

# Tweed Link

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The new Places to Swim area at Jack Evans Boat Harbour, Tweed Heads, is part of a significant upgrade to the popular park.

# Jack Evans Boat Harbour is crowned a winner

Tweed Shire Council has been crowned winner of the NSW Government Council Crown Land Management Excellence Award for its upgrade of Jack Evans Boat Harbour at Tweed Heads.

The revitalised facilities were officially opened earlier this year with improved swimming access and youth recreational opportunities for residents and visitors to the Tweed's premier public park.

Council was congratulated at the 2024 Community Achievement Awards for NSW and the ACT on Friday 1 November for creating an inclusive urban parkland that serves as a gathering place for families, fostering fun and promoting opportunities for people to be active and healthy.

Council was further praised for its commitment to community engagement in designing a space that

Tweed residents can enjoy now and into the future.

The recognition reflects the collaborative spirit of all those involved in the design, construction and management of the revitalised park, which has become a popular spot for swimming and relaxed

Over the past 2 years, the precinct has seen several important revitalisation projects including a regional inclusive playspace known as Goorimahbah Place of Stories, dedicated youth recreation area including a half-basketball court and skate area, upgraded swimming area including shade structures and accessible picnic facilities, improved landscaping and public art.

Find out more about the project at yoursaytweed.com.au/goorimahbah

# Funding for regenerative farming program

In a win for Tweed's agricultural community, a tailored agribusiness training program will be rolled out for farmers in 2025.

Council was awarded \$60,000 last month to deliver the training as part of the NSW Environmental Trust's Environmental Education Program.

The project aims to empower farmers with business skills which help them adopt more regenerative farming practices such as managed grazing, agroforestry, cover cropping and the use of organic amendments like compost.

Council's Program Leader Sustainable Agriculture Eli Szandala said the grant presents a great opportunity for Tweed's agricultural community.

"We often hear the old adage – it's hard to be green when you're in the red, meaning it's hard to invest

in environmental improvements when you're not generating much revenue," Mr Szandala said.

"This project will improve profitability and nature outcomes on farms by filling gaps in business training

Local farmers and agribusinesses are invited to a launch event at Earth Beer Brewery at Cudgen on Friday 6 December 2024, from 10 am to 1 pm to help tailor the training program to suit your farming needs.

Registration is essential. Book your spot at events. humanitix.com/profitable-regenerative-farming or contact Council's Program Leader Sustainable Agriculture on 02 6670 2400.

For more information visit

tweed.nsw.gov.au/agriculture-farming

# In brief ...

### Vote for Tweed's favourite urban tree

Tweed residents are invited to cast their votes in the Favourite Tree of the Tweed photo competition.

Stunning photos of trees from across the Tweed have been submitted to Council as part of the competition, highlighting the beauty, health and wellbeing benefits of the Tweed's urban landscapes.

Explore all the images on Council's Your Say Tweed platform and click the heart symbol to cast your vote - it's that easy! Just remember, you can't vote for your own submission.

This competition is part of Council's Cool Towns Urban Forest Program. which highlights the importance of trees for providing shade and cooling in areas where concrete and asphalt absorb heat.

Cast your vote before midnight on Sunday 8 December at yoursaytweed.com.au/cool-towns



Last year's runner up by Jonny C.'s 'When 2 Become 1' was a crowd favourite.

#### Young people – help shape the future

Council is seeking feedback from young people in the Tweed on the proposed Youth Outdoor Recreation Action Plan which aims to improve outdoor recreation facilities across the Tweed.

Young people aged between 12 and 24 years are invited to complete a quick survey to confirm if Council is on the right track.

The action plan highlights 4 areas for improvement, including youth-friendly spaces, skate facilities (and scooter areas), bike facilities (including an urban bike park, pump track, BMX track) and outdoor events and

Not aged between 12-24 years but want to have your say? The broader community is also welcome to complete the survey.

Visit <u>yoursaytweed.com.au/youth-voice</u> and fill out the survey by 4 pm on Wednesday 27 November.

# Flood restoration underway at Vic Bianchetti Sports Clubhouse at Uki

Clubhouse flood restoration project, literally.

The clubhouse restoration, funded by the NSW Government's Office of Sport's Priority Needs Program and Essential Community Sport Assets, is incorporating several flood resilience measures into the rebuild, including a second story meeting room and storage area.

The project, worth more than \$1.1 million, is being carried out by Desire Contractors Pty Ltd.

Work completed so far includes all structural works,

Things are looking up at Uki's Vic Bianchetti Sports lower-level roof sheeting, installation of all lower-level doors and windows, external ceiling sheeting and hydraulic works.

> Upcoming work will include rendering of the walls and upper-level roof installation, wall cladding, remaining facia, gutters and flashings, insulation and internal ceiling sheets along with epoxy floor coatings.

> The project will be finished off with the installation of bar and canteen servery shutters, veranda lighting. Follow Council's flood recovery works at

tweed.nsw.gov.au/flood-recovery-update



The upstairs meeting room is taking shape at Vic Bianchetti Sports Clubhouse at Uki.



Tweed Shire Council wishes to acknowledge the Ngandowal and Minyungbal speaking people of the Bundjalung Country, in particular the Goodjinburra, Tul-gi-gin and Moorung – Moobah clans, as being the traditional owners and custodians of the land and waters within the Tweed Shire boundaries. Council also acknowledges and respects the Tweed Aboriginal community's right to speak for its Country and to care for its traditional Country in accordance with its lore, customs and traditions.

# Get involved and sign up to our Tweed Seniors Festival 2025!

The Tweed Seniors Festival is returning from Monday 3 to Sunday 16 March 2025, celebrating the contributions of older residents across the community.

Council is inviting local groups and businesses to register events by Friday 13 December 2024 to be featured in the festival program for 2025.

From workshops to morning teas, to concerts, and exercise group showcases, the festival offers plenty of ways to connect and celebrate.

Residents are also encouraged to nominate inspiring seniors for the Tweed Local Achievement Awards, which will be presented at the festival's opening ceremony on Monday 3 March.

Tweed Local Achievement Awards celebrate seniors doing great things for their local community. Past honourees include Veronese Burgess, recognised for her work with local elders, and Judy and Mark Eglington, who were honoured for their almost 65 years of volunteer service with the NSW Rural Fire Service.

To get involved, register your event or nominate a local senior by visiting <u>tweed.nsw.gov.au/seniors-festival</u>



# Expression of interest sought for new Community Climate Action Group

Council is looking for people interested in joining a Community Climate Action Group to lead, motivate and support local climate change solutions.

This group will agree on its own Terms of Reference and provide input to Council's climate change program and related activities, including:

- to support the Climate Futures: Engaging Community event in February 2025 to identify projects and actions that can be driven at a community level
- to document community projects and actions into a Community Climate Action Plan
- to lead, engage and motivate the Tweed community's active response to climate change
- to lead and support delivery of community emissions reduction actions and projects
- to provide input into Tweed Shire Council's climate change work program

#### Have your say

If you are interested, you can submit an expression of interest by close of business on 10 January 2025. Find more information about what we are looking for and how to apply at <a href="yoursaytweed.com.au/community-climate-action-group">yoursaytweed.com.au/community-climate-action-group</a>

### **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.

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

#### Public notice - presentation of financial statements

#### General purpose financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2024

Presentation of financial statements as per Section 418 (3) of the Local Government Act 1993.

In accordance with Section 418 (3) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW), Tweed Shire Council advises that the ordinary Council meeting to be held on 21 November will include the presentation of the audited Financial Statements and the Auditor's Reports for the year ending 30 June 2024.

A summary of the Financial Statements is provided below:

	2024	2023
	\$'000	\$'000
Income statement		
Total income from continuing operations	373,853	318,800
Total expenses from continuing operations	236,563	249,462
Operating result from continuing operations	137,290	69,338
Net operating result for the year	137,290	69,338
Net operating result before grants and contributions provided for capital purposes	17,224	20,347
Statement of Financial Position		
Total current assets	441,866	356,309
Total current liabilities	(66,059)	(67,153)
Total non-current assets	3,718,648	3,533,045
Total non-current liabilities	(118,043)	(117,459)
Total equity	3,976,412	3,704,742
Other financial information		
Unrestricted current ratio (times)	5.71	5.09
Operating performance ratio (%)	9.47%	9.90%
Deb service cover ratio (times)	5.93	5.73
Rates and annual charges outstanding ratio (%)	4.95%	4.90%
Infrastructure renewals ratio (%)	264.50%	110.15%
Own source operating revenue ratio (%)	61.41%	63.77%
Cash expense cover ratio (months)	30.94	22.17

In accordance with Section 420 of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW), any person may make a submission in writing to Council with respect to the Council's Audited Financial Statements or the Auditor's Reports.

Copies of the Audited Financial Statements can be viewed at <u>yoursaytweed.com.au/financial-statements-2023-2024</u>. Submissions close Thursday 28 November 2024.



# Cimple ways to waste less water

- Find and fix your water leaks. Just one leaky tap can waste more than 30L a day and a constantly running toilet 260L a day.
- Install water-efficient showerheads, taps and appliances with at least a 4-star water rating label.
- 3. Use a swimming pool cover every day and you'll save up to 82L a day.

FOR MORE INFO VISIT tweed.nsw.gov.au/target160 Make every drop count

- 4. Go easy on the hose. Watering the garden uses a massive 15 to 20L a minute!
- Keep your daily shower to 4 minutes.You'll save 9L every minute you knock off.

By making some simple changes to use just 160L a day, you'll help look after what makes the Tweed, the Tweed: our water. You'll also save money.





### Funding still available for flood-affected Tweed homes

Funding remains available for homeowners that meet the NSW Reconstruction Authority's house raising and retrofit criteria

These include where it's a residential property, the homeowner owned the property at the time of the flood, the home is located outside of buyback areas, and the floor level is below the 5% AEP flood level (also known as the 1 in 20-year flood) plus a buffer of 0.1m.

Homeowners are encouraged to apply for the Resilient Homes Program if they haven't already done so. Once homeowners apply, the NSW RA will confirm whether they are prioritised for a particular stream within the RHP (Buyback, Raising or Retrofit) or not. Currently 63 homes across the Tweed Shire are registered and prioritised for raising or retrofit.

Visit <u>nsw.gov.au/resilient-homes-program</u>



A flood-affected home is fenced off for a buyback.

#### **Community notice**

The Pottsville Community Association monthly meetings are held on the last Tuesday of the month at 6.30 pm at St Marks Analican Church, Coronation Avenue, Pottsville. Come along, get involved with the community and learn about upcoming projects. For more information call 0407 889 168.

#### **Road closures**

#### **Making Tracks Street Party** Saturday 30 November 2024

#### Event starts 2:30 pm and finishes 9:30 pm

Roads closed: Prospero Street will be closed on Saturday, 30 November, from 9:30 am to 9:30 pm, from River Street to Tweed Valley Way and Cliffords Lane to Holstons Street. with a temporary pedestrian crossing on Tweed Valley Way and traffic control in place. Please avoid parking on Prospero Street, Cliffords Lane, the grassy corner area, and the carpark at the back of Service NSW.

Direct questions to Business Murwillumbah at info@businessmurwillumbah.com.au or visit businessmurwillumbah.com.au

#### **Road closures**

#### Kingscliff Triathlon - Sunday 1 December 2024

#### Race starts 6:30 am and finishes 11:30 pm

Roads closed: Marine Pde from Moss St to Seaview St Roundabout (5:30 am to 12:00 noon), Marine Pde from Seaview St roundabout to Wommin Bay Rd (5:30 to 10:30 am), Wommin Bay Rd from Sand St to Chinderah Bay Dr and along to Chinderah Village Caravan Park (5:30 to 10:30 am), Pearl St southbound from Turnock St to Seaview St (5:30 to 10:30 am), Moss St to Sutherland Pt Rd (5:30 am to 12:00 noon), Cudgen Creek Boardwalk from Salt to creek mouth (5:30 am to 12:00 noon)

Visit kingsclifftri.org or contact the team on 02 8507 0796.

#### **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**

DA24/0457 - Alterations and additions to existing dwelling Lot 14 DP 848987, No. 12 Kinross Close, Banora Point

DA24/0103 - Alterations and additions to existing mixed use development, new lift and accessible entranceway's Lot 2 DP 772368, Lot 1 DP 772368, Lot 3 DP 772368, Lot 1 DP 439512, Lot 3DP 772263, Lot 4 DP 772263, Lot 1 DP 123065, Lot 1 DP 202712, No. 3-5 Brisbane Street, Murwillumbah

DA24/0419 - Use Of Existing Pontoon

Lot 144 DP 246854, Lot 167 DP 246854, No. 21 Norman Street, Tweed Heads

**DA24/0182** - Pontoon

Lot 9 DP 1182030, Lot 75 DP 264646, No. 9 Limosa Road,

#### **Tweed Heads West**

DA24/0184 - Alterations and additions to an existing pub (Tyalgum Hotel)

Lot 1 DP 253165, Lot 7 Section 8DP 759012, Lot 6 Section 8DP 759012, Lot 5 Section 8DP 759012, Lot 4 Section 8DP 759012, No. 39 Coolman Street, Tyalgum

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.

#### **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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tweed.nsw.gov.au/meter-reading

#### Council meeting agenda Thursday 21 November 2024

The Council Meeting Agenda for Thursday 21 November 2024 is available at 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 3:30 pm.

#### **Agenda**

#### **Reports for consideration**

#### Confirmation of minutes

**5.1.** Confirmation of Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meetings held Thursday 24 October and and Thursday 7 November 2024

#### Schedule of outstanding resolutions

8.1. Schedule of Outstanding Resolutions as at 12 November 2024

#### **Mayoral minute**

9.1. Mayoral Minute for October 2024

#### Receipt of petitions

10.1. Receipt of Petitions as at 6 November 2024

#### Orders of the day

- 11.1. NOM Cr Hone Red Bins
- 11.2. NOM Cr Firth Soft Plastic Recycling
- NOM Cr Cherry Dwelling Entitlements for Rural Lots
- NOM Cr Cherry Consideration of Cost/Benefit of Sealing Tweed's Gravel Roads
- NOM Cr Hone Facebook Live Feed for Community Engagement
- NOM Cr Cherry Policy on Whale Burials in the Tweed 11.6 Shire
- 11.7. NOM - Cr Byrnes - Save Norries Headland Upper Carpark
- NOM Cr Owen Pottsville Beach Neighbourhood Centre Use Other Community Groups
- NOM Cr Brinsmead Expansion of Reusable Products Program

#### Questions with notice

- 12.1. QWN Cr Hone Tweed Coast Road Upgrade from the M1 Freeway to the Cudgen Lights
- 12.2. QWN Cr Owen Indoor Sporting Facility and 50m Olympic Sized Swimming Pool
- 12.3. QWN Cr Owen Pottsville Telecommunication Tower
- 12.4. QWN Cr Owen Issues on Keith Compton Drive, Tweed
- 12.5. QWN Cr Owen Ibis Poo, Limosa Road, Tweed Heads West
- 12.6. QWN Cr Brinsmead Tweed CBD
- QWN Cr Brinsmead Pontoon for Kimberely Lake, Banora Point
- 12.8. QWN Cr Brinsmead Cudgen Creek Masterplan and Safety Audit
- 12.9. QWN Cr Owen Kingscliff Men's Shed, Elrond Drive

12.10. QWN - Cr Brinsmead - Roadside Vegetation Maintenance

#### Reports from the Director Sustainable Communities and Environment

- 17.1. Business Case and Advocacy Plan for Common Ground Housing First Project in the Tweed
- 17.2. Acceptance of Grant: Northern Rivers Watershed Initiative

#### Reports from the Director Engineering

- 18.1. Private Application for road closure and purchase of the Unnamed Council Road adjacent to Prince Street, Murwillumbah (adjoining 38 Brisbane Street, Murwillumbah; Lot 1 in DP524512)
- 18.2. Acceptance of funding from New South Wales Reconstruction Authority - Investigative and Design Works for Greenhills Lodge Land Slip Repair
- 18.3. RFO2024047 Design and Construction of New Works Depot
- 18.4. Request for Owner's Consent to submit a Development Application Modification for the 'Rise Estate' at Bilambil Heights, affecting Council-owned operational land Lot 1 DP1033807, Lot 1 DP1033810, Lot 1 DP595529 and Lot 1

#### Reports from the Director Corporate Services

- 19.1. 2023/2024 Annual Report
- 19.2. Quarterly Budget Review September 2024
- 19.3. Annual Financial Statements as at 30 June 2024
- 19.4. Carry Over Works from 2023/2024 to 2024/2025 Budget
- 19.5. Compliance Policy
- 19.6. Council Committees Councillor Delegates update
- Monthly Investment Report for the Period ending 31 October 2024
- RFO2023193 ERP Data Migration and Data Integration Services

#### Reports from sub-committees/working groups

21.1. Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held Thursday 10 October 2024

### Reports from the Director Corporate Services in Committee

- 34.1. Gardn Church Chinderah DA23/0316 Business Investment Policy
- 34.2. Community membership on Aboriginal Advisory Committee

The agenda for this meeting, which may also include any late or supplementary reports, will be updated prior to the date of the meeting 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 this meeting will be available as soon as practical following the meeting 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. DA24/0546**

A development application has been lodged by Dungay Mountain Viewpark Pty Ltd

C/- RPS AAP Consulting seeking development consent for caravan park providing for 262 short term site (197 caravan sites, 29 camping, 36 cabins), managers residence, swimming pool, shop, reception, camp kitchens and associated amenities, bike trail, signage and demolition of existing residence (staged development). at Lot 2 DP 803636; No. 355 Tomewin Road Dungay. 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
Section 100B of the Rural Fires Act 1997	General Approval	Rural Fire Service
	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. The documents will be available for a period of 28 days from Wednesday 20 November 2024 to Wednesday 18 December 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.

 $Further information regarding \ Donations \ and \ Gift\ Disclosure \ are \ available \ on \ Councils' \ website \ \underline{tweed.nsw.gov.au/development-applications}$ 



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