



Works are taking place to build Tweed's new organic processing facility at the Tweed Resource Recovery and Landfill Centre at Stotts Creek.

## Organics facility will be largest in the Northern Rivers

### Construction of the Tweed's new \$7 million organic processing facility is well on the way with the foundations now poured.

The facility will turn green organic waste into useful compost, while reducing the amount of waste going to landfill.

The facility is being constructed and operated by NSW organics recycling business Soilco Pty Ltd at the Tweed Resource Recovery and Landfill Centre – and will be the largest of its kind in the Northern Rivers.

Capable of dealing with nearly 21,000 tonnes of food and garden organics annually, the facility will complement Council's green bin kerbside collection program.

Saving organic waste from landfill not only creates valuable nutrient rich compost, it also reduces the Tweed's greenhouse gas emissions

by around 13,000 tonnes each year - compared to landfilling the same amount of organic waste.

This is because every tonne of organic waste disposed of as landfill is chemically broken down and releases about one tonne of carbon dioxide equivalents (CO<sub>2</sub>-e) of greenhouse gases - mostly in the form of methane - into the air.

Council's Director Sustainable Communities and Environment Tracey Stinson said the composting facility will also be operated in an environmentally sustainable way.

"The power needed for the facility will, in part, be offset by a 99kW solar system. We'll also be capturing rainwater for processing operations and all wastewater produced will be reused in the composting process," she said.

### In brief ...

#### Opportunity for virtual stallholders at Sustainable Living Home Expo

**Online and in the home – that's the approach Tweed Shire Council's 2020 Sustainable Living Home Expo is taking to promote affordable, healthy, environmentally-friendly homes and living in the Tweed.**

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the 2020 event will be hosted online. The event will feature a virtual sustainable living marketplace for local businesses, links to local community groups and live online interactive webinars on Tuesday 1 and Wednesday 2 December.

For businesses, community organisations and not-for-profit groups that align with the sustainability theme, this virtual event provides a great opportunity to promote products and services directly to an engaged audience of local residents and home owners.

To find out more or register as a Home Expo stallholder, visit [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/HomeExpo](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/HomeExpo)

Applications for the virtual marketplace close on Monday 2 November 2020.

The facility, due to be operational by September 2021, will be run by Soilco for 10 years, with an additional five-year option for Council to extend.

The project will mainly be funded by Council using reserves that have been collected over a number of years from waste charges. Council has also received financial support from the NSW Environmental Trust as part of the NSW EPA's Waste Less, Recycle More initiative, funded from the NSW State waste levy.

This construction, and additional plans to improve the Tweed Resource Recovery and Landfill Centre, is part of an overall Master Plan of the site connected to Tweed's Towards Zero Waste target.

To find out what you can put in your green organics bin, visit [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/GreenBins](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/GreenBins)

## A beautiful way to remember

The Tweed Valley Cemetery at Eviron offers a range of services and arrangements in a beautiful and peaceful location.

With a wide range of garden and lawn sites suitable for family or individual memorials, Tweed Valley Cemetery can provide for burials, cremations and ash interments in a caring and respectful manner.

The cemetery also offers a naturally beautiful and unique outdoor option to celebrate the life of a loved one, overlooking the duck pond and picturesque gardens.

Services and wakes can be held onsite in the historic non-denominational chapel.

Beautiful options are also available for burials and interment at the Tweed Heads Lawn Cemetery and General Cemetery and the Murwillumbah Lawn and General Cemetery.

### Did you know?

There is much to consider when it comes to funerals. Early planning can help ease the strain and ensure your family understands your wishes. Here are some of the things you'll need to think about:

- For a burial, you'll need a plot and a coffin (the coffin can be made from a number of different materials – cardboard is fine)
- For a cremation, you'll also need a coffin (again cardboard is also fine)
- The lowest cost farewell is a direct delivery cremation (no service, no attendance)
- There's nothing stopping you having a 'live wake' – a party to celebrate your life while you're still here to enjoy it – or having your friends and family celebrate your life in whatever way is meaningful to them
- You may wish to get a funeral director or celebrant to help with arranging the funeral
- Think about an environmentally friendly coffin or ashes container
- Optional extras include a church or chapel ceremony, catering, service booklets, flowers, newspaper notice, etc.
- You can also bring your loved one home for up to five days, without embalming in most cases. The body is kept on a refrigeration plate.

Ask a funeral director or call us on **02 6670 2400**  
or visit [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/cemeteries](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/cemeteries)



# Improvement works announced for Tumbulgum exit

Council is seeking feedback from the community on its plans to improve safety at the intersection of Tweed Valley Way and Riverside Drive (north) at Tumbulgum.

One of the main safety improvements proposed is to close direct access from the Farmers' Market on to Tweed Valley Way.

Another safety improvement sought will be to provide greater separation of the left-turn lane into Riverside Drive from the through-lanes on Tweed Valley Way to improve sight distances.

The Black Spot project will also include a longer deceleration lane to turn into Riverside Drive and provide an improved acceleration lane on

Tweed Valley Way for traffic turning left from Riverside Drive.

Works are due to begin in early December.

Black Spot programs are funded based on historic crash data and the severity of injury.

A number of safety works have occurred on this section of Tweed Valley Way in recent years including the construction of a wire rope centre median and the reduction of the speed limit from 100kmh to 80kmh.

To have your say, go to [www.yoursaytweed.com.au/blackspot](http://www.yoursaytweed.com.au/blackspot) and provide your feedback by Friday 30 October.

# Rail trail moves forward

Plans to build the Tweed's stage of the Northern Rivers Rail Trail took a big step forward last week after the NSW Parliament passed legislation to formally close the railway line from Murwillumbah to Crabbes Creek.

Tweed Shire Council General Manager Troy Green said Council welcomed the passage of the legislation which secures the way forward for this new tourism enterprise for the Northern Rivers region.

"This news marks a key milestone for Council's rail trail project and provides the much-needed initiative the certainty our community has been waiting for and on which we can have a clear conversation," he said.

"This legislation importantly retains the corridor in public ownership and paves the way for Council to re-engage with our shortlisted design and construction prospective tenderers to bring their rail trail concept designs forward in the next phase of Council's contract procurement, ahead of a final rail trail design."

Construction of the 24-kilometre section of the rail trail from Murwillumbah to Crabbes Creek has been jointly funded by the NSW and Australian governments. Council has been engaged as the project manager to oversee design and construction of this section.

Council hopes to be in a position to award a Design and Construct contract early next year, with construction to begin around March 2021 and the Murwillumbah to Crabbes Creek section of the rail trail to be operational by late 2022.

This first stage of the Northern Rivers Rail Trail has received \$6.5 million in funding from the Australian Government under its Regional Jobs and Infrastructure Packages Fund, with the NSW Government providing \$7.8 million under its Regional Tourism Infrastructure Fund.

For more information on the announcement, read Council's media release at [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/MediaReleases/2878](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/MediaReleases/2878)

# Tap into your water mindfulness for Water Night

Tweed Shire Council's Manager Water and Wastewater Operations Brie Jowett has joined the Water Night challenge to help lead the Tweed community to improve its relationship with their household taps.

Brie, husband Michael and sons Roy, 8, and Sidney, 6 (pictured), will switch off the taps at 5pm on Thursday (22 October) and draw all their water needs to 5am on Friday from one 10-litre bucket.

Last week the boys prepared the house for Water Night by placing signs on the taps to remind them not to use them.

"The average Tweed resident is using close to 190 litres of water a day against our target of 160 litres," Brie said.

"The majority of the Tweed relies on the Tweed River for its water and once we start to release from Clarrie Hall Dam to supplement flows in the river we have, on average, just 12 months' supply of water left at these high consumption rates.

"Water flows in the Tweed River dropped recently so we started to release water from the dam last week."

Join Brie and her family and register for Water Night at [www.waternight.com.au](http://www.waternight.com.au) and help turn water mindlessness to water mindfulness.



## 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

**DA20/0325** - Two lot boundary adjustment  
Lot 7DP 594172, Lot 10DP 625042, No. 44 Upper Crystal Creek Road  
**Crystal Creek**

**DA20/0661** - Alterations and additions to an existing club (Cudgen Leagues Club roof replacement)  
Lot 3 DP 591720, Lot 12 LP 1143311, No. 7 Bradshaw Place, **Kingscliff**

**DA20/0301** - Three (3) lot boundary adjustment  
Lot 6 DP 1059139, Lot 7 DP 1059139, Lot 8 DP 1059139, No. 217 Pumpenbil Road, **Pumpenbil**

**DA20/0346** - Fitout and use including an office and mezzanine addition to an existing bulky goods premises (tenancies 1 & 2)  
Lot 3 DP 246253, No. 6 Machinery Drive, **Tweed Heads South**

**DA20/0388** - Two storey dwelling, retaining walls and carport within the front building line  
Lot 156 DP 852450, No. 15 Sierra Vista Boulevard, **Bilambil Heights**

**DA20/0595** - In-ground swimming pool  
Lot 5 NPP 286337, Unit 5/No. 34 McAllisters Road, **Bilambil Heights**

**DA20/0623** - In-ground swimming pool  
Lot 122 DP 1202149, No. 14 Nautilus Way, **Kingscliff**

**DA20/0579** - Patio roof  
Lot 416 DP 1199804, No. 110 Riveroak Drive, **Murwillumbah**

**DA20/0633** - Dwelling with attached garage  
Lot 703DP 1263014, No. 8 Hemlock Street, **Murwillumbah**

**DA20/0636** - Dwelling with attached garage  
Lot 705DP 1263014, No. 4 Hemlock Street, **Murwillumbah**

**DA20/0617** - In-ground swimming pool  
Lot 1513 DP 1207462, No. 6 Bonville Street, **Pottsville**

**DA20/0557** - Dwelling with attached double garage and swimming pool  
Lot 403DP 1252575, No. 11 Altitude Boulevard, **Terranora**

**DA20/0586** - Shed  
Lot 33 DP 737064, No. 85 Parkes Lane, **Terranora**

**DA20/0613** - Two storey dwelling with attached garage and retaining wall  
Lot 415DP 1252575, No. 35 Altitude Boulevard, **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 [datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au](http://datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au)

## Current vacancies

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**WATER WEEK 4** Check when your water meter is read at [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/meterreading](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/meterreading)

## Council Meeting Agenda - Thursday 22 October 2020

The Council Meeting Agenda for Thursday 22 October 2020 is available on Council's website [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CouncilMeetings](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CouncilMeetings). The meeting will be held at the **Harvard Room, Tweed Heads Administration Building, Brett Street, Tweed Heads** and also via Livestream commencing at 5.30pm. A Council Public Forum on Agenda items being considered is to be held at 4.30pm prior to the Meeting.

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

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

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

Please be aware that this meeting is being livestreamed/webcast and will be available on Council's website.

### Agenda

#### 5 Confirmation of minutes

**5.1** Confirmation of Minutes of Extraordinary Meeting held 17 September and Council Meetings held 17 September and 1 October 2020

#### 8 Schedule of outstanding resolutions

**8.1** Schedule of Outstanding Resolutions at 6 October 2020

#### 9 Mayoral minute

**9.1** Mayoral Minute for September 2020

#### 10 Receipt of petitions

**10.1** Receipt of Petitions as at 8 October 2020

#### 11 Orders of the day

**11.1** NSW Beaches - COVID Safe Marshalls or increased Police presence

**11.2** Wardrop Valley Tiny Homes Village

**11.3** Rural Land Industry Advisory Committee

**11.4** Rural Land Strategy Amendments

**11.5** Rural Land Strategy Detached Dwellings

**11.6** 2020-2021 Events Sponsorship Funding - Muscle @ Murwillumbah

**11.7** NSW Government Koala Habitat Protection SEPP and Koala Habitat Protection Guidelines

#### 14 Reports through the General Manager

#### 15 Reports from the General Manager

**15.1** Tweed Tourism Company - June 2020 Quarterly Report

#### 16 Reports from the Director Planning and Regulation

**16.1** Request to prepare a planning proposal - Scenic Drive Bilambil, (Known as 1 Walmsley Road), Bilambil Heights, Lot 1 DP1032820

**16.2** 225 Terranora Road, Banora Point - Rezoning Review - Northern Region Planning Panel Decision

**16.3** Planning Proposal PP16/0002 Winchelsea Way Terranora - Removal from Strategic Planning and Urban Design Unit Work Program

**16.4** Tackling Mosquitoes Together Project Update

#### 17 Reports from the Director Sustainable Communities and Environment

**17.1** 'Summer Nights' Carnival at Jack Evans Boat Harbour, Tweed Heads

**17.2** Proposed Lease to Cudgen Headland Surf Life Saving Club Limited of Council-managed Crown Land at 61 Marine Parade, Kingscliff (Lot 100 DP1117102 and Part Lot 2 DP1122062)

**17.3** Shark Mitigation and Drone Purchase Notice of Motion Update

#### 18 Reports from the Director Engineering

**18.1** Water Strategies Review Project - Revised Estimated Completion Date

**18.2** Renewable Energy Action Plan - Phase 2 Report

**18.3** RF02020090 2019-2020 Asphalt Resurfacing Programme

**18.4** Private Application for Road Closure and Purchase - Bracken Road, Dungay (adjoining Lot 5 DP818088)

**18.5** Private Application for Road Closure and Purchase - Old Lismore Road, Byangum (adjacent to Lot 95 DP755754 and Lot 1 DP1249458)

**18.6** Private Application for Road Closure and Purchase - Smiths Creek Road, Stokers Siding (adjacent to Lot 3 DP611153)

**18.7** Transfer to Council of land at Coronation Avenue, Pottsville (Lot 2 DP1264821) as Condition of Consent DA04/0814

#### 19 Reports from the Director Corporate Services

**19.1** Interest Returns 2019/2020

**19.2** CCTV in Public Places Policy for Exhibition

**19.3** Northern Rivers Regional Planning Panel - Council Appointed Representatives

**19.4** Alternate Councillor Delegate - Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee

**19.5** Kingscliff Communications Tower

**19.6** Compliments and Complaints Analysis Report for the period 1 April to 30 June 2020

**19.7** Monthly Investment Report for Period ending 30 September 2020

#### 21 Reports from sub-committees/working groups

**21.1** Minutes of the Aboriginal Advisory Committee Meeting held Friday 4 September 2020

**21.2** Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held 10 September 2020

**21.3** B-Double Applications - Minutes of the B-Double Agency Advisory Group Meeting held 10 September 2020

#### 22 Confidential items for consideration

#### 23 Mayoral minute in committee

**23.1** Alternate Councillor Delegate - Audit, Risk and Improvement

#### 24 Reports through the General Manager in committee

#### 26 Reports from the Director Planning and Regulation in committee

**26.1** DA20/0295 for a subdivision to create 17 residential lots including two lot boundary adjustment, vegetation removal, demolition of existing farm shed and construction of roads and infrastructure services at No. 27 & 59 Reserve Creek Road, Kielvale and Wulffs Lane, Kielvale

**26.2** DA20/0383 for a 17 lot subdivision at Cudgen Road, Cudgen

#### 28 Reports from the Director Engineering in committee

**28.1** Voluntary House Purchase - 34 Railway Street, South

**28.2** Clarrie Hall Dam - Land Acquisition - Part 2309 Kyogle Road, Terragon (Lot 4 DP261700)

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