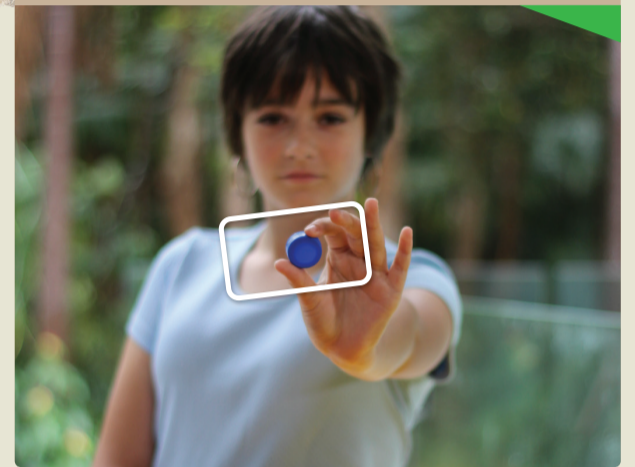
No plastic bags or wrapping



Keep Out Small Items



Nothing smaller than a credit card



Keep it Safe



Keep out strapping, hose, netting, wires, cords and cables



Keep it Clean



Rinse or wipe out containers



Keep it Loose



Don't bag or box your recyclables



KEEP OUT: Nappies, food, fabric, cords, rope, dirty paper & cardboard, takeaway coffee cups & lids, meat & biscuit trays, & polystyrene.

Let's All Recycle Right to keep it coming 'round

For further information visit your local Council website or go to www.newaste.org.au



Don't waste Christmas

Christmas is a time of giving, sharing and creating memories with family and friends. It's also the time of year we tend to go a little overboard; buying gifts, food and other festive items we didn't really need or that were bought purely for the purpose of 'having something to give'.

According to the 2017 Choosi Clutter Report, the average Australian household spends around \$963 a year on gifts for friends and family during the festive season and admits to receiving around \$620 worth of gifts that are no longer used, returned or re-gifted, or end up in landfill.

Add to that the \$4,000 worth of edible food thrown away by each NSW household every year, with the holiday season being one of the most wasteful times, and there is even more financial incentive to reduce your festive footprint.

It's not only about the money spent on unwanted gifts or uneaten food though – the pressure on our environment increases dramatically during this time with the amount of waste generated.

On average, our waste increases 30 per cent during the 'silly season' with wrapping paper, packaging, and uneaten food being the main offenders.

So if you're feeling a little anxious about completing the Christmas shopping, before joining the mad rush take a moment to consider your options for a waste-wise Christmas and reduce your festive footprint.

Make a list and check it twice

When purchasing ask yourself – is this item wanted or needed? Can I avoid waste with this item choice (e.g. packaging), or re-use/recycle the waste that comes from it?

Plan to keep every step of your shopping experience waste-wise by using re-useable shopping bags, re-useable cloth or mesh fruit and vegetable bags and choosing items with either no packaging or packaging that's recyclable or compostable.

Presents:

- Opt for experiences over stuff (e.g. movie tickets, restaurant vouchers, memberships and annual passes)
- Upcycle, repair and re-gift
- Choose an item you really need that friends and family can contribute towards
- Make a charitable donation in lieu of gifts
- Buy second-hand
- Organise a 'secret Santa'
- Set a spend limit for each person
- Send e-cards or social media greetings rather than Christmas cards

Food and drinks:

- Make a list and stick with it
- Use what you already have or meal plan around these items
- Buy locally and the freshest available so it lasts longer
- Think of meal portions per guest when planning how much food to have on the day
- Let guests know whether they can bring food and what to bring
- Correctly store and use leftovers – slice up the leftover ham or turkey and freeze into easy portion sizes for future sandwiches, frittatas and salads
- While disposable plates, cups and cutlery are tempting – think of the waste, use re-usable.

Read more about these tips and leftover storage or creative recipe ideas at www.lovefoodhatewaste.nsw.gov.au/festive and www.lovefoodhatewaste.vic.gov.au/Blog

Decorations:

- Have some fun making your own this year from recyclables or natural items. Check out greenglobaltravel.com/recycled-christmas-decorations-homemade-gifts for inspiration

Gift wrapping:

- Use Christmas stockings or sacks rather than wrapping paper
- Make your own wrapping paper (e.g. use children's artwork)
- Re-use bags or Christmas wrap from previous years
- Avoid using wrapping paper that cannot be recycled such as foil or plastic coated paper

Post Christmas wrap-up:

- Recycle Right through your yellow-lid bin. Find out more at www.newwaste.org.au/recyclerright
 - Compost unedible foodwaste through your green-lid organics bin or home composting.
 - Donate any unwanted items to charity or re-gift/sell
- Just remember – we can still keep that festive cheer without Christmas being 'the most waste-ful time of the year'.

WATER WEEK 11

Check when your water meter is read at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/MeterReading

Koala death a reminder

Last Thursday night a female koala was hit by a vehicle and killed in the Koala Zone on Clothiers Creek Road.

The loss of one koala, especially a healthy adult female, is highly significant for the endangered Tweed Coast koala population.

It's also a tragic reminder to reduce your speed and take greater care when driving through koala habitat.

Although there's been an improvement since Council introduced the Koala Zone, our monitoring shows that still more than half of drivers are breaking the speed limit (set at 70kph or 50kph closer to Cabarita).

If you spot a sick or injured koala please call the 24-hour rescue hotline on (02) 6622 1233.



Last week's koala death is a sad reminder to slow down in designated koala zones.

Road wrap – week starting 10 December 2018

Flood road repair works schedule

Contractor	Crosana
Locality	Road

Under traffic control – expect short delays

Bilambil Heights	Scenic
Glengarrie	Glengarrie
Terranora	McAuleys

Tweed Shire Council

Locality	Road
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Work on new bridge has commenced. Traffic control will be required at times – expect short delays.

Byrill Creek	Byrill Creek
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Expect short delays

Bilambil – heavy patching Bilambil Road.

Burringbar – water main upgrade. Minor traffic control on Tweed Valley Way near Broadway.

Chinderah – culvert replacement and pavement works Tweed Coast Road.

Cudgen – sub-division works may cause delays on Crescent Street between Tweed Coast Road and Cudgen Road. There are two separate subdivisions with road works and trucks accessing the sites (reduced speed limits in place).

Eviron – road construction Haul Road.

Mount Burrell – road reconstruction and kerb and gutter Kyogle Road, between Coalmine and Lofts Pinnacle roads.

Murwillumbah – stormwater replacement Condong Street; replace kerb and gutter William Street.

Terranora Village – subdivision works may cause delays on Henry Lawson Drive, between Coach Road and the Tennis Courts.

Uki – resealing, patching various locations Kyogle Road.

Maintenance north – heavy patching Terranora Road.

Maintenance south – heavy patching Hindmarsh Road.

Christmas waste collection and landfill times

Bin collection will continue as usual over Christmas and New Year – regardless of public holidays.

Stotts Creek Resource Recovery Centre will be closed Christmas Day.

Visit www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/waste for further information or download Council's app at m.tweed.nsw.gov.au

Council Christmas closures

Early closure 13 December

Council customer services will be closed from 11.45am – 4.30pm on Thursday 13 December for Council's annual Christmas staff event. If your matter is not urgent, please contact Customer Services prior to 11.45am on Thursday or when Council resumes normal business hours at 8.30am Friday 14 December. During this closure, customers can:

- access Council's after-hours service for urgent matters only by calling Council on (02) 6670 2400 and be transferred or call them directly on 1300 292 872
- leave a call back message on the answering service
- report a problem 24/7 on Council's website at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/reportaproblem or the Tweed Shire Council app
- email tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au

Christmas closure

Council offices at Murwillumbah and Tweed Heads will be closed over the Christmas and New Year period from Monday 24 December 2018 to Tuesday 1 January 2019. The offices will reopen again at 8.30am on Wednesday 2 January 2019.

For Council emergencies only during this time please call 1800 818 326.

Tweed Shire Council wishes you a safe and happy festive holiday season.

Resident and Ratepayer Association meetings

Tyalgum District Community Association – meets in the Village Hall on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6pm. Next meeting 19 December. Enquiries to florin1@gmail.com

Development Application Determinations

Notification of Development Application Determinations for the purposes of Section 4.59 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979* (as amended).

Application details

Approved

DA18/0550 – Staged development with stage 1 being a three lot community title subdivision and stage 2 being the construction of two dwellings and swimming pools

Lot 10 DP 1035887, No. 33 Overall Drive, **Pottsville**

DA18/0937 – Dwelling with attached garage

Lot 118 DP 1201995, No. 28 Callistemon Avenue, **Casuarina**

DA18/0940 – Roofed deck

Lot 1 DP 554866, No. 19 River Street, **Chinderah**

DA18/0829 – In-ground swimming pool

Lot 1 DP 740676, No. 317 Cudgen Road, **Cudgen**

DA18/0903 – Raise dwelling and deck extensions

Lot 7 DP 5999, No. 8 Collier Street, **Cudgen**

CDC18/0166 – Demolition of existing dwelling

Lot 6 DP 208843, No. 22 Reserve Creek Road, **Kielvale**

DA18/0828 – Enclose alfresco area

Lot 103 DP 1202149, No. 9 Saifish Way, **Kingscliff**

DA18/0877 – Two storey dwelling with attached garage and in-ground swimming pool

Lot 140 DP 1202149, No. 58 Seaside Drive, **Kingscliff**

DA18/0901 – In-ground swimming pool

Lot 2 DP 1084461, No. 320 Doon Doon Road, **Midginbil**

DA18/0915 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling

Lot 3 Section 2DP 2048, No. 7 Tumbulgum Road, **Murwillumbah**

DA18/0878 – In-ground swimming pool

Lot 567 DP 1076975, No. 17 Echidna Street, **Pottsville**

DA18/0885 – Dwelling alterations and additions

Lot 158 DP 263155, No. 50 Overall Drive, **Pottsville**

DA18/0952 – Deck extensions

Lot 583 DP 1076975, No. 49 Marsupial Drive, **Pottsville**

DA18/0938 – In-ground swimming pool

Lot 3 DP 575801, No. 88 Adcocks Road, **Stokers Siding**

DA18/0815 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling

Lot 102 DP 1190086, No. 1260 Clothiers Creek Road, **Tanglewood**

DA18/0851 – Two storey dwelling with attached garage, fencing and retaining walls

Lot 228DP 1237760, No. 2 Woodroffe Street, **Terranora**

DA18/0882 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling

Lot 21 DP 240408, No. 12 Holden Street, **Tweed Heads South**

DA18/0848 – Dwelling

Lot 2 DP 853945, No. 1361 Tyalgum Road, **Tyalgum**

DA18/0799 – Installation of a manufactured home (as amended)

Lot 3 DP 1207340, No. 14 Mitchell Street, **Uki**

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

Tweed Shire Council wishes to recognise the generations of the local Aboriginal people of the Bundjalung Nation who have lived in and derived their physical and spiritual needs from the forests, rivers, lakes and streams of this beautiful valley over many thousands of years as the traditional owners and custodians of these lands.

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