

Tweed Shire Council wishes to acknowledge the Ngandawal and Minyungbal speaking people of the Bundjalung Country, in particular the Goodjinburra, Tul-gi-gin and Moorung – Moobah clans, as being the traditional owners and custodians of the land and waters within the Tweed Shire boundaries. Council also acknowledges and respects the Tweed Aboriginal community's right to speak for its Country and to care for its traditional Country in accordance with its lore, customs and traditions.



The 50-metre outdoor swimming pool at Council's Murwillumbah complex will be closed from 19 June until October 2023 to complete maintenance and flood restoration work. All of the centre's indoor facilities and programs will remain open.

## Murwillumbah pool to close for repairs

The 50-metre outdoor swimming pool at the Tweed Regional Aquatic Centre's Murwillumbah complex will be closed to the public from 19 June for approximately 4 months.

The pool closure is to complete maintenance and finalise restoration work caused by the 2022 floods under Council's insurance coverage. The pool will reopen in October, weather permitting.

The full refurbishment is expected to extend the life of the pool by another 10 to 15 years.

The 50m outdoor pool and 'Slide 'n Dive' are usually closed during the winter months.

All of the centre's indoor facilities and programs will remain open – including the 25 m and hydrotherapy pools. Learn to Swim lessons and other programs will also continue to run.

TRAC Murwillumbah last underwent a major upgrade from 2007 to 2009 at a cost of more than \$13 million.

For more information, including opening hours and charges, visit our website at [trac.tweed.nsw.gov.au](http://trac.tweed.nsw.gov.au)

## Car park upgrade at Bray Park off-leash dog park

Council will upgrade the car parking area in front of the off-leash dog park at Bray Park Reserve, Tree Street, Murwillumbah next week as part of Stage 2 of the project.

The work will start on 19 June and take approximately 6 weeks to complete, weather permitting. Works will include car park resurfacing (asphalt) and line marking.

During construction, the car park area will be temporarily

closed. The off-leash dog park will remain open however, vehicle access to the carpark will be temporary impacted.

Residents and visitors to the Tweed have been enjoying the new off-leash dog parks since opening in January 2022 as part of Council's commitment to providing our community with opportunities to be active and healthy.

Find out more about off-leash dog parks in the Tweed at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/where-can-i-walk-my-dog](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/where-can-i-walk-my-dog)

## Fingal Head viewing platform upgrade

The viewing platform at Fingal Foreshore Park is about to be upgraded. Work will commence on Monday 19 June and will take 5 weeks to complete, weather permitting.

The upgrade will include:

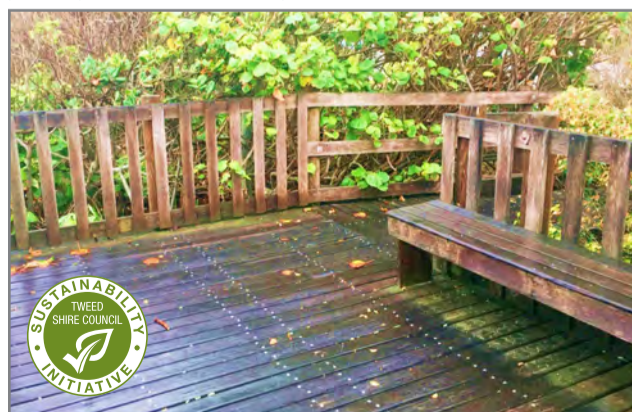
- improved access to views for users with a disability
- improve circulation space on the viewing platform
- path widening from accessible parking bay to the viewing platform
- staining of the exterior
- new decking
- seating.

During construction the viewing platform and beach shower (adjacent to the platform) will be closed.

The viewing platform upgrade is part of Stage 2 of the upgrade of the new inclusive playground at Fingal Foreshore Park which was officially opened earlier this year.

The decking material to be used is a 100% recycled product made from bottles, bags and recycled wood as part of Council's commitment to reduce our impact on the natural environment.

This project is supported by the Better Waste and Recycling Fund NSW EPA. Find out more about the Fingal Foreshore Park project and its history at [yoursaytweed.com.au/fingal-foreshore-park](http://yoursaytweed.com.au/fingal-foreshore-park)



The viewing platform at Fingal Head is getting an upgrade this month.



Last week we each used  
**168L a day**  
as at 12 June 2023

## In brief ...

### Northern Rivers Reconstruction Corporation pop-up sessions

The Northern Rivers Reconstruction Corporation will be hosting information pop-up sessions in Murwillumbah every Thursday, starting this week.

From Thursday 15 June, community members can drop-in to the centre at Murwillumbah 2484 Hub, Shop 7, 41-45 Murwillumbah Street.

The centre is open from 9 am to 1 pm each Thursday, with appointments available from 1 to 5 pm each week. 'By appointment' sessions can be booked with case managers or via [the Resilient Homes Program info hub](http://the Resilient Homes Program info hub). To book, email [resilienthomesprogram@nrrc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:resilienthomesprogram@nrrc.nsw.gov.au) or call 1800 844 085.

### Crystal Creek Hall survey

Council is seeking community input into the future of the Crystal Creek Hall site, after the hall was closed earlier this year for safety reasons.

A dedicated online survey has been created to capture the community's thoughts, suggestions and preferences.

Visit [yoursaytweed.com.au/crystalcreekhall](http://yoursaytweed.com.au/crystalcreekhall) to complete the survey, which will remain open until 14 July 2023. All local residents are invited to take part and express their views. Hard copy surveys will also be available at the Murwillumbah Civic and Cultural Centre's front desk and at the Chillingham General Store.



Youth Music Venture former participant and now an assistant mentor, Cody Leenders, performing at this year's Tweed Australia Day Awards ceremony.

## Rock on with young musos

Young musos of the Tweed are getting ready to rock on at the Youth Music Venture (YMV) grand finale showcase concert at Seagulls Club this Sunday 18 June.

This is the second year YMV has operated in the Tweed. The free program, which began on the Gold Coast in 2009, is open to young people in our community aged 11 to 17 years.

Three bands from the venture will perform at the YMV showcase event which will be emceed by The Voice Australia's Chang Po Ching.

Each band has already undergone 8 weeks of mentoring from their own musical mentors, themselves esteemed musicians, to show them the ropes and help develop their skills in a professional environment.

The YMV Showcase Concert will take place at Seagulls Club on Sunday 18 June, from 2 to 5 pm.

For tickets, head to [humanitix](http://humanitix). Tickets cost \$20 for those aged 16 years and over. Under 16s are free. To participate or register, visit [youthmusicventure.com.au](http://youthmusicventure.com.au) or call Ian Grace on 0424 143 140.



# Nominations now open for Tweed Sustainability Awards

**Nominations for outstanding efforts by members of the community to protect and care for the Tweed's precious environment are being sought as part of this year's Tweed Sustainability Awards.**

Initiated by Tweed Shire Council in 2019, the biennial awards were officially launched at the Murwillumbah Community Gardens on Monday 5 June, coinciding with World Environment Day as a fitting reminder of the theme.

Only the third time the awards have been held, their aim is to celebrate local sustainability champions and eco-friendly initiatives across the Tweed community.

Council's Sustainability Program Leader Debbie Firestone said the awards provided a great opportunity to promote local businesses, community groups and individuals doing inspiring things in the community.

"I see so much leadership and work going on across the Tweed community to step up our efforts to reduce our collective environmental footprint," Ms Firestone said.

"Awards like these are vital for acknowledging that leadership and effort, often from volunteers, so I hope people put themselves forward to be recognised and celebrated by their community."

Entrants are invited to share the actions and impacts they have achieved over the past 2 years, with nominations open to both new and previous nominees.

There are 4 award categories this year:

- **Regenerative Agriculture:** Recognising outstanding contributions to the restoration of soils, waterways and biodiversity in agriculture.
- **Wildlife and Habitat Conservation:** Recognising

outstanding contributions to the protection and conservation or active management of wildlife and native habitat.

- **Tweed Tourism and Hospitality Sustainability:** Recognising outstanding contributions by tourism and hospitality operators that demonstrate exceptional commitment to the environment, community and economic development of the region.
- **Tweed Sustainability:** Recognising outstanding contributions to improve sustainability across multiple impact areas by individuals, schools, community groups and businesses.

Visit [tweed.nsw.gov.au/tweed-sustainability-awards](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/tweed-sustainability-awards) to nominate yourself or someone else online by midnight on Monday 31 July.

The award winners will be announced at a showcase event on Thursday 12 October 2023.



The Tweed Sustainability Awards were launched recently at the Murwillumbah Community Gardens. Deborah Bryce from the Murwillumbah Community Gardens is pictured with Council's Sustainability Education Officer Jane Moad (middle) and Sustainability Program Leader Debbie Firestone (right) with some of the fresh produce grown in the garden.



Nominations are now open with 4 categories in this year's Tweed Sustainability Awards.

## Get the Tweed Link early by email

Be one of the first to see all the latest news from Tweed Shire Council each week.

Subscribers to the Tweed Link receive it by email each week on Wednesday mornings, in addition to it appearing in print in the Tweed Valley Weekly on Thursdays.

But that's not all – you can also subscribe to Council job alerts, media releases and a range of e-newsletters and Council facility program alerts.

Sign up at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe)

## Keep an eye out for Kei apple

Kei apple (*Dovyalis caffra*) is a highly invasive plant and is listed as a 'Regional Priority – Prevention' weed under the North Coast Regional Strategic Weed Management Plan. This plant is not to be bought, sold, grown, carried or released into the environment in the North Coast of NSW.

Originally from southern Africa, Kei apple is a drought and frost tolerant plant which can be found in Queensland and New South Wales. It grows in wooded grassland areas, bushland and along forest edges, and will tolerate most soil types.



Kei apple grows up to 6 metres high with sharp thorns, has smooth green leaves and produces apricot-coloured fruit.

Photos: Rous County Council.

Kei apple grows up to 6 metres high with sharp thorns, has smooth green leaves and produces apricot-coloured fruit. Plants spread easily by seed, the fruit are eaten by birds and new plants often grow under trees or other places where birds perch. The plant has allelopathic properties, which means it will release hormones that kill surrounding plants and groundcovers.



Left uncontrolled, Kei apple forms a dense monoculture that has the potential to out-compete, and shade, native plants. The large, sharp spines can cause serious injury and infection to people and livestock and can restrict the movement of native animals.

**Do not attempt to treat or dispose of Kei apple yourself.**



If you see this plant, please notify Rous County Council Weed Biosecurity on 02 6623 3800 or [rous.nsw.gov.au/report-a-weed](https://rous.nsw.gov.au/report-a-weed)

We will lead an initial response for the treatment and disposal of the plant to stop it from spreading.

For more information, visit NSW WeedWise at [weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au/Weeds/KeiApple](https://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au/Weeds/KeiApple)

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# Fox control across Tweed

Pest animal control works are continuing across Tweed coastal areas this week after a successful program in previous years.

Recent camera monitoring recorded pest animal activity in coastal bushland areas at Fingal Head, Kingscliff, Hastings Point and Pottsville, with foxes and European hares recorded in these areas. These introduced pests are a threat to native wildlife and habitat.

A highly experienced specialist contractor is carrying out the control works until **Friday 16 June 2023**.

Warning signs are in place, with public access to all locations prohibited during the dates and times advised.

Contact Council's Program Leader Pest Management Wildlife Protection on 02 6670 2400.



## 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

**DA22/0578** – Use of deck, swimming pool, pool deck and cabana  
Lot 569 DP 755740, No. 10 Laura Street, **Banora Point**

**DA23/0148** – Carport  
Lot 2 SP 20894, Unit 2/No. 15 Toolona Avenue, **Banora Point**

**DA23/0218** – In-ground swimming pool  
Lot 1 DP 1008470, No. 21 Botanical Circuit, **Banora Point**

**DA23/0230** – Patio roof  
Lot 5 DP 263814, No. 153 Pioneer Parade, **Banora Point**

**DA23/0029** – Two storey dwelling with attached garage and in-ground swimming pool  
Lot 9 DP 1227671, Lot 8 DP 1227671, No. 3 Willow Avenue, **Bogangar**

**DA21/0939** – Secondary dwelling  
Lot 204 DP 241367, No. 13 Kurrajong Avenue, **Bogangar**

**DA23/0176** – Two storey dwelling with attached garage  
Lot 524 DP 1137688, No. 10 Forster Avenue, **Kingscliff**

**DA23/0197** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including portico, 1.5 m front fence and carport forward of the building line  
Lot 84 DP 260286, No. 5 Kindee Street, **Kingscliff**

**DA22/0629** – Demolition of existing sheds and construction of a secondary dwelling  
Lot 22 DP 704246, No. 11 Ozone Street, **Kingscliff**

**DA23/0213** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including house raising  
Lot 1 DP 545176, No. 104 Clothiers Creek Road, **Nunderi**

**DA23/0189** – Partial in-ground swimming pool and associated decking  
Lot 241 DP 1033384, No. 11 Muskheart Circuit, **Pottsville**

**DA23/0190** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including house raising and re-siting  
Lot 6 Section 9 DP 2974, No. 23 Wardrop Street, **South Murwillumbah**

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

Visit [tweed.nsw.gov.au/job-vacancies](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/job-vacancies) to view current vacancies. Subscribe to receive **Job Vacancy Alerts** via email at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe)

## Request for offer

**RFO2023101 Expression of Interest – Greenhills Lodge Repurpose (Property: 433 – 437 Tweed Valley Way, South Murwillumbah)**

**Offers close:** Wednesday 12 noon (AEST) 30 June 2023

Offers must be lodged as specified in the offer documentation.

Request for offer documentation is available at no charge from at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/tenders-contracts](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/tenders-contracts)

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 email contact Contracts Administration on [adminidu@tweed.nsw.gov.au](mailto:adminidu@tweed.nsw.gov.au)

The purpose of this expression of interest (EOI) is to seek an organisation(s) interested in repurposing the Greenhills Lodge Residential Aged Care Facility located at 433–437 Tweed Valley Way, South Murwillumbah NSW 2484, Lots 19 and 20 in DP9871 (Property).



## Development proposals for public comment

The following development applications have been received by Tweed Shire Council and may be viewed on Council's DA Tracking site at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/datracking](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/datracking) for a period of 14 days from Wednesday 14 June to Wednesday 28 June 2023.

### Application details

**DA23/0091** – Use of existing structure as a restaurant and associated parking  
Lot A DP 409903, Lot 1 DP 375383, No. 34 Crabbes Creek Road, **Crabbes Creek**  
Mr Warren Brett Keogh

**DA23/0209** – Concept Development Application under Section 4.22 of the EP&A Act 1979 for the staged redevelopment of the Tweed Mall – concept plan only (NRPP)  
Lot 1 DP 820693, Lot 2 DP 561138, Lot 1 DP 245697, Lot 672 DP 755740 Wharf Street; Lot 3 DP 520173, Lot 3 DP 520173 No. 36 Bay Street; Lot 1 DP 866236 No. 16–32 Wharf Street, **Tweed Heads**  
Elanor Funds Management Limited

Any person may, during the period specified above, make a submission in writing to Council in relation to the Development Application. Where a submission is in the form of an objection, then the grounds of objection are required to be specified. 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* – GIPA 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 at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/development-applications](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/development-applications)



## Have your say

Add your voice to decision making in the Tweed

## Proposed licence of Council-managed Crown Land

Council proposes to grant a license in respect of community land as follows:

- **Property:** 76 Fernvale Road, Fernvale, Lot 7005 in DP92890 and Lot 181 in DP755698, Crown Reserve 91428 as outlined in the location diagram shown below.
- **Term:** Five (5) Years
- **Permitted use:** Community centre (as per Crown Reserve dedicated purposes)
- **Licensee:** Murwillumbah Potters Inc. ABN 59 705 646 483



The land has previously been leased to the proposed licensee and the previous agreement has expired. Council now proposes to enter into a new 5-year licence agreement with them for their use of the premises.

### Have your say

Written submissions relating to this proposal are to be made to Council up to 12 July 2023:

- **Online:** Complete the submission form at [yoursaytweed.com.au/fernvalehall](http://yoursaytweed.com.au/fernvalehall)
- **Mail:** PO Box 816, Murwillumbah, NSW 2484
- **Email:** [tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au)

Under the provisions of the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* (NSW), such submissions may be referred to third parties for consideration.

**Council reference:** PN:41954, Licence – Fernvale Hall

**Enquiries:** Jennie Stephenson, Technical Officer – Property, 02 6670 2400

Learn more at [yoursaytweed.com.au/fernvalehall](http://yoursaytweed.com.au/fernvalehall)

This notice is in accordance with section 47 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW).

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