

Tweed Shire Council wishes to recognise the generations of the local Aboriginal people of the Bundjalung Nation who have lived in and derived their physical and spiritual needs from the forests, rivers, lakes and streams of this beautiful valley over many thousands of years as the traditional owners and custodians of these lands.



The 2021 Tweed Sustainability Award winners.

Tweed's winners for the environment

Congratulations to this year's Tweed Sustainability Awards winners who show us that every step counts when it comes to driving sustainable living.

Twelve nominations were received and the winners for each category were:

- **Regenerative Agriculture:** Woodland Valley Farm
- **Wildlife and Habitat Conservation:** (2 winners) Tweed Landcare Inc. and Green Heroes
- **Tourism and Hospitality:** Mavis's Kitchen

- **Education:** Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School
 - **Community Group:** Agape Outreach Inc.
 - **Business:** Southern Cross Credit Union
 - **Adult:** Ari Ehrlich, Caldera Environment Centre
 - **People's Choice:** Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School
- Held every 2 years, winners of the 2021 Tweed Sustainability Awards were presented with their trophies during a COVID-Safe awards ceremony on Friday 12 November.

Find out more at tweed.nsw.gov.au/tweed-sustainability-awards

Find out about candidates before casting your vote

Residents who've decided to cast their vote early at a pre-polling venue in the Tweed might have noticed things are a little bit different this year.

As part of its COVID-Safe plan, the NSW Electoral Commission is restricting the distribution of electoral material within 100 metres of polling booths, including at pre-poll.

In practical terms, this means the volunteers supporting the various candidate teams are not able to hand out 'how to vote' cards at polling stations as traditionally occurs at elections.

If you would like copies of 'how to vote' cards, the material has also been registered with the NSW Electoral Commission

and is available on its website.

To find out more about the candidates running for Council in the Tweed, visit tvdisplay.elections.nsw.gov.au/app/lge/council/tweed. Voting is compulsory in local government elections. This year, any person who is enrolled to vote may vote via pre-poll, with 5 pre-polling stations open across the Tweed from 9 am to 5 pm every day (except Sunday 28 November) until the election on Saturday 4 December.

For further information, visit the NSW Electoral Commission at elections.nsw.gov.au or phone 1300 135 736.



Why Leave Town cards make great Christmas gifts

Shopping locally and knowing that money spent is staying in the Murwillumbah business community are two of the factors which appeal to Why Leave Town card holder Vanelle Bedser.

Ms Bedser and work colleague Sam Rasmussen are accountants at Mayberry Meldrum Anderson Accountants and Tax Consultants in South Murwillumbah which presented all staff with Why Leave Town cards as gifts.

The card came as a pleasant surprise for Ms Bedser who is a strong supporter of the campaign.

"This a definite winner for local businesses who have been doing it tough for the past 18 months," she said.

"The Why Leave Town program is so simple to use, it's straightforward and with a variety of local businesses coming on board, it is great for local shoppers and the town.

"The card is convenient and it's good to know that the money you spend stays in the community."

Ms Rasmussen said the cards were a great gift idea, not just for businesses and their staff but also to be given out family and friends,

especially with Christmas coming up.

"The beauty of this card is that you know that your money is supporting local businesses," she said.

The Why Leave Town campaign, run as a trial program in Murwillumbah, is supported by Council, The Tweed Tourism Company and the Murwillumbah and District Business Chamber.

Since being launched in July, the Why Leave Town campaign has seen more than 50 businesses and services sign up and more than 100 cards loaded up by locals with nearly \$10,000 ready to be injected into the local economy.

The cards can be loaded up with any amount of money from \$10 to \$1,000 and are valid for up to 3 years.

They can be 'loaded up' at The Foundry Murwillumbah and Tweed Regional Aquatic Centre, Murwillumbah and used at participating businesses across town.

Visit www.whyleavetown.com/programs/murwillumbah to find out more about Why Leave Town and which businesses and outlets in Murwillumbah are taking part.



Target 160
Last week we each used
154L a day
as at 22 November 2021

In brief ...

Field day to showcase benefits of biodiversity on farms

Tweed farmers are invited to attend a field day to learn why and how to restore and protect biodiversity on grazing properties.

The field day is being delivered by Council's Sustainable Agriculture team alongside Tweed farmers Rhonda and Greg James, who will host the event on their 220 hectare cattle grazing property at Cudgera Creek on Thursday 16 December 2021.

Rhonda and Greg have been balancing farming and natural area restoration on their property for more than 40 years. Rhonda is also one of Australia's most experienced and highly respected restoration ecologists and a former bushland restoration educator with TAFE NSW.

For more information and to register for the workshop visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/agriculture-projects or contact Council's Program Leader – Sustainable Agriculture Eli Szandala on 02 6670 2400.

Tweed rejoins Arts Northern Rivers

The Tweed's active community of artists and creatives are set to benefit following a 4-year agreement by Tweed Shire Council to rejoin the region's peak arts body, Arts Northern Rivers (ANR).

Tweed will join Byron Shire, Lismore City, Richmond Valley, Kyogle Shire and Clarence Valley councils and contribute \$25,000 annually to ANR for the next 4 years.

The key benefit as a contributing council to ANR is access to the organisation's network which works towards generating, promoting and advocating for the arts and creative industries in the Northern Rivers.

Tweed artists will have access to ANR's annual program of skills and professional development workshops and training opportunities, free advice, referrals, and importantly, assistance in preparing grant funding applications and the provision of letters of support for applications.

For more information contact Tweed Shire Council's Cultural Planner David Burgener at dburgener@tweed.nsw.gov.au, call 02 6670 2400 or visit artsnorthernrivers.com.au

Tweed Seniors Festival 2022

Reconnecting is the theme of the 2022 NSW Seniors Festival.

With COVID-19 restrictions easing, people are on the move and there will be plenty going on, so save the dates now for the Tweed Seniors Festival 2022 to be held from Friday 25 March to Sunday 3 April 2022.

The 'Reconnect' theme is particularly appropriate after the restrictions and lockdowns which the COVID-19 crisis imposed on so many people, especially seniors.

The opening ceremony and Local Achievement Awards will be held on Friday 25 March 2022 at the Murwillumbah Civic Centre Auditorium and will include entertainment.

During the week-long festival, there will be a special Q & A session featuring a panel of experts ready to answer your questions on a range of topics, including navigating and accessing government services, personal safety and lots more, so watch this space.



Vanelle Bedser and Sam Rasmussen are keen to use their Why Leave Town cards after receiving them as gifts through their employer.

Get the Tweed Link early by email

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

Subscribers to the 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.

Sign up at tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe



Tweed Shire Council elections will be held on **Saturday 4 December**

To find out more about how and where to vote, visit www.elections.nsw.gov.au

Voting is compulsory.



Asbestos could be lurking in your renovation

Renovating? Make sure you know what you are dealing with before you begin.

It's National Asbestos Awareness Week (22–28 November) and this year's campaign asks Australians to Think Twice About Asbestos.

In homes built before 1990, asbestos can still be found anywhere. This affects one in 3 homes nationwide.

At least one-third of projects that started in last 5 years began during COVID-19 restrictions and more than half of Australians are 'DIYers'.

Asbestos can be found inside and outside your home in things such as carpet underlay, tiling, ceiling panels, gutters and downpipes as well as in buried waste material.

Disposal of this material is hazardous and cannot be disposed of in a kerbside bin or mixed into a general waste load. This places workers and the environment at risk.

Council have kits available for testing small amounts of asbestos at properties in the Tweed. These kits can be purchased at the front desk of the Murwillumbah Civic Centre and dropped off at a post office or in a post box in the safely sealed package provided. The cost is \$51.40 for the 2020/2021 financial year (cost recovery only in which 2 samples can be tested).

Visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/asbestos for more info on testing kits and specific guidelines for transport and disposal of this hazardous material.



Have your say

Add your voice to decision making in the Tweed

Addressing The Anchorage, Tweed Heads

On exhibition from 23 November to 22 December 2021

You're invited to comment on the proposal to clarify the property numbers within The Anchorage development at Tweed Heads. 165 properties have been identified as requiring a change to their address.

Have your say

Visit yoursaytweed.com.au/theanchorage to view the proposal and complete the survey by 22 December 2021.

Help make the Tweed more accessible and inclusive

Survey open from 23 November to 25 January 2022



You're invited to be part of a shared vision for improved access and inclusion in the Tweed. We want to hear from people with lived experience, carers, family and friends of people with disability and anyone who may be interested. There are many ways to be involved so that people with different abilities can participate.

Have your say

Visit yoursaytweed.com.au/diap 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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WATER WEEK 7 Check when your water meter is read at tweed.nsw.gov.au/meter-reading

Good move for the environment, no butts about it

A new campaign 'Butt Free Tweed' is calling for increased awareness and collective action on cigarette butts, which are the most littered item across the world.

Positive Change for Marine Life (PCFML) is driving the campaign in partnership with North-East Waste and Tweed Shire Council and recently unveiled 12 new dedicated butt bins, ground vinyl artwork and educational signs at multiple sites across Tweed Heads.

Northern NSW Coordinator for PCFML Dane Marx said cigarette butts can have a big impact on environmental health, marine debris and pollution.

"Considering that cigarette butts are the most littered item in NSW – with more than 1.3 billion littered every year – this could not be a more pertinent call to action," Mr Marx said.

As well as raising awareness about the impact that cigarette butts have on the environment, PCFML has conducted clean-ups at each of the sites they are monitoring. At one site alone they collected more than 1600 cigarette butts.

The project also serves to acknowledge and highlight the Bundjalung people, the original custodians of the northern coastal area of NSW. Local artist Christine Slabb is the creator of the artwork 'Be Mindful' which highlights the interconnectedness of the waterways, the land and the people using it.

By encouraging locals and visitors alike to become stewards of land and ocean by binning their butts, Butt Free Tweed aims to highlight the importance of respecting and caring for country (*Garimaa Jagan*).

Request for offer

RF02021122 Panel of Providers for Ecological Restoration and Management Services

Offers close: Wednesday 12 noon (AEDT) 12 January 2022

Offers must be lodged as specified in the offer documentation.

Request for offer documentation is available at no charge from Council's website at tweed.nsw.gov.au/tenders-contracts

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 Contracts Administration on 02 6670 2606.

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

DA21/0592 – Two storey dwelling with basement, lift and in ground swimming pool
Lot 75 DP 1264557, No. 31 Black Wattle Circuit, **Casuarina**

DA21/0820 – Upper deck roof additions
Lot 8 DP 1030322, No. 610 Casuarina Way, **Casuarina**

DA21/0329 – Alterations and additions to dwelling unit
Lot 12 SP 79530, Unit 12/No. 603–615 Casuarina Way, **Casuarina**

DA21/0874 – Patio to existing deck
Lot 6 DP 262412, No. 178 Bakers Road, **Dunbible**

DA20/0768 – Demolition of existing dwelling (dwelling 3), recommission a previously decommissioned dwelling (dwelling 2), and continued use of the site for the purposes of two separate dwellings
Lot 7 DP 868227, No. 412–436 Tyalgum Road, **Eungella**

DA21/0791 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including carport and deck
Lot 5 DP 819084, No. 10 Tamarisk Avenue, **Murwillumbah**

DA20/0311 – Four lot subdivision and two new generation boarding houses
Lot 6 DP 524303, No. 26 George Street, **Murwillumbah**

DA21/0714 – In-ground swimming pool
Lot 830 DP 1144994, No. 81 Mylestom Circle, **Pottsville**

DA21/0676 – In-ground swimming pool and associated works
Lot 3 DP 618264, No. 278 Round Mountain Road, **Round Mountain**

DA21/0783 – Patio
Lot 2 DP 1085425, No. 91 Clareville Road, **Smiths Creek**

DA21/0666 – In-ground swimming pool
Lot 27 DP 1126031, No. 1899 Kyogle Road, **Terragon**

DA21/0406 – Two storey dwelling, attached garage and retaining walls
Lot 307 DP 1238182, No. 5 Ossa Boulevard, **Terranora**

DA21/0481 – Two storey dwelling with attached garage and retaining walls
Lot 430 DP 1270825, No. 7 Darro Road, **Terranora**

DA21/0488 – Dwelling with attached garage and retaining walls
Lot 444 DP 1270825, No. 46 Market Parade, **Terranora**

DA21/0720 – Two storey dwelling with attached garage and in-ground swimming pool
Lot 437 DP 1270825, No. 21 Darro Road, **Terranora**

This project is a NSW Environment Protection Authority, Waste Less Recycle More initiative funded from the waste levy.

For more information on Positive Change for Marine Life visit pcfml.org.au



A recently-installed Positive Change for Marine Life butt bin and Bundjalung artwork by Christine Slabb.

DA21/0764 – In-ground swimming pool and 1.8 m front fence
Lot 29 DP 737064, No. 75 Parkes Lane, **Terranora**

DA21/0768 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling
Lot 21 DP 212092, No. 325 Terranora Road, **Terranora**

DA19/0344 – Staged concept development for seven houses with associated infrastructure provisions (stage1 seeks approval for the infrastructure provisions and stages 2–8 will require separate future applications for a dwelling house on each lot)
Lot 2 DP 28597, Lot 3 DP 28597, Lot 4 DP 28597, Lot 5 DP 28597, Lot 6 DP 28597, Lot 7 DP 28597, Lot 8 DP 28597, No. 420–426 Terranora Road, **Terranora**

DA21/0795 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling
Lot 2 DP 703815, No. 2 Rosemount Court, **Terranora**

DA21/0729 – Carport
Lot 55 DP 819023, No. 21 Minore Place, **Tweed Heads**

DA20/0691 – New generation boarding house comprising eight (8) self-contained rooms including demolition and earthworks
Lot 6 DP 239236, No. 30 Altair Street, **Tweed Heads South**

DA21/0127 – 4 lot strata subdivision
Lot 12 SP 49387, Unit 14–17/No. 48 Machinery Drive, **Tweed Heads South**

DA21/0284 – Alterations and additions to an existing centre based child care
Lot 2 DP 517382, No. 1 Seymour Street, **Tweed Heads South**

DA21/0464 – Signage (Big W)
Lot 100 DP 1255399, No. 38 Minjungbal Drive, **Tweed Heads South**

DA21/0506 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including carport within the front building line and fence
Lot 16 DP 245229, No. 3 Altair Street, **Tweed Heads South**

DA21/0373 – Carport within the front building line and covered deck
Lot 219 DP 217494, No. 19 St Kilda Crescent, **Tweed Heads West**

DA21/0825 – In-ground swimming pool, deck and pergola
Lot 5 DP 1027815, No. 32 Plumtree Pocket, **Upper Burringbar**

Refused

DA21/0052 – 3 lot subdivision
Lot 3 Section 14 DP 758739, No. 39 Mooball Street, **Murwillumbah**

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

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