

## Facelift slow but looking good

**Continuing wet weather since the March flood has slowed progress on stabilising the cliff face above Tumbulgum Road, between Sunnyside Lane and Old Ferry Road, pushing the completion date for the entire project to the end of the year.**

Currently contractors are shotcreting the face of the cliff in a natural-coloured concrete, covering the embedded soil nails and drainage, reinforcing mesh and power conduits affixed to the face.

The work is progressing slowly due to the wet weather, need to cure the concrete very slowly, machinery breakdowns and difficult geotechnical conditions at the Old Ferry Road end of the worksite.

Shotcreting will continue for some weeks, prior to colour highlights being applied to provide a natural rock-like finish. Then, a net will be fixed to

the face to allow plants to grow up and down the wall over time.

After that, Telstra will work with Council to relocate some large telecommunications infrastructure on top of the cliff and under the roadway. Then, contractors will return to stabilise the riverbank prior to Council taking possession of the site to reconstruct a wider road and footpath and stormwater drainage.

The road is likely to remain closed to the end of the year but pedestrians and cyclists will continue to be allowed through the site, while taking extra care.

**Contractors spray coloured concrete to the cliff face on Tumbulgum Road. The cliff face has pits and pockets to mimic nature and over time will become a living wall of plants.**



## Fingal village residents share their views on values



**Fingal Head residents have been sharing what they value about their village as part of a project to review building heights and related planning issues in the area.**

More than 130 responses were received to a community survey looking at building and height issues in Fingal Head and 80 residents attended two initial community drop-in conversations about the project.

Last week, a further community conversation workshop was held to feed back information from the survey and to discuss building heights as they relate to specific precincts in Fingal Head.

Council's Unit Coordinator, Strategic Planning and Design, Iain Lonsdale, said more than 40 people attended the workshop, including a strong representation from the local Aboriginal community.

"Fingal Head residents clearly care very deeply

about the character of their community and are passionate about contributing to help shape future planning," he said.

"This latest community conversation was a deliberative workshop where residents could look a little deeper at building heights and put forward options for the planning measures they believe are most appropriate.

"The idea is to give the community an opportunity to contribute in a significant way and to draw on their creativity and local knowledge.

"We'll take all the information from the surveys and the workshops, compile it for a report to go back to the community, before we present it to the elected Council to make a decision about the next steps for planning in Fingal Head."

For more information about this project, please visit [yoursaytweed.com.au/fingal-building-heights](http://yoursaytweed.com.au/fingal-building-heights)

## Water bill review for flooded homes

**Residents who used water to clean their properties after the March flood and have since received a substantially higher water bill are asked to contact Council to have their bill reviewed.**

While Council's records of previous floods had showed that cleaning up after floodwaters did not result in a massive spike in residential water use or cost, it appears some residents have used substantially more water in the clean-up and may warrant some relief.

Residents with substantially higher water bills should email their name, property address and property number (shown at the top right on the water bill) and a short explanation of how the water was used or wasted to [tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au)

Your bill will then be reviewed and a rebate applied if warranted.

## A purr-fect time to get involved

**Tweed cat owners have two more weeks to share their experiences of living with their furry companions, by participating in a Tweed Shire Council survey.**

The short survey will help give Council a picture of current behaviours of cat owners and the behavioural changes they are likely to adopt in the future. The survey is the first step in Council's two-year *Love Cats Love Wildlife* Environmental Trust Education project.

The feedback it will provide from cat owners will help guide future Council programs and activities to assist cat owners and encourage responsible pet ownership. A number of \$25 pet supplies vouchers are up for grabs for people who complete the survey at [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CatOwnersSurvey](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CatOwnersSurvey). The survey is open until Monday 26 June.

## Shocking theft risks motorists' safety

**Council is fed up with thieves stealing the batteries out of safety equipment at its worksites.**

Last week, thieves ground the hinges off the metal cages holding the batteries that powered a set of temporary traffic lights on Clothiers Creek Road. The lights regulated a one-lane traffic flow through a section significantly damaged by a landslide in the March floods and now restricted to a weight limit of 4.5 tonne.

"This is not a victimless crime," Acting Senior Engineer Construction Bob Hanby said. "These batteries power the devices that motorists rely on to stay safe on our roads. What could have happened on Tuesday night had two vehicles met head-to-head on that section of road is frightening. The community has every right to be concerned and outraged."

Five pairs of batteries have been stolen out of temporary traffic lights and electronic sign boards in the past three weeks, with each theft costing ratepayers at least \$2,000 due to the flow-on effect of having to employ traffic controllers, repair the lights and replace the batteries.

"Five pairs of batteries in three weeks is \$10,000 – money that is sorely needed elsewhere," Mr Hanby said.

All the recent thefts have been from flood-damage sites in the shire, adding insult to injury.

Last year, thieves were caught using bolt cutters to remove a battery in Kennedy Drive, Tweed Heads West.

"That's a high-density residential area and they nearly got away with it, except one resident heard and spoke up; yelling out and scaring them off.

"We want all the community to speak up on theft of our assets and report suspicious behaviour around depots and worksites after hours by calling Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or Council's after hours number on 1800 818 326.

"We don't want anyone to confront the thieves but to note what they look like, their vehicle description and registration number and call it in," Mr Hanby said.

"A vehicle parked near roadworks at night is suspicious; a vehicle towing a trailer with plant in the back at night is suspicious."

## 3 bin preparations near completion

**Preparations are nearing completion for the Tweed's new 3 Bin System, including delivery of new green bins, changing lids on existing green bins and delivery of about 25,000 kitchen caddies.**

The new system begins on 1 July and the focus during the final two week of June is to ensure every urban house and duplex in Tweed Shire has a green bin, according to Council's Waste Operations Officer, Wes Knight.

"If any single house or duplex in an urban area still needs a green bin, they can contact us to ensure there is one on its way," Mr Knight said.

"Residents with green bins with lids that are yet to be changed should continue to put them out on their green bin collection day.

"If our waste collection contractors are unable to complete all the lid changes by the end of June, green bins with the old lid will be treated as organics bins when the 3 Bin System starts."

Any enquiries about the new system, including questions about bin deliveries and lid changes, can be made by emailing Council's Waste Unit at [waste@tweed.nsw.gov.au](mailto:waste@tweed.nsw.gov.au), by phoning Council on (02) 6670 2400 or by direct messaging through Council's Facebook page.



**The green waste processing plant currently used to create compost from garden materials at the Stotts Creek Resource Recovery Centre. From 1 July, food and garden waste in the Tweed's green bins will be used to produce high quality compost for reuse.**

**HELPING U 2 QUIT GROUPS**



Health Promotion Northern NSW Local Health District

HU2Q Groups are for people who are thinking about giving up the smokes.

For more information or register for a program contact Denise:

(02) 6620 7507 | 0477 368 180  
[denise.hughes@ncahs.health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:denise.hughes@ncahs.health.nsw.gov.au)

Programs are FREE, supportive and confidential and are run by trained facilitators.  
Maximum 8-10 participants.  
3-week programs available for Murwillumbah, Lismore, Byron, Yamba and Tweed area.

Why not give it a go?

## Flushed with success

**The recent National Awards for Local Government awarded a High Commendation to a Tweed accessibility project, which was a partnership between Council and members of the Tweed Shire Council Equal Access Advisory Committee to audit and upgrade accessible public toilets throughout Tweed Shire.**

'The Dunny Run' audited all 34 designated unisex accessible public toilets in Tweed Shire, from Pottsville to Tweed Heads and Murwillumbah, and led to upgrades to 30 of the facilities.

While the three-month audit attracted more than its fair share of puns and laughs, the Dunny Run had a very serious objective and a successful outcome, according to the project's coordinator, Council Community Development Officer – Ageing and Disability Karen Collins.

"Most people take public toilets for granted, at least until they really need one and there isn't one on hand. However, access to toilet facilities can mean the difference between social inclusion and isolation for a significant proportion of people, particularly those living with a disability," she said.

The Dunny Run was also commended because it called on the experiences of the audit team's other two members, Equal Access Advisory Committee representatives Suzy Hudson, who has a vision impairment, and Una Cowdroy, who uses a motorised wheelchair.

It has been an exceptional month for Suzy and Una, who are among 11 'ordinary Tweed residents' featured in an *Untold Stories: living with ability* exhibition, on display at Tweed Regional Museum until Saturday 24 June.

As a result of the commendation, an article about the project will be featured in the 2017 National Awards for Local Government Winners Book.

A full listing of public toilets in Tweed Shire, including a guide to accessible toilets, is available at [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/PublicToilets](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/PublicToilets)

### COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Village Farm Markets** – Fresh farm produce, gourmet food stalls and live entertainment. **Every Saturday, 7am to 11am, Kingscliff TAFE, Cudgen Road.**

**Kingscliff Lions Beachside Markets** – Always 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month – next market 25 February. For enquiries and bookings phone 0406 724 323.

**Handcrafted 'Art & Craft Fair'** – 24–25 June, Tweed Unlimited Arts, Pioneer Parade Banora. See [tweedunlimitedarts.com.au](http://tweedunlimitedarts.com.au) or Facebook for further details.

### VACANCIES

**Curator – Exhibitions (Maximum-term 12 mths)**

For more information and to apply:

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



Tweed Regional Gallery is gearing up to host its first international touring exhibition from 30 June. **David Hockney: Words & Pictures** features a selection of works by the man once voted by his peers as the most influential British artist of all time. See next week's Tweed Link for more information.

**David Hockney – "Self portrait" 1954. Lithograph in five colours. Edition of 5. Approximately 11½ x 10¼". © David Hockney**



**TWEED REGIONAL MUSEUM**  
TWEED HEADS

## Call for front-of-house volunteers



We're looking for front-of-house **volunteers** at our **Tweed Heads** branch.

If you:

- Enjoy meeting and greeting visitors
- Can offer a minimum of 3.5 hours per month
- Would like to be part of an exciting new phase of one of the Tweed's premier cultural facilities

Contact Tweed Regional Museum on (02) 6670 2493 or email [trm@tweed.nsw.gov.au](mailto:trm@tweed.nsw.gov.au)

Further information and application forms: [museum.tweed.nsw.gov.au](http://museum.tweed.nsw.gov.au)

## ROAD WRAP

**Flood repairs:** Work this week will continue on Kyogle Road, between Bray Park and Byangum Bridge; Tyalgum Road, between Kyogle Road intersection and Tyalgum Village at different locations; Doon Doon and Smiths roads at various locations.

**Temporary traffic lights:** Clothiers Creek Road, Hogans Road, Tyalgum Road (Rocky Cutting) and Tweed Valley Way (Blacks Drain) for flood repair works. Fraser Drive, between Vintage Lakes Drive and Acacia Street, Banora Point (sub-development work).

**Road closures:** Black Spot Programme safety improvement of Tweed Valley Way at Riverside Drive intersection, south of the village of Tumbulgum. Major upgrade of Tumbulgum Road, between Sunnyside Lane and Old Ferry Road, Murwillumbah (6-month closure). Pedestrians and cyclists can still pass through section with care but all vehicular traffic will be diverted around the site. Commercial Road, Murwillumbah, Boat Ramp Facility – north and middle access to the boat ramp will be closed. South access will remain open.

**Stop/slow flagmen, expect delays:** Road upgrade Queensland Road at Cane Road intersection; patching Kyogle Road near Mount Burrell. Road reconstruction Moolau Avenue, Tweed Heads. Culvert reconstruction Palmvale Road, Palmvale. Revetment works Tweed Valley Way, South Murwillumbah. Footpath construction Coolman Street, Tyalgum, and Pearl Street, Kingscliff. Limited delays roadworks associated with sub-developments on Fraser Drive, between Parks Lane and Glen Ayr Drive, Banora Point. Limited delays on Henry Lawson Drive, between Coach Road and the Tennis Courts, due to road reconstruction associated with subdivision works. Construction site footpath closure Wharf Street, Tweed Heads.

## DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION DETERMINATIONS

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

### APPLICATION DETAILS APPROVED

**DA17/0116** – Secondary dwelling

Lot 251 DP 31042, No. 76 Lakeview Terrace Bilambil Heights

**DA16/0834** – Use of existing green house in relation to existing agricultural activity

Lot 6 DP 727425, No. 741 Cudgen Road Cudgen

**DA17/0043** – Secondary dwelling (detached)

Lot 43 DP 851285, No. 5 Warne Place Pottsville

**DA17/0127** – Conversion of garage, study and dining into attached secondary dwelling and new patio and fence

Lot 24 DP 786188, No. 5 Beatrice Court Pottsville

**DA17/0071** – School building (4 x classrooms, outdoor learning area and facilities) and associated car parking

Lot 8 DP 1039569, No. 3A Acacia Street Tweed Heads South

**DA16/0645** – 52 unit residential flat building including basement parking and swimming pool

Lot 24 Section 5DP 4043, Lot 25 Section 5DP 4043, Lot 26 Section 5DP 4043, No. 40 Enid Street Tweed Heads

**DA17/0201** – Pontoon

Lot 204 DP 249155, Lot 117 DP 246488, No. 21 The Bowsprit Tweed Heads

**DA17/0219** – Two storey dwelling with attached garage and in-ground swimming pool

Lot 50 DP 1031933, No. 49 She-Oak Lane Casuarina

**DA17/0262** – In-ground swimming pool

Lot 1 DP 1223902, No. 51B Laceflower Parade Casuarina

**DA17/0186** – Dwelling relocation

Lot 1 DP 1115284, No. 142 Plantation Road Cudgen

**DA17/0182** – Two storey dwelling with attached garage and in-ground swimming pool

Lot 4 DP 1214044, No. 8 Drift Court Kingscliff

**DA17/0259** – two storey dwelling with attached garage

Lot 27 DP 1214044, no. 23 drift court Kingscliff

**DA17/0210** – Dwelling with attached garage

Lot 456 DP 1218535, No. 30 Central Parade Murwillumbah

**DA17/0279** – Dwelling with attached garage

Lot 485 DP 1210991, No. 57 Talganda Terrace Murwillumbah

**DA17/0308** – Dwelling with attached garage

Lot 510 DP 1222426, No. 70 Rous River Way Murwillumbah

**DA17/0220** – In-ground swimming pool

Lot 1737 DP 1215252, No. 27 Toormina Court Pottsville

**DA17/0060** – 1.8 m boundary fence

Lot 4 DP 21098, No. 7 Rose Lane South Murwillumbah

**DA17/0298** – Patio cover

Lot 48 DP 1015295, No. 22 Russell Way Tweed Heads South

**DA17/0247** – Two storey dwelling, attached double garage, swimming pool and retaining walls

Lot 2 DP 856963, No. 11A Lalina Avenue Tweed Heads West

**DA17/0292** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling

Lot 4 DP 558537, No. 98 Smarts Road Wardrop Valley

### REFUSED

**DA17/0003** – Use of site (including existing sheds and shipping container) as depot and associated office

Lot 41 DP 870680, No. 606 Pottsville Road Sleepy Hollow

The above development determinations are available for public inspection free of charge at the Planning and Regulation Division, Murwillumbah Civic Centre, during ordinary office hours or viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/datracking](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/datracking)

## FRIENDS OF THE POUND

**Friends of the Pound** in partnership with **RSPCA Tweed Shire**, will be offering vouchers for low cost de-sexing of cats and dogs in the month of July. These vouchers can be purchased on the dates specified at the following locations:

- Cat Adoption Centre, the Pines – Monday to Sunday, 10am – 4pm
- RSPCA Boyd St, Tweed Heads – 27 June, 4, 11, 18 and 25 July, 10am – 3pm
- Sunnyside Mall, Murwillumbah – 23 June and 14 July, 10am – 3pm
- Tweed Coast Vet – 21 and 28 June, 5, 12, 19 and 27 July, 10am – 3pm

The vouchers are for residents of the Tweed Shire, the cost will be \$50 and a strict criteria will be met. All enquiries phone (07) 5524 8590

## TWEED COAST AND WATERWAYS COMMITTEE

**Community Representatives Sought** – Council runs a number of community advisory committees to help it manage Tweed Shire's environment.

The Tweed Coast and Waterways Committee (TCWC) is a strategic-level advisory committee to Tweed Shire Council regarding ecological health, coastal hazard risk and recreational use of the Tweed coast and waterways. This includes the ocean beaches, dunes, estuaries, freshwater tributaries and catchments of Cudgen, Cudgera and Mooball Creeks and the Tweed River. The committee focuses on integrated management, promoting cooperation between community, government and industry. The TCWC's role is to advise Council on the preparation and implementation of long-term, strategic-level coast and estuary management plans and works.

Council is seeking two additional members for the committee, specifically representing:

- The Kingscliff community
- Recreational power boat users

Nominees should demonstrate affiliation with, and endorsement by, relevant community groups or associations. A copy of the TCWC Terms of Reference and a nomination form can be accessed from Council's website at the following link <http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/Committees>

Completed nominations are due by Friday 23 June 2017. Nominations should be emailed to [tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au) with Tweed Coast and Waterways Committee Nomination in the subject line. Contact Council's Waterways Program Leader Tom Alletson for further information.

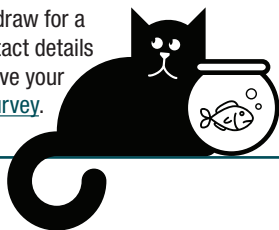
## COUNCIL NOTICE

**Tweed Shire Council Nursery** will discontinue the sale of plants to the public from 30 June 2017. For more information please contact Council on (02) 6670 2400.

## SURVEY OF CAT OWNERS IN TWEED SHIRE

**Are you a Tweed resident and a cat owner?** Council is collecting information about how cat owners in the Tweed manage their cat(s) to help design communication and education for Tweed cat owners.

On completing the survey, you will go in the draw for a number of \$25 pet supply gift vouchers (contact details required). Complete the survey online and have your say at [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CatOwnersSurvey](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CatOwnersSurvey). The survey closes 26 June 2017.



Readers who are unsure of when their meter is read can look up their water week at: [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/MeterReading](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/MeterReading)

## LOCAL HERITAGE ASSISTANCE GRANTS 2017/2018

**Local Heritage Assistance Grants** are now available for the Tweed Shire Council area. The purpose of the grant program is to encourage the conservation of heritage items.

Priority will be given to applications from owners of heritage items that are individually listed in the applicable Local Environmental Plan or items located within heritage conservation areas.

Grants of between \$1,000 and \$4,000 are available to successful applicants on a dollar for dollar basis. This program is part funded by the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage.

The **closing date** for grant applications is **Friday 14 July 2017 at 4pm**.

Grants will not be offered if the work has taken place prior to the grant being offered or approved.

Grant Guidelines, application forms and further information may be downloaded from Council's website [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au) under Heritage, are available from Council's customer service counter at the Murwillumbah Civic Centre in Tumbulgum Road or by phoning Strategic Planning and Urban Design on (02) 6670 2503.

## NOTIFICATION OF INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

### Development Application No. DA17/0347

A development application has been lodged by Pocket Herbs & Produce Pty Ltd seeking development consent for installation of plant shelter at Lot 3 DP 1191598; No. 67 Howards Road BARRINGBAR. Tweed Shire Council is the consent authority for the application.

The proposed development constitutes 'Integrated Development' pursuant to Section 91(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. The following approvals are required in this regard:

Provision	Approval	Authority
Sections 89, 90 & 91 of the <i>Water Management Act 2000</i>	Water use approval, water management work approval or activity approval under Part 3 of Chapter 3	Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water (NSW Office of Water)

The development application and the documents accompanying it may be viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/datracking](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/datracking). The documents will be available for a period of 30 days from Wednesday 21 June 2017 to Friday 21 July 2017.

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 Council's website [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/PlanningInformation](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/PlanningInformation)

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