



Council is building a new kayak and canoe launch facility to enable easy access to Stotts Channel and the Tweed River.

## Canoe launch coming to Bruce Chick Park

Council is excited to announce the upcoming construction of a new kayak and canoe launch facility at Bruce Chick Park, near Tumbulgum.

The new launch facility will provide safe and convenient access to Stotts Channel, allowing paddlers to embark on a tranquil 2 to 3 hour journey around Stotts Island Nature Reserve.

Council's Waterways Project Officer Matthew Bloor said the upgrade would enable Tweed residents and visitors the opportunity to connect with nature while minimising impacts on the natural environment.

"Stotts Island is the largest remnant of subtropical floodplain rainforest remaining in New South Wales," Mr Bloor said.

"Though landing on Stotts Island is not permitted,

we're thrilled to offer the community the chance to appreciate its beauty from the water."

The upgrade marks the first step in a series of improvements for Bruce Chick Park, with carpark resealing due to take place in mid-2025.

Construction of the new kayak and canoe launch facility will commence soon and is expected to take approximately three months.

Bruce Chick Park carpark will be closed during this time to allow for construction activities.

This project is funded by a grant from the NSW Government's 'Boating Now' program.

To find out more about this exciting project, please visit:

[tweed.nsw.gov.au/community-assets-program](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/community-assets-program)

## Exciting Budd Park revitalisation enters the final stages

The Budd Park redevelopment will improve the park's aesthetic and recreational offerings, creating a vibrant space for outdoor activities and social gatherings.

The final stage of the Budd Park upgrade is now underway, following the successful completion of the first two stages in late 2024.

These earlier stages included demolishing the flood prone World Heritage Rainforest Centre (also known as Murwillumbah's Visitor Information Centre), removing the internal access road linking the two existing car parks and building a new car park near the Riverview Hotel.

Now, the focus shifts to enhancing the parkland itself.

The final stage will bring a variety of new features to the riverside park, including accessible picnic settings, seating, barbecues, shelters, pathways, bike racks, and public art.

Construction is expected to be finished by May 2025, weather permitting.

LD Total, the contractor for this stage, has a strong history of successful collaborations with Council,

having worked on local projects such as Jack Evans Boat Harbour and Livvi's Place at Goorimahbah.

This project is part of a \$15.5 million grant awarded to Council through the Community Asset Program (CAP), supported by the Australian and NSW governments. The program aims to restore and enhance community assets impacted by storms and floods, with a focus on improving accessibility and flood resilience.

The revitalisation of Budd Park will not only improve the park's visual appeal but also elevate its recreational value for the community.

In addition to the works at Budd Park, Council is also upgrading 14 other flood-impacted car parks throughout the Tweed Shire over the next 12 months.

The upgrades include internal access road repairs, drainage improvements, car park pavement repairs and resealing, pathways and access enhancements, including accessible parking bays, and tree planting.

For more information on these projects, visit [tweed.nsw.gov.au/community-assets-program](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/community-assets-program) and [tweed.nsw.gov.au/budd-park-upgrade](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/budd-park-upgrade)

## Dino-mite fun at Tweed Museum Up Late Dino Party

In celebration of the exiting exhibition *How to Draw a Dinosaur*, the Tweed Regional Museum will transform into a prehistoric playground on Friday 24 January from 5 to 8 pm, with dinosaur themed activities for the whole family to enjoy.

Drop in for some dino fun with face painting, arts and craft, a trivia hunt, a fossil dig and more! Museum friends from Wildlife Rangers and Dinosaurs and Adventures will be joining in on the festivities by

bringing some extra special guests to the party.

Don't miss this dino-mite FREE event!

### Event details:

Museum Up Late Dino Party  
Friday 24 January 5 - 8 pm  
Tweed Regional Museum  
2 Queensland Rd Murwillumbah

For more information the visit

[museum.tweed.nsw.gov.au/whats-on](https://museum.tweed.nsw.gov.au/whats-on)

## In brief ..

### Free legal advice for storm affected

#### Have you been affected by the recent severe storms on the Tweed recently?

Do you have legal questions about home or car insurance or was your rental home impacted?

The Disaster Response Legal Service, provided by Legal Aid NSW, can provide free legal help regarding insurance claims, tenancy issues, financial hardship, and government disaster grants.

Timely advice can assist in obtaining available assistance and speed up recovery after the event.

This is particularly important when dealing with insurance claims – knowing what you are covered for and what benefits may be available.

For free legal help, call the Disaster Response Legal Service helpline on 1800 801 529, Monday to Friday from 9 am – 5 pm or visit the website at

[disasterhelp.legalaid.nsw.gov.au](https://disasterhelp.legalaid.nsw.gov.au)

### William Street Murwillumbah roadworks

As part of Council's program of road maintenance, repair work including kerb and guttering will commence on William Street in Murwillumbah from Wednesday 22 January 2025 for about 8 weeks, weather permitting.

The work will be conducted between Thompson Street and Byangum Road, Monday to Friday from 7 am – 5 pm. Some works may be required on Saturdays between 7 am and 1 pm. The road will be closed to all vehicles during work hours, but plans are in place to allow emergency vehicles entry.

Vehicle owners are requested to avoid on-street parking during work hours.

For more information contact at Council on 02 6670 2400.

### Stall holders wanted for craft market



Are you a passionate maker, creator or artisan? The Fun Activities for Banora Seniors (FABS) Committee is looking for stallholders to join them at the upcoming FABS Art and Craft Market at Banora Point Community Centre on Saturday 15 March 2025, 9 am – 2 pm.

Whether you specialise in pottery, jewellery making, textiles, artwork, woodcraft, or homemade treats, the FABS team would love to hear from you.

Stalls are free of charge and stallholders of all ages are encouraged to join.

To apply for a stall, visit [tweed.nsw.gov.au/fabs](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/fabs) or email your details and stall idea to [communityservices@tweed.nsw.gov.au](mailto:communityservices@tweed.nsw.gov.au).

Council supports The Fun Activities for Banora Seniors (FABS) Program which offers a range of recreational activities such as social, hobby and gentle exercise groups for seniors.

For more information about holding a stall or FABS, contact Council's Community Care Team on 07 5569 3110 or via the email above.





The old jetty at Dry Dock boat ramp will be removed and replaced with a new pontoon.

## Dry Dock Road boat ramp upgrade – help us get it right

There's still time for residents to have their say on proposed plans to upgrade boat launching facilities at Dry Dock Road, Tweed Heads South.

Community feedback is open now until Wednesday 29 January on Your Say Tweed.

These upgrades are designed to accommodate a wider range of watercraft and enhance accessibility for users of all abilities.

Council's Coast and Waterways Team Leader Tom Alletson said the upgrade would ensure the facility is better performing and more inclusive for residents and visitors.

"A key feature of the enhancements is a new hand launching ramp, specifically designed to meet the needs of Sailability, a volunteer organisation that meets at the site weekly to provide sailing opportunities for people of all abilities," Mr Alletson said.

"Other improvements include widening the footpath and partial carpark resurfacing to make it easier and safer for the community to use."

View the proposed plans and have your say at [yoursaytweed.com.au/drydockroad](https://yoursaytweed.com.au/drydockroad)

For more information, contact Council's Coast and Waterways Team Leader Tom Alletson at [tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au) or phone 02 6670 2400.

## Get Tweed Link early

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

Subscribers to 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.

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## 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

**DA24/0344** – Inground swimming pool  
Lot 1 DP 881261, No. 3 Ellis Street, **Banora Point**

**DA24/0414** – Dwelling with attached garage  
Lot 46DP 1300756, No. 28 Bowen Loop, **Cudgen**

**DA24/0406** – Alterations & additions to existing dwelling and construction of a new secondary dwelling and detached single carport

Lot 188 DP 806528, No. 82 Overall Drive, **Pottsville**

## 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)



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## Multi-level carpark update

Council has been working closely with a team of internal and external professionals to repair and restore the multi-level carpark in Murwillumbah to its normal operation, following a fire.

This has been a complex project, with several areas requiring careful attention and consideration. Council thanks community members for their patience.

The following actions have been completed to date:

- Immediate closure of the carpark and structural engineer assessment to ensure safety. This process identified exclusion zones around the fire damaged area, and specified the internal propping required to enable safe reopening of some carparks on the ground level.
- Initial cleaning and removal of soot and residue.
- Further structural investigation and preliminary remediation design. This work enabled the opening of a further 72 carpark spots on the middle and top level.
- A specialist building consultant was engaged by the Council's insurance company to further develop the scope of remediation work and complete detailed design for the complex repair works. The detailed scope development included engagement of a forensic engineer, extensive materials testing and engagement of coatings



Murwillumbah's multi-level carpark update.

specialists.

- Specialist surface restoration as nominated by the insurer's building consultant took place during September and October to remove extensive smoke residue from the middle level of the carpark.
- Additional materials investigation and reporting by independent engineers to look at short, medium and long-term maintenance requirements for the structure to ensure viability of fire remediation works.

The insurer released the reinstatement scope of work and remediation design documentation to Council on 10 December. Council is carrying out a detailed review of the documentation and the scope of work should be settled with the insurer this month.

The appointment of a contractor will take place following settlement and repair works are expected to commence in March, following the busy swimming carnival period in January and February.



## Have your say

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### Share your thoughts on the draft Code of Meeting Practice

The Code of Meeting Practice sets out the rules for how Council and certain committee meetings are run. It ensures meetings are fair, organised and follow the law.

Review the changes and provide your feedback by 30 January 2025. Visit [yoursaytweed.com.au/meeting-practice](https://yoursaytweed.com.au/meeting-practice)

### Proposed classification of land at Industry Central, South Murwillumbah

Council is undertaking a boundary realignment between two parcels of Council-owned operational land (Lots 226 DP1122768, and Proposed Lot 705 in a plan of subdivision of Lots 603 and 604 in DP1244954) to increase the size of Council's sewer pump station land parcel at Industry Central, Lundberg Drive, South Murwillumbah. Council proposes to classify the land parcels created by the boundary realignment as operational land, in accordance with 31(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

Provide your feedback by 19 February 2025. Phone: Sarah Moran, Legal Services Officer, Ph 02 6670 2400 or Visit [yoursaytweed.com.au/industry-central](https://yoursaytweed.com.au/industry-central)

Get involved visit [yoursaytweed.com.au](https://yoursaytweed.com.au) or mail your feedback to: Your Say Tweed, PO Box 816 Murwillumbah, NSW 2484

**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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## Notification of integrated development application

### Development Application No. DA25/0011

A development application has been lodged by Zone Planning NSW Pty Ltd seeking development consent for staged 217 lot residential subdivision, with conservation lot and associated civil works and vegetation removal, environmental facility, recreation areas and environmental protection works (NRPP) at Lot 13 DP 1264394; Henry Lawson Drive Terranora; Lot 3 DP 622318; No. 127-137 Mahers Lane, **Terranora**. The 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
Section 205 of the Fisheries Management Act	Permit to cut remove damage or destroy marine vegetation on public water land or an aquaculture lease on the foreshore of any such land or lease	Department of Primary Industries
Section 100B of the Rural Fires Act 1997	General Approval	Rural Fire Service
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 Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and 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](https://datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au)

The documents will be available for a period of 28 days from Wednesday 22 January 2025 to Wednesday 19 February 2025.

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](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/development-applications)

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