



Hastings Point is a local icon we want to protect. We'd like to hear your feedback on the proposed management plan.

## Your feedback will help shape the Hastings Point Headland Management Plan

Hastings Point headland is a popular spot in the Tweed, which is why Council is seeking the community's thoughts on how to protect it now and into the future.

The draft Hastings Point Headland Management Plan is on public exhibition until 27 June 2025. Community members can view the plan and provide feedback on Council's engagement platform, Your Say Tweed.

The draft plan was developed in response to the increasing number of visitors to the area and explores ways to protect its natural environment and cultural heritage while improving how it works for everyone.

Tweed Shire Council's Team Leader Coast and Waterways Tom Alletson said the draft plan reflects the input of more than 300 community members.

"Hastings Point Headland is well-loved by the

community and visitors," Mr Alletson said.

"But even the most respectful visitors can have an impact. Without thoughtful management, increased visitation could damage the values that make this area so unique.

"This plan is a positive step forward in protecting this site's unique and fragile ecosystem and ensuring its longevity. We strongly encourage the community to review the draft management plan to help us get it right."

View the plan and participate in this next round of community feedback by completing a survey at [yoursaytweed.com.au/hastingspointheadland](https://yoursaytweed.com.au/hastingspointheadland)

For more information, contact Coast and Waterways Team Leader Tom Alletson on 02 6670 2400 or email [tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au)

## Bikes, breaks and big impact: free motorcycle rest stop this May

Calling all motorcyclists – Tweed Shire Council is hosting a free Motorcycle Rest Stop on Saturday 24 May at Uki Public Hall from 8 am to 12 noon – part of a state-wide push to tackle rising road tolls and help keep riders safe.

Why stop? Because motorcycle fatalities in NSW are at a 10-year high. This year alone, 16 more riders have died compared to last year. Despite being just 3.8% of registered vehicles, motorcycles make up nearly 1 in 5 road deaths.

In the Tweed, the stats are even more sobering. Between 2019 and 2023, we recorded 151 motorcycle crashes, including 9 fatalities – making up 43% of all local road deaths, more than twice the state average.

What to expect:

- Free tea, coffee and snacks
- Safety chats with NSW Police and road safety experts
- A look at the latest NSW Police motorbike
- Insight into the Joe Rider campaign – a practical program tackling "Sorry Mate, I Didn't See You" crashes. Riders can sign up on the spot.

Don't ride past. Stop in, refuel, recharge – and ride safe.

For more info visit:

[tweed.nsw.gov.au/motorcycle-safety](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/motorcycle-safety)



## In brief...

### Dung beetles, chickens and carbon down on the farm

Tweed's next Farm Walk and Talk is heading to Woodland Valley Farm on Thursday 5 June. Don't miss out on this event.

Why? Because a tiny, hard-working hero might be transforming local pastures. The winter-active dung beetle *Onitis asperatus* – first trialled in the Tweed in 2023 – is starting to show real promise. And we're heading into the field to see what it's up to.

But it's not just about beetles. This farm is a shining example of regenerative agriculture in action, combining cattle, chickens and smart land management to grow healthy food while building soil carbon and boosting biodiversity.

What's in store:

- Get hands-on with dung beetles (well... maybe not literally)
- Learn how soil carbon can be sequestered on-farm
- Connect with other local growers and landholders
- Explore how livestock and poultry can work together for a healthier farm system

Please note: No dogs or pets allowed – this is a working farm with livestock, native animals and active pastures.

Spots are limited and registration is essential.

Book now: [tweed.nsw.gov.au/agriculture-farming](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/agriculture-farming)



Woodland Valley Farm will be the location of Council's next Farm Walk and Talk on Thursday 5 June.

## Get the Tweed Link early

Be one of the first to see all the latest news from Tweed Shire Council each week.

Subscribers to the Tweed Link receive it by email each week on Wednesday mornings, in addition to it appearing in print in the Tweed Valley Weekly on Thursdays.

But that's not all – you can also subscribe to Council job alerts, media releases and a range of e-newsletters and Council facility program alerts.

Sign up at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe)

## Here's an update on Murwillumbah's multi-storey carpark – it's complicated

The multi-storey carpark located next to the Tweed Regional Aquatic Centre has been partially closed since December 2023 due to a fire.

Tweed Shire Council has been working since then to repair the site and bring it back to the community, but there have been a number of setbacks which have slowed down progress.

Council's insurance agency engaged consultants in early 2024 to assess and finalise the scope of work and were advised that additional expertise was required because of the complexity of the project. Extra specialists such as forensic engineers and materials specialists were then engaged.

Alongside these investigations, Council has been working with specialist materials engineers to find solutions to longstanding waterproofing issues that meant water was leaking from the top level down

to the next one. Before the fire, there were signs of minor corrosion to the steel as a result of this, but the corrosion very quickly got worse after the fire.

This waterproofing project was on the long-term maintenance schedule, however Council's priority was to repair the fire damage as soon as possible to return the carpark to the public. The preference was to follow with the waterproofing works, when it would cause less disruption to carpark users.

In December last year Council was expecting for the repair work to start in April 2025, after the busy summer and school swimming carnival season. However, just as this was being organised, there was debate between the experts about whether this work could actually happen before the waterproofing was fixed.

So, Council sought a quote for fixing the

waterproofing but it was much more than was expected. New technical experts have now been engaged to see if a different solution can be found. This is important because the waterproofing work is not covered by insurance and Council needs to find the funds to complete it.

At the same time Council is working with new consultants about the repair process to find a different way forward.

Tweed Shire Council is acutely aware that there is ongoing community frustration about this project. Everything is being done to get the work completed, taking future busy pool times into account.

As soon as there is a firm program and timelines in place Council will communicate this to the wider community.



Tweed Shire Council wishes to acknowledge the Ngandowal and Minyungbal speaking people of the Bundjalung Country, in particular the Goodjinburra, Tul-gi-gin and Moorong – 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.



# Are high power bills worrying you?

Power Pop Up stall: help is available

Check your eligibility for rebates and energy saving incentives.

Drop in any time, no bookings required



Go in the draw to win a free home energy review valued at \$400

**Where:** Tweed City Shopping Centre  
Near Mather's Shoes

**When:** Monday 26, Tuesday 27 May 2025

**Time:** 10 am – 2 pm  
BYO recent power bill

Find out more at  
[tweed.nsw.gov.au/saving-energy](https://tweed.nsw.gov.au/saving-energy)

 **TWEED SHIRE COUNCIL**

## Climate Adaptation in Tweed Heads South Community Drop-In Session

This session is an opportunity to:

- Learn about the development of Council's Climate Change Adaptation Plan
- Share insights to help build resilience in Tweed Heads South
- Tell us what adaptation activities are important to you
- Meet the project team over light refreshments.



**Friday 23 May 2025, 8:30 – 11 am**

Tweed Heads South Community Centre,  
18 Heffron Street, Tweed Heads South

No bookings required – drop-in anytime.

For more information, contact Debbie Firestone  
02 6670 2400

 **TWEED SHIRE COUNCIL**

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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

**DA25/0042** – Carport forward the building line  
Lot 119 DP 1039591, No. 6 Grassmere Court, **Banora Point**

**DA25/0060** – Demolition of existing structures, new dwelling, carport and pool in two stages  
Lot 179 DP 217678, No. 33 Kurrajong Avenue, **Bogangar**

**DA24/0620** – Dwelling with attached garage including swimming pool  
Lot 55 DP 1027531, No. 8 Harper Court, **Casuarina**

**DA24/0596** – In ground swimming pool  
Lot 41 DP 1300756, No. 38 Bowen Loop, **Cudgen**

**DA25/0073** – Dwelling and associated works  
Lot 24 DP 1252272, No. 27 Denman Drive, **Cudgen**

**DA25/0105** – Dwelling with attached garage  
Lot 30 DP 1295758, No. 14 Prichard Place, **Cudgen**

**DA25/0109** – Carport forward the building line  
Lot 1 DP 584124, No. 16 Collier Street, **Cudgen**

**DA25/0120** – inground pool  
Lot 97 DP 1301249, No. 13 Sugar Mill Road, **Cudgen**

**DA24/0396** – Dwelling with attached garage  
Lot 4 DP 576994, No. 153 Settlement Road, **Numinbah**

**DA25/0161** – Two sheds  
Lot 24 DP 786670, No. 21 Garden Avenue, **Nunderi**

**CDC25/0012** – Two single storey light industry buildings consisting of four (4) tenancies, car parking and associated landscaping  
Lot 215 DP 1122768, No. 14-16 Honeyeater Circuit, **South Murwillumbah**

**DA24/0614** – Alterations and additions to an existing dwelling including house raising  
Lot 3 DP 18451, No. 135 Tweed Valley Way, **South Murwillumbah**

**DA24/0567** – Demolition of existing dual occupancy and new dwelling with attached garage  
Lot 37 DP 260022, No. 54 Kennedy Drive, **Tweed Heads**

**DA24/0630** – Alterations and additions to an existing dwelling including swimming pool  
Lot 292 DP 246199, No. 79 The Quarterdeck, **Tweed Heads**

**DA25/0128** – Alterations and additions to an existing dwelling including carport forward the building line and a front fence  
Lot 11 DP 239522, No. 1 Duffy Street, **Tweed Heads South**

**DA24/0524** – Alterations to staging and design amendments under previously approved DA17/0824 & DA22/0616 to enable staged development being (stage 1) earthworks and new dwelling, (stage 2) new dwelling to create dual occupancy, garage and boat storage, and (stage 3) inground swimming pool  
Lot 2 DP 1305719, No. 1A Sierra Vista Boulevard, **Bilambil Heights**

**DA24/0161** – Alterations and additions to existing retail shop and change of use to optometrist  
Lot 101 DP 1266301, No. 24 Pearl Street, **Kingscliff**

**DA24/0572** – Demolition of existing fly-over roofs and replacement with new fly-over roofs to match existing SP 76024, No. 1-25 Bells Boulevard, **Kingscliff**

**DA24/0180** – Three (3) lot subdivision  
Lot 1 DP 1210411, Lot 34 DP 1128192, No. 300 Lundberg Drive, **South Murwillumbah**

**DA25/0121** – Two lot strata subdivision  
Lot 284 DP 246199, No. 93 Companion Way, **Tweed Heads**

**DA24/0464** – Existing building to a medical centre, minor alterations including demolition and additions  
Lot 924 DP 31277, No. 3 Piggabeen Road, **Tweed Heads West**

**DA24/0356** – Construction of an attached single storey dual occupancy development and associated works including earthworks and retaining  
Lot 8 DP 862246, No. 303 Tyalgum Creek Road, **Tyalgum Creek**

**Refused**

**DA24/0273** – Installation of 2 x shipping containers and deck area, fit out as a ‘Food and Drink Premises’ (Cafe), signage and associated works  
Lot 1 DP 780240, Lot 1 DP 395360, No. 2-4 Commercial Road, **Murwillumbah**

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)

How Council manages the Tweed’s urban water cycle, every drop of the way

Ever wondered what happens to the water that flows from your tap or down your drain?

Tweed Shire Council is shining a light on the systems that keep water moving safely through the region, from source to home and back to the environment.

Water and Wastewater Business and Assets Manager Michael Wright said Council managed the entire urban water cycle, including the delivery of clean water, treatment of wastewater and reuse of purified recycled water.

“Our infrastructure includes dams, treatment plants, pump stations and hundreds of kilometres of underground pipes,” Mr Wright said.

“It’s a complex network that most people never see, but it’s essential to our daily lives and the health of our communities.”

Council manages the urban water cycle in the Tweed with the aim of providing safe, sustainable and affordable water and wastewater services the foundations of a healthy community.

Mr Wright said the Tweed’s urban water cycle included several purified recycled water schemes, which treated wastewater to a high standard and reused it for purposes like irrigation and industrial processes.

“Several purified recycled water schemes are already in place, for example, we use this water to irrigate some tree plantations, golf courses and sports fields,” he said.

“We also supply purified recycled water to the cogeneration plant at Condong for use in industrial operations.”

Mr Wright said Council encourages the uptake of purified recycled water across the Tweed and is always looking for new opportunities to expand its use.

"Council reuses about 7.5% of the Tweed’s treated wastewater, which sits just below the national average

of 9%,” he said.

“To help support uptake of new schemes, we have a policy which outlines how Council may offer financial support to help developers and landowners offset the upfront costs of planning, designing and building recycled water infrastructure.

“This ultimately supports more sustainable, long-term water solutions and helps conserve the Tweed’s precious drinking water for other uses.”

For more information about Council’s purified recycled water schemes, and details about Council’s Financial Assistance to Proponents of Recycled Water Schemes policy, visit;

[tweed.nsw.gov.au/recycled-water](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/recycled-water).

Learn more about how Council manages the Tweed’s urban water cycle at;

[tweed.nsw.gov.au/urban-water-cycle](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/urban-water-cycle).



Inside the Bray Park water treatment plant.

Erratum

Road Closures  
Kingscliff Triathlon  
Sunday 25 May 2025

Please note that within the Road Closures printed in last week’s Tweed Link, Marine Parade from Moss St to Seaview St will be closed from 4 am to 12:30 pm (not 6:30 am to 12:30 pm as printed).

**WATER WEEK 6**



**Check when your water meter is read at**  
[tweed.nsw.gov.au/meter-reading](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/meter-reading)

**Current vacancies**

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

Notification of integrated development application

Development Application No. DA20/0386

An amendment to a development application has been lodged by Palm Lake Works Pty Ltd seeking development consent for a 13 lot community title subdivision (11 residential lots, 1 community lot and 1 residual lot) at Lot 156 DP 628026; No. 40 Creek Street **Hastings Point**. The NSW Land and Environment Court is the consent authority for the application.

The proposed amended 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 91 of the <i>Water Management Act 2000</i> | Water activity approval under Part 3 of Chapter 3 | Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water |

The amended Development Application also includes amended documents related to an associated Section 68 Application for water and sewer supply works and an associated Section 138 Application for road upgrading works. These associated applications are accompanied by a Review of Environmental Factors.

A summary of the amendments to the application is provided below:

- The proposed water main has been moved from the southern side of Creek Street to the northern side;
- Trees are shown on the civil engineering drawings and further detailed vegetation impact assessment is provided;
- Details of the proposed upgrade to the Tweed Coast Road intersection are included in the amended documents;
- Additional details are provided for biodiversity assessment and habitat management including an increase in compensatory planting from 16 to 80 trees.

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

The documents for the amended Development Application and associated applications will be available for a period of 28 days from Wednesday 21 May 2025 to Wednesday 18 June 2025.

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**

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 at [tweed.nsw.gov.au/development-applications](http://tweed.nsw.gov.au/development-applications)