

Community interest in upgrade

More than 40 people attended a community meeting last week to see the proposed design of the Captain Cook Memorial and Lighthouse building upgrade.

The project aims to demolish and rebuild the building beneath the Border Marker occupied by the Volunteer Marine Rescue Service NSW. The Border Marker towers will remain unchanged.

The 29-year-old structure has numerous defects and concrete cancer and the cost to maintain it fit for occupation is no longer sustainable.

The \$1.974 million project is being jointly funded by the City of Gold Coast and Tweed Shire Council, via grant funding of \$973,000 from NSW Government's Restart NSW Regional Growth – Environment and Tourism Fund.

The presentation from the meeting, which includes the proposed building and landscape designs, is on the project page at www.yoursaytweed.com.au/Captain-Cook-Memorial

You are invited to provide your feedback at Your Say Tweed.

Check for this compost symbol

Please only use certified compostable liners in your green bin which carry this symbol. Or use newspaper or nothing at all.

Council has seen lots of people using plastic bags for their food waste. Or bags sold as degradable or biodegradable. These can't be composted and are only good for the RED bin and landfill.

We know residents are trying to do the right thing so we've produced a guide of leading brands to clear this up – visit www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/Waste/ReplacementCaddiesAndLiners for more information.

If you're not sure – get in touch with Council on (02) 6670 2400.



If your liner does not have this certified compostable symbol, don't use it to put food scraps in your green bin.

Tree vandalism cut deep

There was a huge outpouring of disgust and disappointment about the news in last week's Tweed Link that six mature Poinciana trees were deliberately poisoned in a park at Banora Point.

Council's Facebook post on the issue was deluged with comments and reactions, and Manager Recreation Services Stewart Brawley did a number of radio and television interviews.

The story spread fast through shares across Facebook, even extending to ABC-TV's Gardening Australia Facebook page – which has over 300,000 followers – who commented "This is devastating".

"It goes to show how much our residents appreciate the beauty and the shade that trees such as these bring to our recreation areas," Mr Brawley said.

"While no-one has yet come forward with solid information, we are still hoping to hear from anyone who may have seen anyone drilling or poisoning the trees in Elm Place at Banora Point.

"If we were able to prosecute someone for this vandalism, it would send a strong message that vegetation vandalism is something that Council and the community will not tolerate.

"Regardless, it's obvious from the response we've had that people appreciate trees such as these and we will be replacing the dead trees with appropriate native species and will keep the community up to date with progress on this.

"Please don't take matters into your own hands. If you have problems with vegetation on Council-owned land – get in touch with us so we can talk it through," he said.

For more information on trees on Council land, visit www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/TreeManagement



Multiple holes were drilled in six mature poinciana trees, which were then poisoned.



Well done Tweed River High School students for your work cleaning up along and in the Tweed River.

Many hands make light work of clean up

The Tweed's rivers, parks and roadsides are in better shape thanks to the efforts of individuals, schools and businesses for Clean Up Australia Day events over the last few weeks.

Here are some highlights:

- Twenty-seven Tweed River High students cleaned up waste through Jack Evans Boat Harbour and in the Tweed River, supported by Tweed Sea Sports. One group scuba dived in the river from Duranbah Beach to The Tweed hospital, while another picked up litter along the foreshore.
- In Murwillumbah, Sathya Sai students scoured Knox Park for litter, helped by local resident Steve Gilhan who does his own daily clean-up of the park as a service to the community.
- Volunteers freedived in the Tweed River and rescued plenty of old tyres, shopping trolleys and other debris.
- The headland at Hastings Point and Cudgera Creek also benefitted from the generosity of volunteers who were willing to give up their time to make the Tweed cleaner.

Well done and many thanks to the other schools, individuals, organisations and businesses who participated in Clean Up Australia Day events across the Tweed.

For more information about how to get involved next year, visit www.cleanup.org.au



Sathya Sai students are helped out by local resident Steve Gilhan, who cleans up Knox Park daily.

Mary's one of the wonderful women of the Tweed

Tweed Regional Museum celebrated International Women's Day last Friday by highlighting some of the amazing women of Fingal Head.

One of the stories they shared was contributed by Daniel Browning about his grandmother Mary.

"100-year old Mary Browning is a respected elder in the Fingal community. She is also the heart and soul of her extended family who gathered with friends and community members at Fingal Primary School to celebrate her centenary in December.

Born into an uncertain world a few weeks after the end of the First World War, Mary grew up at what was then Meyer's Ferry or Elston



(now Surfers Paradise) where her South Sea Islander grandfather, Charley Emzin, operated the winch ferry by hand. She remembers an idyllic childhood – playing in the scrub and on the beach, with the salt in her hair.

Mary grew into a famous local beauty and must have broken some hearts. But one heart that wouldn't be broken was that of a Fingal man, Noel Browning. After a courtship interrupted by war, Noel proposed in 1943 while he was on a short break from active service as a skipper with the 11th Australian Small Ships Company, then deployed in Papua New Guinea. They married a week later. There were four children, two sons and two daughters.

Mary's memory is crystal clear: she remembers that the nurse that brought her eldest child into the world had attended the birth of her father Bill Emzin 55 years earlier. Nurse Bessie Cowderoy delayed her retirement, so she could close the circle and safely deliver Bill's first grandchild.

My grandmother Mary has a story for every grandchild: she always reminds me of the time I was staying with her, sick with asthma. We'd gone for a calming walk along the beach. Soon, Nan explained it was time to go as she didn't want to miss the next episode of Days Of Our Lives. Quick as could be, the five-year old looked her square in the eye and hissed "Nan, you and your bloody serials".

Follow Tweed Regional Museum on Facebook and Instagram for more fascinating stories and photos.

Mary Browning celebrating her 100th birthday at Fingal Head Public School. Photo by Alfred Summers

Invitation to Feline Friends focus group



Help Council advocate for cat welfare and wildlife protection by joining the Feline Friends focus group.

Are you a cat owner over the age of 18 years living in the Tweed? Then Tweed Shire Council invites you to volunteer to participate in a Feline Friends focus group.

Up to 20 volunteers have the opportunity to join in a friendly discussion, listen to a brief presentation, and give feedback about community education programs for cat welfare and wildlife protection.

Light refreshments will be served. Participants will go in the draw for cool cat prizes on the day.

The focus group will be held on Sunday 7 April at Kingscliff Beach Bowls Club from 2pm – 4.30pm.

RSVP by Monday 1 April by calling Council's Contact Centre on (02) 6670 2400. You'll need to answer a few questions to check on your suitability for the group.

Places are limited. You will be notified of your booking.

Help can help improve Banora drainage

You're invited to go along to Banora Point Western Drainage System (WDS) on Saturday 23 March for a family planting day.

Conservation Volunteers Australia is hosting the event, which commences at 9am and will take place behind housing at Foxhill Place. The planting will take place along this section of the WDS and additional activities will include hand pulling weeds and removing rubbish.

Native Lomandra and Carex will be planted to help reduce sediments and runoff entering the system.

The planting will go ahead rain or shine, so come prepared for all weather.

Conservation Volunteers Australia is committed to help Tweed Shire Council improve the health of WDS and get the community involved.

In conjunction with Council's improvements through structural works to remove shallow points and extending floating reed beds, working bees are held every Friday, meeting at 9am along Avondale Drive.



Some of the great work that's already been achieved on the Western Drainage Scheme.

Protective clothing should be worn when taking part in planting activities including covered sturdy shoes or boots, hat and gardening gloves. Refreshments will be provided and to help cater for everyone, please RSVP to Shae Kolk on 0475 973 888 or via email at skolk@cva.org.au

And if you want to be more involved in local environmental projects, CVA is looking to establish a Banora Point Landcare group. Contact Shae to find out more.



Make a difference by coming along to another family planting day the Western Drainage Scheme at Banora Point on Saturday 23 March.

New life for walkway

You're invited to attend the official opening of the new Anchorage Boardwalk at Tweed Heads on Friday 15 March at 2pm.

The boardwalk was reconstructed at a cost of \$936,000, using government funding for the rebuild from the State Government's Cycling Infrastructure Fund.

The 245-metre-long boardwalk runs along the mangrove foreshore of Terranora Creek from the northern end of Keith Curran Park to Pelican Point.

The original timber boardwalk was built in the early 1990s but was closed due to safety concerns as several sections had rusted and were structurally unsafe.

The new 1.8 metre-wide boardwalk has been constructed using composite fibreglass piers, decking and handrails and powder-coated aluminium balustrading, which will not rust, rot or be attacked by termites.



Check out the new Anchorage Boardwalk at the official opening on Friday.

Modification Application for public comment

The following Section 4.55 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 fourteen (14) days from Wednesday 13 March 2019 to Wednesday 27 March 2019.

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

Applicant	Location	Proposal	File no.
Western Partnership Pty Ltd	Lots 1 & 2 Section 4 DP 29748; No. 26-28 Tweed Coast Road; Lot 100 DP 1208306 No. 19-25 Cypress Crescent Cabarita Beach	amendment to Development Consent DA12/0170 for alterations and additions to motel (staged)	DA12/0170.16

Proposed modification

- Convert the current multipurpose room on the north western side of the building at ground floor level to a dual use motel room and multipurpose room;
- Construction of a doorway in the western wall of the building and paved pedestrian pathway within the Cypress Crescent road reserve from the proposed doorway to the existing concrete driveway from Cypress Crescent;
- Construction of one additional car parking space on Lot 1 Section 4 DP 29748.
- Enable the premises to be used until 2.00am on New Year's Day only

Any person may, during the period specified above, make a submission in writing to Council in relation to the Modification Application. Where a submission is in the form of an objection, then the grounds of objection are required to be specified.

In accordance with Clause 117 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulations 2000, there is no right of appeal under Section 8.8 of the Act by an objector.

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 Council's website www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/PlanningInformation

Resident and Ratepayer Association meetings

Casuarina/Seaside/Salt Residents Association meet on Wednesday, 13 March at 7.30pm (DST) in the Legends Room, Surf Australia building, next to the Recreation Club, Casuarina.

Request for offer

RF02019039 Marine Parade Footpath Maintenance

Offers close: Wednesday 4pm (DST) 20 March 2019

RF02019019 Supply of Road Construction Quarry Materials (Panel of Providers)

RF02019024 Grazing Licence- Lot 1 DP 1069561, Wardrop Valley Road, South Murwillumbah

RF02019041 Supply of Leadership, Management & Supervisory Training Services

Offers close: Wednesday 4pm (DST) 3 April 2019

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.

All Offers will be opened at closing time and will be considered by Council in accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993* and the NSW Local Government (General) Regulation 2005. The lowest or any offer is not necessarily accepted and canvassing of Councillors or staff will disqualify.

For further information please contact Contracts Administration on (02) 6670 2606.

WATER WEEK 11 Check when your water meter is read at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/MeterReading

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

DA18/0895 – Alterations and additions to existing Kingscliff Shopping Village comprising of additional car parking and shade structures Lot 100 DP 1071633, Lot 2 SP 11240, Lot 1 SP 11240, Lot 3 SP 11240, Lot 4 SP 11240, Lot 5 SP 11240, Lot 6 SP 11240, Lot 7 SP 11240, Lot 8 SP 11240, Lot 9 SP 11240, Lot 10 SP 11240, No. 24-26 Pearl Street, **Kingscliff**

DA18/1024 – Pylon sign Lot 3 DP 30841, Lot 4 DP 30841, Lot 1 DP 810555, No. 10-20 Minjungbal Drive, **Tweed Heads South**

DA18/0374 – Demolition of existing green house and erection of boat shed Lot 2 DP 881169, ROAD 2245, No. 54-68 Gollan Drive, **Tweed Heads West**

DA19/0052 – Decommissioning of existing dwelling and construct new dwelling Lot 4 DP 881229, No. 9 Crooks Valley Road, **Crystal Creek**

DA18/0992 – Demolition of existing structures, new two storey dwelling with attached garage, front fence and in-ground swimming pool Lot 29 DP 235189, No. 12 Vulcan Street, **Kingscliff**

DA19/0011 – Dwelling Lot 29 DP 755715, Numinbah Road, **Nobbys Creek**

DA18/1004 – Secondary dwelling Lot 3 DP 804521, No. 5 Federation Drive, **Terranora**

DA19/0080 – Patio and carport within front building line Lot 35 DP 1046037, No. 15 Traminer Court, **Tweed Heads South**

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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