

# TWEED Tweed Link

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# **Changes to controls for flood-prone land**

A series of land use planning amendments will be made from next week to better protect life and property in the event of extreme flooding and to better manage flood risk.

The NSW Government announced the new Flood Prone Land Package in late May that includes compulsory and opt-in reforms to land use regulations and planning controls.

The amendments will support Council's ability to manage the risk of extreme flooding through improved land planning and development controls and will commence from Wednesday 14 July. Savings provisions apply to those development applications lodged with Council before this date.

The package will mean 2 new flood-related development clauses are included in the Tweed Local Environmental Plan 2014 and the Tweed City Centre Local Environmental Plan 2012.

The first is mandatory and will be automatically inserted into all Tweed Shire Council LEPs. It will replace the existing flood planning clause and applies to land within the flood planning area. It will require Council to consider changes to flood risk as a result of climate change.

The second is optional and is known as the Special Flood Consideration clause and requires a separate State Environmental Planning Policy amendment. At last week's planning meeting (1 July), Council resolved to opt in to this clause, which applies to land above the flood planning area, and up to the probable maximum flood level. The new clause requires Council to be satisfied that a proposed development:

- complies with any Council flood policies, development control plan and is consistent with any adopted floodplain risk management plan
- will not affect the safe occupation of and evacuation from land
- incorporates appropriate measures to manage risk to life from
- flood · is designed to incorporate high level evacuation routes appropriate to the flood risk
- will not adversely affect the environment during flood events due to hazardous materials.

This new clause will apply to all new development applications after 14 July

For people buying or selling property, Council will update Section 10.7 Planning Certificate information and mapping to reflect these changes. For more information on the new Flood Prone Planning Package, please visit planning.nsw.gov.au/flooding

### **Reconstruction works to start at Mount Warning Road**



#### Reconstruction works will be undertaken along a 1.2 km section of Mount Warning Road, from Kyogle Road to the concrete causeway next to Mt Warning Rainforest Park.

Traffic management will be in place while Council crews undertake works, including reconstruction of the road layer, application of a new bitumen seal and alterations to existing stormwater drains and culverts. The works are due to begin in mid-July and will take about 2 months to complete.

To ensure the safety of the public and our crews, Mt Warning Bridge will be closed to traffic for 2 days while we undertake road construction. The closure will be over 2 separate day shifts, not 2 days in a row.

Affected residents and businesses will be notified ahead of the closure. The works will take place from mid-July for 2 months, from Monday to Friday, between 7 am and 5 pm. Traffic management will be in place and minor delays can be expected.

For more information on roadworks and closures in the Tweed, visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/roadworks

#### **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 datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au for a period of 14 days from Wednesday 7 July 2021 to Wednesday 21 July 2021. The proposal is not designated development and Tweed Shire Council is the consent authority

Applicant	Location	Proposal	Application no.
Patternshop Studio	Lot 3 DP 772368; No. 3–5 Brisbane Street; Lot's 1 &	Change of use, alterations & additions and signage to an	DA21/0399
	2 DP 772368; Wollumbin Street, Murwillumbah	existing commercial premises (as staged development)	

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 tweed.nsw.gov.au/development-applications

**192L a day** as at 5 July 2021 Waste tip Less to Landfill

Last week we each used

#### Go plastic free this July

Challenge a friend to swap out one plastic item for Plastic Free July such as a bamboo toothbrush, reusable grocery and produce bags, metal clothes pins, and shampoo/ conditioner bars. For more ideas and to take the challenge go to www.plasticfreejuly.org



# Helping to heal our country this NAIDOC Week

As the nation marks NAIDOC Week this week, 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.

This year's NAIDOC theme is Heal Country! and calls for all Australians to continue to seek greater protection for our lands, waters, sacred sites and cultural heritage from exploitation, desecration and destruction.

Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, the Tweed NAIDOC committee was forced to postpone its planned activities until September 2021 but there is still the opportunity to delve into local culture, with the Minjungbal Aboriginal Museum open this week.

Alternatively, visit the Tweed Regional Museum's Land | Life | Culture display which introduces visitors to the unique natural and cultural heritage of the Tweed. The exhibition features important Indigenous cultural knowledge associated with key locations around the Tweed, contributed by members of the local Aboriginal community.



## **Dive in and explore Council's** fresh new website

Council's fresh new website is live and ready to explore at tweed.nsw.gov.au

Improvements include:

- more photos to showcase the natural beauty of the Tweed • a fresh, clean look with useful content that is easy to read, in plain language
- mobile-friendly and looks great on all devices

• information is much easier to find with a new search tool. One of the popular new tools is the Waste Wizard, found at

tweed.nsw.gov.au/waste-wizard. Not sure how to dispose of something? Search by keyword (try 'cane toad') to find out what goes where, along with some top tips to recycle more. And if you find something we're missing, email it to waste@tweed.nsw.gov.au

Before going live, Council's digital team undertook focus groups comprised of residents, ratepayers, industry representatives and Council's Equal Access Advisory Committee, with overwhelmingly positive feedback received particularly on the crisp, new look of the site and its easy-to-navigate interface.

If you have any feedback, email webmaster@tweed.nsw.gov.au so the team can continue making improvements now the site is live.

To capture more community feedback, we will be conducting a short survey in August to help measure the difference the new site is making to help residents find the right information.



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