

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.



Work has started to upgrade the park and playground at Recreation Ground which will revitalise and modernise the space.

Recreation Ground upgrade is underway

Another park in the Tweed will soon be getting a makeover. Work on the exciting new playground upgrade at Recreation Ground, Tweed Heads has now started, making it more welcoming and accessible for everyone to enjoy.

The playground is temporarily closed during construction however vehicle access for market organisers will remain open.

The park and playground is expected to reopen in late December, in time for the summer holidays.

The upgraded park will include a new public toilet, play equipment for 2- to 12-year-olds, swings, nature play with teepee, bouldering wall, basketball key, built shade structure, accessible barbecues, picnic setting and seating,

landscaping and additional tree planting.

This exciting project is one way Council is providing our community with more opportunities to be active and healthy and even more reasons to love the Tweed.

Council received a \$200,000 grant from the NSW Government's Everyone Can Play grant program to upgrade Recreation Ground to be more inclusive of everyone, which will be matched by Council. An additional \$400,000 in funding has also been received from the NSW Government's Regional Housing Fund for youth recreation facilities and park facilities.

Visit yoursaytweed.com.au/recreationground for more information about the project or contact Council's Parks and Active Communities team on 02 6670 2400.

Tweed's oldest soccer club kicks goals

The Tweed's oldest soccer field, Brian Breckenridge Field in Tumbulgum, is back in action with the restoration of its 64-year-old clubhouse now complete, 16 months after it was inundated by flood.

Council Sportsfields Officer Gary Bryant handed back the facility to Tumbulgum Rangers Soccer Club officials, including to life member and namesake, Brian Breckenridge ASM.

"I've been here in Tumbulgum since 1947 and it's the biggest flood I've ever seen and we've ever had in the Tweed and just to get the Club up and running again, it's been a challenge, but we've stuck with it and we've got it back," Mr Breckenridge said.

"It's very good, it's an honour for the Club and we thank

the Council."

Restoration works were jointly funded by Stage 1 of the NSW Government's Sports Priority Needs Program and the Tumbulgum Rangers Soccer Club.

Council's Flood Restoration team installed a new canteen with more flood-resilient, stainless-steel benches (secured by the club); improved storerooms; repaired home and away changerooms and male toilets; laid more flood-resilient epoxy flooring; plus completed exterior works to the clubhouse, including a new and raised electrical box.

Council is committed to working with communities to help build resilience to natural disasters while providing opportunities to be active and healthy.



Visit Council's stalls at the World Environment Day Festival for lots of great tips, information and free activities.

Council working with the community for the planet

Where can you get your favourite native animal painted on your face, a free bag of compost and get that pesky weed identified all in one place? The popular World Environment Day Festival – that's where!

The free community event will be held on Sunday 16 July from 10 am to 3:30 pm at Knox Park, Murwillumbah. The festival is hosted each year by the Caldera Environment Centre and focuses on protection of the natural environment with live music and performances, environmental speakers, demonstrations, kids' activities, information stalls and delicious food.

Council will be showcasing a range of programs and services aimed at protecting the Tweed's environment, including weed identification, Tweed Sustainability Awards nomination support, bike maintenance and education

TARGET
160 Last week we each used
173L a day
as at 3 July 2023



In brief ...

Roof repairs at Murwillumbah Civic Centre

Work to replace the roof on Council's Murwillumbah Civic Centre building will start this week. The roof has extensive rust issues and ongoing leaks and has reached the end of its useful life.

Traffic control will be in place over the next few weeks with detours and parking in the vicinity potentially impacted.

Parking is available in the nearby multistorey carpark with the ground floor accessible from Tumbulgum Road and the top two floors accessible from Queen Street.

Council's customer service counters, the Tweed Regional Aquatic Centre, Starting Block Café and Library will remain open and signage will be in place.

Minor disruptions may occur during construction, including noise, dust, and some out of hours work. Updates about the project will be provided in future editions of Tweed Link.

Updated charges for commercial recycling loads

Due to increased transport, processing and handling costs Council has introduced fees for the disposal of commercial quantities of recyclables and metal.

From 1 July 2023, anyone bringing 60kg or more of household or commercial recyclable material or 500kg or more of metal to Stotts Creek Resource Recovery Centre will now be considered as having a commercial load and incur a charge.

The new charge will be a commercial rate of \$150 per tonne for the whole load. Customers bringing any less than these amounts can still do so for free.

These charges reflect only part of what it costs Council to manage and process these materials to ensure they are recycled correctly. Council does not pass on costs related to transport and handling of these materials.

Recycling responsibly is just one way we can work together towards reducing our impact on the natural environment and to ensure less to landfill.



Funding for farmers to kick start projects

If you build it, they will come. Or if you apply, you may receive!

The latest round of Tweed Shire Council's Sustainable Agriculture Small Grants Program is now open with applications being accepted until 25 August 2023.

The grant program has been running since 2018 providing farmers with financial and technical support to initiate projects that improve the health of soils, waterways and biodiversity on local farms.

Grants of up to \$4,000 are available for eligible activities that trial or lead to the adoption of improved farming practices.

The Sustainable Agriculture Small Grants Program highlights Council's commitment to working with the community to reduce our impact on the natural environment and adapt to climate change for a sustainable future.

To view the grant guidelines, case studies of previous grant recipients or find out more about the farm walk and talks visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/agriculture-farming or contact the Program Leader – Sustainable Agriculture on 02 6670 2400 for further information.

workshop, get involved in the taste test: tap vs bottled water challenge, take the 'Three Bin Challenge' and find out what goes in each bin, plus learn why it's important to only flush the 3 Ps down the loo. Also get involved with free face painting for the kids, free bags of compost and other reusable prizes to be won.

Visit the Caldera Environment Centre's website at calderaenvironmentcentre.org for the full program.

Find out how Council looks after the Tweed's environment at tweed.nsw.gov.au/environment, or for recycling tips go to tweed.nsw.gov.au/waste-recycling or water saving tips visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/water-savings-restrictions

World Environment Day is sponsored by Tweed Shire Council. For further information on what Council will be offering at the festival, contact Debbie Firestone, Program Lead – Climate Change and Sustainability on 02 6670 2400.

Upcoming ePayment and Property Services outage

Council's ePayment and Property Services portal will be unavailable from 4 pm Thursday 13 July to Monday 17 July.

Please note that online eProperty Section 603 certificates will not be issued until the 2023–24 rate levies have been calculated on Monday 17 July. Levy information will be available after this date.

Please refrain from lodging applications this week and until Tuesday 18 July. This project supports Council services to be effective and transparent.



Have your say

Add your voice to decision making in the Tweed

Draft Debt Management and Hardship Policy on public exhibition

The purpose of this policy is to outline Council's debt recovery framework and considerations to be used in recovering monies owed to Council. Council recognises there are cases of financial hardship requiring respect and compassion. This policy establishes guidelines for the assessment of hardship applications applying the principles of respect, fairness, integrity, flexibility, confidentiality and compliance with relevant statutory requirements.

Have your say

We value your feedback and appreciate any input you may have on this policy. You can make a submission up to 4 pm, Tuesday 1 August 2023 in one of the following ways:

- **Online:** yoursaytweed.com.au/hardshippolicy
- **Email:** tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au
- **Mail:** General Manager, Tweed Shire Council, 10–14 Tumbulgum Road, Murwillumbah NSW 2484.

Enquiries: Gary Boyd, Manager Financial Services, phone 02 6670 2400.

Council confidentiality policy: On request, any submission including identifying particulars will be made public. Council will give consideration to the 'Public Interest' and requests for confidentiality however, the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* may require confidential submissions to be released to an applicant.

Help us make decisions with you
Register at yoursaytweed.com.au

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

DA23/0060 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including inground swimming pool

Lot 19 Section 1DP 2634, Lot 20 Section 1DP 2634, No. 10–12 Clarke Street, **Cudgen**

DA23/0022 – Demolition and earthworks (fill) for remediation

Lot 3DP 246773, No. 60–64 Quarry Road, **South Murwillumbah**

DA23/0164 – Semi above-ground swimming pool
Lot 25 DP 263408, No. 51 Smiths Creek Road, **Uki**

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

Current vacancies

Visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/job-vacancies to view current vacancies. Subscribe to receive **Job Vacancy Alerts** via email at tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe

WATER WEEK
Week 1 starts
10 July 2021

Check when your
water meter is read at
tweed.nsw.gov.au/meter-reading

Development proposals for public comment

The following development application has been received by Tweed Shire Council and may be viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au for a period of 14 days from Wednesday 5 July to Wednesday 19 July 2023.

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

Applicant	Location	Proposal	Application no.
Twin Towns Services Club Limited	Lot 1 DP 1088100; No. 260 Fraser Drive, Tweed Heads South	Electricity generator and ancillary structures	DA23/0299

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Applicant	Location	Proposal	Application no.
Gales Kingscliff Pty Ltd	Lot 21 DP 1082482; No. 2 Altona Road, Chinderah	Roadworks and ancillary earthworks and drainage works	DA23/0245

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.

Section 4.55 modification application for public comment

The following Section 4.55 application has been received by Tweed Shire Council and may be viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au for a period of 14 days from Wednesday 5 July to Wednesday 19 July 2023.

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

Applicant	Location	Proposal	File no.
Bupa Aged Care Australia Pty Ltd	Lot 730 DP 1140235; No. 41–51 Ballina Street, Pottsville	Amendment to Development Consent DA06/0358 for a residential aged care building seeking changes to Condition Number 5 to allow rooms to be occupied by staff	DA06/0358.07

Proposed modification

Amend Condition Number 5 to allow rooms to be occupied by staff employed to assist in the administration of and provision of services in addition to people aged 55 years or more, and people with a disability, as defined by State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing) 2021.

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 117 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021*, there is no right of appeal under Section 8.8 of the Act by an objector.

Notification of designated development proposal

Development Application No. DA23/0279

A development application has been lodged by Design Build Instruct seeking development consent for boundary fencing at Lot 1 DP 1264821; No. 52 Coronation Avenue, **Pottsville**. Tweed Shire Council is the consent authority for the application.

The proposed development constitutes 'Designated Development' pursuant to Section 4.10 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (as amended) and Clause 7(1) and Schedule 3 of the accompanying Regulation.

The development application and the documents accompanying it, including the relevant environmental impact statement may be viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au for a period of 28 days from Wednesday 5 July to Wednesday 2 August 2023.

Any submission objecting to the proposed development must state the ground upon which such objection is made. Further, any person who makes a submission by way of objection and who is dissatisfied with Council's determination in relation to the matter may appeal to the Land and Environment Court in accordance with Section 8.8 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (as amended). If a Commission of Inquiry is held, the Minister's determination of the application is final and not subject to appeal.

Notification of integrated development application

Development Application No. DA23/0301

A development application has been lodged by Mr M DeGood seeking development consent for staged subdivision of 6 existing lots into three lots at Lot 1 DP 1178597 & Lot 2 DP 1178597 & Lot 23 DP 1058759 & Lot 3 DP 1178597; No. 88 Round Mountain Road; Lot 1 DP 601993 & Lot 4 DP 601993; Round Mountain Road, **Round Mountain**. 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 100B of the <i>Rural Fires Act 1997</i>	General Approval	Rural Fire Service

The development application and the documents accompanying it may be viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au

The documents will be available for a period of 14 days from Wednesday 5 July to Wednesday 19 July 2023.

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. Any submission objecting to the proposed development must state the ground upon which such objection is made.

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

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