

# TWEED Tweed Link

A Tweed Shire Council publication

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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 custodians of these lands



Workers making good progress last week laying down the gravel surface a few kilometres south of Murwillumbah.

## Work on Rail Trail's new gravel surface starts

Construction work on the Northern Rivers Rail Trail is ramping up with work starting last week on the final gravel surface for the Tweed section of the trail.

After an extended run of dry weather, work to lay down the new compacted gravel surface is starting at several points along the trail including at Burringbar, Stokers Siding and South Murwillumbah. It will progress at about 300 to 400 metres per day until it is

completed later this year.

Project director lain Lonsdale said he was pleased with progress on the construction of the trail despite the heavy rains and flood event earlier this year.

"Our contractors Hazell Bros are doing a great job and we are very pleased with the progress they have made since the floods," Mr Lonsdale said

"Workers have removed almost all of the railway track along the 24km Tweed section of the trail to make way for the new surface so that is a significant milestone.

'Now the focus is shifting to the trail surface itself which will be a compacted gravel surface along the majority of the trail with some asphalt and concrete at the railway stations.

"In January, we laid 2 test sections of the gravel surface and they performed very well during that period of heavy rain and are showing the level of durability we were looking for. We are feeling confident this next phase of works on the trail surface will be a success.<sup>3</sup>

Construction on the Tweed section of the rail trail scheduled for this month includes:

· restoration works continuing on steel and timber bridges · construction of numerous bypasses and culverts around existing bridges

- excavation and earthworks
- laying of pipes and drainage
- · installation of hardwood decking and other surfaces over bridges · trail access works.

Mr Lonsdale said the railway track would be recycled and reused in other infrastructure projects including for stabilisation within new building foundations.

"Sustainability has been an important guiding principle for this project and our projections show the recycling of the steel alone will contribute to a fairly significant savings in greenhouse gas emissions," he said.

"We will also reuse the rail sleepers within the rail trail landscape, including seating, benches as well as retaining the best for reuse in future public structures and art works along the trail."

When completed, the full length of the Northern Rivers Rail Trail will preserve the 132km scenic rail corridor between Murwillumbah and Casino, creating a safe, car-free connection between the villages and towns along the route.

It will be constructed in 4 stages, each delivered separately by local councils, as funding allows.

The Tweed section will be the first to open by early next year and will connect the rural villages of Crabbes Creek, Mooball, Burringbar and Stokers Siding with Murwillumbah. Trains on the former North Coast line ceased running in 2004.

Funding for the Tweed section was provided by the Australian Government, under its Regional Jobs and Infrastructure Package Fund, and the NSW Government under the Restart NSW fund.

For project updates and more information about the Northern Rivers Rail Trail, visit yoursaytweed.com.au/railtrail

## Help for threatened birds at Fingal Old Boat Harbour

Earlier this month, students, parents and locals helped plant trees for 2 significant threatened bird species at a habitat enhancement site at Old Fingal Boat Harbour Park, Fingal Head.

10 Lindisfarne Junior School year 4 students and 4 parents and teachers joined Council's Sustainability and Environment staff and 3 Fingal Head Coast Care members to plant 118 specialised feed and shelter trees.

The students learned about how these trees will help Glossy Black-Cockatoos and Bush Stone-curlews thrive and survive. This activity was organised as part of the Conserving Cockatoos and Curlews on the Coast project which aims to improve existing habitat for these important bird species on public land in the Tweed.

One parent, Sarah Whitrod said it was great to have the students involved in this activity.

"This is an exciting project which we will continue to be involved in. It's very special that we can all visit the park, watch our trees grow and see how our school is contributing to such an important cause," Ms Whitrod said.

The students will continue to be involved by painting some of the new bollards installed to prevent vehicles accessing the area and impacting on this important bird breeding and feeding site.

The Conserving Cockatoos and Curlews on the Coast project is

jointly funded by Council and the NSW Government's Environmental Trust program.

Find out more about the project at

tweed.nsw.gov.au/conserving-cockatoos-curlews



Two Lindisfarne year 4 students and a Fingal Coast Care member planting Allocasuarina litoralis, an important feed tree for Glossy Black-Cockatoos, recently listed as vulnerable in Australia.



## New LED lighting for sports fields in the Tweed

Local sports clubs are enjoying the benefit of new energy-efficient LED lighting upgrades, allowing playing hours to be extended into the night.



Sports field lighting has been upgraded at Casuarina Beach Rugby Club and Murwillumbah Hockey Club as part of the NSW Government's Stronger Country Communities Fund Round 2. This included a \$100,000 upgrade for the second field at Casuarina Beach Rugby Club and a \$240,000 upgrade for the second turf field at Murwillumbah Hockey Club.

Council's Manager Parks and Active Communities Murray Smith said the additional lighting had been well received and would help to extend playing hours at the clubs.

"Council identified the need for the upgrades as part of our Sports Field Strategy and our ongoing program to install and upgrade sports field lighting to LEDs," Mr Smith said.

"We worked closely with the clubs before applying for funding for the lighting which will allow for extended usage of the fields at both venues. Staying active and healthy is an important part of our lifestyle in the Tweed and we are committed to providing opportunities for our community to be more active and healthy.

"Making the switch to energy-efficient LEDs is something we are proud of. Reducing our carbon emissions and environmental footprint is a key focus for Council as part of our Renewable Energy Action Plan where we aim to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from electricity use by 25% by 2022 and 50% by 2025."

Mr Smith said unfortunately the new lighting at Murwillumbah Hockey Club had been damaged by the flood earlier this year but would be replaced as soon as additional funding could be secured.

Lighting upgrades at other sports fields in the Tweed are also in the planning, with work set to begin at Bilambil West Sports Field next month and at Arkinstall Park Sports Fields early next year.

Casuarina Beach Rugby Club vice president Danielle Hevers said the new lighting had already made a positive impact at the club by optimising their playing space and providing a usable second field.

"We can now play at night which is fantastic and it's also allowed other sporting groups to use the field," Ms Hevers said.

'This season has seen a number of teams unable to host games due to the floods and wet weather. The combination of our fast-draining sandy soil and the addition of the lights has put us in a position to transfer additional games to our fields, helping keep other clubs playing matches and in the competition. We couldn't have supported these extra games without lighting on the second field."

Find out more about Council's recreation and outdoor facilities at tweed.nsw.gov.au/community/recreation-outdoors and the NSW Government's Stronger Country Communities Fund at\_ nsw.gov.au/regional-nsw/programs-and-grants/regional-growth-fund/ stronger-country-communities-fund



Players are enjoying the extended playing hours as a result of the upgraded lighting at Casuarina Beach Rugby Club (Photo courtesy Danielle Hevers)

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#### **Pottsville Recovery Support Service**

Flood-affected people will now be able to access a free personalised Recovery Support Service (RSS) being provided by the Pottsville Beach Neighbourhood Centre.

The service links people with their own personalised recovery support worker who can assist with finding and accessing services and other relevant supports according to their own recovery goals.

RSS workers will also provide support for those dealing with emotional, physical and financial impacts of the 2022 floods.

The RSS is available to residents who have had their homes destroyed or damaged by the floods, those experiencing additional social and psychological impacts, business owners and primary producers and rural landholders.

To access the service, phone 02 6676 4555, mobile 0476 677 422 or email rss@pbnc.org.au

With a person's consent, an agency can make direct referral to the RSS. No formal referral from a GP or other provider is required.

The PBNC RSS Program is being funded jointly by the Australian Government and NSW Government Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements

#### **Flood Recovery Centre**

The Flood Recovery Centre in the Canvas and Kettle venue at the Murwillumbah Civic Centre will continue operations on Thursday this week.

The Centre is open as normal from 9 am to 4 pm and next week, Tuesday 30 August and Thursday 1 September 9 am to 4 pm.

#### Landcare help for landslips

Landholders affected by landslips following severe rain events in the Northern Rivers in February and March 2022 may be eligible for support being offered by Landcare networks in the region.

Local Landcare Coordinator for the Border Ranges Richmond Valley Landcare Network (BRRVLN), Emma Stone said landslips are a massive concern in the Northern Rivers since the severe weather events earlier this year

The Landslip Recovery project is funded by North Coast Local Land Services and is supported in kind by Council. The project will offer support to landholders to stabilise slips, prevent soil erosion and minimise the impact on threatened species and ecological communities

Registrations close Thursday 1 September 2022 and landholders will be notified of their eligibility prior to the end of September.

For more information visit brrvln.org.au/news/northern-riverslandslip-recovery-project. Landholders can register their landslips via an electronic form: form.jotform.com/221858076283867

#### Major flood recovery works

#### **Scenic Drive**

Australian Marine and Civil Pty Ltd (AMC), the contractor engaged by Council to carry out the Scenic Drive landslip and embankment restoration works, is currently working on the final design to stabilise the slip.

This work is almost complete and AMC crews are expected to be on site again this week.

Removal of slip spoil is continuing to allow access to stabilise the remaining road lane.

Drafts of the temporary works design drawings have been received and are under review. The detailed design for the final remediation is due in the coming weeks.

Your Tweed flood recovery update 24 August 2022

The proposed construction process at the Scenic Drive slips will involve site establishment, excavation of slip areas, soil nailing, concrete shotcreting, foundation works, wall construction, backfill, drainage, road pavement, asphalting, line marking and safety barrier works.

To allow construction vehicles to safely enter and exit the site, motorists are asked not to park within 5 metres of the concrete barriers or on the upslope side of the road.



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Pedestrian access through the site will generally remain open during the reconstruction works. However, there may be periods where access is restricted due to hazardous or very noisy work. Early notice will be given to the community regarding these restricted times.

AMC has provided an indicative timeframe, which aims at having works completed by the end of March 2023.

Council and AMC will look to provide further updates and more accurate timeframes wherever possible. For more information on these and other repairs, visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/flood-recovery-works

#### **Tyalgum Road**

#### Test drilling on Tyalgum Road adjacent to the major landslip is completed.

Transport for NSW has confirmed in principle funding approval. A geotechnical report has been received and will be included in the Expression of Interest bundle of projects as part of the Design and Construct Concept design stage.

Once designs are complete, Council will select the most suitable contractor to carry out the work.

#### **Limpinwood Road**

#### The test borehole on Limpinwood Road is now complete. This includes the slips near Boxsell Road and Charbray Place.

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#### **Zara Road**

#### Ellis Consolidated has been engaged to undertake road reconstruction along Zara Road between Bald Mountain Road

and Ashton Road.

The works will include road pavement stabilisation and application of bitumen seal

Weather permitting, the works will take about 3 weeks to complete starting on Wednesday 24 August.

The works will be undertaken from Monday to Friday, between 7 am and 5 pm

There will be temporary road closures causing 5-10 minute delays. Traffic controllers will be in place to direct traffic flow. Please follow electronic roadworks signage for up-to-date information.

#### **Numinbah Road**

#### Council contractors have completed rehabilitating failed sections of Numinbah Road between Upper Crystal Creek and Chillingham.

The permanent repairs included the removal of failed pavement and replacement with asphalt.

#### **Kyogle Road**

There are several landslips along Kyogle Road. Council has given urgent priority to major landslips located 500 m to 1.6 km west of Byangum Bridge.

Transport for NSW have confirmed in principal funding approval. A geotechnical report has been received and will be included in the Expression of Interest bundle of projects as part of the Design and Construct Concept design stage.

Once designs are complete, Council will select the most suitable contractor to carry out the work.

Traffic is reduced to one lane and is being controlled by traffic lights at the slip immediately west of Byangum Bridge.

Other slips along Kyogle Road allow 2 way traffic to pass but heavily constrict traffic. We ask motorists to proceed with caution.

Once designs are complete, Council will select the most suitable contractor to carry out the work.

#### **Reserve Creek Road**

#### Test drilling on Reserve Creek Road is now complete.

Transport for NSW have confirmed in principal funding approval. A geotechnical report has been received and will be included in the Expression of Interest bundle of projects as part of the Design and

Construct Concept design stage. Once designs are complete, Council will select the most suitable contractor to carry out the work.

#### **Mount Warning Road**

A temporary side track is in place to allow traffic past the landslip. Transport for NSW have confirmed in principal funding approval.

A geotechnical report has been received and will be included in the Expression of Interest bundle of projects as part of the Design and Construct Concept design stage.

Once Concept designs are complete, Council will select the most suitable contractor to carry out the work.

#### Flood repairs on-ground progress

Council has commenced one major contract on Scenic Drive with 7 major landslips at the design phase. We are also working on strategies to fast track the remainder of the repairs. However, there are still more than 220 major repairs yet to start.

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#### New youth recreation area at Tweed Heads

#### Survey open 24 August to 21 September 2022

You're invited to review and provide feedback on the draft concept plan for the new youth recreation area at Jack Evans Boat Harbour at Tweed Heads (stage 2).



#### Have your say To view the concept plan and provide your comments visit

yoursaytweed.com.au/goorimahbah

#### Draft Section 7.11 Contributions Plan No. 15 - for **Community Facilities (CP15)**

Add your voice to decision making in the Tweed

#### On exhibition 19 August to 16 September 2022

Have your say

You're invited to review and comment on Draft Section 7.11 Contributions Plan No. 15 - for Community Facilities (CP15) (In accordance with Clause 28 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000).

The plan outlines the contributions developers must provide towards local infrastructure including community facilities such as community centres and multipurpose spaces. The plan has been updated to reflect the need for these new facilities to meet the latest growth projections.

#### have your say

To learn more and provide your comments please visit voursavtweed.com.au

Submissions can also be made in writing concerning the Draft Plans to the General Manager, Tweed Shire Council, PO Box 816, Murwillumbah, NSW, 2484

Draft Section 7.11 Contributions Plan No 32 – Developer **Contributions Heavy Haulage (CP32)** 

#### On exhibition 19 August to 16 September 2022

You're invited to comment on Draft Section 7.11 Contributions Plan No. 32 – Developer Contributions for Heavy Haulage (CP32) (In accordance with Clause 28 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000).

This is a new plan that outlines contributions developers must provide towards the maintenance of roads as a result of transporting large volumes of goods and materials in heavy vehicles, instead of imposing these added maintenance costs on ratepavers.

#### have your say

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#### voursavtweed.com.au

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## **Flood Recovery Update**

- Council crews are busy undertaking the following works:
- Balfours Road 2-way traffic has been restored. Council is awaiting geotechnical reports for stabilisation of the top side bank. Drilling tests have been completed and reports have been received. These are being reviewed to identify the next steps of work
- Booka Road Council is waiting for further design details for causeway repair/replacement.
- Butlers Road All table drains and gravel road scours have been repaired and re-instated.
- Byrrill Creek Road, Rowlands Creek Road and Stokers Road - Stokers Road Bridge abutment has been repaired. Major works have been completed with ongoing minor works.
- Couchy Creek Road Table drains and road scours and gully debris removal - 75% complete.
- Davis Road All table drains and gravel road scours have been repaired and re-instated.
- Hogans Road Council has engaged Pan Civil to complete stabilisation of the road embankment and road reconstruction along Hogans Road about 1 km north of the Hogans Road, Upper Duroby Creek Road and Cranneys Road intersection. Weather permitting, the works will be undertaken from Monday to Friday

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If you upgrade your outdated showers and tapware with water efficient products. Council will refund 50 per cent of the total purchase and installation costs for eligible products to a maximum of \$100.

Visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/residential-water-rebates or call Council on 02 6670 2400 for further information on the rebate program, including terms and conditions and the application form

#### **Resident and Ratepayer Association meetings**

Chillingham Community Association's AGM will be on Sat 24 September at 2 pm at the Chillingham Community Centre. Nominations for the committee to be lodged with the secretary at chillinghamcommunitycentre@gmail.com 7 days before the AGM or call (02) 6679 1571. More information <u>www.chillingham.org.au</u>

#### **Request for offer**

RF02022083 Sport and Active Recreation Strategy 2023 - 2033

Offers close: Wednesday 12 noon 14 September 2022

**RF02022023 Uki Mountain Bike Track Construction** 

#### Offers close: Wednesday 12 noon 21 September 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.

#### **Current vacancies**

View current vacancies at tweed.nsw.gov.au/job-vacancies Subscribe to receive Job Vacancy Alerts via email at

tweeu.iisw.gov.au/subscribe			<b>DA20/0712</b> – Staged Development: demolition of existing educational	
WATER WEEK 7 Check when your water meter is read at	DA21/0947 – Secondary dwelling Lot 6 Section 2 DP 7309, No. 22 Seaview Street, Kingscliff		establishment, 2 lot subdivision, and seniors housing including 3 signs Lot 61 DP 1194165, No. 58–78 Caloola Drive, <b>Tweed Heads</b>	
tweed.nsw.gov.au/meter-reading	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 <u>datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au</u>			
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between 7 am and 5 pm. For the duration of the works, there will be lane closures during work hours which may cause delays of up to 5 minutes. At times, the road may be closed from 9 am to 3 pm.

- Hoggs Road All table drains and gravel road scours have been repaired and re-instated.
- Hopkins Road The first causeway entry and exit work has been completed by heavy patch asphalt.
- Kyogle Road Emergency pavement repair near shire boundary continues. Slip material removal continues.
- O'Reillys Road Works completed.
- Piggabeen Road Deep asphalt works are in progress.
- Snake Gully New concrete table drains have been laid. Smiths Creek Road, Palmvale Road, Richards Deviation,
- Round Mountain Road, Nimbin Road and the 3 slips at Stokers Road - Stage 2 geotechnical test drilling is being carried out on these roads and will be completed by Friday 2 September. On Palmvale Road, work has started on cleaning up slips and gravel road repairs.
- Todds Road Works completed.
- Tweed Coast Road near Plantation Road Work continues with stormwater gullies being dug out and the sides of the road being reseeded with grass.
- Urliup Road To allow safe access for road users, Council has engaged Pan Civil to complete the stabilisation of the road embankment and road reconstruction along 2 sections of Urliup Road, about 800 metres west and 1.5 km west of Bilambil Creek crossing

Weather permitting, the works will be undertaken from Monday to Friday between 7 am and 5 pm.

For the duration of the works, there will be lane closures during work hours which may cause delays of up to 5 minutes.

At times, the road may be closed at both sites from 9 am to 3 pm. For more information on these and other repairs, visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/flood-recovery-works

#### **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 for a period of 14 days from Wednesday 24 August to 7 September 2022.

#### **Application details**

DA22/0421 - Childcare centre Lot 11DP 1244396, No. 647 Terranora Road, Terranora

Newton Denny Chapelle

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

#### **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

DA21/0985 - Construction of new pontoon to replace existing Lot 89 DP 263367, Lot 32 DP 263366, No. 12 Commodore Court, **Banora Point** 

#### DA22/0001 - Pontoon

Lot 119 DP 263367, Lot 32 DP 263366, No. 8 Captains Way, **Banora Point** 

#### DA22/0161 - Shed

Lot 38 DP 817155, No. 14 Monterey Avenue, Banora Point

DA22/0167 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including swimming pool, deck and boundary fence

Lot 44 DP 1198266, No. 8 Pavilion Court, Casuarina

DA22/0129 - Shed Lot 1 DP 123257, Lot 53 DP 755721, No. 116 Crabbes Creek Road, **Crabbes Creek** 

DA22/0197 - Alterations and additions to dwelling including roofed decks and partially out of the ground swimming pool Lot 4 DP 30845, No. 7 Herford Street, Kingscliff

DA22/0266 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including pool, carport, gatehouse, roofed deck and patio

Lot 9 Section 8 DP 758571, No. 252 Marine Parade, Kingscliff

DA22/0427 – In-around swimming pool

DA20/0985 – Mixed use development comprising 9 commercial premises, and boarding house comprising 3 self-contained rooms Lot 2 DP 335913, No. 108 Murwillumbah Street, Murwillumbah

DA21/0487 - Use of enclosed carport, deck, patio and sunroom Lot 142 DP 802841, No. 2 Edinburgh Court, Pottsville DA21/0990 - Construction of secondary dwelling, earthworks and retaining wall

Lot 582 DP 1076975, No. 47 Marsupial Drive, Pottsville

DA21/0830 - 2 lot subdivision

Lot 30 DP 1092500, No. 6 Sunnycrest Drive, Terranora DA21/0486 - Alterations and additions to commercial development (vehicle sales or hire premises) and additional signage Lot 51 DP 1196622, No. 139 Wharf Street, Tweed Heads DA21/1012 - Signage

Lot 12 DP 803451, No. 22-38 Florence Street, Tweed Heads

DA21/0517 - Demolition of existing structures, construction of a 4

Lot 26 DP 1253093, No. 2–6 Tweed Coast Road, Cabarita Beach

and landscaping

Refused DA21/0983 - 38 lot strata subdivision

Lot 12 DP 1273396, No. 41 Tweed Coast Road, Bogangar

storey residential flat building with basement carpark, swimming pool



Lot 4 DP 30498 No. 31 Sutherland Street Kingscliff

Water flowing from Clarrie Hall Dam is contributing to the river's brown colour.

**Review underway into the** brown Clarrie Hall Dam

Council engineers and scientists are investigating why Clarrie Hall Dam continues to look brown 6 months after the February and March flood.

Water and Wastewater operations manager Brie Jowett said the dam was full and continues to spill, contributing to the brown colour of the Tweed River downstream of Doon Doon Creek.

"It's taking much longer for the dam to return to the clear, pristine state we are all used to and enjoy," Ms Jowett said.

"It's unprecedented the dam water is not clear, 6 months after a flood. "However, we do acknowledge the 2022 flood was the worst in the Tweed's recorded history and was followed by continued heavy rainfall events.<sup>3</sup>



