



Contractors erect a new osprey nest cradle on Tumbulgum Road at Murwillumbah to replace an older cradle which was collapsing.

## New osprey cradle at Murwillumbah sets new highs

**There's a new high rise in Murwillumbah but it's strictly for the birds. A new aluminium osprey nest cradle has been installed on the bank of the Tweed River near Campbell's Hill in Murwillumbah.**

The new artificial nest structure stands 20 metres high and is intended to replace the existing damaged nest cradle which sits on a power pole nearby.

The original nest cradle was installed in 1993 and has collapsed, probably due to rust damage. The nest is for the osprey pair that rear chicks in this location.

The new cradle was constructed by Council welder technician Todd Standfield at the Murwillumbah Depot.

The design differs from many existing osprey nest cradles in that it is square rather than round, and is constructed in aluminium rather than galvanised steel, offering better durability in the coastal environment.

The cradle is strong enough to withstand the weight of the large nests that ospreys build, which grow over the years as more and more sticks are added.

"It took me about a day to put it all together and I think it is large enough for the ospreys to build a good solid nest," Todd said.

Electricity pole installation contractors Dwayne Bianchetti and Paul Nicholls, who have assisted Council in the installation of several osprey nest structures around the Shire, attached Todd's cradle to the top of a 23m pole which was embedded 3m into the ground. The new structure

is located about 10m from the old nest.

Waterways Program Leader Tom Alletson hoped the new nest cradle offered a sturdier platform for the breeding pair of birds who were, up until a week ago, still trying to build a nest on the old collapsed cradle.

The artificial osprey nest on Tumbulgum Road is one of 9 which have been upgraded by Council in recent years.

"In a purely natural setting, osprey nest in very large, old dead trees, typically close to waterways. These are a key habitat requirement for them to breed," Tom said.

"In our developed coastal landscape, most of these old trees have been lost, so the birds currently have to rely on artificial structures. Every time we plant trees along our waterways we include the types of trees that osprey would once have used, so in future generations hopefully they can get this key natural habitat back."

The Murwillumbah nest is monitored by volunteers from the Tweed Osprey Group, who currently observe 31 osprey nesting sites on the Tweed and Brunswick coasts and waterways.

The resident pair are still frequenting the site but there has been no activity to indicate they have commenced breeding or building a new nest.

The osprey program is supported by Tweed Holidays Parks which donates almost \$1 million each year towards Council's sustainability and environment programs.

## Youth invited to join design industry experts

**Young people aged 12 to 24 years are invited to participate in the development and design of key recreational activities in the Tweed, from bike and skate parks to youth spaces and events.**

Council is developing a new *Youth Outdoor Recreation Action Plan* to improve the quality and diversity of sport and outdoor recreational facilities and activities for young people across the Tweed.



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As part of this plan, Council has teamed up with Young Change Agents to run a series of youth co-design workshops. This is your chance to join industry experts to design and develop ideas for 4 key projects running throughout June.

### Bike park

**Face-to-face:** Tuesday 15 June, 4 to 7 pm. **Online:** Thursday 17 June, 4 to 7 pm

### Skate park

**Face-to-face:** Tuesday 22 June, 4 to 7 pm. **Online:** Thursday 24 June, 4 to 7 pm

### Youth spaces in parks

**Face-to-face:** Wednesday 23 June, during school hours from 10 am to 2 pm. **Online:** Wednesday 23 June, 4 to 7 pm

### Youth events and activities

**Face-to-face:** Wednesday 23 June, during school hours from 10 am to 2 pm. **Online:** Wednesday 23 June, 4 to 7 pm

All face-to-face workshops will be held at Tweed Shire Council's Administration Building at Brett Street, Tweed Heads.

Past and present members of the Youth Council will help co-facilitate the workshops to help shape the future of the Tweed.

Bookings are essential as numbers are limited, so register now to avoid disappointment.

To book and for more information about the co-design workshops go to [yoursaytweed.com.au/youth-voice](https://yoursaytweed.com.au/youth-voice)



Last week we each used  
**192L a day**  
as at 31 May 2021

## Waste tip



### Check before you chuck!

**Look for the new recycling label (Australian wide) on products you buy.**

Instructions on how to correctly dispose of **all** product parts, right on the package!



## Auditorium reopens for business

**Tiny performers have taken to the big stage with the re-opening of the Murwillumbah Civic Centre auditorium last week.**

The auditorium on Friday and Saturday welcomed students of Future Stars Dance Academy, competing in qualifiers for the Academy's final to be held later this year.

It was the first public test for the newly refurbished auditorium, which has just completed a \$2.5 million upgrade funded by a partnership between Create NSW and Tweed Shire Council.

Future Stars Dance Academy owner Lauren Coster was delighted to be back in Murwillumbah and utilising the auditorium.

"Our students come from across the Gold Coast and Tweed and we have a soft spot for Murwillumbah, we really love it here," Ms Coster said.

Auditorium management vendor Colin Elliott was also excited to have the venue back in action and, as a member of the Murwillumbah Theatre Company, was looking forward to the opening of their next production, *Keeping Up Appearances*, which premieres this Friday.

"The production will run for 3 weekends with opening night on Friday," Mr Elliott said.

Evening performances will be on 4 to 6, 11 to 13 and 18 to 20 June. Friday and Saturday night shows start at 7:30 pm with Sunday matinees at 2 pm.

Visit [murwillumbahtheatrecompany.com.au](https://murwillumbahtheatrecompany.com.au) for more details about the shows.

For information about auditorium hire, go to [tweed.bookable.net.au](https://tweed.bookable.net.au)



Young dancer Ivy Lowry from Future Stars Dance Academy was among the first to use the stage of the refurbished Murwillumbah auditorium when it re-opened for business last Friday.

## Wonder of nature at festival

**From the birds and the bees to natural disaster recovery, a jam-packed program of fun and inspiration is on offer at Knox Park, Murwillumbah this Sunday to mark World Environment Day.**

Celebrating this year's theme of ecosystem restoration, the World Environment Day Festival on Sunday 6 June will feature displays, sustainable business stalls, guest speakers, live entertainment and food and drink outlets between 10 am and 3 pm.

It also celebrates the start of the United Nations' Decade of Ecosystem Restoration.

Festival organiser, the Caldera Environment Centre, has prepared an exciting program of visiting and local speakers to share insights into some of the most pressing ecosystem restoration and sustainability topics of the day.

A variety of Council, community and sustainable business stalls will feature displays and demonstrations, giveaways and support products and services.

There will be plenty of activities for families including Enviro Quest, nature-based play and the chance to design your own reusable calico shopping bag, while supplies last.

Enjoy entertainment throughout the day including performances and play with Hoopla Kids Circus and live music from JB and the Mmmms featuring Martha Baartz and Mohini Cox.

A range of food stalls offering vegetarian dishes, coffee, tea, chai and cake will tempt taste buds. This is a "waste-wise" event so don't forget your water container and mug.

COVID-Safe practices will be in place.

The World Environment Day Festival on Sunday, 6 June in Knox Park is proudly sponsored by Tweed Shire Council, Enova Energy, Tyalgum Energy Project SAE Group, Solo and the Caldera Environment Centre.

For more information visit [wedfest.calderaenvironmentcentre.org](https://wedfest.calderaenvironmentcentre.org)



Resident and Ratepayer Association meetings

**Banora Point & District Residents Assoc.** meet Monday 7 June 2021 commencing at 6:30 pm at the South Tweed Sports Club. Contact the Secretary on 0428 332 819.

The **Fingal Head Community Association** will hold their next meeting on Wednesday 9 June 2021, commencing at 7:00 pm. The venue will be the Fingal Rovers Surf Life Saving Club.

**Kingscliff Ratepayers and Progress Association** meet 7 pm, Monday 7 June 2021 at Kingscliff Community Hall.

On exhibition

Planning Proposal – Rural Land Sharing Communities

The community is invited to review and provide a submission on a Planning Proposal that seeks to protect the rights of existing legal rural land sharing communities and prohibit any future developments of this type.

The objective of the Planning Proposal, referred to as PP21/0001, is to make rural land sharing communities a prohibited land use in the Tweed Shire. It will do this by removing the reference to Tweed’s local environmental plans from the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Primary Production and Rural Development) 2019*.

The Planning Proposal and supporting information will be on exhibition and open for public comment from Wednesday 2 June to Wednesday 30 June 2021.

Have your say

- Online at [www.yoursaytweed.com.au/planningproposal-rurallandsharing](http://www.yoursaytweed.com.au/planningproposal-rurallandsharing)
- By email to [tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au)
- By post to The General Manager Tweed Shire Council, PO Box 816 Murwillumbah NSW 2484

More information

Visit [www.yoursaytweed.com.au/planningproposal-rurallandsharing](http://www.yoursaytweed.com.au/planningproposal-rurallandsharing)

Phone 02 6670 2503 (Strategic Planning and Urban Design Unit)

The NSW Minister for Planning and Public Spaces has not delegated Tweed Shire Council as the local plan-making authority for this planning proposal.

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
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- DA21/0177** – Additions to existing dwelling including carport, balcony, 1.8 metre high front fence and gate house  
Lot 31 DP 242802, No. 5 Allamanda Avenue, **Banora Point**
- DA21/0174** – In-ground swimming pool  
Lot 470 DP 221546, No. 21 Rosewood Avenue, **Bogangar**
- DA21/0195** – In-ground swimming pool  
Lot 5 DP 258777, No. 9 Wattle Avenue, **Bogangar**
- DA21/0204** – In-ground swimming pool  
Lot 31 Section 10 DP 30043, No. 27 Hastings Road, **Bogangar**
- DA20/0978** – Alterations and additions including swimming pool in the front yard and carport  
Lot 16 DP 1030322, No. 14 Pheeny Lane, **Casuarina**
- DA20/0238** – Two lot subdivision, construction of two dwellings and tree removal as staged development  
Lot 277 DP 755740, No. 15 Letitia Road, **Fingal Head**
- DA20/0968** – Two lot strata subdivision  
Lot 7 DP 25301, No. 19 Sutherland Street, **Kingscliff**
- DA21/0172** – Alterations to existing dwelling, pergola, pool and 1.8 m front fence  
Lot 63 DP 1186189, No. 325 Casuarina Way, **Kingscliff**
- DA20/0961** – Decommissioning of existing dwelling, new dwelling and pool  
Lot 15 DP 789715, No. 54 Bald Mountain Road, **Limpinwood**
- DA21/0169** – In-ground swimming pool  
Lot 503 DP 1222426, No. 84 Rous River Way, **Murwillumbah**
- DA21/0166** – In-ground swimming pool  
Lot 428 DP 1159521, No. 186 Overall Drive, **Pottsville**
- DA21/0089** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling  
Lot 2 DP 530802, No. 90 River Street, **South Murwillumbah**
- DA21/0083** – Shed with toilet  
Lot 17 DP 804521, No. 26 Federation Drive, **Terranora**
- DA20/0497** – Alterations and additions to an existing factory/industrial units  
Lot 2 DP 580528, No. 21 Machinery Drive, **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 [datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au](http://datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au)

Current vacancies

View current vacancies at [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/careers](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/careers)  
Subscribe to receive **Job Vacancy Alerts** via email at [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe)

Tweed celebrates National Reconciliation Week 2021

**Council is celebrating National Reconciliation Week with a range of activities designed to build respect, trust and positive relationships between the wider Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.**

Representatives from local resident and ratepayer groups participated in a curator-led tour of the *Land | Life | Culture* display at Tweed Regional Museum on Monday, which features important Indigenous cultural knowledge associated with key locations around the Tweed. This information was contributed by members of the local Aboriginal community.

The exhibition was a key action in Council’s *Reconciliation Action Plan*, drafted in 2018, and the winner of the 2020 Museums and Galleries National Award for permanent exhibitions.

The wider community also joined in celebrations by participating in Reconciliation Australia’s National Acknowledgement of Country. Council encouraged people from across the Tweed to post an acknowledgement of the local Aboriginal people of the Bundjalung Nation to their social media pages, to help raise awareness of the histories and cultures of Australia’s Indigenous peoples.

This year marks almost 3 decades of Australia’s formal reconciliation process. Learn more at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/ATSI](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/ATSI)



**The National Reconciliation Week theme for 2021 is *More than a word. Reconciliation takes action.***

Development proposal for public comment

The following Development Application has been received by the Tweed Shire Council and may be viewed on Council’s DA Tracking site located at [datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au](http://datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au) for a period of 14 days from Wednesday 2 June 2021 to Wednesday 16 June 2021.

The proposal is not designated development and the Northern Regional Planning Panel is the consent authority.

Applicant	Location	Proposal	Application no.
School Infrastructure NSW C/- DFP Planning Pty Ltd	Lot 1 DP 517503; Kirkwood Road; Lot 2 DP 517503; Minjungbal Drive; Lot 219 DP 755740; No. 4-10 Heffron Street; Lot 1 DP 781510; Oxley Street, <b>Tweed Heads South</b>	alterations and additions to an existing educational establishment, including demolition and tree removal (NRPP)	DA21/0312

Any person may, during the period specified above, make a submission in writing to Council in relation to the Development Application. Where a submission is in the form of an objection, then the grounds of objection are required to be specified. 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 [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/planninginformation](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/planninginformation)

Planning Committee meeting agenda Thursday 3 June 2021

The Planning Committee meeting agenda for Thursday 3 June 2021 is available on Council’s website [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/councilmeetings](http://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 5:30 pm.

Agenda Reports for consideration Planning and Regulation

- 8.1** Development Application DA19/0855 for alterations and additions to existing educational facility (new preschool and kindergarten buildings, demolition of existing demountable, additional parking), increase in enrolment, staff, tree removal and roundabout at Lot 1 DP 615053 & Lot 1 DP 840975 No. 36–52 Sunshine Avenue, Tweed Heads South
- 8.2** Development Application DA06/0413.14 for an amendment to Development Consent DA06/0413 for a staged seniors living development under SEPP (Seniors Living) 2004 comprising 91 independent living units, 94 supported living units and 67 beds within a high care facility at Lot 1 DP 786570 No. 87–89 Tweed Coast Road, Hastings Point
- 8.3** Tweed Shire Council (TSC) Submission to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) on the proposed Hanson Tweed Sand Plant Expansion (SSD-10398)
- 8.4** Follow up to Notice of Motion – Delegation Development Application Approvals

At its meeting on 18 March 2021 Council resolved to resume public attendance for Public Forums in line with the meeting room’s COVID-Safe plan. The Planning Committee Public Forum is for speakers on agenda items being considered and will be held at 4:30 pm prior to the meeting.

The agenda for these meetings, which may also include any late or supplementary reports, will be updated prior to the date of the meetings and are available on Council’s website.

It should be noted that confidential items are considered in closed session, which excludes media and public. Also, the minutes of these meetings will be available as soon as practical following the meetings and are unconfirmed until they are formally adopted at the next Council meeting.

Please be aware that the meetings are webcast and will be available on Council’s website following the meeting.

Have your say on proposed alcohol free zones

**A proposal to continue the operation of alcohol free zones in specified areas of the Tweed has been placed on exhibition for public comment.**

Alcohol free zones, adopted by Council and in place for several years, allow authorities to prevent the escalation of irresponsible drinking in designated public places, leading to improved public safety by preventing incidents of serious crime.

Under the current proposal, alcohol free zones would be renewed in specified areas around the Tweed and cover roads, footpaths and public carparks.

The proposal is on public exhibition from 1 to 30 June at Council’s Murwillumbah and Tweed Heads offices, or at [yoursaytweed.com.au](http://yoursaytweed.com.au)

Written submissions should be addressed to the General Manager, Alcohol Free Zones 2021–2025, PO Box 816 Murwillumbah, online at [yoursaytweed.com.au](http://yoursaytweed.com.au) or by email at [tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au)

Submissions received will be considered prior to the proposal being tabled at a meeting of Council’s elected representatives.

Visit [tweed.nsw.gov.au/onexhibition](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/onexhibition) or [yoursaytweed.com.au](http://yoursaytweed.com.au)

Request for offer RF02021050 Panel of Providers for Sewer Lateral Linings

**Offers close:** Wednesday 12 noon 9 June 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](http://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.