

*Tweed Shire Council wishes to acknowledge the Ngandowal and Minyungbal speaking people of the Bundjalung Country, in particular the Goodjinburra, Tul-gi-gin and Moorung – Moobah clans, as being the traditional owners and custodians of the land and waters within the Tweed Shire boundaries. Council also acknowledges and respects the Tweed Aboriginal community's right to speak for its Country and to care for its traditional Country in accordance with its lore, customs and traditions.*



The Tweed section of the Northern Rivers Rail Trail has already attracted 108,829 users in its first 7 months.

## Rail Trail smashes the 100,000 barrier

**The Tweed section of the Northern Rivers Rail Trail (NRRT) has surpassed expectations with data revealing 108,829 guests have visited the trail since its opening on 1 March this year.**

Stretching from Murwillumbah to Crabbes Creek, the NRRT is leading the way with quality experiences and amenities along the length of the trail.

Since the Rail Trail's opening in March, the Tweed has hosted 108,829 trail guests. On average, that's 16,329 visitors per month, 3,726 people per week or 532 people daily.

The busiest day on the trail is Sunday with weekends the busiest overall and Monday and Tuesday the quieter days of the week. Most people are out on the trail between 9 and 11 am on average.

The success of the facility is attributed to the unique nature and outdoor recreation opportunities the trail provides, especially as a free, safe and family-friendly experience.

The Rail Trail provides an opportunity to reconnect with nature, breathe in fresh air and soak in the breathtaking beauty of the Tweed's landscapes and the charming village

life at our seven rest stops.

The 24 km Tweed section of the Northern Rivers Rail Trail is the first stage of the project, which will eventually connect Murwillumbah and Casino.

The landmark success of the Tweed section will inspire confidence for neighbouring Councils who are either considering or committed to connecting to the Rail Trail, making it a regional asset for locals and visitors.

The Richmond Valley section of the NRRT is making impressive progress and remains on schedule for a soft opening in December 2023.

Byron Shire Council has resolved to move forward with planning and approvals for the Rail Trail expansion extending from Mullumbimby to Crabbes Creek, encompassing the old Byron Bay station through Bangalow to Booyong. Additionally, Byron Shire Council is actively exploring various funding opportunities to revitalise the Byron Shire rail corridor.

For more information on the Rail Trail, visit [northernriversrailtrail.com.au](http://northernriversrailtrail.com.au)

## Love your trees in the Tweed? Show us the best!

**For the love of trees! Tweed residents are invited to submit a photo of their favourite tree or streetscape in urban areas of the Tweed to promote the benefits of trees as part of Council's Cool Towns Urban Forest Program.**

The Cool Towns Urban Forest Program aims to plant more trees in the Tweed to provide increased shade and cooling



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in settings where concrete, bitumen and built structures absorb and reflect heat.

As part of the initiative, Tweed residents are invited to take a photo of their favourite tree in an urban area of the Tweed Shire and upload it to Council's community engagement platform, Your Say Tweed, before Sunday 26 November.

Community members are asked to share why they love their favourite tree or streetscape, providing information about the location, features and activities they associate with the tree.

All entries will have a chance to win a prize pack including a voucher for native trees, high-quality compost and a gardening supplies pack (two prizes to be won).

Once entries close, the community will be asked to vote for their favourite tree and streetscape from the selection of photos submitted.

Trees in urban areas bring a multitude of benefits to the community, the environment and the economy. This project is one way Council is working to protect the Tweed's internationally significant environment for a sustainable future.

Submit your photos by midnight Sunday 26 November 2023 online at [yoursaytweed.com.au/cool-towns](http://yoursaytweed.com.au/cool-towns)

Voting for the best tree and streetscape photo will open on Monday 27 November. See the website for competition terms and conditions.

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**201 L a day**

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**Save 41 L a day** to delay water restrictions

## In brief ...

### Free workshop on climate action and home energy savings

**Council is inviting residents to a free Community Action Network workshop on Saturday 18 November from 9 to 11:30 am at the Kingscliff Community Hall.**

The workshop will explore the actions we can take as individuals to reduce our electricity use (and bills), as well as supporting our friends and communities in steps towards sustainable, renewable energy and how we might influence the broader community and leaders for climate action.

Home energy advisor and consultant Seb Crangle will provide expert insights and advice on electric vehicles and saving energy in the home.

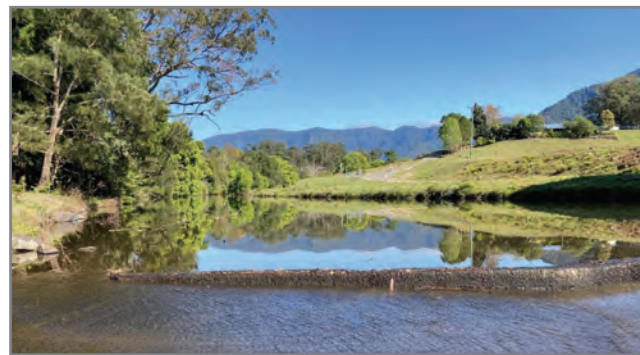
Morning tea will be provided. Registrations are essential. Visit [tweed.nsw.gov.au/climate-change](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/climate-change) to find out more and register.

### Visit Lismore's Housing Expo

**Tweed residents are invited to attend the Lismore Housing Expo on Saturday 11 November.**

The expo will be held at South Lismore Bowling Club from 10 am to 2 pm. It will be a one-stop shop to speak directly to industry professionals about tiny homes/granny flats, house raising, house relocations, resilient retrofitting, planning, housing grants, financial and legal advice and the Two Rooms Project.

Free coffee and snack and craft activities for kids will be available. Find out more at [lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://lismore.nsw.gov.au)



**Tyalgum Weir pictured on Monday 6 November. Council has issued a green alert for blue-green algae in the Oxley River at Tyalgum.**

## Green alert for blue-green algae in Oxley River

**A green alert for blue-green algae in the Oxley River was issued on Monday 6 November after low algae levels were detected at the Tyalgum Weir.**

Although a green alert means algae is present in low densities in the waterway, tap water across the Tweed remains safe to drink and bathe in.

Council also downgraded its alert for Clarrie Hall Dam, with reduced algae levels recorded in the waterbody.

The amber alert for blue-green algae at the Bray Park Weir issued in October 2023 remains in place.

Council's Water and Wastewater Operations manager Brie Jowett warned the community and visitors to stay clear of the affected waterways and not to eat fish caught from them.

"Council always takes a precautionary approach with blue-green algae and we are advising against any recreational activities that involve contact with the affected water," Mrs Jowett said.

"If anyone comes into contact with the algae, we advise them to rinse it off with fresh water and seek medical advice if symptoms appear."

Scientists from the NATA-accredited Tweed Laboratory Centre are testing the affected waterways twice a week.

Blue-green algae occurs naturally and can reproduce quickly in still or slow-flowing water, when it is warm and sunny and the water is nutrient-rich.

Affected water may appear to have a green paint-like scum on the water or near the edges, or greenish clumps. It can have a musty odour.

Warning signs are being placed near the Oxley River at Tyalgum to inform the public of the presence of blue-green algae and any potential risk. Warning signs remain along the Tweed River upstream of the Bray Park Weir.

For the latest, visit [tweed.nsw.gov.au/water-wastewater](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/water-wastewater)

For more information on blue-green algae, visit [waternsw.com.au/algae](http://waternsw.com.au/algae)



# Banora Point major intersection upgrade

Motorists are advised to prepare for significant delays with works to upgrade the intersection of Leisure Drive, Greenway Drive and Darlington Drive at Banora Point set to get underway from 20 November.

This project will be delivered in 2 stages (see work zones map right), with the first stage located at Sites 1, 2 and 5 along Greenway Drive. These works will begin on Monday 20 November and will take about 3 months to complete, weather permitting.

Council crews will undertake the works from Monday to Friday, between 7 am and 5 pm. Line marking will be carried out at night towards the end of the project.

To ensure everyone's safety, there will be times when we need to close lanes and detour traffic during work hours. Only local residents will be permitted within the closed lanes. Whenever possible, we'll schedule these lane closures during school holidays. This includes tasks like kerb and pavement construction, asphaltting, footpath restoration and line marking.

Motorists and residents are asked to avoid on-road parking during work hours.

Use alternative routes where possible or allow additional time for your journey. Consider using Fraser Drive into Drydock Road and Terranora Road during lane closures.

During temporary footpath closures, Council will provide

clear directions for pedestrians to navigate around the work areas. For pedestrian detours, see the planned works notification on Council's website.

Stage 2 of the works – located at work zones 3 and 4 along Leisure Drive, will include the installation of a signalised pedestrian crossing, kerb and gutter works, stormwater drainage modifications and pavement widening. The timing of these works, estimated to take about 3 months to complete, is open for public comment. To have your say, visit [yoursaytweed.com.au/banora-point-intersection](https://yoursaytweed.com.au/banora-point-intersection)

The project is part of Council's goal to enhance the safety and connectivity of our local road network.



A map of the intersection where the upgrade will happen.

## In brief ...

### Small moves, big impact

Residents are invited to attend a free workshop on designing better neighbourhoods at Banora Point Community Centre on Thursday 16 November.

The workshop will explore how subtle changes can transform communities. The lunchtime workshop will be hosted by AOG Architects Director Anna O’Gorman, who will discuss the power of thoughtful design and community engagement in shaping vibrant, inclusive neighbourhoods.

The event starts at 12 pm and is free. Everyone is welcome, however places are limited and registration is essential. Visit Council's [Facebook events page](#) to register your interest.

### Have your say on Burringbar

The opportunity to review and share feedback on the Burringbar Memorial Reserve and Masterson Park Draft Concept Plan is closing on Tuesday 14 November 2023.

Visit [yoursaytweed.com.au/burringbar](https://yoursaytweed.com.au/burringbar) to read the draft concept plan.

## 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

**DA23/0361** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling Lot 67 DP 860889, No. 7 Liberty Place, **Banora Point**

**DA23/0427** – Patio flyover roof Lot 1027 DP 804509, No. 72 Glen Ayr Drive, **Banora Point**

**DA22/0524** – Alterations and additions to existing single storey dwelling including an attached secondary dwelling and double garage and minor demolition work Lot 13 DP 800344, No. 39 Cassidy Crescent, **Bogangar**

**DA23/0335** – Use of 1 m retaining wall and deck extension, in-ground swimming pool and 1.8 m front fence Lot 1 SP 87629, Unit 1/No. 375–377 Casuarina Way, **Casuarina**

**DA23/0129** – Relocation of existing dwelling and new dwelling with attached garage, in-ground swimming pool and shed Lot 1 DP 348945, No. 56 Phillip Street, **Chinderah**

**DA22/0140** – Demolition of existing dwelling and garage and erection of attached dual occupancy Lot 1 DP 392024, No. 75 Pearl Street, **Kingscliff**

**DA23/0497** – In-ground swimming pool Lot 575 DP 1180830, No. 4 Bundeena Street, **Kingscliff**

**DA23/0469** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling Lot B DP 328192, No. 421 Tweed Valley Way, **South Murwillumbah**

**DA23/0271** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling Lot 201 DP 249155, No. 16 The Bowsprit, **Tweed Heads**

**DA23/0460** – Deck Lot 14 Section 11 DP 28390, No. 20 Ocean Avenue, **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](https://datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au)



### Proposed licence of Council-managed Crown land

Council proposes to grant a one year licence to Kingscliff Mini School Incorporated.

**Property:** 60 Kingscliff Street, Kingscliff as indicated by the location diagram.

**Term:** One year

**Permitted use:** Community Pre-school.

**Licensee:** Kingscliff Mini School Incorporated



Written submissions relating to this proposal are to be made by no later than 5 pm 6 December to Council via:

- online: [yoursaytweed.com.au/kingscliffpreschool](https://yoursaytweed.com.au/kingscliffpreschool)
- mail: PO Box 816, Murwillumbah NSW 2484
- email: [tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au)

Please note that under the provisions of the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* (NSW), such submissions may be referred to third parties for consideration.

**Council reference:** PN: 19601

**Enquiries:** Jennie Stephenson, Technical Officer – Property, 02 6670 2400

In accordance with section 47A of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW), Tweed Shire Council as Crown Land Manager under the *Crown Lands Management Act 2016* (NSW) proposes to grant a licence in respect of Council-managed Crown land.

**Council confidentiality policy:** On request, any submission including identifying particulars will be made public. Council will give consideration to the 'Public Interest' and requests for confidentiality however, the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* may require confidential submissions to be released to an applicant.

### Proposed licence of Council-owned Community land

Council proposes to enter into a new one-year licence agreement with Police Citizens Youth Clubs NSW Ltd.

**Property:** Part Lot 1 DP1082080 as indicated by yellow in the location diagram.

**Term:** One year

**Permitted use:** Youth (12–24 years) and community sport and recreation centre.

**Licensee:** Police Citizens Youth Clubs NSW Ltd



Written submissions relating to this proposal are to be made by no later than 5 pm 6 December 2023 to Council via:

- online: [yoursaytweed.com.au/pcyc](https://yoursaytweed.com.au/pcyc)
- mail: PO Box 816, Murwillumbah NSW 2484
- email: [tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au)

Please note that under the provisions of the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* (NSW), such submissions may be referred to third parties for consideration.

**Council reference:** PN: 43613

**Enquiries:** Jennie Stephenson, Technical Officer – Property, 02 6670 2400

This notice is in accordance with section 47A of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW), Tweed Shire Council proposes to grant a licence in respect of Council-owned Community Land.

## 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](https://datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au) for a period of 14 days from Wednesday 8 November 2023 to Wednesday 22 November 2023 .

The proposal is not designated development and Tweed Shire Council is the consent authority.

Applicant	Location	Proposal	Application no.
The Small School Ltd	Lot 1 DP 1273979; No. 8 King Street, <b>Murwillumbah</b>	Expansion of existing educational establishment (The Small School) including change of use of approved administrative offices to learning spaces	DA23/0524

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* – GIPA 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.

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# Jewel in collection: A Monet comes to Murwillumbah

One of the world’s most famous artworks – *Meules, milieu du jour [Haystacks, midday]*, 1890 by Claude Monet – is now on display at the Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Art Centre, as part of the National Gallery of Australia’s Sharing the National Collection initiative.

The \$174 million masterpiece by French Impressionist Monet was officially welcomed to the region on Wednesday 1 November with a special ceremony at the award-winning regional gallery in Murwillumbah.

*Meules, milieu du jour [Haystacks, midday]* will be on display in the Tweed until 26 October 2025.

The painting is one of 5 works to be shared with the Tweed Regional Gallery from the national collection as part of the National Gallery’s Sharing the National Collection initiative. The remaining works – *Natura morta [Still life]*, 1956 by Giorgio Morandi and 3 by Australian artist Margaret Olley – will be shared with the Tweed from February 2024.

Outgoing Tweed Regional Gallery Director Susi Muddiman OAM said this was a significant moment for regional art in Australia.

“We are extremely proud to be the first gallery in regional Australia selected to participate in the National Gallery’s exciting Sharing the National Collection initiative,” Ms Muddiman said.

“This initiative provides a rare opportunity for people living



Outgoing Tweed Regional Gallery Director Susi Muddiman OAM stands alongside Margot Anthony AM in front of Monet’s Haystacks, midday at the opening on 1 November.

## In brief ...

### EV ready assistance

The NSW Government has launched a new program to assist eligible NSW apartment buildings to assess and instal EV infrastructure upgrades.

The NSW EV ready buildings grants program will support over 125 residential strata apartment buildings across NSW to install EV charging infrastructure in their carparks.

The program will co-fund owners corporations to install the required electrical infrastructure to enable apartment residents to charge their vehicle at home.

Find out more at [nsw.gov.au/grants-and-funding/electric-vehicle-ready-buildings-grant](https://nsw.gov.au/grants-and-funding/electric-vehicle-ready-buildings-grant)

### Road closures

#### Kingscliff Triathlon – Sunday 26 November 2023

Race starts 6:10 am and finishes 12:30 pm

**Roads closed:** Marine Parade from Moss Street to Seaview Street Roundabout (5 am to 12:30 pm), Marine Parade from Seaview Street roundabout to Wommin Bay Road (6 to 11 am), Wommin Bay Road from Marine Parade to Chinderah Bay Drive and along to Chinderah Village Caravan Park (6 to 11 am), Pearl Street southbound from Turnock Street to Seaview Street (5 to 11 am), Sutherland Street from Moss Street to Sutherland Point Road (5 am to 12:30 pm), Cudgen Creek Boardwalk from Salt to creek mouth (5 am to 12:30 pm).

Visit [kingsclifftri.org/roads](https://kingsclifftri.org/roads) or contact the team on 02 8507 0796.

### Current vacancies

Visit [tweed.nsw.gov.au/job-vacancies](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/job-vacancies) to view current vacancies. Subscribe to receive **Job Vacancy Alerts** via email at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe)



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in regional areas to experience an artwork of this calibre so close to home.

“To be able to offer our visitors this additional opportunity to view an artwork of Monet’s calibre will further enhance the Gallery as a destination of choice.

“We are very grateful for the opportunity and thank the National Gallery for their support.”

Activities and events for audiences of all ages will

complement the artwork throughout its 2-year stay at the Tweed Regional Gallery, with details to be published on the Gallery’s website.

Entry remains free of charge. Group visits and tours must book via the Gallery website. The Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Art Centre is located at 2 Mistral Road, South Murwillumbah. The Gallery is open Wednesday to Sunday 10 am – 5 pm (ADST).

## Notification of integrated development application

### Development application no. DA23/0510

A development application has been lodged by Zone Planning NSW Pty Ltd seeking development consent for staged application for camping grounds (primitive camp ground) and alterations and additions to existing dwelling for use as caretakers residence, barn shed and camp kitchen structure, machinery shed, amenities, vegetation removal and rehabilitation, earthworks, installation of water tanks and driveway upgrades at Lot 1 DP 849553; No. 774 Smiths Creek Road, **Stokers Siding**. Tweed Shire Council is the consent authority for the application.

The proposed development constitutes ‘Integrated Development’ pursuant to Section 4.46(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. The following approvals are required in this regard:

Provision	Approval	Authority
Section 100B of the <i>Rural Fires Act 1997</i>	General approval	Rural Fire Service
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	NSW Water

The development application and the documents accompanying it may be viewed on Council’s DA Tracking site located at [datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au](https://datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au)

The documents will be available for a period of 28 days from Wednesday 8 November to Wednesday 6 December 2023.

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* – GIPA 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

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## Public notice – presentation of financial statements

### General purpose financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2023

Presentation of financial statements as per Section 418 (3) of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

In accordance with Section 418 (3) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW), Tweed Shire Council advises that the ordinary Council meeting to be held on 16 November will include the presentation of the audited Financial Statements and the Auditor’s Reports for the year ending 30 June 2023.

A summary of the Financial Statements is provided below:

	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
<b>Income statement</b>		
Total income from continuing operations	318,799	242,251
Total expenses from continuing operations	249,462	214,481
<b>Operating result from continuing operations</b>	<b>69,337</b>	<b>27,770</b>
<b>Net operating result for the year</b>	<b>69,337</b>	<b>27,770</b>
<b>Net operating result before grants and contributions provided for capital purposes</b>	<b>20,346</b>	<b>1,344</b>
<b>Statement of Financial Position</b>		
Total current assets	356,309	242,315
Total current liabilities	(67,146)	(63,219)
Total non-current liabilities	3,533,037	3,365,551
Total non-current assets	(117,459)	(123,097)
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>3,704,741</b>	<b>3,421,550</b>
<b>Other financial information</b>		
Unrestricted current ratio (times)	8.87	0.92
Operating performance ratio(%)	9.90%	5.30%
Debt service cover ratio (times)	5.73	4.77
Rates and annual charges outstanding ratio(%)	4.90%	4.50%
Infrastructure renewals ratio(%)	35.51%	48.09%
Own source operating revenue ratio(%)	63.76%	75.87%
Cash expense cover ratio (months)	22.74	25.11

In accordance with Section 420 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW), 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 may be inspected at [yoursaytweed.com.au/financialstatements202223](https://yoursaytweed.com.au/financialstatements202223)

Submissions close 23 November.