



Kyle Scully chats with Council's Project Officer – Waterways Matt Bloor at the recent National Tree Day event at Chillingham, part of Local Government Week activities on the Tweed.

Citizen reporters go behind the scenes

Two Tweed residents accepted the opportunity to be 'citizen reporters' for Council during Local Government Week.

One of the reporters was Kyle Scully, 19, of Banora Point, who is a positive voice for children with special needs and lives life to the fullest.

Kyle was recently selected to serve on the People with Disabilities Australia (PWDA) and Youth Action Advisory Council. He also won a Certificate of Merit in last year's Tweed Shire Council Access and Inclusion Awards for his advocacy work supporting young people with disabilities. He is involved with 92.5 Gold FM's Give Me Five for Kids and chained himself to a bed in the cold in front of Tweed Hospital for two hours to raise \$4000 for charity.

Kyle attended the National Tree Day planting event at Chillingham and here's what he had to say:

"I attended National Tree Day in Chillingham as a citizen reporter for Tweed Shire Council.

The other citizen reporter for Local Government Week was Kingscliff resident Nerida Dean. For five years, Nerida has been a volunteer for Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Art Centre.

Here's Nerida's Local Government Week highlights:

"I attended the Bray Park Water Treatment Plant and it was so good to learn that the Tweed's water treatment process is extremely modern and very efficient. Completed in 2010, this plant can process up to 100 million litres per day, so it is future proofed for a growing population. It has a 96 per cent recovery rate so it has minimum waste and has incorporated systems to reduce energy usage.

"I also attended a business breakfast event called 'Succeed in The Tweed – E Commerce Options to Sell More Product'. The presenter had a very strong knowledge of technological future trends in e-commerce and informed the small business attendees of the variety of paths they could explore to do more in the e-commerce space, whether it be providing products or services to the community. I was gob-smacked to learn that in Australia there are 65 million searches per month on eBay alone.

"My third event included a visit to the recycling facility at Chinderah. One of the biggest take-home messages from the visit to this facility was that the recycling world is constantly changing and, as a good environmental citizen, we need to be regularly updating our knowledge of what goes in each of the green, red and yellow

"I interviewed Matt Bloor, who is in charge of running National Tree Day. The interview went well and he explained that by the end of the day, 1200 trees would be planted along the banks of the Rous River.

"There were lots of volunteers planting and watering the trees, and lots of families with kids helping as well.

"During the day, I saw so many trees being planted which was incredible, but even more special was seeing how a community can come together. I really liked being a citizen reporter to gain a different perspective; it's something you don't always get to do. I really appreciated it - I haven't felt this relaxed in a long time."

Kyle also attended Tweed Regional Museum's Behind the Scenes event.

bins. A surprise for me was that regardless of what you are told, ALL takeaway coffee cups and lids can only go in the RED bin. So glad I can sit and drink my daily coffee from a real china cup."



Kingscliff resident Nerida Dean visited a number of Council facilities and events as a citizen reporter for Council during Local Government Week.

Seven Kingscliff roads are getting a makeover

Kingscliff roads are getting a makeover with contractors due to start work this week on Kingscliff Street (between Ozone and Terrace streets) and Ocean Street (between Kingscliff and Sands streets).

All up, work will occur across multiple streets and will be undertaken in two shifts at each site across a two-week period.

After Kingscliff Street, the contractors head to Beach Street (between Kingscliff Street and Elrond Drive), McPhail Avenue (between Gibson and Oxford streets including Knox Court), Herford Street (McPhail Avenue to Cudgen Road), Moss Street (Clough Lane to Sutherland Street) and, finally, Quigan Street (between McPhail Avenue and Boomerang Street).

On each site, it's going to be noisy for the first shift as they shave off the road surface and apply a bitumen seal with stone. Then, it settles

down as they leave the road to 'cure' for about a week before returning to apply the new asphalt surface (not quite so noisy) and then do the line-marking.

During the works this week, traffic will be able to flow through the site, however southbound traffic will be detoured via Terrace Street, Marine Parade and then back to normal via the Ozone Street roundabout.

As works progress over the next two months, detours may be used so please follow the directions of the traffic controllers.

Residents are advised they may have to wait to get in and out of driveways and side streets, and to build extra time into their journeys to avoid the stress of any lengthy delay.

We also ask that motorists do not park in the workzones during daylight hours so we can get in and out in the quickest time possible.

Waste tip 5

Waste free coffee pods

Buy stainless steel pods now for a variety of pod machines. One coffee drinker could save at least 365 pods from landfill each year.

All single use pods go into the red bin.



In brief ...

Father's Day service for all

All are welcome to attend a Father's Day Memorial Service on Friday 30 August at 11am at the chapel at Tweed Valley Cemetery at Eviron.

The combined memorial service is brought to you by the Murwillumbah Churches Together and Tweed Valley Cemeteries. Light refreshments will be provided. Please phone (02) 6670 2435 for details.

Insights to stay independent

As part of Local Government Week, Tweed Community Services invited members of the public along to a morning tea at Tweed Heads South to learn about the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) and My Aged Care.

More than 30 people came along, with Coordinator Community Services Joanne Watters saying it was great to have one-on-one time with those attending.

"It was a fabulous morning and we were able to answer specific questions to help people gain a better understanding of the NDIS and My Aged Care options," Mrs Watters said.

Tweed Community Services is an independent and specialist My Aged Care support service and NDIS Support Coordination agency, which provides an easy and effective way to manage your NDIS plan and funding.

"Our team has more than 25 years' experience in providing professional and supportive quality community options in the Tweed and Far North Coast. We provide programs to support eligible Tweed Shire residents to stay living independently and safely in the community and in their own home."

For more information, call (07) 5569 3110, email communityservices@tweed.nsw.gov.au

or visit www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CommunityServices

'No dog' zones declared

Two areas have recently been declared 'Dog Prohibited' zones under the Companion Animals Act 1998, located at the mouth of Cudgera Creek, Hastings Point and Ambrose Brown Park and adjacent foreshore, Mooball Creek, Pottsville.

Council's Coordinator Sustainability and Environment, Jane Lofthouse said the 'dog exclusion' area at the mouth of Cudgera Creek, Hastings Point had been in place for several years.

"This change of classification to a 'dog prohibited zone' formalises the exclusion zone under the appropriate legislation and regulations, however, the intent, location and size of the zone remains the same," Ms Lofthouse said.

"Declaring the 'dog prohibited' zone at Pottsville is to provide an option for families to have a safe swimming and recreational area without dogs. These zones are also in place to protect threatened species."

Highlighting the importance of the dog exclusion zone at Hastings Point was the successful breeding of a Beach Stone-curlew chick in 2018. This critically-endangered bird has rarely been recorded successfully breeding in the Tweed and this would not have been possible without the support of volunteers, the community and responsible dog owners.

In a recent review, Birdlife Australia recommended that, as a priority, dogs be prohibited at the mouths of estuaries as these are critically important foraging and nesting areas for shorebirds that are already under significant pressure from recreational activities.

To assist with protection of threatened species along the Tweed coast, Council recently employed a Coastal Ranger who will focus on educating the community. Ranger Wayne wants to encourage anyone who is unsure of the current zones along the beaches to stop and have a chat with him.

"If you see me out and about, please don't be afraid to stop and have a chat. My role is to provide education to the community about the dog zones along the coast, but also to ensure compliance with the new and current regulations," Ranger Wayne said.

New signs have been installed at the new 'dog prohibited' locations and at other locations where signs were missing.

The recent designation of the dog prohibited areas is not related to the review of off-leash dog beach areas, which has been postponed for consideration under the Tweed Coastal Management Program. Community consultation on this issue will be undertaken in 2020, including appropriate use of beaches and foreshore areas.

View all dog off-leash beaches via the online mapping tool at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/WalkMyDog



Council officers Tanya Erezuma, Rhonda Marshall and Peter Mitchell proudly display the R H Dougherty Award for Communication.

Emergency Dashboard wins major gong

An online one-stop shop for emergency information was recognised with a major award at the RH Dougherty Awards for Communication.

The Tweed Emergency Dashboard won the Reporting to your Community Award (Division C, for councils with a population of more than 70,000).

The Tweed Emergency Dashboard was launched in December 2018 in response to the devastating floods which hit the Tweed in March 2017.

The purpose of the Dashboard is to provide a single source of emergency information for Tweed residents, businesses and visitors that can be accessed on any computer or device with an internet connection, at any time of day. It centralises information to connect, integrate and

communicate from a range of specialist sources in real-time.

The Emergency Dashboard includes the current status for weather warnings, road closures, power outages, water and sewer interruptions, and Council services and facilities, along with links to many other useful resources to help with planning for an emergency and what to do after.

Council's General Manager Troy Green said one of the key lessons from the March 2017 flood was the need for an improved online solution to support the Tweed community during emergencies.

"The Emergency Dashboard at emergency.tweed.nsw.gov.au provides up-to-date information, useful links and contacts in the event of an emergency. It is linked to our website and is available 24/7," Mr Green said.

Glass sand trial recycles stubbies and glass

Council is recycling 60,000 stubbies and glass by using them in the bedding sand of a stormwater drainage upgrade starting on Queensland Road, Murwillumbah, in the next few weeks.

The upgrade is designed to improve motorist safety by installing drainage pipes and closing the existing deep open drains on both sides of the road between the Showgrounds and the Union Cane Drain.

The \$500,000 upgrade also will see the slope of the roadside embankments decreased to allow vehicles to park off the road. The upgrade is expected to be complete within two months, weather permitting.

The project is the first in Tweed to use the glass sand, with the product manufactured by neighbouring Lismore City Council at its Materials Recycling Facility.

"We are trialling the use of the glass sand on Queensland Road and

if it performs to expectations we expect it will have a big future here in the Tweed," Manager Infrastructure Delivery Tim Mackney said.

Council currently collects approximately 3000 tonnes of glass from its household recycling service each year and innovative solutions like this will help us ensure this material is reused.

The reuse of glass containers over and over again is good for the environment. For every one tonne of recycled crushed glass used 1.1 tonnes of raw materials is saved. Also recycled glass melts at a lower temperature than the raw ingredients, saving up to 25 per cent of the energy required in the manufacturing process.

The glass sand product is also being used on the Pacific Highway upgrade from Ballina to Woolgoolga in the concrete pavement.

The Lismore plant receives about 130 tonnes of glass for recycling every week.

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment of Fingal Head Holiday Park and surrounding public land

Tweed Shire Council has an ongoing commitment to protect Aboriginal Cultural Heritage as part of our Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan and Reconciliation Action Plan.

Council is commissioning a consultant to complete an Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment at the Fingal Head Holiday Park and surrounding public land.

This assessment will guide any future management of this land including maintenance of existing infrastructure assets to ensure we don't harm anything of cultural significance.

The tender process for commissioning a cultural heritage consultant is underway. Once the tender is awarded, an invitation for knowledge holders and interested community members to register as Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAP) will be advertised.

Registering as a RAP will enable you to provide input throughout the assessment and help guide future management of cultural heritage values at Fingal Head. For more information, contact Council's project officer Sally Cooper on (02) 6670 2400 or email S.Cooper@tweed.nsw.gov.au

Illustrations by Bundjalung/Yugambah Artist and Graphic Designer, Christine Slabb

Vacancies

Project Officer – Biodiversity (contract, part-time)

Pump Fitter Assistant

For more information and to apply:

- Visit Council's website www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/careers
- Contact Human Resources on (02) 6670 2495
- All positions close at 12 noon (NSW time)
- Late applications not permitted.

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

DA19/0408 – Three storey dwelling with attached garage

Lot 12 NPP 286030, Unit 12/No. 36 Old Ferry Road, **Banora Point**

CDC19/0023 – In-ground swimming pool

Lot 39 DP 1083567, No. 3 Aeolus Lane, **Casuarina**

DA19/0202 – Two storey dwelling

Lot 1 DP 1210908, Numinbah Road, **Chillingham**

DA19/0415 – Two storey dwelling with attached garage

Lot 36 DP 1252272, No. 15 Murraya Way, **Cudgen**

DA19/0405 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including in-ground swimming pool

Lot 1 DP 633463, No. 63 Cabbage Gum Road, **Cudgera Creek**

DA19/0430 – Two storey dwelling with attached garage and in-ground swimming pool

Lot 221 DP 1232815, Unit 3/No. 1 Nautilus Way, **Kingscliff**

DA19/0443 – In-ground swimming pool

Lot 133 DP 1025584, No. 19 Taylor Drive, **Pottsville**

DA19/0390 – Use of existing converted garage and new carport and shed

Lot 86 DP 1021504, No. 44 Naponyah Road, **Terranora**

DA19/0429 – Shed

Lot 8 DP 1092500, No. 41 Sunnycrest Drive, **Terranora**

DA19/0419 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling

Lot 46 DP 245048, No. 8 Meridian Way, **Tweed Heads**

DA19/0341 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling

Lot 6 Section 17 DP 28390, No. 96 Hillcrest Avenue, **Tweed Heads South**

DA19/0449 – Demolition of existing carport and lean-to and construction of new garage and lean-to

Lot 37 DP 791785, No. 52 Braeside Drive, **Uki**

DA19/0354 – Replacement signage

Lot 1 NPP 271020, Lot 2 NPP 271020, No. 124 Leisure Drive, **Banora Point**

DA18/1056 – Secondary dwelling over existing shed and carport

Lot 22 Section 8 DP 30043, No. 34 Hastings Road, **Bogangar**

DA19/0351 – Use of existing sub-floor building work as habitable floor space

Lot 3 SP 55024, Unit 3/No. 22 Moss Street, **Kingscliff**

DA19/0362 – Two lot strata subdivision

Lot 3 Section 10 DP 758571, No. 4 Zephyr Street, **Kingscliff**

DA19/0212 – Secondary dwelling (detached)

Lot 4 DP 112138, No. 12 Lloyd Street, **Tweed Heads South**

DA19/0263 – Filling of land for the purpose of a dwelling pad

Lot 1 DP 1244296, No. 759–769 Tumbulgum Road, **Tygalgah**

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

Resident and Ratepayer Association meetings

Casuarina/Seaside/Salt Residents Association meet on Wednesday, 14 August at 7pm in the Legends Room, Surf Australia building, next to the Recreation Club, Casuarina.

Fingal Head Community Association – the bi-monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday 14 August 2019 commencing at 7pm in the MPU at Fingal Head Public School.

Expressions of interest

Expressions of interest to be a volunteer on the Working Group for the Seniors Festival 2020 are being invited.

NSW Seniors Festival 2020 is Wednesday 12 February to Sunday 23 February 2020.

The Tweed Seniors Festival Working Group will work with Council staff to help plan activities that celebrate the contributions of older people in Tweed Shire. The Seniors Festival raises awareness of positive aging activities across the Tweed.

The primary role of the working group is to plan and run an opening event for the Tweed Seniors Festival and ensure the Tweed Seniors Festival meets the needs and expectations of local seniors.

Closing date for applications is **Friday 16 August 2019**.

To register and download the EOI form, visit www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/SeniorsFestival, contact Lyn Porter Community Services on (07) 5569 3110 or email communityservices@tweed.nsw.gov.au

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 fourteen (14) days from Wednesday, 7 August 2019 to 21 August 2019.

Application details

DA19/0462 – Demolition of dwelling and garage and construction of 3 storey residential flat building comprising 5 x 3 bedroom units

Lot 28 DP 21680, No. 44 Sutherland Street, **Kingscliff**

Ardill Payne & Partners

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

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