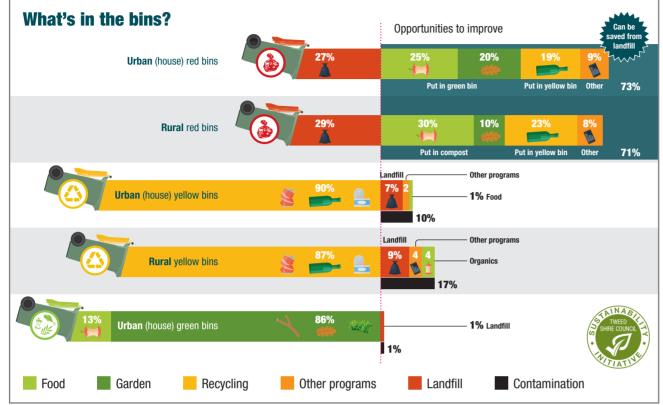
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Tweed Shire Council wishes to recognise the generations of the local Aboriginal people of the Bundjalung Nation who have lived in and derived their physical and spiritual needs from the forests, rivers, lakes and streams of this beautiful valley over many thousands of years as the traditional owners and custodians of these lands.



What are residents in the Tweed putting in their bin?

# More than half of red bin waste could be recycled

Placing recycling, organics and landfill items in the right bin matters more than you may think. It makes a big impact to the amount of waste that the Tweed sends to landfill.

Council's Resource Recovery Unit has published its annual report on the contents of the Tweed's bins, following a round of bin audits which took place in November last year.

The audits take a deeper look into what the community is throwing 'away' and how much is going to landfill.

Since the introduction of the three bin system in 2017, we have been able to save 20 per cent more from going to landfill.

Despite urban households having both a recycling bin (yellow) and an organics bin (green) for food and garden items, and rural residents having a greater ability to compost their food and garden waste, the audit shows that residents are still throwing away large amounts of items into their red bin, and ultimately into landfill.

The audit showed that on average urban residential landfill bins (red) contained 19 per cent of items which could have been recycled, and a massive 45 per cent of food and garden items which could have been placed in their weekly green bin collection.

For rural residents' red bins the results were similar, with 23 per cent of items being recyclable and 40 per cent being food and garden items. Contrary to what people may think, items like food waste going into

landfill do not just safely break down back into the earth. Instead, when organic waste is placed in landfill it breaks down anaerobically (without oxygen) producing methane, which is 21 times

worse than carbon dioxide as a greenhouse gas emission. The audit also revealed contamination in urban recycling bins (10 per cent) caused by items being placed in the wrong bin, with the figure higher in rural areas (17 per cent).

High levels of contamination increases the cost to process waste,



In 2017 ex-Tropical Cyclone Debbie brought widespread flooding to the Tweed. A flood level marker is pictured at Murwillumbah.



Contamination sticker attached to a recycling bin (with bagged waste inside) and not collected.

increases greenhouse gas emissions and has a negative impact on the Tweed's internationally significant environment.

The next focus for Council's Resource Recovery Unit will be to help reduce contamination levels in recycling and organics bins.

After bins are inspected, households will receive specific feedback to assist with tips and other options. However, if there are large amounts of contamination found, the bin will be tagged and not collected until it is corrected by the resident.

The audit findings coincide with Council's aspirational goal to reach zero waste from Council operations by 2040.

Council's draft *Towards Zero Waste Strategy* is on public exhibition and feedback is welcomed, visit <u>www.yoursaytweed.com.au/zerowaste</u> For more information on what goes in each bin, visit

www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/wasterecycling, email waste@tweed.nsw.gov.au or call 02 6670 2400.

### Last week we each used **169L a day** as at 12 April 2021

#### In brief ...

#### Talking about the Mt Nardi fires

Local residents affected by the 2020 Mt Nardi fires are invited to join in community conversation focusing on recovery at the Uki Public Hall on Thursday 22 April 2021 from 7.15–8.45pm.

Facilitated by Tweed Byron Disaster Resilience Officer Troy Nicholls, the purpose of this event is to create an opportunity to discuss community experiences and improve disaster recovery.

This is a chance to chat with local services such as NSW Rural Fire Service, Red Cross, Department of Communities and Tweed Shire Council.

Please RSVP thicholls@byron.nsw.gov.au or call 0448 224 002.

# Chill out and be creative with Youth Week events

Staying relaxed and focused while allowing your creativity to roam will be the purpose of a free activity at headspace in Tweed Heads on Monday 19 April 2021.

As part of Youth Week 2021 on the Tweed, 'Creating Comfort', from 4pm to 5.30pm, is a free hands-on masterclass for young people 12–18 years only to create their own sensory toolkit to help stay calm and focused when you've got a lot going on.

Learn how to make fidget toys and other sensory objects for mindfulness. Attendees get to take home their own sensory box made with the guidance of our facilitators Leisa and Claudia from headspace. All materials are free and no previous skill or experience is required.

headspace is the National Youth Mental Health Foundation providing early intervention mental health services to 12–25 year olds and can help young people with mental health, physical health (including sexual health) alcohol and other drug services, and work and study support.

Places are limited and for more information, contact headspace in Wharf Street Tweed Heads on 07 5589 8700.

Meanwhile, promising young poets and musicians will make themselves heard at a Tweed Youth Week 2021 event at the Citadel in Murwillumbah on Friday 23 April.

Featuring Poets Out Loud youth performers, the event *Youth Voices Together: A showcase of Youth Music and Slam Poetry* will be a celebration of young talent from the Tweed, with performances from the winners of the 2020 Youth Poetry Slam and aspiring young muso Christopher Biskup.

Doors open at 5pm and performances will be from 6pm to 8pm. Food, pizzas and non-alcoholic drinks available to purchase.

Bookings are essential at <u>tweedyouthvoices.eventbrite.com.au</u> All Youth Week events are alcohol free and are supported by NSW Youth Week, Tweed Shire Council, headspace Tweed Heads, Poets Out Loud and The Citadel Murwillumbah.



Jasmine Logan will be one of the performers at the *Youth Voices Together: A showcase of Youth Music and Slam Poetry* on Friday 23 April.

# Share your flood experiences to help future planning

The Tweed Valley Flood Study is being expanded and updated to help prepare for and manage future flooding.

The study will help define flooding behaviour under current and future climate conditions and become the basis of flood planning in the Tweed.

As part of the study, residents are being asked to share their personal experiences and knowledge to help better understand past flood events.

In 2009, there was a flood study of the Tweed River and its major tributaries, from Byangum upstream of Murwillumbah to the river mouth at Tweed Heads. The study area included Murwillumbah, Condong, Tumbulgum, Chinderah, Kingscliff, Fingal Head, Banora Point and Tweed Heads.

Manager Roads and Stormwater Danny Rose said flooding was not confined to one part of the Tweed and Council wanted to better understand flooding in the upper parts of the valley, including the villages of Tyalgum, Chillingham, Uki and the surrounding rural areas.

"A flood study is essentially a technical investigation of the flood behaviour for a region. It includes computer models to simulate historical events, which help to predict future flooding," Mr Rose said. "It's crucial that we hear from as many residents as possible. Provide as much information as you can and include any photos or videos to help us understand your experiences better.

"Recent advances in the hydrology field and new flood records from March 2017 provide a good opportunity to improve our knowledge of flood behaviour in the valley," he said.

The Tweed Valley Flood Study survey is now open and current and past residents of the Tweed are encouraged to take part by Sunday 16 May 2021.

Visit <u>www.yoursaytweed.com.au/flood-study</u> to complete the survey and for more information about the project.

Residents can also collect a paper version of the survey at Council's customer service counters at the Murwillumbah or Tweed Heads Administration Offices.

Funded under the Natural Disaster Resilience Program, which is supported by the NSW and Commonwealth governments, Council has engaged flood specialists WMAwater to update and expand the Tweed Valley Flood Study.

## **Bitou bush control works** Household mould – weather creates the perfect storm

Contractors appointed by Council are about to commence weed control works of bitou bush along the foreshore and dunes from the Tweed River breakwall, south to north Kingscliff.

The whole of the Tweed Coast falls within the Bitou Bush Biosecurity Zone, which extends from the NSW/Queensland border through to Cape Byron.

Contractors will treat infestations along the foreshore and dunes at Fingal Head Beach and Dreamtime Beach, between the breakwall and Murphys Road at Kingscliff.

Within the Bitou Bush Biosecurity Zone, Council must take action to control bitou bush on its land within the biosecurity zone (as per NSW Biosecurity Act 2015).

Bitou bush is a highly-competitive weed that smothers native plant communities and destroys natural habitat and food sources for native animals.

Weed control works will commence from Monday 19 April and will be completed no later than Monday 17 May 2021.

These works are supported by funding through the Tweed Holiday Parks and the NSW Government through the Crown Reserves Improvement Fund.

For further information, contact Council's Bushland Officer on 02 6670 2400.





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**Request for offer** 

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#### **RF02020145 Supply and Install 340m of DN355 HDPE Sewer Rising Main, Gollan Drive**

Offers close: Wednesday 12 noon 28 April 2021

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

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.

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

Fingal Head Community Association will hold their 2021 AGM followed by the April general meeting on Wednesday 14 April 2021 commencing at 7pm at the Fingal Head Public School Multipurpose Unit.

#### **Current vacancies**

View current vacancies at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/careers Subscribe to receive Job Vacancy Alerts via email at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe

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Recent rain and humidity provided perfect conditions for the growth and spread of mould.

Mould releases microscopic airborne spores to reproduce which are a health threat if inhaled or if they come into contact with the skin. Symptoms of exposure include nasal congestion, eye, throat and skin irritation, respiratory infections and cold and flu like symptoms. People most at risk are asthma suffers, people with respiratory illness, compromised immune systems, allergies, the very young and the elderly. A naturally-occurring organism, mould will grow and reproduce in areas with poor ventilation and high moisture. Keeping indoor areas dry and well ventilated is the best way to stop its growth and spread. Regularly check your taps and roof for water leaks to help stop the

#### **Development application determinations**

spread of mould in your home.

Mould can be removed with diluted bleach or vinegar or by commercially available products. Once clean, keep the area as dry as possible or use an air-conditioner to assist by circulating dry air. Regular cleaning and drying of window sills and bathroom tiles will reduce the spread of mould in your home.

- For more information on mould and how to prevent it visit: • www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment and click on 'fact sheets'
- www.qld.gov.au/housing and search for 'mould and damp' • www.aph.gov.au and search for 'mould'. Select 'Report on the
  - Inquiry into Biotoxin-related Illnesses in Australia' then select '2. Possible Health and Social Impacts of Exposure to Mould'.

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

DA21/0090 - Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including a double garage Lot 22 DP 29289, No. 41 Oyster Point Road, Banora Point DA21/0099 - Carport within front building line

Lot 410 DP 1029368, No. 6 Botanical Circuit, Banora Point DA20/0859 - Dwelling with attached garage Lot 34 DP 1264481, No. 1 Norvill Lane, Cobaki  $\ensuremath{\text{DA20/0519}}\xspace - \ensuremath{\text{Demolish}}\xspace$  and replace existing retaining wall Lot 10 DP 248397, No. 94 Byangum Road, Murwillumbah DA20/1039 - Alterations and additions to existing dwelling Lot 3 DP 20198, No. 159 Murwillumbah Street, Murwillumbah DA20/1041 - Alterations and additions to existing dwelling Lot 2 DP 321800, No. 56 Riverview Street, Murwillumbah DA21/0053 – In-ground swimming pool Lot 710 DP 1263014, No. 7 Hemlock Street, Murwillumbah

DA21/0049 - Retaining, privacy walls, shed/outbuilding and in-ground swimming pool

Lot 824 DP 1144994, No. 69 Mylestom Circle, Pottsville

DA21/0091 - 1.8 m high front fence

Lot 104 DP 1013131, No. 110 Overall Drive, Pottsville

DA20/0962 - Deck extension

Lot 8 Section 3 DP 1223, No. 54 Riverside Drive, Tumbulgum

DA21/0008 – Additions to existing dwelling including a first floor rear deck, carport and front deck within the building line

Lot 60 DP 253035, No. 104 Sunset Boulevard, Tweed Heads West

- DA21/0119 In-ground swimming pool
- Lot 1 DP 102935, No. 151 Kennedy Drive, Tweed Heads West

#### Refused

DA20/0946 - Alterations and additions to existing dwelling Lot 112 DP 30960, No. 26 Jacaranda Avenue, Tweed Heads West

Compact of Mayors and Carbon Disclosure Project 17.4 Richmond Tweed Regional Library Deed of Agreement Extension

18.1 RF02021006 - Deep Lift Asphalt Program 2020/2021

DP1249458, 219 Old Lismore Road, Byangum)

19.1 Draft 2017–2022 Delivery Program and 2021–2022

18.4 Renewable Energy Action Plan Phase 2 Projects

**19** Reports from the Director Corporate Services

21 Reports from sub-committees/working groups

Meeting held Thursday 25 February 2021

Meeting held Monday 1 March 2021

**18** Reports from the Director Engineering

Panel of Providers

**Operational Plan** 

23 February 2021

17.5 Proposed Licence to Cooloon Children's Centre Inc – "Community

Land" at 2 Park Street, Tweed Heads (Part Lot 1 DP1082080)

18.2 RF02020147 - Supply of Road Construction Quarry Materials -

18.3 Private Application for Road Closure and Purchase - Old Lismore

Road, Byangum (adjacent to Lot 95 DP755754 and Lot 1

21.1 Minutes of the Tweed Regional Museum Advisory Committee

21.2 Minutes of the Equal Access Advisory Committee Meeting held

21.3 Minutes of the Tweed Shire Council Sports Advisory Committee

21.4 Minutes of the Tweed Shire Youth Council Meeting held Tuesday

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

#### Council meeting agenda – Thursday 15 April 2021

The Council meeting agenda for Thursday 15 April 2021 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. Agenda 17.3 2020 Review of Council's Climate Change Response: Global

- **Reports for consideration**
- **5** Confirmation of minutes
  - Confirmation of Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meetings held Thursday 18 March 2021 and 1 April 2021
- 8 Schedule of outstanding resolutions
- 8.1 Schedule of Outstanding Resolutions at 5 April 2021 **Mayoral minute**
- 9 9.1 Mayoral Minute for March 2021
- **10 Receipt of petitions**
- 10.1 Receipt of Petitions as at 1 April 2021
- 11 Orders of the day

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- **11.1** Delegation Development Application Approvals
- 11.2 Regional Economic Development Collaboration
- 11.3 Landscaping in Perpetuity
- 11.4 Camphor Laurel
- 11.5 Housing Affordability and Crisis Accommodation **15** Reports from the General Manager
  - **15.1** Murwillumbah School Closures
- 15.2 Wardrop Community Village Review of Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Report and Project Options
- **16** Reports from the Director Planning and Regulation
  - 16.1 Development Application DA19/0875 for a 32 lot subdivision (30 industrial lots, 1 drainage reserve lot and 1 residual lot), subdivision works involving the construction and opening of new roads and provision of underground drainage, water supply, sewerage, power and communication services at Lot 2 DP 1156966 Lundberg Drive, South Murwillumbah; Lot 2 DP 1139059 No. 102 Lundberg Drive, South Murwillumbah; Lot 1 DP 232745 No. 92 Lundberg Drive, South Murwillumbah; Lot 10 DP 1071301 Quarry Road, South Murwillumbah
- 16.2 Agritourism and small-scale agriculture development -Amendments to Planning Legislation
- **17** Reports from the Director Sustainable Communities
  - and Environment 17.1 Tweed Regional Museum Collection Policy Review
  - **17.2** Redevelopment of Goorimahbah Place of Stories Inclusive Park and Playspace - Acceptance of funding and draft concept plan for exhibition.

At its meeting on 18 March 2021 Council resolved to resume public attendance for Public Forum in line with the meeting room's Covid-Safe Plan and this Council Public Forum is for speaker on agenda items being considered and will be held at 4.30pm prior to the meeting.

21.5 Minutes of the Aboriginal Advisory Committee Meeting held Friday 5 March 2021 23 Confidential items for consideration

25 Reports from the General Manager in committee

Wednesday 10 March 2021

25.1 Caldera Regional Arts Inc. Proposal to Lease Part of World Heritage Rainforest Centre (Part 271 Tweed Valley Way, South Murwillumbah)

#### 28 Reports from the Director Engineering in committee

- 28.1 Acquisition of land for road widening at Tweed Coast Road, Cudgen (Part Lot 3 in DP828298 and Part Lot 6 in DP727425) 28.2 Finalisation of Compensation Request – 40 River Street, South
  - Murwillumbah
- $\textbf{28.3} \ \text{Voluntary House Purchase} \textbf{25 River Street, South Murwillumbah}$ 28.4 Smarts Road Dwelling Encroachment and Landslip