

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.



An aerial view of one of the bridges on the Murwillumbah to Crabbes Creek section of the proposed Northern Rivers Rail Trail.

## Rail trail information sessions at Burringbar

Tweed Shire Council will hold two public 'in-person' information sessions about the Murwillumbah to Crabbes Creek section of the proposed Northern Rivers Rail Trail.

These sessions will complement the 4 recent interactive web-based sessions, to assist those without easy access to technology to engage in the news around the rail trail and to stay informed.

The 'in-person' sessions will be held at the School of Arts hall at Burringbar on:

- Monday 1 March, 1-4pm
- Thursday 11 March, 2.30-4pm.

Council's Rail Trail Project Director Iain Lonsdale will be joined by key project team members to provide an update on the project's progress to date, including the procurement and tendering process underway for a construction company to undertake the detailed design and construction of the rail trail.

The 4 recent online information sessions on the rail trail were attended by more than 70 people.

"We know online engagement doesn't suit everyone, so have scheduled these additional 2 meetings so we can cater for those people who have limitations with technology or are more comfortable talking in-person," Mr Lonsdale said.

"We will need to follow COVID-19 meeting restrictions at Burringbar

but believe we can manage numbers safely to provide this more personalised engagement."

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

Council is currently working with the 4 construction companies short-listed to tender for the design and construct contract.

"All tenderers need to prepare a detailed design for the Tweed section of the rail trail as part of their tender submission," Mr Lonsdale said.

"These designs will be assessed along with all other key criterion, including the value-for-money proposition, to select a winning tenderer.

"So, as yet we do not know the final alignment that the Tweed shared-user path will take but that does not prevent us from sharing with the community what information and facts we have surrounding the project and long-term vision for the Murwillumbah to Crabbes Creek rail trail."

You can learn more about this project by viewing the online PowerPoint presentation and reviewing the questions raised with the project team at [www.yoursaytweed.com.au/railtrail](http://www.yoursaytweed.com.au/railtrail). Afterwards, you can have your say by completing a short survey or ask any further questions you have about the project.

## Why it's not good when water smells like fuel

Backyard mechanics are reminded not to work on a car or bike near any water pipes servicing their homes as it could contaminate their drinking water supplies.

Every year Tweed Shire Council gets a complaint or 2 about the water tasting like fuel.

On investigation Council invariably finds that a car or bike has been 'serviced' on the median strip or that paint brushes have been washed out with turpentine near the water meter or in the yard near underground water pipes.

"Spilled fuel and other hydrocarbons, such as oils, turps, degreaser

and WD40 will pass through the commercial poly pipe that is used to transport water from Council's reticulated supply to the home, rendering the water unsafe," Manager Water and Wastewater Operations Brie Jowett said.

"If this happens, the section of contaminated pipe needs to be dug up and replaced, which could make the home service of the vehicle quite expensive for the home owner."

Residents who detect a fuel-like smell to their water should not use it and contact Council immediately on 02 6670 2400, 24 hours a day.



Local Kingscliff resident and film maker, Tim Morrissey shares a similar passion for disability advocacy as the Equal Access and Advisory Committee members and enjoys telling and sharing his stories through film.

## Sharing a passion for equal access in the Tweed

As part of its long standing commitment to community inclusion, Tweed Shire has welcomed the appointment of 4 new members to the Equal Access and Advisory Committee (EAAC).

The EAAC, which has been in operation for more than 22 years, comprises local residents living with and/or working with disability, and works with Council providing advice on ways to improve access and inclusion in programs and services it delivers to the community.

The committee also advocates on behalf of community providing a voice on issues and needs for improved access and inclusion.

At a meeting on Thursday 18 February, Council approved the appointments of Wendy Buckingham, Tarnhee Wilson, Vanessa Riggs and Colin Usher as EAAC members, joining Chair Karen Sculley, Deputy Chair Suzanne Hudson and committee member Kyle Sculley. The new Committee members will be inducted and start work in early March 2021.

EAAC Chair Karen Sculley said that working collaboratively with Council, the Tweed has been at the forefront of developing policies and delivering them that enable people with disability to access places, services and information and participate in society.

Local Kingscliff resident and film maker, Tim Morrissey shares a

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**160**



160 LITRES PER PERSON A DAY

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**172L a day**  
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Further information visit [museum.tweed.nsw.gov.au](http://museum.tweed.nsw.gov.au)

A Tweed Shire Council community facility

## Making you stop and think

Council is using a new way to raise awareness about the presence of Bush Stone-curlews at Kingscliff.

Large posters have been installed on select bus stops on Kingscliff Street, urging motorists to slow down as the site is where Bush Stone-curlews are known to be and may cross the road.

The posters – featuring an impressive image of the endangered species – also encourage the public to report sightings of Bush Stone-curlews to Council.

The bus stops are stop 228 heading north and 115 heading south.

At this time of the year, Bush Stone-curlews and their chicks are out and about and make their homes near busy roads.

If you see a Bush Stone-curlew, contact Council on 02 6670 2400 or report it online at [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/bushstonecurlew](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/bushstonecurlew)



Get on board with the message – we need to be on the lookout for Bush Stone-curlews near roads.

similar passion for disability advocacy and telling and sharing his stories through film.

Tim, who has Down Syndrome, released a new short film *Goals and Dreams* at the beginning of this year on YouTube, which focuses on how community connections can help anyone achieve big dreams and goals.

Tim's short film is an accomplished and heartfelt tribute to his Kingscliff community.

"I feel accepted and loved by my community, and this is shown through kind interactions and friendships, as well as actions like having a job in a café," he said.

"My film allows people to share their goals, their hearts and also the 'magic' they have.

"Their stories, I hope, will make a connection with others regardless of their abilities and will bring us together as friends."

Tim will be putting together more videos under the title Films By Morrissey, where he'd like to talk with businesses about accessibility and inclusion and the opportunities of employment.

Find out more about Tim's life and work on his Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/tim.morrissey.3154](http://www.facebook.com/tim.morrissey.3154)

# Proposed raising of Clarrie Hall Dam

## Have your say as EIS studies are being completed

**Tweed Shire Council (Council) is working to secure a long-term water supply for the growing shire and adapt to the impacts of climate change. Currently Council is able to meet demand for water until approximately 2026.**

To service the needs of the community after 2026, Council resolved to undertake the planning and land acquisitions to raise Clarrie Hall Dam. This raising will treble the dam's capacity and double its footprint, providing water security until at least 2046. This will also increase the supply's resilience to climate change.

The Proposal is to increase the dam wall height by 8.5 metres (m). This will increase the capacity of the dam from 16,000 megalitres (ML) to approximately 42,300 ML.

Raising the wall will:

- 2 x dam's footprint
- 3 x dam's capacity
- provide security of supply to 2046.

### Seeking Government approval to progress

The Proposal is declared to be State Significant Infrastructure under the State Environmental Planning Policy (State and Regional Development) 2011. As such, to progress this Proposal and achieve Government approvals, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is being prepared. The purpose of the EIS is to understand the extent of potential impacts of the Proposal and how these can be managed. The EIS addresses the impacts of construction as well as the future operation of the dam.

The EIS will include many expert studies focused on subjects of importance to Tweed residents and the NSW Government. These studies will include assessments of dam safety, cultural heritage, biodiversity, flooding, water quality, hydrology, traffic and road safety, noise, air quality and others.

**Consultation to date:** Council has consulted with the local community and key stakeholders over many years. The community helped identify and review the options to provide greater water security.

**Response to stakeholder feedback received to date:** Stakeholder feedback has been integral to the development of the Proposal. This has directly influenced the proposed scope and the studies and activities undertaken by Council. These include:

- compensation for owners of property directly affected by inundation
- building a new, higher McCabe's Bridge to maintain resident access to Commissioners Creek and the Crams Farm public recreational area of Clarrie Hall Dam.

Key EIS studies undertaken in response to community interests and feedback include: flooding, cultural heritage, road safety, social impact and biodiversity.

### Current consultation opportunity

Before the EIS studies are completed, we are seeking community feedback on the Proposal based on the EIS study findings to date. A summary of the EIS process and studies is available for review on [yoursaytweed.com.au/raisingclarriehall-eis](https://yoursaytweed.com.au/raisingclarriehall-eis) along with other information.

### Key findings to date

The EIS reports identify probable impacts, opportunities and benefits. Where impacts are identified, actions are proposed to reduce these impacts. Following are the key findings to date:

- **Vegetation and habitat:** The inundation area will cover some high-value vegetation and habitat. These impacts can be offset by regeneration of areas near the dam.
- **Aquatic ecology:** There is no impact to existing aquatic ecology and additional water habitat for aquatic ecology will be created.
- **Cultural heritage:** Increased inundation will impact Aboriginal cultural heritage. Council will work closely with the Registered Aboriginal Parties to agree on appropriate strategies, such as recovery of artefacts. This work will be ongoing should the dam raising be progressed.
- **Air quality and emissions:** Gas will slowly be released as the submerged vegetation decomposes. Low level emissions and dust will be generated during construction. Overall there will be no significant impact on local air quality.
- **Dam water quality:** Water quality within the dam will need to be actively managed, similar to current practice.
- **Flood immunity:** No additional flooding impacts are anticipated and there are likely to be benefits from the increased size of the dam.
- **Construction traffic:** Traffic will increase slightly during construction with up to 160 vehicle movements per day. Strategies to reduce traffic and support road safety include transporting workers by bus to site during construction.
- **Re-opening local quarry:** The quarry which provided materials for the original dam is proposed to be re-opened. This will provide construction materials and reduce heavy vehicle use on local roads.
- **Noise:** During construction, noise from machinery will be audible during the day, along with occasional rock blasting at the re-opened quarry. These activities are likely to be heard by near neighbours, but should not be a significant nuisance.
- **Social impacts:** There is likely to be low levels of social impact during construction, with some minor concerns about traffic, construction noise and potential impacts on housing affordability.
- **Safety:** The raising of the dam wall can be done safely. The current dam wall is structurally very strong and was designed to be raised.
- **Additional water security:** With consideration of climate change, the project can provide additional water security until 2046.

### Key dates



### Please provide your comments

Due to the unpredictable nature of the current COVID-19 pandemic, we are engaging online to support community health and safety. More information about this project is available at [yoursaytweed.com.au/raisingclarriehall-eis](https://yoursaytweed.com.au/raisingclarriehall-eis)

Stakeholders are encouraged to visit the website to review the information, ask questions and complete a short survey. Stakeholders are also encouraged to review the full EIS reports during Public Exhibition later in 2021.



## 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

**DA20/0610** – Two storey dwelling with attached garage  
Lot 2 DP 1258400, No. 5B Peter Street, **Banora Point**

**DA20/0910** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling  
Lot 20 DP 236820, No. 2 Summit Drive, **Banora Point**

**DA20/0970** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling  
Lot 637 DP 216389, No. 82 Tamarind Avenue, **Bogangar**

**DA20/1006** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling  
Lot A DP 367721, No. 22 Bambery Street, **Fingal Head**

**DA20/0825** – Partial demolition, alterations, additions and garden shed  
Lot 1 DP 882391, No. 30 Buckingham Drive, **Pottsville**

**DA20/0992** – Two storey dwelling with carport and upgrade of existing bridge  
Lot 13 DP 871071, Lot 12 DP 871071, No. 196 Rowlands Creek Road, **Rowlands Creek**

**DA20/0888** – Dwelling with attached garage  
Lot 420 DP 1252575, No. 38 Altitude Boulevard, **Terranora**

**DA20/0125** – Staged development including demolition, earthworks, tree removal, multi dwelling housing (8 dwellings and 2 pools) and strata subdivision  
Lot 101 DP 713999, No. 12 Oyster Point Road, **Banora Point**

**DA20/0707** – Use of unauthorised works as a health consulting room – denture clinic – one consulting room and one procedure room  
Lot 8 DP 262230, No. 20 Monomeeth Avenue, **Bilambil Heights**

**DA20/0456** – Alterations and additions to an existing dual occupancy (attached), including a carport, gatehouse, swimming pool and a 1.6m high front fence  
Lot 24 DP 704246, No. 7 Ozone Street, **Kingscliff**

**DA20/0726** – Secondary dwelling  
Lot 240 DP 1082837, No. 155 Overall Drive, **Pottsville**

**DA20/0716** – Replacement of existing boat ramp and canal retaining wall  
Lot 121 DP 30960, No. 15 Gollan Drive, **Tweed Heads West**

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)

## Request for offer

### RF02020147 Supply of Road Construction Quarry Materials

**Offers close:** Wednesday 12 noon (AEDST) 17 March 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.

## Road closures – Tweed Enduro

**Pottsville, Saturday 6 March 2021. Race starts: 6am – last competitor finishes 4pm.**

**Swim course:** Mooball Creek (closed 6am to 9am). **Cycle course:** Tweed Coast Road/Wooyung Road (closed 6am to 12.30pm). **Run course:** Overall Drive/Blackrocks Bridge (closed 6am to 4pm, local resident access only via Anne Street). Please visit [www.tweedenduro.org/roads](http://www.tweedenduro.org/roads) or contact Mike on 0402 226 333.

## Resident and Ratepayer Association meetings

**Banora Point & District Residents Assoc.** meet Monday, 1 March 2021 commencing at 6.30pm (AEDST) at the South Tweed Sports Club. Contact the Secretary on 0428 332 819.

**Chinderah Districts Residents Association Inc.** meet Tuesday 2 March, 7pm at Uniting Church Hall, 24 Kingscliff Street. Opposite Eloura Nursing Home Kingscliff.

## Current vacancies

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

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## Notification of integrated development application

### Development Application No. DA21/0025

A development application has been lodged by Ardill Payne & Partners seeking development consent for extension of existing rock revetment wall (fronting Tweed River) at Lot 26 DP 1001198; No. 113A Tweed Valley Way, **South Murwillumbah** and the Tweed River. Tweed Shire Council is the consent authority for the application.

The proposed development constitutes 'Integrated Development' pursuant to Section 4.46(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. The following approvals are required in this regard:

Provision	Approval	Authority
Section 201 of the <i>Fisheries Management Act 1994</i>	Permit to carry out dredging or reclamation work	Department of Primary Industries
Section 91 of the <i>Water Management Act 2000</i>	Controlled activity approval under Part 3 of Chapter 3	Natural Resources Access Regulator

The development application and the documents accompanying it may be viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at [datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au](http://datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au)  
The documents will be available for a period of 28 days from Wednesday 24 February 2021 to Wednesday 24 March 2021.

## Re-notification of integrated development application

### Development Application No. DA21/0010

Council's previous notification incorrectly stated that Tweed Shire Council was the consent authority for this application. The consent authority is in fact the Northern Regional Planning Panel. Due to this error the notification period will now officially commence on 24 February 2021 for a period of 28 days as stated below.

A development application has been lodged by NCV Enterprises Pty Ltd seeking development consent for staged concept development application under s4.22 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* for multiple rural land sharing communities with stage 1 seeking approval for the upgrade of the existing private road and associated earthworks, vegetation removal and site construction office and storage area (NRPP) at Lot 4 DP 737440 & Lot 2 DP 1235488, No. 2924 Kyogle Road; Lot 34 DP 755714, No. 2956 Kyogle Road; Lot 121 DP 134446, Lot 1 DP 390311, Lot 5 DP 282299, Lot 2 DP 582300, Lots 1–2 DP 611556, Lots 3, 8, 19, 22, 31–33, 35 DP 755714; Lot 1 DP 1183098; Lot 11 DP 1194471 No. 2984 Kyogle Road, **Kunghur**; Lot 20 DP 755714 & Lot 2 DP 1148316, No. 3222 Kyogle Road, **Mount Burrell** and unnamed Crown Road reserves. Northern Regional Planning Panel is the consent authority for the application.

The proposed development constitutes 'Integrated Development' pursuant to Section 4.46(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. The following approvals are required in this regard:

Provision	Approval	Authority
Sections 89, 90 & 91 of the <i>Water Management Act 2000</i>	Water use approval, water management work approval or activity approval under Part 3 of Chapter 3	Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water (NSW Office of Water)

The development application and the documents accompanying it may be viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at [datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au](http://datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au)  
The documents will be available for a period of 28 days from Wednesday 24 February 2021 to Wednesday 24 March 2021.

## Section 4.55 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 [datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au](http://datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au) for a period of fourteen (14) days from Wednesday 24 February 2021 to Wednesday 10 March 2021.

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

Applicant	Location	Proposal	File no.
Tweed Heads Property Development Pty Ltd	Lot 1 DP 867728; No. 129 Wharf Street, <b>Tweed Heads</b> ; Lot B DP 327564; No. 16 Boyd Street, <b>Tweed Heads</b> ; Lot C DP 327564; No. 18 Boyd Street, <b>Tweed Heads</b>	Amendment to Development Consent DA16/0363 for mixed use development incorporating shop top housing, residential accommodation, ancillary swimming pool and gym, ground level commercial premises (business premises and retail premises) and associated demolition and civil works (NRPP)	DA16/0363.01

### Proposed modification

#### Carparking

- Reconfigure and enlarge basement levels 1 & 2 to provide 5 additional car parking spaces, 9 additional bicycle parking spaces and 1 less motorcycle space

#### Block A

- Replace disabled ramp with chair lift
- Reconfigure Retail tenancy 1 and 2
- Amended swimming pool dimensions and delete kids swimming pool
- Reconfigure the gym, managers office and WC's
- Remove the multipurpose room
- Add tennis court
- Reconfigure communal open space
- Relocated pergola roof
- Reconfigure and increase area of balconies of Units A505 and A605
- Add level 8 including dual level apartments (A701 and A702) – increasing number of units by 1

#### Block B

- Reconfigure central corridor and fire stairwells
- Reconfigure Unit BG01
- Reconfigure Units B101, B201, B301, B401, B501, B601, and B701 to remove study and reduce floor area to accommodate service ducts and conduits behind the lift
- Reconfigure Unit B801 and B804 to reduce floor area to accommodate service ducts and conduits behind the lift
- Relocate entry to Units B104, B108, B204 and B208 and subsequent reconfiguration of floor plans
- Creation of level 9 increasing number of units by 4

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

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