

Food forum to harvest ingredients of success

The burgeoning food industry in the Tweed and the wider region will be the focus of the inaugural two-day Food for Thought Forum, to be held at Kingscliff on 11 and 12 August.

Presented by Tweed Shire Council, the forum will bring together a range of players along the food chain, ranging from paddock to plate and everything in between.

Council's Director Corporate Services, Liz Collyer, is a passionate 'foodie' who developed the forum with Council's Sustainable Agriculture Officer, Eli Szandala.

"We want to start a conversation about food here in the Tweed and recognise and celebrate the wonderful opportunity we have to boost our economy through food tourism," Ms Collyer said.

"We have productive and innovative farmers and producers across the Tweed, a thriving farmers' market scene, a range of food-oriented events and some wonderful cafés and restaurant showcasing local produce.

"This forum presents an opportunity to bring all those sectors together so we can work more collaboratively to make the Tweed known as the place to go to experience fresh local food.

"There's so much opportunity here in the Tweed and we've seen so many other regions do it very well.

"Our neighbours to the north-west, Scenic Rim Regional Council, provide a wonderful example of how food tourism can bolster a local economy and bring thousands of tourists to a region," Ms Collyer said.

This year's Eat Local Week attracted 23,000 people who attending 84 events across the Scenic Rim. These events included farm tours, cooking classes, dining experiences and book launches.

The Mayor of Scenic Rim Regional Council will be sharing the 'Eat Local week' success story as a speaker on day one of the forum.

To find out more about the Food for Thought Forum, visit www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/foodforthought. Registrations close 5 August.



Farmers' markets are just one of the ingredients in a successful local food economy. Jonathon Evans from Murwillumbah's JuJu's Café is a regular at the Murwillumbah Farmers' Market, which attracts around 1000 people each Wednesday.



Just some of the contaminated waste removed last week from the Tweed's green bin collection.

Green only or it's just a waste

A heavily polluted green waste collection last week has highlighted the fact some Tweed residents are still unsure about what they should place in each of their bins.

A SOLO kerbside organics truck returned to the Stotts Creek Resource Recovery Centre with a very high proportion of non-organic waste, taking staff a considerable time to remove the non-compatible materials.

Acting Coordinator Waste Management Mark Longbottom said organics waste collected from residents' green bins is processed to produce mulch, so the material can be reused.

"Polluting this material with non-organic waste reduces the quality of mulch we produce," he said.

"Only organic materials such as sticks, leaves grass clippings and other garden prunings can be placed in the green bins.

"It's also important other non-compatible

material is kept out of the organics collection so the processed mulch can be reused in the community without harmful environmental impacts."

He said community education about the bin service is ongoing and most residents do the right thing.

"But there are still some people who are unclear about the role of each bin," Mr Longbottom said.

"Materials put in the wrong bin often have to be manually removed during sorting and processing and significantly increases processing costs, and that added expense is ultimately borne by the whole community."

Mr Longbottom said the correct use of bins would become even more important when Council introduces a new organics waste service which would enable residents to put all food and garden waste in their green bin.

Visit www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/BinServices to see what materials go in each bin.

Legal information sessions

A free community legal information session for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of all ages will be held on Tuesday 16 August at Tweed Heads South.

The topics covered will be victim support, seniors' rights, family law issues and Identification.

This is the fourth in a series of legal information sessions organised by Council's Community Services Unit (COPS) and supported by Alzheimers Australia NSW, Canowindra Community Care and the Community Legal Centre.

The session will be held at the South Tweed Community Hall, corner Minjungbal Drive and Heffron Steet from 10am to 2pm.

Lunch will be provided. For more information, contact Veronese at Canowindra on (07) 5523 0311 or Joy at the Community Legal Centre on (02) 6621 1060.

Talk on Aboriginal breastplates

There will be a fascinating free talk at the Kingscliff Library on Wednesday 10 August at 12 noon.

Tweed Regional Museum staff will talk about 'Aboriginal Breastplates of the Northern Rivers', an upcoming exhibition which features items drawn from national and local collections.

The exhibition, which opens at the Tweed Regional Museum in Murwillumbah on 23 August, will focus on the individuals to whom these poignant and controversial objects were given, and includes stories of eight individuals associated with the Tweed region.

Bookings are essential to (02) 6674 1607.

For more information about the exhibition, visit museum.tweed.nsw.gov.au

ROAD WRAP-UP

Road closure: Sutherland Street / Casuarina Way, Kingscliff. Road closed at Cudgen Creek to allow bridge demolition and replacement. Rous River Way (between Joshua Street and Silkpod Ave), West Murwillumbah, for subdivision works, detour via Byangum Road. Brett Street, Tweed Heads (between Recreation to Wharf street local traffic only).

One-lane flows:

Temporary bridge under give-way conditions: Fingal Road, near Wommin Lake Crescent, Fingal Head.

Temporary traffic lights: Coronation Avenue, Pottsville, to allow Council workers to safely excavate the northern side of the road. Roadworks associated with a sub development on Fraser Drive, between Vintage Lakes Drive and Acacia Street, Tweed Heads South.

Expect delays: Water reticulation works Wharf Street, Tweed Heads. Road reconstruction Ocean and Avoca streets, Chinderah. Road stabilising works Hastings Road (between Reef Water Circuit and Banksia Avenue), Bogangar. Road rehabilitation works Duranbah Road (between 63 Duranbah Road and 200m west of primary school entrance), Duranbah; On-road bicycle lane construction on Fraser Drive (between Vintage Lakes Drive and Acacia Street), Tweed Heads South.

Stop / slow flagmen, short delays: Road and drainage upgrade Kennedy Drive, Tweed Heads West.



The deck of the new Fingal Bridge takes shape with Council boosting worker numbers early last week to pour and screed the deck. Here, master concreters Tony Castellano and Robert Dignan join the bridge gang of Ganger Jonathan King, Tom Yeo, Nathan Warlosz and Tony Hankinson to get the job done in a day.

Burringbar green link restored

Forty hectares of vegetation linking Burringbar Range to the coast has been restored in a three-year threatened species recovery program winding up this month.

Landholders and Council have been working together since August 2013 to restore the habitat of threatened species and Endangered Ecological Communities, involving eight private properties and 600 plants.

Landholders, working in partnership with bush regenerators, received tuition in plant identification and weed control techniques, enabling them to better differentiate between native plants and weeds.

The targeted area is recognised in the Border Ranges Rainforest Biodiversity Management Plan as a Priority Implementation Area for conservation and protection. It contains 12 threatened plant species and supports a large number of threatened animal species.

"By controlling weeds and promoting native regeneration in forest gaps and edges, habitat connectivity is improved and this strengthens the viability of populations of threatened plants and animals," Council's Project Officer – Biodiversity, Michael Corke, said.

Two workshops attracting 54 people showcased control techniques for some of the Shire's most invasive weeds and outlined landholder obligations for noxious weed control.

"These community events encourage landholders to get involved in conserving native habitat. They provide opportunities to spread the message that simple actions on private land, such as regular and effective weed control, can play a vital role in threatened species conservation."

For more information contact Michael Corke on (02) 6670 2592 or mcorke@tweed.nsw.gov.au.

SEEKING FOCUS GROUP PARTICIPANTS WITHOUT A GREEN BIN

Have you chosen not to have a green bin even though the service is available to your property? Do you live in Tweed Shire?

If you answered YES to both questions— then join us for a focus group discussion being conducted as part of an education program on:

DATE: **Monday 15 August – Focus Group 2**

TIME: 6.30pm (with light evening snacks provided)

LOCATION: Canvas & Kettle, Murwillumbah Cultural Centre Auditorium, Murwillumbah

TO BOOK*: (02) 6670 2523 or tmartel@tweed.nsw.gov.au

Tarra Martel, Education Officer Tweed Shire Council

Each participant will receive \$25 Coles voucher for attending the focus group. The focus group will take approx. 90 minutes

*Bookings Essential! You must register your interest to attend, as numbers are limited.

Monday 8 August Focus Group is booked out.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS
SEPTEMBER 2016



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Know your obligations

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PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA - THURSDAY, 4 AUGUST 2016

The Planning Committee Meeting Agenda for Thursday 4 August 2016 is available on Council's website www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CouncilMeetings. The meeting will be held in the Council Chambers at the Murwillumbah Civic and Cultural Centre on Tumbulgum Road commencing at 5pm. A Planning Access Session on the items on the Planning Committee Agenda is to be held at 4pm prior to the Planning Committee Meeting.

The Agenda for the meeting, which may also include any late or supplementary reports, will be updated prior to the date of the meeting. The meetings are open to the public.

Confidential items are considered in closed session, which excludes media and public.

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REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

REPORTS FROM THE DIRECTOR PLANNING AND REGULATION

- 1 Development Application DA10/0737 for Alterations to Existing Highway Service Centre Comprising of Two (2) New Diesel Refuelling Points, Expansion of Truck Refuelling Canopy, New Truck Parking Area (30 New Bays) and the Replacement of Existing Truck Parking Area With Additional Car Parking Spaces and Dedicated Bus Drop-off Area at Lot 1 DP 1127741 and Lot 2 DP 1010771 No. 1 Ozone Street, Chinderah
- 2 Development Application DA14/0435 for a 21 Lot Subdivision and Associated Road Infrastructure at Lot 115 DP 755701 & Lot 4 DP 549393 Clothiers Creek Road, Lot 2 DP 873399 Poinciana Avenue, Lots 1 & 2 DP 1172935, Lot 192 DP 217678, Poplar Avenue, Bogangar
- 3 Development Application DA15/1069 for a Child Care Centre at Lot 1701 DP 1214550 No. 44 Seabreeze Boulevard, Pottsville
- 4 Development Application DA16/0031 for a Recreation Facility Including Gym and Swimming Pool and Signage at Lot 1702 DP 1214550 No. 42 Seabreeze Boulevard & Lot 1701 DP 1214550 No. 44 Seabreeze Boulevard Pottsville
- 5 Development Application DA12/0170.13 for an Amendment to Development Consent DA12/0170 for Alterations and Additions to Motel (Staged) at Lot 100 DP 1208306 Nos. 19-25 Cypress Crescent, Cabarita Beach, Lot 1 Sec 4 DP 29748, Lot 2 Sec 4 DP 29748 No. 26-28 Tweed Coast Road, Cabarita Beach
- 6 Development Application DA12/0170.14 for an Amendment to Development Consent DA12/0170 for Alterations and Additions to Motel (Staged) at Lot 100 DP 1208306 Nos. 19-25 Cypress Crescent, Cabarita Beach, Lot 1 Sec 4 DP 29748, Lot 2 Sec 4 DP 29748 No. 26-28 Tweed Coast Road, Cabarita Beach
- 7 Development Application DA15/0532.01 for an Amendment to Development Consent DA15/0532 for Use of Part of Tavern Floor Area as a Retail Shop at Lot 2 Section 10 DP 2087 No. 9 Commercial Road, Murwillumbah
- 8 Development Application DA04/0162.02 for an Amendment to Development Consent DA04/0162 for Expansion and Amalgamation of Existing Quarries at Lot 28 DP 1079480 Pollards Road, Dulguigan
- 9 Unlawful Dwelling at Lot 1 DP 740293 No. 217 Sleepy Hollow Road, Sleepy Hollow
- 10 Report on the 2015-16 Local Heritage Assistance Fund and Future Funding
- 11 Tweed Development Control Plan (DCP) Section A18 - Heritage
- 12 Heritage Conservation and Demonstration Project 2015-16 Murwillumbah Town Centre Pilot Project - 'Look Up' Completion Report
- 13 Variations to Development Standards under State Environmental Planning Policy No. 1 - Development Standards

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA - THURSDAY, 4 AUGUST 2016

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- 1 Adoption of the Recommendations of the Planning Committee Meeting held Thursday 4 August 2016

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Expressions of Interest are called for community members to serve on the following Council committees for the next four years, coinciding with the 2016/2020 Council Term:

Aboriginal Advisory
Audit
Australia Day
Community Halls Advisory
Equal Access Advisory
Floodplain Management
Sports Advisory
Tweed Coastal
Tweed Regional Art Gallery Advisory
Tweed Regional Museum Advisory, and
Tweed River

The Expression of Interest process is based upon the existing committee structure being retained, though the elected Council from September 2016 may choose to alter the committee structure and some or all of these current Committees may alter over the 2016/2020 Council term.

The Expressions of Interest form and terms of reference for each of these Committees are available to download from Council's website www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/Committees or see Hot Topics on the home page or in hard copy from Council's offices at Murwillumbah and Tweed Heads to enable interested members of the community to review and determine if they would like to participate in the Committee's operations. Expressions of Interest will be received until Friday 23 September 2016

The existing members of Council Committees are invited to submit an Expression of Interest for the 2016/2020 council term. Interaction with community members has aided in the smooth operations of the Committees and has been a practical example of applying the terms of the Community Engagement Strategy of empowering, involving and collaborating.

For further enquiries please contact:
Tweed Shire Council on 1300 292 872 / (02) 6670 2400
tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au

SECOND HAND SATURDAY

Second Hand Saturday Registrations are now open for the biggest day of garage sales on the north coast, kicking off on Saturday 24 September.

Second Hand Saturday is a free event held on the same day across the region by Tweed Shire Council, alongside six other Northern Rivers councils, where residents can hold garage sales with free advertising. This is Second Hand Saturday's eighth year with most of the Northern Council's and Tweed's third year, with participation increasing each year.

For more information and to register your garage sale (which also makes a great fundraising event) on Second Hand Saturday, visit the website www.secondhandsaturday.com.au

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION DETERMINATIONS

Notification of Development Application Determinations for the purposes of Section 101 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 (as amended).

APPLICATION DETAILS

APPROVED

DA16/0153 - Dwelling and secondary dwelling
Lot 574 DP 1076975, No. 31 Marsupial Drive, Pottsville

DA16/0179 - Perimeter accent lighting to Twin Towns Services Club
Lot 1 DP 777183, No. 2 Wharf Street, Tweed Heads

DA16/0223 - light industrial development and vehicle repair station with signage - Staged development
Lot 504 DP 1132400, No. 25 Honeyeater Circuit, South Murwillumbah

DA16/0332 - Additional signage zone on existing pylon sign
Lot 11 DP 1198266, No. 482 Casuarina Way, Casuarina

DA16/0353 - Change of use to a food and drink premises and fit-out
Lot 1 DP 772899, No. 47-59 Murwillumbah Street, Murwillumbah

DA16/0369 - Dual occupancy (detached) and strata subdivision
Lot 1704 DP 1215252, No. 36 Seabreeze Boulevard, Pottsville

DA16/0398 - Patio
Lot 171 DP 629328, No. 28-40 Overall Drive, Pottsville

DA16/0401 - Pontoon
Lot 230 DP 261796, Lot 155 DP 261796, Bosun Boulevard, Banora Point

CDC16/0115 - Fibreglass swimming pool and fence
Lot 18 DP 1006946, No. 55 Hoop Pine Road, Dulguigan

DA16/0233 - Two storey dwelling with attached garage and in-ground swimming pool
Lot 19 DP 30845, No. 13 McPhail Avenue, Kingscliff

DA16/0382 - Roofed verandah
Lot 70 DP 1070242, No. 27 Mount Ernest Crescent, Murwillumbah

DA16/0462 - Dwelling with attached garage and in-ground swimming pool
Lot 64 DP 1191156, No. 3 Lambent Avenue, Casuarina

DA16/0463 - Two storey dwelling with attached garage
Lot 65 DP 1030322, No. 12 Cornet Lane, Casuarina

DA16/0464 - Dwelling with attached garage and retaining walls
Lot 337 DP 1196575, No. 4 Freshfield Way, Murwillumbah

DA16/0467 - Dwelling with attached garage
Lot 622 DP 1077500, No. 36 Lomandra Avenue, Pottsville

DA16/0471 - Two storey dwelling with attached garage
Lot 505 DP 785912, No. 31 St Andrews Way, Banora Point

DA16/0475 - In-ground swimming pool
Lot 70 DP 854533, No. 48 McKenzie Avenue, Pottsville

DA16/0476 - In-ground swimming pool and 1.8 metre high front fence
Lot 39 DP 1182599, No. 34 Lobelia Crescent, Casuarina

DA16/0477 - Alterations and additions to existing dwelling
Lot 254 DP 259969, No. 6 Quirk Place, Kingscliff

DA16/0485 - Swimming pool
Lot 72 DP 1182600, No. 37 Laceflower Parade, Casuarina

DA16/0498 - Dwelling with attached garage
Lot 168 DP 1201995, No. 7 Callistemon Avenue, Casuarina

DA16/0509 - Two storey dwelling with attached garage
Lot 442 DP 1195167, No. 105 Riveroak Drive, Murwillumbah

DA16/0514 - Timber deck and patio roof cover
Lot 2 DP 786337, No. 2 Bongaree Road, Terranora

DA16/0515 - Shed
Lot 432 DP 216388, No. 8 Tamarind Avenue, Bogangar

DA16/0520 - In-ground swimming pool
Lot 591 DP 1076975, No. 54 Marsupial Drive, Pottsville

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 www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/datracking.

REQUEST FOR OFFER

RF02016111 Biodiversity Offset Restoration at Eviron Quarry and Landfill

RF02016119 Supply, Lay and Compact A15E AC10M Tweed Valley Way Tumbulgum

RF02016122 Design and Engineering Services Consultants - Various Disciplines (Panel of Providers)

Offers close: **Wednesday 4pm** 24 August 2016.

Offers must be lodged as specified in the offer documentation.

Request for Offer documentation is available at no charge from Council's website at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/tenders. Hard copy documentation is available and costs will be in accordance with Council's advertised photocopying fees.

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 contact Sean Harvey (02) 6670 2606.

POSITIONS VACANT

WHS Systems Officer – Maximum-term

Operations Coordinator – Infrastructure Delivery

For more information and to apply:

- Visit Council's website www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/careers
- Contact Human Resources on (02) 6670 2495
- All positions close at 12 noon (NSW time) 12 August 2016
- Late applications not permitted

FRIENDS OF THE TWEED HEADS LIBRARY AGM

Friends of the Tweed Heads Library AGM is on 24 August at 10am at the Tweed Head Library.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Burringbar Community Association will meet on Tuesday 9 August at 6.45pm at Burringbar District Sports Club.

Cabarita Beach/Bogangar Residents Association will meet on Monday 8 August at 7pm at the Cabarita Bowls and Sports Club.

Cudgen Progress Association will meet on Monday 8 August at 7.30pm at Cudgen Public School.

Casuarina and South Kingscliff Residents Association will meet on Wednesday 10 August at 7pm at 'Osteria', 1 Barclay Drive, Casuarina.

Fingal Head Community Association will meet on Wednesday 10 August at 7pm at the Fingal Head School - MPU

ANTIQUES AND COLLECTABLES FAIR

Murwillumbah Civic Centre Saturday 6 Aug 8.30am-3pm, details (02) 6677 9577.

MURWILLUMBAH FARMERS' MARKET

Every Wednesday 7am-11am. All-weather shopping at the Murwillumbah Showground. *Know your farmer, know your food.* Support your local farmers.

POTTSVILLE BEACH MARKETS

Always the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. Next market 7 August.



Readers who are unsure of when their meter is read can look up their water week at:

www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/MeterReading

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