

## 5 simple steps to remain ready this summer:



### 1 Know your risk

Think about the area you're in and the types of disasters that could affect you



### 2 Plan now

Sit down and talk with your family and plan for what you will do if a disaster affects your area



### 3 Get your home ready

Prepare your home by doing general home maintenance and checking your insurance coverage



### 4 Be aware

Find out how to prepare, what to do if there is a disaster in your area and connect with NSW emergency services to stay informed



### 5 Look out for each other

Share information with your family, friends, neighbours and those who may need assistance

Get ready for the rest of summer with five simple steps: know your risk; plan now for what you will do; get your home ready, be aware and look out for each other.

## Get yourself ready for cyclone season

It's never too late to prepare and plan for seasonal hazards. As summer enters its final weeks, Council is urging residents to remain vigilant and remember – if it's flooded, forget it.

The Bureau of Meteorology is forecasting the La Niña weather pattern will remain active between February and April, with higher than average temperatures predicted.

Above average rainfall and increased tropical low activity is also likely, particularly in the far north of the country as late summer moves into autumn.

Tweed Shire Council's Local Emergency Management Officer Doreen Harwood said it was vital to remain on guard as the holiday season draws to a close, with this time of year often associated with more intense storm activity in the Tweed.

"Aussie summers are iconic but they can also be tragic," Ms Harwood said.

"I can't highlight enough the importance of not driving around road closure signs and not driving through flood waters. With every event we see these activities occur much to the frustration of emergency service

personnel. Those who choose to ignore these messages are also potentially choosing to place not only themselves but others at harm.

"Each year, communities across NSW experience bush fires, home fires, floods, storms, heatwaves, power outages and other emergencies. It's important we remain vigilant and continue conversations around being prepared for the multiple hazards communities across NSW face."

Resilience NSW Commissioner Shane Fitzsimmons encouraged everyone to have a conversation around being prepared for emergency, whatever the hazard may be.

"Our emergency service organisations do an incredible job keeping us safe, but they can only do so much. Being aware and prepared is everyone's responsibility, whether you're at home, at work or away on holidays," Commissioner Fitzsimmons said.

Keep up to date in emergencies through the Tweed's Emergency dashboard at [emergency.tweed.nsw.gov.au](http://emergency.tweed.nsw.gov.au)

Get Ready is a community preparedness program coordinated by Resilience NSW. Find out more at [resilience.nsw.gov.au/prepare](http://resilience.nsw.gov.au/prepare)

## Help clean up waste in the environment

Registrations are now open for Australia's largest community-based environmental event, Clean Up Australia Day, on Sunday 7 March 2021.

Celebrating its 31st year, Clean Up Australia Day this year will tackle single use disposable items, such as takeaway coffee cups, food packaging, masks and sanitised wipes.

According to Quantum Market Research, 34% of Australian households self-identified as producing more packaging waste during COVID-19 lockdown periods compared to previous years.

Last year, three tonnes of waste was collected by Tweed Shire Council for Clean-Up Australia Day.

A total of 34 sites were registered with Council including 3 youth, 17 school, 14 community and 1 business clean-up site. There were also 3 dive sites which cleaned up the Tweed River.

There will be 3 separate Clean Up Days: **Business Clean Up Day** on Tuesday 2 March, **Schools Clean Up Day** on Friday 5 March and **Clean Up Australia Day** on Sunday 7 March.

In response to COVID-19, additional conditions will be put in place to ensure the health and safety of volunteers, including set limits to volunteer numbers per event and Clean Up kits, which will include QR codes for registration on the day and hand sanitiser, plus bags and gloves for every volunteer.

If you can't join a Clean Up, you can make a donation to Clean Up Australia with 100% of funds raised allocated to the provision of educational resources and clean up materials provided free of charge to community, school and youth groups.

To register your Clean Up, sign up to a Clean Up or donate, please visit [cleanup.org.au](http://cleanup.org.au)

## Learn more about the Northern Rivers Rail Trail

Council is inviting the community online to learn about the Murwillumbah to Crabbes Creek section of the proposed Northern Rivers Rail Trail.

Construction of the Tweed section of the rail trail is due to begin within months, now that all government funding needed to deliver the project has been secured and the corridor formally closed as an active railway line.

The online information sessions are designed to update the community on the project's progress, including legislative changes implemented to enable the project to get off the ground.

Following a presentation on the project, online attendees will be able to ask questions of Council's Project Director Iain Lonsdale and the NSW Public Works Advisory Project Manager, Alex Manning.

"The information sessions will tell the community what's been done to date and what is being done now to help all four prospective tenderers prepare their final detailed designs as part of their tender submissions," Mr Lonsdale said.

The online information sessions will be held on the following dates:

- **Session 1**, Wednesday 10 February, 3 – 4pm

- **Session 2**, Thursday 11 February, 10 – 11am
- **Session 3**, Wednesday 17 February, 5.30 – 6.30pm
- **Session 4**, Thursday 18 February, 5.30 – 6.30pm

To attend an information session, visit [yoursaytweed.com.au/railtrail](http://yoursaytweed.com.au/railtrail) at the scheduled time and click the link to join the session.

At the end of each session, attendees will be asked to complete a short feedback form, which will allow them to seek any additional information they require.

A recording of one of the information sessions will be uploaded to the Your Say Tweed webpage, allowing anyone to view it at any time. The webpage also allows the community to ask the project team a question.

Currently, Council is providing all prospective tenderers with access to the rail corridor to assess the condition of the infrastructure and is sharing the investigative studies and technical reports completed in preparation for design and construction.

Funding for the Tweed section of the Northern Rivers Rail Trail has been provided by the Australian Government, under its Regional Jobs and Infrastructure Package Fund, and the NSW Government under its Restart NSW program.



Last week we each used

**176L a day**

as at 1 February 2021

## Waste tip



### Bits and pieces ...

Use a clear container in the fridge with a 'use me first' label. Place in bits and pieces of items that need to be eaten first i.e. dips, vegetables, fruit, etc. This will ensure they don't get lost in the fridge and go to waste!

## Tweed Heads West water main replacement works

Tweed Shire Council is replacing a section of water main in Tweed Heads West to ensure reliable water supply to the area.

The 400m section of water main stretches from Panorama Drive, along Scenic Drive, towards Walmsleys Road Reservoir.

Two sections of Scenic Drive will be reduced to one lane to allow crews to carry out reticulation works. Expect traffic delays of up to 10 minutes while works are underway.

Council reminds motorists and pedestrians to take care when in the area and follow safety directions and signs. Electronic signage is in place and traffic controllers are on site to direct traffic flow.

Crews will begin works this week and will be on site generally from Monday to Friday, 7am to 5pm. Weather permitting, the project is expected to be completed within 10 weeks.

As much as possible, Council will work to minimise any inconvenience and disruption. If you need to get in touch, call Council on 02 6670 2400. Visit [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/roadworks](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/roadworks) for information on roadworks and closures.



A map of the Tweed Heads West water main replacement works.

## Are your kids hassling you for a new phone?

Tweed youth can win a smartphone of their choice by simply telling Council what outdoor recreation activities, facilities and events they would like.

Youth aged 12 to 24 years, who live in the Tweed, are invited to take the Youth Outdoor Recreation Plan survey by Sunday 28 February for a chance to win a smartphone.

The survey will take less than 10 minutes to complete and will inform the development of Council's future *Youth Outdoor Recreation Action Plan*.

Council has already heard from over 400 youths. Here are some items on their wish list: a pump track; BMX and more bike tracks; more skate parks and improvements to existing skate parks including lighting; more free events and markets that appeal to young people including music, skate, dance, sport and environment events; outdoor cinema; clothing exchanges and off-leash dog parks.

The survey will also influence which projects are selected for the co-design workshops to be held early this year. These workshops will give you the opportunity to tell Council what should be included and how public open spaces should be designed to meet the needs of young people.

The youth survey has been extended to Sunday 28 February, so head to [yoursaytweed.com.au/youth-voice](http://yoursaytweed.com.au/youth-voice). Even if you're not aged 12 to 24 years, we still want to hear from you, so please make a comment by Sunday 28 February.



Council is calling on the youth of the Tweed to have their say on what outdoor recreation activities, facilities and events they want.

## Planning Committee meeting agenda Thursday 4 February 2021

The Planning Committee meeting agenda for Thursday, 4 February 2021 is available on Council's website at [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 commencing at 5.30pm and is also available via livestream. A Planning Committee Public Forum on agenda items being considered is to be held at 4.30pm prior to the meeting.

### Agenda

#### Reports for consideration

##### Planning and Regulation

- 8.1 Development Application DA20/0125 for a staged development including demolition, earthworks, tree removal, multi dwelling housing (8 dwellings and 2 pools) and strata subdivision at Lot 101 DP 713999, 12 Oyster Point Road, Banora Point
- 8.2 Development Application DA20/0610 for a two storey dwelling with attached garage at Lot 2 DP 1258400 No. 5B Peter Street, Banora Point
- 8.3 Development Application DA20/0965 for earthworks and associated drainage at Lot 21 DP 1082482 Tweed Coast Road, Chinderah
- 8.4 Development Application DA20/0860 for construction of a haul route and acoustic wall, and use of the haul road to transport fill associated with DA05/0004 (as amended) at Lot 4 DP 727425 Chinderah Road, Chinderah; Lot 26C DP 10715 Quigan Street, Kingscliff; Tweed Coast Road, Chinderah
- 8.5 Burringbar Community Plan
- 8.6 Options Paper – Agricultural Land Use Planning Strategy – Submission
- 8.7 Variations to Development Standards

## Council meeting agenda Thursday 4 February 2021

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### Agenda

#### Reports for consideration

- 3.1 Adoption of Recommendations from Planning Committee Meeting held 4 February 2021

#### General Manager

- 10.1 South Murwillumbah Employment Precinct – Enabling Road Infrastructure
- 10.2 Tweed Shire Exploration (Minerals) Licence Application ELA 6115

#### Engineering

- 13.1 Shortlisting Council projects for the \$3.76 million Federal Government – Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program – Round 2
- 13.2 Easement over Council-owned operational land (Parkes Drive, Tweed Heads West; Lot 1 DP1011625)

#### Corporate Services

- 14.1 Monthly Investment Report for Period ending 31 December 2020
- 14.2 Kings Forest Special Rate

#### Sub-committees/working groups

- 15.1 Minutes of the Tweed Shire Equal Access Advisory Committee meeting held Wednesday 4 November 2020
- 15.2 Minutes of the Tweed Coast and Waterways Committee meeting held Wednesday 14 October 2020
- 15.3 Minutes of the Tweed Regional Museum Advisory Committee meeting held Wednesday 2 December 2020
- 15.4 Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held 10 December 2020

Council at its meeting on 1 October 2020 resolved to continue public exclusion of physical attendance in the public gallery for the meeting for the remainder of the Council term.

The agenda for these meetings, which may also include any late or supplementary reports, will be updated prior to the date of the meetings.

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 these meetings are webcast and will be available on Council's website at [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/councilmeetings](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/councilmeetings)

## Resident and Ratepayer Association meetings

**Fingal Head Community Association** is scheduled for Wednesday, 10 February 2021 commencing at 7pm. This will be a combined AGM for 2020 (rescheduled) and the usual February bimonthly meeting. The venue is the Fingal Head Public School Multipurpose Unit.

## Current vacancies

View current vacancies at [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/careers](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/careers)

Subscribe to receive Job Vacancy Alerts via email at [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe)

**WATER WEEK 5** Check when your water meter is read at [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/meterreading](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/meterreading)



Tweed Regional Museum Treasure Hunt winner Kalia Magnusson (right) is joined by younger sister Taya, the girls' grandmother Pam Bonomini and Museum Director Judy Kean after her name was drawn as winner of the hunt.

## Request for offer

### RF02020118 – Supply of Hot and Cold Mix Asphalt

**Offers close:** Wednesday 12 noon (AEDST) 17 February 2021

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](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/tenders).

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.

## 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

- DA20/0879** – In-ground swimming pool  
Lot 11 DP 1074132, No. 84–86 Terranora Road, **Banora Point**
- DA20/0928** – Patio roof and shed  
Lot 155 DP 775593, No. 27 Oakland Parade, **Banora Point**
- DA20/0881** – Swimming pool  
Lot 135 DP 31041, No. 1 Lakeview Terrace, **Bilambil Heights**
- DA20/0916** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including carport, BBQ area and retaining walls  
Lot 6 DP 849520, No. 191 Howards Road, **Burringbar**
- DA20/0945** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling  
Lot 7 DP 240756, No. 54 Wommin Bay Road, **Chinderah**
- DA20/0834** – Dwelling with attached garage and detached shed  
Lot 33 DP 1264481, No. 3 Norvill Lane, **Cobaki**
- DA20/0541** – Dwelling, in-ground swimming pool and pavilion  
Lot 2 DP 582869, No. 117 Cavendish Road, **Duroby**
- DA20/0925** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling  
Lot 624 DP 755740, No. 13 Wommin Lake Crescent, **Fingal Head**
- DA20/0366** – Roof over existing footpath dining area  
Lot 7 SP 100350, Lot 0 ROAD 2238, Unit 7/No. 38 Ocean Avenue, **Kingscliff**
- DA20/0786** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including in-ground swimming pool and 1.8m front fence  
Lot 6 DP 513223, No. 33 McPhail Avenue, **Kingscliff**
- DA20/0819** – Carport within front building line  
Lot 1 SP 19877, Unit 1/No. 29 Surf Street, **Kingscliff**

## Kalia finds treasure through holiday fun

Murwillumbah's Kalia Magnusson was all smiles after her name was drawn as the winner of the Tweed Regional Museum's school holiday Treasure Hunt competition.

More than 300 entries were handed out in January to eager treasure hunters who journeyed the town's CBD in search of clues before submitting their entries back at the Museum.

Drawn by Museum Director Judy Kean, Kalia's was the first correct entry, winning her a family pass to a slide and dive session at the Tweed Regional Aquatic centre, a family film screening at the Regent Cinema, a \$100 gift voucher to Mill & Make and a \$100 voucher to Cracklepoint Games.

Kalia and her sister Taya were accompanied on their treasure hunt by grandmother Pam Bonomini and completed the hunt in one day. Both girls submitted entries.

An excited Kalia said the hunt was a lot of fun and she knew where to go to look for clues.

"It wasn't too hard, I already knew a few things about the different places," she said.

"I think the hardest spot was the clue in the Downtown Gallery – that was a bit tricky."

Pam said taking the girls on the hunt was very interesting and provided some historical facts she didn't know.

## Banishing bitou bush on the Tweed Coast

Council-appointed contractors are set to start weed control works of bitou bush along the foreshore and dunes between Hastings Point and Cabarita.

Introduced from South Africa, bitou bush is a highly-competitive weed that smothers native plant communities and destroys natural habitat and food sources for native animals.

The whole of the Tweed Coast falls within the Bitou Bush Biosecurity Zone, which extends from the NSW/Queensland border through to Cape Byron.

Within the Bitou Bush Biosecurity Zone, Council must take action to control bitou bush on its land (*NSW Biosecurity Act 2015*).

Weed control works will start from Monday 15 February and be completed no later than Monday 15 March 2021.

For more information, contact Council's Bushland Officer on 02 6670 2400.

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)



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