

In brief ...

Local Government Week: National Tree Day success & upcoming events



Thank you to everyone who joined us in Banora Point for National Tree Day as part of this week's Local Government Week celebrations. Over 50 people attended and 850 trees were planted!

There's still time to join free activities for Local Government Week. For details about upcoming events, including our Tweed Lab or Clarrie Hall Dam tours this Friday 2 August, visit: tweed.nsw.gov.au/local-government-week

Delayed works at Ducat St, Tweed Heads

Residents, businesses and motorists are advised the planned commencement of resealing works on Ducat Street, Tweed Heads has been delayed due to the contractor being delayed on other works beyond the control of Council.

The contractor Colas Queensland is planning the works to commence on Sunday 11 August and will take up to 2 weeks, weather permitting. The work involves upgrading the road surface from the intersection of Ducat Street and Jalibah Avenue to the intersection with Ourimbah Road. Work will be carried out between 6 pm and 4 am when traffic volumes are at their lowest.

Interested in running in the NSW Local Government Elections?

The NSW Local Government Elections will be held on Saturday 14 September and people from all walks of life are encouraged to stand for their community to increase diversity in local government.

Individuals and groups eager to run for the upcoming election must both register as a **candidate** or group and also **nominate** to have their name or group included on the ballot paper.

Registration for candidates is currently open and candidate nominations open Monday 5 August. Both candidate registrations and nominations will close strictly at 12 noon on Wednesday 14 August.

For more information, including key dates and how to register as a candidate, visit the NSW Electoral Commission at elections.nsw.gov.au or phone 1300 135 736.

EOIs for Advisory Committees

Residents can help shape the Tweed community by joining one of Council's Advisory Committees for the upcoming term.

Expressions of Interest (EOI) are open for four committees, offering residents the chance to provide valuable advice to Council.

- Equal Access Advisory Committee
- Floodplain Management Advisory Committee
- Tweed Coast Koala Advisory Committee
- Tweed Coast and Waterways Advisory Committee.

EOIs close on Monday, 12 August 2024.

For more info and to register, visit: yoursaytweed.com.au/advisory-committee-eoi-2024

2024/25 bin collection calendar out now!

Don't know when to put the bins out?

Download our 2024-25 bin collection calendar! This handy calendar tells you which colour bins are being collected and when. Simply pop in your address and you'll find out which bins go out next.

Download at tweed.nsw.gov.au/bin-collection-days Be the #Binfluencer in your street!



The Northern Rivers Rail Trail, a top 10% global attraction, has significantly boosted the Tweed economy by over \$3.7 million in its first year. Photo: The Tweed Tourism Co.

Northern Rivers Rail Trail: A global attraction and local economic boost

The Northern Rivers Rail Trail has earned Tripadvisor's coveted Travelers' Choice Award, ranking it in the top 10% of attractions worldwide.

This award celebrates attractions that have consistently received great traveller reviews on the global travel review website over the past 12 months. The recognition highlights how the Rail Trail has become a major visitor attraction for the Northern Rivers, and with the Richmond Valley section now open, it is likely to bring even more visitation and economic benefit to the region.

The Rail Trail, a shared recreation and nature trail, is the newest 'must do' experience in the region. It is free and accessible for people of all ages and abilities. The first 24 km section, stretching from Murwillumbah to Crabbes Creek, opened in the Tweed on 1 March 2023. Since then, the Tweed section has welcomed more than 146,000 users, including locals, domestic, and international visitors.

In its first year, the Tweed section of the Northern Rivers Rail Trail has exceeded expectations, contributing over \$3.7 million to the local economy.

An independent Economic Impact Assessment Report by Muller Enterprise, commissioned by Tweed Shire Council and the Northern Rivers Joint Organisation, highlights the significant benefits the Rail Trail has brought to the Tweed.

The second section from Casino to Bentley in the Richmond Valley, spanning 13.4 km, opened in March 2024. Construction of the 16.3 km section from Lismore to Bentley is progressing and is expected to open later this year. Eventually, the Rail Trail will connect with Byron and Lismore, creating a 132 km long trail.

The establishment of the Rail Trail is part of Tweed Shire Council's commitment to providing our community with opportunities to be active and healthy, while also making the Tweed a great place to live and visit.

For further information you can visit northernriversrailtrail.com.au

To read the report go to tweed.nsw.gov.au/northern-rivers-rail-trail

Solar boost for Kingscliff wastewater treatment plant

The installation of 160 high-efficiency solar panels at the Kingscliff Wastewater Treatment Plant is set to further cut Council's greenhouse gas emissions by 85,500 kilograms and its energy bill by almost \$30,000 a year.

This follows last year's opening of a 1,208-panel solar array at the Banora Point Wastewater Treatment Plant. It was the biggest on the NSW north coast before the Tweed Valley Hospital opened.

Council now has 1,440 kilowatts of solar panels at 17 facilities, with plans to install another 290 kilowatts at water and wastewater treatment plants in the next 2 years.

The Kingscliff plant went solar in 2019 with a 99-kilowatt array.

Water and Wastewater Business and Assets Manager Michael Wraight said the plant's additional 80-kilowatt system would provide an extra 300-kilowatt hours a day of renewable energy.

"It takes a great amount of energy to transfer and treat wastewater, with our treatment plants among Council's biggest energy consumers," Mr Wraight said.

"The new solar panels are helping power the operations of our plants while reducing greenhouse

gas emissions from the use of grid electricity."

The installation of solar panels is part of Council's Renewable Energy Action Plan, which has achieved a 25% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from its electricity use.

The plan can be accessed at: tweed.nsw.gov.au/sustainable-operations

The Kingscliff Wastewater Treatment Plant processes the sewage of about 20,000 people from Kingscliff, Fingal, Chinderah, Cudgen, South Kingscliff (Salt) and Casuarina.



Council has installed an extra 160 solar panels at the Kingscliff Wastewater Treatment Plant.

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

- DA24/0210** – Swimming pool
Lot 2 DP 553577, No. 41 Scenic Drive, **Bilambil Heights**
- DA24/0260** – Demolition
Lot 5 DP 565926, Lot 6 DP 565926, Lot 9 DP 830659, Lot 9 DP 830659, No. 204–218 Chinderah Bay Drive, **Chinderah**
- DA24/0204** – Inground swimming pool
Lot 17 DP 1176104, No. 13 Tweed Valley Way, **Condong**
- DA23/0603** – Demolition of existing dwelling, new dwelling and attached garage
Lot 1 DP 1180767, No. 1A Letitia Road, **Fingal Head**
- DA23/0505** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling
Lot 283 DP 542540, No. 64 Sutherland Street, **Kingscliff**
- DA24/0059** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling, including pool house, swimming pool and associated decking, detached garage and tree removal
Lot 1 Section 17 DP 758739, No. 2 Bent Street, **Murwillumbah**
- DA24/0201** – Use of detached dwelling addition and new additions
Lot 290 DP 1125090, No. 18 Woodfull Crescent, **Pottsville**
- DA24/0244** – Inground swimming pool
Lot 210 DP 806528, No. 24 Buckingham Drive, **Pottsville**
- DA24/0220** – Shed
Lot 441 DP 1270825, No. 37 Market Parade, **Terranora**
- DA24/0225** – Swimming pool and associated decking
Lot 10 DP 204145, No. 374 Terranora Road, **Terranora**
- DA24/0130** – Carport forward of building and use of alterations and additions to an existing dwelling
Lot 34 DP 244220, No. 25 Compass Way, **Tweed Heads**
- DA24/0189** – Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of a new retaining wall
Lot 17 DP 865925, No. 23 Quayside Court, **Tweed Heads**
- DA24/0167** – Carport within the front building line
Lot 1 SP 14554, Unit 1/No. 126 Jacaranda Avenue, **Tweed Heads West**
- DA24/0255** – Swimming pool and decks
Lot 36 DP 29195, No. 63 Panorama Drive, **Tweed Heads West**
- DA23/0574** – Erection of a dwelling to create a detached dual occupancy
Lot 398 DP 216708, No. 123 Hastings Road, **Bogangar**
- DA23/0526** – Dual occupancy (attached) including two swimming pools and strata title subdivision
Lot 67 DP 1264557, No. 20 Black Wattle Circuit, **Casuarina**
- DA24/0067** – Erection of new dwelling and secondary dwelling
Lot 7 DP 1264557, No. 35 Blue Horizon Drive, **Casuarina**
- DA22/0454** – Demolition of existing dwelling and ancillary structures, construction of a residential flat building and related landscaping
Lot 9 Section 5 DP 758571, No. 41 Kingscliff Street, **Kingscliff**
- DA23/0511** – Alterations and additions to existing commercial premises, change of use to medical facility and retail, signage and strata subdivision
Lot 1 DP 772600, No. 36–42 Murwillumbah Street, **Murwillumbah**
- DA23/0253** – Retaining wall and vegetation removal
Lot 1 DP 783900, No. 886 Tomewin Road, **Tomewin**
- DA22/0541** – Demolition of existing structures and erection of residential flat building (10 units)
Lot 17 Section 6 DP 4043, No. 15 Florence Street, **Tweed Heads**
- DA23/0084** – Use of existing alterations and additions and new alterations to a dual occupancy unit
SP 42690, Lot 2 SP 42690, No. 36 Leeward Terrace, **Tweed Heads**
- DA24/0071** – Signage
Lot 2145 DP 879149, No. 13–17 Corporation Circuit, **Tweed Heads South**

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

Community notice

Chinderah Districts Residents Association – meet Tuesday 6 August 2024, 7 pm (AEST) at Uniting Church Hall, 24 Kingscliff Street, opposite nursing home Kingscliff.

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

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Affordable Housing – who needs it?

There's still time to have your say on Council's draft Affordable Housing Strategy – a plan which aims to tackle the significant shortage of affordable housing in the Tweed.

Although Council does not build homes, it can implement policy to require a percentage of homes to be affordable, freeing up more housing options for those who need it, such as essential workers in the early stages of their careers.

Essential workers are critical to the functioning of the Tweed community. We need to attract and retain nurses, teachers and police who are vital for our region's health, safety and education. However, housing is becoming increasingly unaffordable for many of them.

The draft Affordable Housing Strategy outlines how Council will reform policy to enable housing supply.

It also has a mandated 10% target for Social and Affordable Housing.

Review and provide feedback on our Draft Affordable Housing Strategy before 4 pm, Wednesday 7 August on our Your Say Tweed page at yoursaytweed.com.au/affordablehousing



In the Tweed, housing is becoming increasingly unaffordable for essential workers, such as teachers.

Planning Committee meeting agenda – Thursday 1 August 2024

The Planning Committee meeting agenda for Thursday 1 August 2024 is available on Council's website tweed.nsw.gov.au/councillors-meetings. The meeting will be held at the Harvard Room, Tweed Heads Administration Building, Brett Street, Tweed Heads commencing at 3:30pm.

Agenda

Reports for consideration

Reports from the Director Planning and Regulation

- Development Application DA23/0314 for shop top housing comprising 34 dwellings and 2 commercial tenancies at Lot 8 Section 2 DP 2379, Lot 2 DP 205411 No. 151 Wharf Street, Tweed Heads
- Development Application DA23/0474 for minor alterations and additions to residential portion of existing shop top housing development to enclose a portion of common property to create private courtyard at SP 106372 No. 81 Wharf Street, Tweed Heads
- Development Application DA15/0828.02 for an amendment to Development Consent DA15/0828 for three townhouses at Lot 53 SP 91510 No. 53/77 Tamarind Avenue, Bogangar
- Development Application DA21/0707 for a staged subdivision of two existing lots into seven lots at Lot 33 DP 1252272 No. 3 Murraya Way Cudgen and Lot 34 DP 1252272 No. 9 Murraya Way, Cudgen
- Planning Proposal PP23/0005 (Planning Portal Reference No. PP-2023-2444) – Lot 4 DP 1234959 No. 45 Bells Boulevard, Kingscliff – Salt Surf Lifesaving Club
- Planning Proposal for Solo Resource Recovery (PP24/0004)
- Draft Planning Proposal for Employment Land at Wardrop Valley Road, Lot 1 in DP 842157 (and Council Land – Lot 1 in DP 1069561) – progress update
- Architectural Design Competition Waiver Request – Nos. 12–16 Florence Street, Tweed Heads
- Mooball Urban Release Area – Completion of Clause 30 Pre-Development Application Lodgement Requirements (5867 and 5861 Tweed Valley Way Mooball, Lot 2 in DP 534496 and Lot 7 in DP 593200)

Council meeting agenda – Thursday 1 August 2024

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Agenda

Reports for consideration

Confirmation of minutes

- Adoption of Recommendations from Planning Committee meeting held 1 August 2024

Reports from the Director Planning and Regulation

- Fees and Charges amendments (Building and Environmental Health Fees)

Reports from the Director Sustainable Communities and Environment

- Salt Surf Life Saving Club draft Plan of Management
- Demolition of World Heritage Rainforest Centre

Orders of the day in Committee

- Appeal Management DA23/0438

The agenda for these meetings, which may also include any late or supplementary reports, will be updated prior to the date of the meetings and is available on Council's website. It should be noted that confidential items are considered in closed session, which excludes media and public. Also, the 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 meetings are livestreamed, and video recordings will be available on Council's website following the meeting. A person's image and/or voice may be broadcast. Attendance at the meeting is to be taken as consent by a person to their image and/or voice being webcast

Notification of integrated development application

Development application no. DA24/0301

A development application has been lodged by Ms S Petersen seeking development consent for flood mitigation bund wall at Part Lot 1 DP 1058392 & Part Lot 2 DP 1058392, No. 123 McLeod Street, **Condong**. 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
Sections 89, 90 & 91 of the Water Management Act 2000	Water use approval, water management work approval or activity approval under Part 3 of Chapter 3	Department of Planning and Environment – 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. The documents will be available for a period of 28 days from Wednesday 31 July to Wednesday 28 August 2024.

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.

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 tweed.nsw.gov.au/development-applications