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## It's time to play at Bilambil Heights

The new Coral Street Park at Bilambil Heights opened last week, ready for families to enjoy and just in time for the school holidays.

The much-needed new playground has been designed to suit both little ones and older kids aged 2 to 12 years. The small neighbourhood park has been specifically designed for the needs of the local community which replaces a swing set that was there previously.

The \$150,000 park upgrade and new playground was a key action from the *Open Space Strategy 2019-2029* and was voted by the community as a priority project. Funding for this project was allocated last financial year by Council and planning for the park began

in early 2021.

The new park features nature play elements including water play, swings, a timber cubby house, equipment for climbing and exploring, community garden planters, accessible pathways, plenty of shade, seating, a picnic setting and a drinking fountain.

The new playground is located on the corner of Terranora Parade and Coral Street, Bilambil Heights and the local community is encouraged to walk to the park, due to limited parking in local streets.

Find out more about Council's parks and gardens or search for a park across the Tweed at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/parks-gardens](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/parks-gardens)



## Your Tweed flood recovery update – 29 June

### Additional buses for Bilambil Heights

**Commuters in Bilambil Heights are being provided increased connections to work and home with Surfside Buslines adding peak hour services for the 611 route this week.**

The new morning service will operate from Simpson Drive before Peninsula Drive at 7:57 am, arriving at Tweed City Shopping Centre at 8:30 am, while the afternoon service will depart Tweed City Shopping Centre at 5 pm, arriving at Simpson Drive before Peninsula Drive at 5:25 pm. These additional peak services complement the existing 611 route that operates daily from 9:20 am and 1:45 pm.

Peak hour services started on Monday 27 June and will continue until further notice. Timetable information is available at [transportnsw.info/routes/details/north-coast-network/611/72611](http://transportnsw.info/routes/details/north-coast-network/611/72611)

### Scenic Drive

**The tender for design and construct Scenic Drive landslip and embankment restoration works has been awarded to Australian Marine and Civic Pty Ltd.**

Council is now awaiting an updated timeline for work from the contractor which is expected by Monday 11 July 2022.

Visit [tweed.nsw.gov.au/flood-recovery-works](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/flood-recovery-works) for more information on these and other repairs.

### Tyalgum: Limpinwood Road

**New test drilling is still on schedule to go ahead on Thursday 7 July on Limpinwood Road near the existing landslips.**

The first attempt was delayed due to wet weather. This drilling will provide data to inform the Stage 2 geotechnical reports, which will be issued to tenderers for design and construction of the repairs.

### Reserve Creek Road

**Test drilling on Reserve Creek Road is expected to be carried out following the test drilling on Tyalgum and Limpinwood roads.**

This work is expected to commence around 11 July 2022. This drilling will provide data to inform the Stage 2 geotechnical report, which will be issued to tenderers for design and construction of the repairs.

### Beltana Drive

**Beltana Drive loop road is now closed either side of the landslip.**

Council has advised bus companies of this and arrangement have been made for school buses.

### Flood repairs on-ground progress

**Council crews have been busy undertaking the following works:**

- Tomewin Road – pavement repairs and bitumen sealing
  - Urilup Road – cleaning up landslip material, vegetation removal, pavement repairs and culvert cleaning
  - Geles Road – pavement repairs
  - McAuleys Road – pavement repairs
  - Booka Road – pavement repairs and bitumen sealing
  - Tweed Valley Way – clearing of vegetation
  - Byrrill Creek Road/Rolands Creek Road/ Stokers Road – pavement repairs and bitumen sealing, vegetation removal and silt removal.
- Visit [tweed.nsw.gov.au/flood-recovery-works](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/flood-recovery-works) for more information on these and other repairs.

### Expression of interest: Shared Risk Contract

**Council's expression of interest (EOI) for the Restoration of major slips including Tyalgum, Limpinwood, Kyogle, Mount Warning and Reserve Creek roads is out to tender.**

A pre-tender briefing was presented by Council staff on Friday 17 July 2022 to all interested Construction companies. Good interest was shown from the market.

### Hickory Way, Hazlebrook Road and Balfours Road

**The current single-lane arrangement will remain.**

Council will continue to monitor conditions along these roads. A second more detailed assessment is expected in early October 2022.

### Smiths Creek, Palmvale, Road Mountain, Nimbin and Stokers roads and Richards Deviation

**Stage 2 geotechnical test drilling has been commissioned for a number of sites (where there have been slips) on these roads.**

### Playgrounds and sportsfields status

**A number of the Tweed's playgrounds and sportsfields remains closed and several have reduced facilities due to the impact of this year's floods.**

Affected parks include:

- **Bernadette Kelly Park**, Pottsville Road, Mooball 2483 – playground closed.
- **Buckley Park**, 293 Tweed Valley Way, South Murwillumbah 2484 – public toilets and park furniture closed.
- **Elva North Park**, Norths Lane, Nunderi 2484 – playground closed.
- **Junction Park**, Government Road, Tumbulgum 2490 – all facilities, including playground closed.
- **Knox Park**, Wollumbin Street, Murwillumbah 2484 – flying fox closed awaiting soft fall replacement.
- **Old Fingal Boat Harbour**, corner Fingal Road and Lagoon



Last week we each used

**186L a day**

as at 27 June 2022

## Take part in Plastic Free July

**Take the challenge in Plastic Free July and choose to refuse single-use plastics.**

Plastic pollution remains a truly global problem, affecting communities around the world. Despite our careful sorting, collection and recycling efforts, plastic is everywhere – from the deepest oceans to the summit of Mt Everest.

Council's Unit Coordinator Resource Recovery Rod Dawson said refusing single-use plastic is important for the environment in so many ways.

"By reducing our plastic use and choosing reusable items we can make a difference. Make a commitment to form positive new habits by taking your own shopping bags, reusable coffee cup, cutlery and water bottle to cut down on plastic," Mr Dawson said.

"It will also help to keep the Tweed beautiful for future generations, while sending less to landfill, in line with Council's Towards Zero Waste commitment."

Take the challenge today by visiting [plasticfreejuly.org](http://plasticfreejuly.org). Check out Council's Facebook page throughout the month of July for some easy tips to help you refuse plastic at [facebook.com/tweedshirecouncil](https://facebook.com/tweedshirecouncil)



### Additional park upgrades to open this year

**Three additional park upgrades are due to open in the Tweed this year, including:**

- Goorimahbah – Place of Stories Inclusive Park and Playspace, Jack Evans Boat Harbour, Tweed Heads
- Chillingham Playground and Tennis Court, Chillingham
- Fingal Foreshore Park, Fingal Head

## Let's get our Scrap Together in the Tweed

**A new community education campaign to help residents make the most of food and organics recycling was launched last week.**

Last year the Northern Rivers diverted more than 42,000 tonnes of food and garden waste from landfill through the kerbside green bin service. However, a further 17,000 tonnes of green waste was left in the red bin and lost to landfill, with more than 12,000 tonnes of food.

The aim is to have food and garden scraps correctly placed into the green bin where they are sent to a commercial grade composting facility and turned into high quality compost.

The *Let's Get Our Scrap Together* campaign developed by the NSW Environmental Protection Agency will run across the Northern Rivers until October featuring television, radio and social media ads, pop-up community events and school waste education programs thanks to a \$52,000 grant.

Visit [newaste.org.au/scrap](http://newaste.org.au/scrap) to ensure you're making every scrap count or contact Council's Resource Recovery team on 02 6670 2400 to explore what's happening in your local community.

Road, Fingal Head 2487 – playground closed awaiting soft fall replacement.

- **Saddle Way Park**, 4 Saddle Way, Murwillumbah 2484 – playground closed.
- **Sweetnam Park**, near corner Kyogle Road and Lange Road, Uki 2484 – playground closed.
- **Vic Bianchetti Sports Grounds**, Kyogle Road, Uki 2484 – facilities and sportsfields closed.

The list can be found at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/find-park](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/find-park)

### Flood Recovery Centre

**The main Tweed Flood Recovery Centre, run by Resilience NSW, has relocated to the Canvas and Kettle venue at the Murwillumbah Civic Centre.**

The centre provides assistance from Service NSW, Services Australia, Legal Aid NSW mental health support, insurance advice and claims help.

It operates from Monday to Thursday this week, from 9 am to 4 pm and from next week will be operating only Tuesday and Thursday, 9 am to 4 pm until the end of July.

To stay up to date visit Council's Recovery Dashboard at

[tweed.nsw.gov.au/recovery-dashboard](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/recovery-dashboard)



# GETTING ON TOP OF WEEDS AFTER FLOOD

Floods can bring about rapid changes to landscapes. Disturbance can result in the elimination of native or pasture species, lighting the way for opportunistic weed species to move in, in their place. Weeds can travel through flood water via seed or vegetatively and may travel huge distances from the original parent plant.

**For this reason, we are encouraging all landholders who have been flood affected, and those on high-risk pathways such as roads and watercourses, to be vigilant in checking their property for new weeds.**

## NOW IS THE TIME TO WATCH OUT FOR NEW WEEDS

### How you can get on top of weeds:

Over the next 12 months at least, monitor areas inundated by flood water. Some weeds may not be visible until a year or two after the flood. If you do find new weeds that you can't identify, contact Rous County Council or Local Land Services for help with early identification, before the weeds spread further.

Weed propagules (seed or vegetative parts) can be readily dispersed in flood waters. For example, Job's tears, Monkey's comb and Frogbit all grow along creeklines and may have been dispersed by the recent floods.

Weed seeds can easily attach to vehicles and equipment in the muddy conditions after a flood. Ensure that vehicles and equipment, including those of contractors and advisors, are clean and free of weeds before entering or leaving your property. Consider providing a designated wash down area for this purpose.

Pastures or crops may be left disturbed after the flood – a reduction of ground cover can allow weeds to grow more readily and become established.

If you have moved stock to higher ground or to different properties during the flood, be careful not to spread weeds from these holding areas when you return stock to the flood impacted areas.

Keep an eye out for weeds in fodder. Many agricultural weeds present in QLD threaten our biosecurity in the Northern Rivers. Parthenium and Black knapweed are two to be on the look out for.



Information on the identification and control of weeds in your region can be found at [weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au](https://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au), by contacting Rous County Council to speak to a weeds professional on **02 6623 3800** or by scanning the QR code to download our **Priority Weeds** handbook.



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# Entries for Wollumbin Art Award close 17 July

Tweed Regional Gallery is encouraging all artists – including First Nations and young artists – to head to the Gallery's website to enter the inaugural Wollumbin Art Award (WAA).

The exciting new award is open to artists from the local government areas of Tweed, Byron, Ballina, Lismore and Kyogle as well as the Scenic Rim and City of Gold Coast. A \$15,000 first prize is on offer and a 2-week residency at the Gallery's Nancy Fairfax Artist in Residence Studio.

Interest in the WAA has been strong and Gallery Director Susi Muddiman OAM is urging artists not to leave submitting their entries until the last minute.

"The online entry process is very straight forward and you can save your entry before submitting it as long as you submit it before 5 pm on Sunday 17 July 2022," Ms Muddiman said.

"I am really proud of the resilience shown by artists who have faced so many challenges in recent years. The WAA offers another fantastic opportunity for them get their work out there.

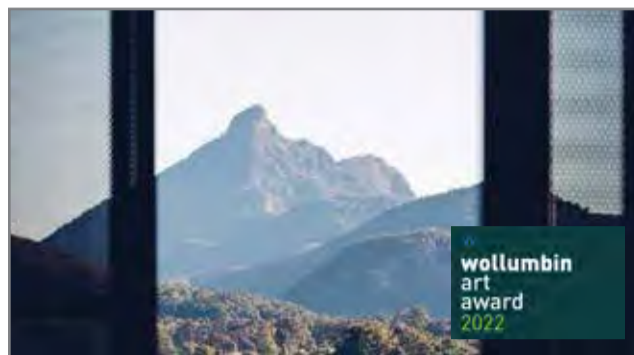
"In addition to the first prize, we have the \$10,000 First Nations Bundjalung Award which includes an exhibition at the Gallery as well as a \$5,000 prize and an Emerging Artist Award.

"We are also delighted to be able to include the Wollumbin Youth Art Awards (WYAA) for young talent aged from 5 – 18 years which includes prizes for the various age groups."

Finalists will be informed on Monday 8 August and will have their works displayed at the Gallery from Sunday 30 September to Sunday 20 November 2022.

"We know the calibre of artists we have in the region and encourage artists at all stages of their practice to enter this brand new award – so go online and submit your entry now," Ms Muddiman said.

Visit [gallery.tweed.nsw.gov.au/wollumbin-art-award](http://gallery.tweed.nsw.gov.au/wollumbin-art-award) for more information.



View of Wollumbin Mt Warning from the Tweed Regional Gallery window. Photo credit Katie Holmes.

## Program to address DA backlog

In recognition of the urgent need to reduce development application (DA) times, Council is embarking on a concerted program to address the backlog.

The DA Backlog Reduction Program is designed to tackle a problem which is state-wide and has been compounded by a number of factors.

Tweed is not alone when confronted by a high number of undetermined DAs however Council has identified a number of measures which it hopes will deliver a more manageable, efficient workload over the next 6 to 12 months.

After consultation with the local development industry, strategies put forward to Council by Council officers were endorsed at the 2 June Planning Committee meeting.

To achieve strategy goals, a cooperative effort between Council and the development sector was developed, resulting in certain trade-offs of current Council assessment services.

Visit [tweed.nsw.gov.au/da-backlog-reduction-program](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/da-backlog-reduction-program) for more information.

## Development proposal for public comment

The following development application has been received by Tweed Shire Council and may be viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/datracking](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/datracking) for a period of 14 days from Wednesday 29 June to 13 July 2022.

### Application details

**DA22/0366** – Installation of a 1.8m diameter satellite dish including associated cabinet, external air conditioner, cabling, fencing and tree pruning at existing telecommunication facility  
Lot 20 DP 244460, No. 9 Pioneer Parade, **Banora Point**  
Downer Group

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.

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

## Resident and Ratepayer Association meetings

**Banora Point & District Residents Assoc. Inc.** meet Monday 4 July 2022 at the South Tweed Sports Club commencing at 6:30 pm. Contact 0428 332 819 for further information.

**Chinderah Districts Residents Association** meet Tuesday 5 July 2022, 7 pm (AEDT) at Uniting Church Hall, 24 Kingscliff Street, opposite nursing home Kingscliff.

## Current vacancies

View current vacancies at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/job-vacancies](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/job-vacancies)

Subscribe to receive Job Vacancy Alerts via email at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe)

**WATER WEEK**  
Week 1 starts  
4 July 2022

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

## In brief ...

### We're moving from MyRoadInfo to Live Traffic NSW

From Thursday 30 June visitors to the old MyRoadInfo website will be redirected to Live Traffic NSW.

Council is transitioning from MyRoadInfo as the ageing system will no longer be supported. Live Traffic is already being used for road closure information for state highways.

Finding information on roads across the Tweed is as simple as entering your trip in the 'origin' and 'destination' fields. Or, if you just want to find out about one area, you can enter the address in either field and the map will take you to that location.

You can access Live Traffic NSW by going to [livetraffic.com](http://livetraffic.com) or download the app from the App Store or Google Play.

Remember to also check our roadworks and closures page at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/roadworks-closures](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/roadworks-closures) for more details.

### 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

- DA22/0147** – Covered outdoor learning area (COLA)  
Lot 2 DP 777844, No. 123 Tweed Coast Road, **Bogangar**
- DA21/1006** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling, new workshop and upgrade to existing driveway  
Lot 2 DP 633463, No. 181 Cabbage Gum Road, **Cudgera Creek**
- DA21/0411** – Alterations and additions to an existing dwelling (demolition of garage, construction of carport & minor internal alterations), construction of new two storey dwelling (to create detached dual occupancy) with swimming pool; and strata subdivision  
Lot 23 DP 249874, No. 12 Shell Street, **Kingscliff**
- DA21/1019** – Relocation of existing shed and in-ground swimming pool  
Lot 823 DP 1144994, No. 67 Mylestom Circle, **Pottsville**
- DA22/0019** – Swimming pool  
Lot 452 DP 1192793, No. 203 Overall Drive, **Pottsville**
- DA22/0003** – Dwelling alterations and additions, carport and 1.8m high front fence  
Lot 10 DP 204145, No. 374 Terranora Road, **Terranora**
- DA22/0014** – Construction of a detached dwelling, secondary dwelling, carport and the removal of one tree  
Lot 11 DP 239236, No. 40 Altair Street, **Tweed Heads South**

##### Approved – deferred commencement

- DA21/0261** – Multi dwelling housing comprising 6 × 3 bedroom units and 1 × 4 bed unit, including tree removal  
Lot 632 DP 216389, Lot 619 DP 508200, No. 10–12 Willow Avenue, **Bogangar**

##### Refused

- DA21/0989** – Recreation facility (outdoor)  
Lot 2 DP 121377, No. 271 Carool Road, **Carool**
- DA21/0697** – Detached secondary dwelling  
Lot 3 DP 1207340, No. 14 Mitchell Street, **Uki**

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



## Have your say

Add your voice to decision making in the Tweed

### The future of events on the Tweed

On exhibition from 29 June to 27 July 2022

You're invited to comment on the draft *Tweed Events Strategy 2022–2026*.

We have drafted a new Events Strategy that aims to generate and enhance community pride by building our profile and attracting the right type of events, at the right time of year, that support our economy and align with our community values.



### Have your say

Whether you support the draft or you have constructive feedback we want to hear from you.

Visit [yoursaytweed.com.au/eventsstrategy](http://yoursaytweed.com.au/eventsstrategy) to learn more about the draft and make a submission.

### Proposed road closing under section 38b Roads Act 1993

On exhibition from 28 June to 26 July 2022

In accordance with the provisions of the *Roads Act 1993* (NSW), notice is given that Tweed Shire Council proposes to close part of the Council public road being Lot 2 DP1264467, Numinbah Road, Numinbah, indicated as Lot 2 and outlined in red on the below map. Upon closure of the road, Council intends to give the land as compensation for the acquisition of land for road under s.44 *Roads Act 1993* (NSW).



### Have your say

Visit [yoursaytweed.com.au](http://yoursaytweed.com.au) to learn more and make a submission.

All interested persons are invited to make submissions concerning the proposal to the General Manager, Tweed Shire Council, PO Box 816 Murwillumbah NSW 2484 or via [tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au), within 28 days of the date of this advertisement. Please note that under the provisions of the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* (NSW), such submissions may be referred to third parties for consideration.

Once the submission period is completed, Tweed Shire Council will consider all duly made submissions before deciding whether to continue with the road closure proposal.

**Council ref:** Lot 2 DP1264467, Numinbah Road, Numinbah  
**Enquiries:** Jennie Stephenson, Technical Officer – Property  
**Call:** 02 6670 2400

For the General Manager, Tweed Shire Council.

**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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