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Tree planting assistance gets Phil to the table

Round Mountain property owner Phil Weinthal believes the success of his involvement in a local koala tree planting program will not be limited to the return of the beloved marsupials.

"Koalas have not been seen here for 20 years and I would love to have them back," he said.

However, a valuable lowering of the water table and some precious wind breaks would also be welcome outcomes from the project.



Phil Weinthal and Council's Project Officer - Threatened Species, Tanya Fountain, study the progress of the koala food trees planted on his Round Mountain property last year.

Five hundred koala food and habitat trees were planted on his property in early 2016, with another 400 or so this year, through the NSW Government Saving Our Species project and Council's Koala Plan of Management.

He said a return of koalas to his neighbourhood, by creating more effective vegetation corridors linking koala habitat, was a prime motivation for signing up.

The opportunity for assistance to plant trees and other land management issues were also a great motivation.

"I signed up the day after I found out about the program," he said.

"I tried doing it about 20 years ago but there was no way I could get it done with my available funds and resources."

Council's Project Officer - Threatened Species, Tanya Fountain, said koalas were starting to reap the rewards from koala food trees planted for them during the past five or so years.

"In particular, residents in the Pottsville area have recorded numerous koala mums with young on public and private land that have been planted out with koala food and habitat trees," Ms Fountain said.

"The community has been integral to the success of these plantings, including landowners who have participated in past koala food tree planting projects.

"To continue to make a difference, Council is again seeking landholders with the right 'koalafications'.

"We're looking for landholders who own land east of the Pacific Highway, between Duranbah and Sleepy Hollow, and have a bit of space on their property for planting koala food trees.'

Interested landholders can contact Tanya Fountain on (02) 6670 2587 or tfountain@tweed.nsw.gov.au

Convenient bites of information for NDIS recipients

Opportunities and changes under the new National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) can be explained at an informal morning tea being hosted by Council's Community Services team on Tuesday 7 November.

The morning teas and information sessions will be held on the first Tuesday of each month, from 10-11.30am, to give recipients of disability support services, their families and carers a welcoming environment to find out more about the services available.

Interested people can drop into the Tweed Heads South Community Centre (HACC Centre) Activities Room any time during the sessions to find out how they can make the most of their NDIS assistance.

Risk reduction seminar

Council is extending an invitation to parents to attend a free Rrisk (Reduce Risk Increase Student Knowledge) seminar about parenting to keep young people as safe as possible in the alcohol and other drug space.

The session will be conducted by Paul Dillon, of Drug and Alcohol Research Training Australia, and will focus on current youth trends with a particular emphasis on students.

Council works with Rrisk to promote road safety and young driver skills. The seminar will be held at Lindisfarne School on Monday 6 November from 6pm to 8pm. To book, contact Health Promotion NNSW's Rebecca Smith on (02) 6624 0310 or Rebecca.smith3@ncahs.health.nsw.gov.au.

Council is an NDIS provider and is working with disability support service recipients through initiatives such as its Community Options (COPS) or the Older Parent Carer (OPC) programs.

'The morning teas are designed to make it as easy as possible to get the information people need and ask any questions they have," Council's Manager Community and Cultural Services, Robyn Grigg, said.

To RSVP or for more information, phone (07) 5569 3110, email copemails@ tweed.nsw.gov.au or visit www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CommunityOptions



Community Services Client Practitioner Sara Vonhoff discusses service options with Jason Lethbridge during an initial NDIS morning tea held as part of Local Government Week

Dob in this dumper

Council is seeking community assistance to identify a fencing contractor who recently dumped waste at Col Wiley Park, off Kyogle Road near Byangum Bridge.

Council has had to clean up six times after old fence panels and other building materials have been dumped three times at Col Wiley Park; on Tyalgum Road opposite Hidden Valley Road; on Quarry Hill at Fernvale; and, on Kielys Road at Mooball.

"Every time this happens, it costs the ratepayer about \$900 as we have to send workers, a backhoe and a truck out there to pick up the rubbish and take it to the tip and pay dump fees for up to one tonne of rubbish," Manager Roads and Stormwater Danny Rose said.

All up the ratepayer has paid about \$5400 to clean up after this person.

If you recognise this fence as once being yours, please contact Council on (02) 6670 2400 and let us know the name of the contractor employed – and no doubt paid – to remove and dump it.



The dumped fence panels at Col Wiley Park.

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Plan to meet cultural needs

Are you planning a building, developing or renovating project that could require a Development Application or Complying Development Application? Do you know your legal obligations in relation to Aboriginal cultural heritage or where you might find cultural heritage? Or would you like to know more about a new strategic land-use planning policy being prepared to protect Tweed Shire's Aboriginal cultural heritage?

Information sessions are being held throughout the Tweed to explain and answer questions about the draft Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan 2017 (ACHMP), which is on public exhibition until 20 December.

The shire-wide plan outlines the requirements for Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment and how that relates to development and planning approvals, as well as other activities that might not require formal approval.

The draft plan builds on existing legislation and helps members of the community understand the sensitivity and occurrence of Aboriginal cultural heritage.

Members of the Tweed Byron Local Aboriginal Land Council will join Council Strategic Planning staff at the information sessions to help answer questions.

The next few community sessions will be held at Uki Community Hall (8 November, 5–6.30pm), Burringbar School of Arts Hall (15 November, 2–3.30pm), Murwillumbah Civic Centre's Canvas and Kettle Room (21 November, 5–6.30pm) and Tyalgum Community Hall (22 November, 5–6.30pm).

Additional sessions will be aimed specifically at industry and professionals in fields such as planning, architecture, surveying and environmental management. They will be held at Murwillumbah's Canvas and Kettle room on 6 November (4–6pm) and the Tweed Heads Civic and Cultural Centre's South Sea Islander Room on 14 November (4–6pm).

Fitness classes for over 50s

Exercise activities for Over 50s at the Tweed Regional Aquatic Centre Murwillumbah are being expanded, following funding through the Staying Active program.

New aqua fitness classes aimed at over 50s will be held at TRAC from Friday 10 November, along with a new dry-land exercise class.

A gentle exercise class, using the resistance of the water in an indoor heated pool, will be run each Monday from 13 November. Participants will be guided through a gentle routine of movements and stretches designed to improve personal health and well-being.

More active seniors can participate in a high-intensity class using aqua strength equipment each Wednesday at 8.30-9.30am from 15 November.

A dry-land exercise class using chairs, music and small weights will begin on Monday 10 November and will continue for 10 weeks.

The dry-land and gentle exercise classes will be held from 10–10.45am. All three classes will be followed by a morning tea to give participants further opportunities to ask questions and find out more about looking after their health. The new classes, provided with assistance from the Aquatic and Recreation Institute and NSW Government, will complement existing aquatic exercise classes provided at TRAC Murwillumbah and Tweed Heads.

For class prices and further information, visit http://trac.tweed.nsw.gov.au

Explosive WHITELEY film

Acclaimed documentary WHITELEY will be featured in two special screenings at Murwillumbah's Regent Theatre next week to coincide with the current Brett Whiteley: other places (somewhere else) exhibition at Tweed Regional Gallery.

WHITELEY tells the tumultuous story of the artist's life in his own words, pulling together four decades of archival footage about the phenomenon once described as Australian art's 'hand grenade'.

An initial screening at the Regent Cinema on Sunday, 5 November at 4pm (NSW time) will include an introduction by local printmaker David Preston, who shared a friendship and unique collaboration with Whiteley.

Details are available at www.cinemaregent.com/special-events.html and tickets can be booked online at www.trybooking.com/298078

It will screen again on Wednesday, 8 November at 7pm. Phone the Regent on (02) 6672 8265 for tickets.

Brett Whiteley: other places (somewhere else) is on display at the Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Art Centre until Sunday, 3 December.



More funding seals the deal

Council has welcomed the Federal Government providing \$750,000 to seal Bartletts Road at Eviron.

The Federal Minister for Infrastructure and Transport visited the Tweed last week to announce the funding, together with \$450,000 to upgrade the first set of culverts past the Tweed River bridge on Mount Warning Road. Council can now program the Bartletts Road seal for 2018.

"We welcome this announcement as Bartletts Road receives heavy use during sugar cane harvesting operations and provides an alternate route to the Stotts Creek Resource Recovery Centre from Murwillumbah," Manager Roads and Stormwater Danny Rose said.

The Mt Warning Road culvert upgrades are also warmly welcomed.

"This section of road between the bridge and Mavis's Kitchen gets cut by flash flooding and frequently prevents access to homes and businesses beyond.

"The culvert upgrade will reduce the likelihood of road closures during nuisance flood events, allowing this popular tourist area to remain open to those visiting Wollumbin, holiday accommodation and local cafes."

Council Meeting Agenda Thursday, 2 November 2017

The Council Meeting Agenda for Thursday 2 November 2017 is available on Council's website www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CouncilMeetings. The meeting will be held at the Harvard Room, Tweed Heads Administration Building, Brett Street, Tweed Heads commencing at 5.30pm.

The Agenda for the meeting, which may also include any late or supplementary reports, will be updated prior to the date of the meeting. The meetings are open to the public.

It should be noted that confidential items are considered in closed session, which excludes media and public.

Minutes of these meeting will be available as soon as practical following the meetings and are unconfirmed until they are formally adopted at the next Council meeting.

Confirmation of Planning Committee minutes

 Adoption of the Recommendations of the Planning Committee Meeting held Thursday 2 November 2017

Confidential items for consideration

Reports through the General Manager in Committee Reports from the Director Planning and Regulation in Committee

- C1 Approvals to Operate Markets South Tweed Heads Farmers Market
- C2 Class 1 Appeal DA03/0445.03 Amendment to Development Consent DA03/0445 for Use of an Existing Stock & Domestic Water Bore for the Purpose of a Rural Industry Comprising the Harvesting & Bottling of Mineral Water at Lot 1 DP 735658 No. 477 Urliup Road, Urliup
- C1 Class 1 Appeal DA17/0084 for Seniors Living (33 Aged Care Residential Rooms and 36 Independent Living Units) at Lots 1, 3 and 4 NPP 271020 Nos. 124-128 Leisure Drive, Banora Point

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Murwillumbah Farmers' Market – Every Wednesday 7–11am. Allweather shopping at the Murwillumbah Showground. *Know your farmer, know your food*. Support your local farmers.

Tweed Heads Men's Shed Community Market – Every Sunday 7am – 1pm, Recreation St, Tweed Heads. Fruit and veg, food and bric-a-brac. For enquires and stall bookings, phone 0401 018 713 or email thcmshed@gmail.com. Supporting your local community.

Pottsville Beach Markets – Always the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. Next market 5 November.

Kingscliff Ratepayers and Progress Association meets Monday 6 November at 7pm downstairs at Kingscliff Public School.

Banora Point & District Residents Association meets Monday 6 November at 7pm at the Banora Point Community Centre.

Chinderah Residents Association meets every second Tuesday of the month. Next meeting Tuesday 7 November, 7pm at Cudgen Leagues Club.

Just the ticket for public transport information

Bus safety will be a focus of the next Transport Information Day to be held at Tweed City Shopping Centre on Thursday 2 November.

Bus Safety Week in NSW runs from 5 to 11 November. Run by the NSW Centre for Road Safety, the week is used to promote greater safety for bus passengers and other road users and is a key part of the centre's Be Bus Aware campaign.

"Our Tweed City stall will be getting on board a little earlier to share important information about being safer on and around public buses," stall organiser and Council Road Safety Officer Alana Brooks said.

"We will also have information on bus routes, new bus services, public transport concessions and online guides to help plan and book public transport journeys."

Representatives from Surfside Buslines, Community Transport and Tweed Taxis will be there to provide information on their services.

Coordinated in conjunction with Tweed Shire Council, the stall also provides advice and tips on road safety, cycle and walking paths and public transport accessibility.

The stall, next to the Coles Supermarket, will be open from 9am to 2pm. For more information about public transport in the region, visit www.goingplaces.org.au. For information on the stall, phone Alana Brooks on (02) 6670 2400.

Planning Committee Meeting Agenda Thursday, 2 November 2017

The Planning Committee Meeting Agenda for Thursday 2 November 2017 is available on Council's website www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CouncilMeetings. The meeting will be held at the Harvard Room, Tweed Heads Administration Building, Brett Street, Tweed Heads commencing at 5.30pm. A Community Access Session on the items on the Planning Committee Agenda is to be held at 4.30pm prior to the Planning Committee Meeting.

The Agenda for the meeting, which may also include any late or supplementary reports, will be updated prior to the date of the meeting. The meetings are open to the public.

Confidential items are considered in closed session, which excludes media and public.

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Reports for consideration

Reports from the Director Planning and Regulation

- 1 Development Application DA16/0936 for a Water Extraction Facility and Associated Roadworks at Lot 3 DP 815475 No. 350 Rowlands Creek Road and Road Reserve, Rowlands Creek
- 2 Development Application DA17/0381 for a Mixed Use Development Including Retail and Office, Shop Top Housing, Multi Dwelling Housing, Residential Flat Building with Residential Accommodation and Tourist and Visitor Accommodation Subdivision in 3 Stages and 31 Lot Strata Subdivision at Lot 54 & Lot 55 DP 1145386 Cylinders Drive, Kingscliff
- 3 Development Application DA16/0795 for a Two Lot Subdivision and Use of an Existing Structure as a Dwelling at Lot 7 DP 1178620 No. 2041 Kyogle Road, Terragon
- 4 Rural Land Strategy Draft Strategy for Public Exhibition
- 5 Mooball Design Guidelines
- 6 Short Term Rental Accommodation 6 Beason Court, Casuarina
- 7 River Retreat Caravan Park Planning Agreement
- 8 Unauthorised Vegetation Removal at Lot 1 DP 1001025 No. 337 Round Mountain Road. Round Mountain
- 9 Unauthorised Land Use and Development at Lot 5 DP 871177 No. 102 Crooks Valley Road, Crystal Creek
- 10 Variations to Development Standards under State Environmental Planning Policy No. 1 – Development Standards

Carers take control

The recent arrival of two more grandchildren was all the incentive Terranora residents Glenda and Peter Jarvis needed to find out more about caring for them in the case of a minor emergency.

They were among 12 parents and grandparents participating in the inaugural free First Aid for New Parents and Carers course at the Tweed Regional Aquatic Centre Murwillumbah.

"We look after our grandchildren each Saturday morning and we wanted to learn the skills for resuscitation now we have a pool at home," Peter said. "We also wanted to know how to act for other emergencies, such as choking or burns.

"There's nothing worse than having something happen and not knowing what to do."

The free monthly course is designed for new parents but is valuable for anyone who cares for children.

Interested people are invited to register for the next course on Tuesday 21 November from 5.30–7.30pm by contacting TRAC on (02) 6670 2750.



Terranora grandparents Peter and Glenda Jarvis get resuscitation tuition from TRAC Aquatic Programs Supervisor Jeff Collier during the inaugural free first aid course for parents and carers.

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Public Notice – Presentation of Financial Statements

as per Section 418 (3) of the Local Government Act.

In accordance with Section 418 (3) of the *Local Government Act, 1993*, Tweed Shire Council advises that the ordinary Council meeting to be held on 16 November 2017 will include the presentation of the Audited Financial Statements and the Auditor's Reports for the year ending 30 June 2017.

A summary of the Financial Statements is provided below:

	\$'000	\$'000
Total income from continuing operations	230,085	202,087
Total expenses from continuing operations	186,646	170,762
Operating result from continuing operations	43,439	31,325
Net operating result for the year	43,439	31,325
Net operating result before grants and contributions provided for capital purposes	11,017	8,159
Statement of Financial Position		
Total current assets	187,378	148,465
Total current liabilities	(50,027)	(43,080)
Total non-current assets	3,095,173	3,001,780
Total non-current liabilities	(169,540)	(176,202)
Total equity	3,062,984	2,930,963
Other financial information		
Unrestricted current ratio (times)	3.52×	3.75×
Operating performance ratio (%)	11.3%	9.3%
Debt service cover ratio (times)	3.66×	3.26×
Rates and annual charges outstanding ratio (%)	4.4%	4.6%
Infrastructure renewals ratio (%)	44.2%	67.5%
Own source operating revenue ratio (%)	74.4%	78.0%
Cash expense cover ratio (months)	20.66 mths	17.6 mths

In accordance with Section 420 of the *Local Government Act*, 1993, 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 and the Auditor's Reports may be inspected at:

Internet: www.councilweb.nsw.gov.au
Locations: Civic & Cultural Centre

10–14 Tumbulgum Road Murwillumbah NSW 2484

Submissions close one week after the above public meeting has been held.

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

DA17/0482 - Raising of existing dwelling

Lot 4 DP 733911, No. 31 Numinbah Road, Kynnumboon

DA17/0648 – Food van festival at Pottsville Beach Sports Club Lot 524 DP 822808, Lot 523 DP 822808, Tweed Coast Road, **Pottsville**

DA17/0336 – Addition of a roof to 3 existing patios and the existing roof deck and enclosed rooftop toilet (Unit 4)

Lot 4 SP 82412, Unit 4/No. 20 Hill Street, Tweed Heads

DA17/0525 – Secondary dwelling (detached) and additions to existing dwelling

Lot 288 DP 246199, No. 85 The Quarterdeck, Tweed Heads

DA17/0650 - Patio addition

Lot 2 NPP 285157, Unit 2/No. 6 Advocate Place, Banora Point

DA17/0588 – In-ground swimming pool

Lot 1 DP 1116114, No. 5-7 Beech Lane, Casuarina

DA17/0594 – Single dwelling with attached double garage and in-ground swimming pool

Lot 3 DP 1231670, No. 8 Sea Eagle Court, Casuarina

DA17/0597 - In-ground swimming pool

Lot 175 DP 1201995, No. 9 Liriope Street, Casuarina

DA17/0555 – Dwelling additions with detached double garage

Lot B DP 360241, No. 2 Beach Street, Kingscliff

DA17/0631 - Patio roof

Lot 487 DP 1069888, No. 4 Snapper Avenue, Kingscliff

DA17/0641 – Two storey dwelling and retaining wall

Lot 167 DP 1232273, No. 43 Nautilus Way, Kingscliff

DA17/0589 – Single storey dwelling with attached double garage Lot 103 DP 1142485, No. 30 Oakbank Terrace, **Murwillumbah**

DA17/0615 – Single storey dwelling house with associated earthworks and retaining walls

Lot 451 DP 1218535, No. 30 Talganda Terrace, Murwillumbah

DA17/0618 – In-ground concrete swimming pool Lot 52 DP 245048, No. 2 Meridian Way, **Tweed Heads**

DA17/0607 - In-ground swimming pool

Lot 41 DP 1015295, No. 8 Russell Way, Tweed Heads South

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

EVENT WORKSHOP

Event Sponsorship Application Process

A workshop will be held on Tuesday 14 November 2017 for event organisers seeking financial assistance from Council to develop, host and grow festivals in the Tweed Shire.

The session will be held from 5–6.30pm in the Canvas & Kettle Meeting Room, Tumbulgum Road, Murwillumbah.

The purpose of this workshop is to provide information regarding event eligibility for sponsorship and for attendees to gain a better understanding of the application process.

Please register your attendance via email to kerriem@tweed.nsw.gov.au. For more information please contact Kerrie McConnell on (02) 6670 2735.

ROAD WRAP

Flood Repair Works Package 1

The roads below will be closed for flood repair works soon. Access will be maintained at all times for local residents, garbage services, school buses, mail delivery and deliveries to businesses.

Bilambil – Urliup Road, from Braemar Place to Bilambil Road, for eight weeks from Monday 23 October (this is only the start of the closures that will be needed on this road).

Glengarrie – Glengarrie Road, at the Carool Road end near house number 114, for two weeks from Monday 13 November.

Closed roads

Murwillumbah – drainage upgrade Nullum Street, between Condong and Hartigan streets; Roadworks Tumbulgum Road, between Sunnyside Lane and Old Ferry Road.

Expect short delays

Banora Point – sewer main construction Fraser Drive, from Botanical Circuit to Amaroo Drive. Cycleway construction Fraser Drive.

Crabbes Creek – resealing Wooyung Road.

Cudgera Creek - stormwater culvert construction, Spring Valley Road.

Duranbah – roadworks Duranbah Road, between Eviron and Brinsmead roads. Resealing sections of Eviron Road.

Kunghur – resealing Kunghur Creek Road.

Mt Burrell - resealing Mt Burrell Road; road patching Kyogle Road.

Pottsville - Resealing Tweed Coast Road.

South Murwillumbah – temporary traffic lights flood damage Tweed Valley Way (Blacks Drain). Revetment works Tweed Valley Way.

Tumbulgum – drainage, kerb and gutter and road construction, Gray Street.

Tweed Heads – stormwater drainage, kerb and gutter and new pavement Hillcrest Avenue, between James Road and Ridgeway Street. Kerb and gutter construction Thompson Street.

Terragon – resealing Palmers Road, Ostrich Drive to first grid.

Terranora – sub-division works may cause delays on Henry Lawson Drive, between Coach Road and the Tennis Courts.

REQUEST FOR OFFER

RF02017094 Supply and Install Power Factor Correction Units at Large Sites

RF02017103 Demolition of Anchorage Boardwalk & Design/Construct Replacement Structure

RF02017150 Demolition of Council Property at 341 Tweed Valley Way

Offers close: Wednesday 4pm (AEDST) 22 November 2017.

Offers must be lodged as specified in the offer documentation.

Request for Offer documentation is available at no charge from Council's website at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/tenders. Hard copy documentation is available and costs will be in accordance with Council's advertised photocopying fees.

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 Ashley Tewes (02) 6670 2480.



Readers who are unsure of when their meter is read can look up their water week at:

www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/MeterReading

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