



Don't miss the Family Centre's Walk on Country, a community walk from Cudgen Creek to Kingscliff foreshore, on Sunday 2 June. Pictured centre: Russell Logan with Walk on Country participants in 2023.

## Let's celebrate National Reconciliation Week!

**Council is celebrating National Reconciliation Week (NRW) this week with an exhibition opening, a traveling museum and the launch of a new Reconciliation Action Plan.**

Director Sustainable Communities and Environment Naomi Searle said she was proud of how far Council had come in working to embed the principles and purpose of reconciliation across the organisation and wider community.

"We are proud to have the support of one of the country's longest serving Aboriginal Advisory Committees (AAC) who have provided Council with guidance for over 25 years," Ms Searle said.

"Council will continue to work with First Nations people and our AAC to ensure we continue to learn from, acknowledge and respect Aboriginal people and Country in everything we do. While we have achieved much, there is still more work to be done."

As part of NRW, Council will launch its second Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP), a framework for action that guides Council's reconciliation efforts over a 2-year period.

The community is invited to join in one of several

events as part of this year's NRW – which runs from 27 May to 3 June every year.

On **Friday 31 May**, the Tweed Regional Gallery will open *Saltwater Currents: First Nations Seascapes and Contemporary Artefacts*, showcasing the works of Yiman, Ghungalu, Gurreng Gurreng artist Anthony J Walker.

The Tweed Regional Museum has also expanded its award-winning *Land | Life | Culture* display, which highlights the enduring connection of the Tweed Bundjalung people to the land.

The Museum on Wheels (MoW) will be traveling during the week, bringing a condensed version of the exhibition to the Minjungbal Museum & Cultural Centre on Friday 31 May for their Reconciliation Week celebration.

The week will culminate in a Walk on Country at Kingscliff on **Sunday 2 June**, starting at 10 am from Ed Parker Rotary Park (beside Cudgen Creek), finishing at Cudgen Headland Surf Life Saving Club. Entry is free and includes a community barbecue, live music, Elders morning tea and children's activities.

For more information, read the full media release at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/latest-news](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/latest-news)

### In brief ...

#### Interested in running for Council?

Anyone considering running for Council at the upcoming NSW Local Government election is invited to attend a candidate briefing session, with two sessions to be held in Murwillumbah next week.

The candidate briefing sessions will be hosted by former Lismore mayor Jenny Dowell, who urged anyone interested in standing for election on 14 September to attend.

The sessions will cover how councils work, what the administrative arm of a council does and the important governance role of being an elected community representative.

The briefing sessions will be held on Tuesday 4 June in Murwillumbah. A morning and evening session will be held and prospective candidates need only attend one session.

Visit [tweed.nsw.gov.au/council-elections](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/council-elections) to book your spot.

**Plant a tree for World Environment Day**  
In recognition of World Environment Day, Council is hosting a community tree planting event at Kynnumboon, near Murwillumbah, this Sunday 2 June.

This free family-friendly event, which runs from 9 am to 2 pm, includes guided tours through a remnant rainforest, an Indigenous welcome to country, and food and drink cart.

This year's theme for World Environment Day is 'our land, our future' and aims to raise awareness about land restoration and drought resilience.

Come along and help to restore native forest and wildlife habitat.

Register for the event at [events.humanitix.com/community-tree-planting-event-at-kynnumboon](https://events.humanitix.com/community-tree-planting-event-at-kynnumboon)



Help restore native forest at a community tree planting day near Murwillumbah this Sunday 2 June.



Hastings Point Wastewater Treatment Plant.

## Hasting Point wastewater plant performance upgrade

**Residents and business operators in Cabarita Beach, Bogangar, Hastings Point and Pottsville are invited to provide input into the options assessment report for upgrading the performance of Hastings Point Wastewater Treatment Plant.**

Manager Water and Wastewater Business and Assets Michael Wright said independent consultant GHD had identified a preferred option among 5 detailed in the report.

"Ageing assets and population growth is putting pressure on the plant's performance," Mr Wright said.

"While the plant is licensed by the NSW Environmental Protection Authority to service about 18,000 people, it currently services 12,860 people.

"It needs some improvement works now to ensure it can meet its licensed capacity into the future and we'd value feedback from the community on the draft

assessment options report."

GHD has identified Option 4 as the preferred upgrade – constructing a third extended aeration tank, new inlet works and odour treatment system, a 99kW solar array, other complementary improvements and renewal of existing components at the plant.

Mr Wright said once Council had determined a preferred option, it would finalise the concept design, review environmental factors and determine planning and other government agency approvals. This is expected to take 12 months.

Once these actions are complete and approvals in place, the project will move to the detailed design stage followed by construction, expected to take an additional 2 years.

Go to [yoursaytweed.com.au/hastings-point-plant-upgrade](https://yoursaytweed.com.au/hastings-point-plant-upgrade) to find out more and make a submission.



## Join local Tweed graziers at Council's next Walk and Talk

Join Tweed graziers Lexie and Anastasia Gunn and Council's Sustainable Agriculture team as they walk and talk their way through a regenerative agriculture, pasture-cropping trial at Terragon near Uki.

The free event is aimed at Tweed farmers and will be held on Thursday 6 June from 12 pm to 2.30 pm.

Tired of battling pasture dieback and struggling against invasive broad-leaved weeds, Anastasia and Lexie are trialling pasture cropping to improve their soil and pasture management practices.

Come along and find out how multi-species pastures

can be used to build soil health, increase productivity and combat weeds and pasture dieback.

This event is part of Council's commitment to working together with the community to reduce our impact on the natural environment in the Tweed.

Registrations essential. Secure your spot at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/agriculture-farming](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/agriculture-farming)

**Image:** Local grazer Anastasia Gunn will share her experiences trialling pasture cropping at Council's next farm Walk and Talk on Thursday 6 June.



## Vital Murwillumbah stormwater pump station work gets underway

Construction has started on a new stormwater pump station behind the levee at Murwillumbah (Brothers) Leagues Club, in a major step towards improving flood mitigation in Murwillumbah.

The \$1.6 million project is being undertaken by Council in partnership with the National Emergency Management Agency, the Reconstruction Authority and the NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water.

The new pump station is a vital component of Council's flood mitigation strategy for Murwillumbah and aims to reduce the impact of stormwater flooding in the area.

Work started in early May and is expected to take about 3 months to complete, weather permitting. During construction, the levee wall and dirt track behind Brothers' clubhouse, at the intersection of Dorothy and Frances streets, will be closed to the public.

Two new pumps will be installed, standing approximately 2 metres tall, which combined will be able to move almost 1,000 litres of stormwater per second, at full speed.

Council's Director Engineering David Oxenham said the pump station would not eliminate all flooding but would reduce the frequency and magnitude of nuisance flooding due to storm events.

The new pump station is one of several projects being delivered in the Tweed as part of the Northern Rivers Recovery and Resilience Program following the devastating 2022 flood. Other projects include:

- Wharf Street pump station upgrade
- Lavender Creek pump station upgrade
- detailed evacuation procedures
- Alma Street modification
- earthworks across Lot 4 on Quarry Road and modification of Condong Creek.



Brothers leagues club (centre) surrounded by floodwaters in the 2022 flood.



## Have your say

Add your voice to decision making in the Tweed

### Provide your input – Hastings Point Wastewater Treatment Plant Options assessment report

Aging assets and population growth are putting pressure on the performance of this wastewater treatment plant. Council needs to upgrade the plant's performance to ensure it can service its licensed capacity of 18,000 people. It currently services about 12,860 people.

An assessment of 5 upgrade options has been prepared by independent consultant GHD. GHD has identified the construction of a new extended aeration tank and other complementary improvement works as the preferred option.

#### Have your say

We're inviting the community to provide input into the draft options assessment report. If you are interested, please make a submission by 4 pm, Friday 21 June 2024.

Visit [yoursaytweed.com.au/hastings-point-plant-upgrade](https://yoursaytweed.com.au/hastings-point-plant-upgrade) to find out more.

**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.



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### Community notice

Chinderah Districts Residents Association meet Tuesday 4 June 2024, 7 pm (AEST) at Uniting Church Hall, 24 Kingscliff Street, opposite nursing home Kingscliff.

### Current vacancies

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

WATER WEEK 8



Check when your water meter is read at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/meter-reading](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/meter-reading)

### 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

**CDC24/0032** – Inground swimming pool

Lot 148 DP 834929, No. 6 Cashel Crescent, **Banora Point**

**DA24/0123** – Carport within the front building line

Lot 569 DP 217268, No. 5 Poplar Avenue, **Bogangar**

**DA23/0606** – Use of alterations and additions to existing dwelling

Lot 4 DP 218432, No. 7 Hope Street, **Bray Park**

**DA23/0430** – Dual occupancy (attached) with swimming pools

Lot 4 DP 1291087, No. 59A Nautilus Way, **Kingscliff**

**DA24/0105** – Patio roof and carport forward of the building line

Lot 231 DP 818258, No. 21 Edward Avenue, **Pottsville**

**DA23/0333** – Demolition of existing dwelling, three storey dwelling with basement and swimming pool

Lot 13 NPP 285240, THE ISLE, Unit 13/No. 6 Mariners Drive East, **Tweed Heads**

**DA22/0177** – Demolition of existing structures, tree removal and erection of a 7 unit residential flat building above car parking level and associated works

Lot C DP 100532, Lot B DP 100532, No. 10 Hill Street, **Tweed Heads**

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](https://datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au)

### Amended development proposal for public comment

The following amended development application has been received by Tweed Shire Council and may be viewed on Council's DA Tracking site at [datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au](https://datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au) for a period of 14 days from Wednesday 29 May to Wednesday 12 June 2024.

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

Applicant	Location	Proposal	Application no.
The Trustee For Mr Chook Fingal Trust	Lot 353 DP 755740; No. 50 Main Road, <b>Fingal Head</b>	Alterations and additions to Fingal General Store and Restaurant	DA22/0797

Any person may, during the period specified above, make a submission in writing to Council in relation to the amended 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 [tweed.nsw.gov.au/development-applications](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/development-applications)

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