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Look after what makes the Tweed
the Tweed. *Our water.*



Recipients of Council's 2025 Community Grants have been announced, including Pottsville District Men's Shed (pictured).

Building stronger, more inclusive communities

We're excited to share the winners of Tweed Shire Council's 2025 Community Grants! A total of \$38,785 has been awarded to 13 local groups working hard to make the Tweed a more connected, and caring place.

From preschools and theatre companies to fishing clubs and community gardens, these grants will help bring people together, promote wellbeing, and create opportunities for everyone.

Council's Manager of Inclusive and Creative Communities, Shannon Carruth, said the program is all about supporting grassroots projects that make a real difference:

"These grants give our community the chance to come together, support each other, and create positive change," Ms Carruth said.

"We're proud to back these organisations and their commitment to building a more inclusive and caring Tweed."

Some of the amazing projects funded include:

- **Cycle Without Age Australia – Burringbar Chapter:** \$5,000 to expand free trishaw rides for seniors and people with disabilities.
- **Dragons Abreast Wollumbin:** \$4,960 to provide care packages and connection for women undergoing cancer treatment.
- **Pottsville & District Men's Shed:** \$2,000 to help link local service providers with the community.

A big thank you to all applicants for their passion and dedication to making the Tweed stronger and more connected.

Learn more at tweed.nsw.gov.au/community-grants

Climate catch up – free event to connect and celebrate 2025



Meet like-minded community members at our end-of-year climate action event.

Are you passionate about protecting our environment and tackling climate change?

Clear your calendar and join us on Wednesday 3 December, 5 – 7 pm (NSW time) at Cabarita Beach Bowls and Sports Club for an inspiring, free end-of-year gathering in the Tweed. This is your chance to

share ideas, celebrate progress and connect with like-minded people as we wrap up 2025 and look ahead to 2026.

Founder of Water Sports Guru, Green X7, and team building guru, Tim Jack Adams, will guide a dynamic session. The session will be focused on building connections through shared values, we'll look at how far we've come since the Climate Action Cafes in February and plan out actions for the year ahead.

We'll also be officially launching Tweed Climate Action Now (TweedCAN), a community group seeking to make it easier for locals to get involved and take action.

Join us from 5 pm, or come early at 4 pm for a tour of the food gardens at Cabarita Beach Bowls and Sports Club and an insight into its community partnerships and support.



Registrations are essential.

scan the QR code or visit events.humanitix.com/climate-catch-up to register.

Council trivia



Did you get last week's question right?

Answer: The biggest causes of potholes are rain and traffic. While our lush region and strong water supply are things we love, heavy rain can make it harder to fix roads and causes more damage. Council crews **fixed more than 20,000 potholes** in the first 5 months of 2025 – that's **nearly 1,000 every week!** We're on track to beat our usual yearly average of about 24,000 repairs. We're working hard to build stronger roads that last longer and get fewer potholes.

Read next week's edition for a new question.

Thank you for being part of our everyday
Learn more at tweed.nsw.gov.au/part-of-your-everyday

Message received: free family fun at Tweed Regional Museum!



Enjoy an afternoon at the Museum with Over and Out, a free family-friendly event this Saturday 22 November. Image: Dave Kan.

Join us for Over and Out – an afternoon packed with creativity, curiosity, and connection! This free, family-friendly event is full of hands-on activities and celebrates the Museum's *Speak Easy* exhibition before it wraps up.

When?

Saturday 22 November, 2–4 pm

What's on?

- make your own Morse code bracelet
- get crafty at our art stations
- face painting, games, prizes & a trivia trail adventure
- learn about safe battery disposal with the Wipe Out Waste team
- plus, enjoy a Flyin' Fox ice block when you book your free ticket!

Don't miss out – bookings are essential!

Visit events.humanitix.com/over-and-out or go to museum.tweed.nsw.gov.au/whats-on for more info.

Museum closure alert

The Tweed Regional Museum will be closed for a planned power outage on Saturday 29 November between 10 am – 4 pm reopening on Tuesday 2 December at 10 am.

Tweed Shire Council named Employer of Choice 2025!



Pictured left to right: LGEA President, Bede Spannagle; TSC Manager People and Culture, Aimee Austin; TSC Director Engineering, Tim Mackney; Acting Manager Infrastructure Delivery (LGEA Delegate), Nigel Dobson and LGEA Executive Officer, Alycia Vasilangos.

We're proud to announce that Tweed Shire Council has once again been recognised as an Employer of Choice by the Local Government Engineers' Association (LGEA) and Vision Super – after previously winning in 2021.

As one of the region's largest employers, the recognition comes as we continuously improve our organisation and services so we can serve our community better tomorrow than we can today.

Why we were recognised:

- A Civil Liability Allowance review that set a new benchmark for engineering and technical roles.
 - Investment in career pathways and staff retention.
 - A strong focus on psychosocial workplace safety.
- This achievement is thanks to the incredible collaboration between our People and Culture team and Engineering Division, and everyone across Council who makes Tweed a great place to work.
- We're not stopping here – we'll keep striving to improve every day.
- Visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/job-vacancies to subscribe to job alerts or join an Employer of Choice.

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

- CDC25/0182** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling to create secondary dwelling
Lot 458 DP 1092331, No. 14 Avoca Street, **Kingscliff**
- DA25/0312** – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling
Lot 2 NPP 285382, Unit 2/No. 114B Broadwater Esplanade, **Bilambil Heights**
- DA25/0231** – Home business – food manufacturing
Lot 5 Section 15 DP 2974, Lot 6 Section 15 DP 2974, No. 8 Railway Street, **South Murwillumbah**
- DA25/0151** – Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of a residential flat building
Lot 107 DP 237806, No. 4 Ivory Crescent, **Tweed Heads**
- DA25/0380** – Alterations and additions to existing solar energy storage system (Club Tweed)
Lot 12 DP 803451, No. 22-38 Florence Street, **Tweed Heads**
- DA25/0300** – Replacement of existing pylon sign & installation of new additional pylon sign
Lot 2145 DP 879149, No. 13-17 Corporation Circuit, **Tweed Heads South**
- DA25/0316** – Staged two (2) lot subdivision with semi-detached dwelling and swimming pool on each lot
Lot 150 DP 1281855, No. 4 Tucana Close, **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

Current vacancies

Visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/job-vacancies to view current vacancies. Subscribe to receive **Job Vacancy Alerts** via email at tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe

WATER WEEK 8

Check when your water meter is read at
tweed.nsw.gov.au/meter-reading

Get involved in the Tweed Seniors Festival!

The Tweed Seniors Festival is back from Monday 2 March to Sunday 15 March 2026 – and there are plenty of ways to join the fun!

Host an event

Council is inviting organisations to register events for the official Festival program. Past events have included morning teas, concerts, open days, and leisure activities – so get creative and showcase what you do best! Register your event at: tweed.nsw.gov.au/seniors-festival
Registrations close Friday 28 November 2025

Nominate a local hero

Know an inspiring senior who makes a difference in the Tweed? Nominate them for the Tweed Local Achievement Award and help us celebrate their contribution to the community.

Awards will be presented at the Festival Opening Ceremony in early March 2026.

Nominate a local senior at: tweed.nsw.gov.au/seniors-festival
Nominations close Friday 30 January 2026.



Fun Activities for Banora Seniors (FABS) Ukulele group. FABS will have an Open Day event during the festival.

Celebrate seniors

The Tweed seniors Festival is part of the NSW seniors Festival, the largest celebration of its kind in the southern hemisphere. This year's theme is "Live Life in Colour" – so let's make it vibrant and memorable!

To Host an Event, to nominate a Local Hero, or for more details visit: tweed.nsw.gov.au/seniors-festival or call the Community Care team on **07 5569 3110**.

Council Meeting Agenda - Thursday 20 November 2025

The Council Meeting Agenda for Thursday 20 November 2025 is available at tweed.nsw.gov.au/councillors-meetings. The meeting will be held at the Council Chambers, Murwillumbah Civic & Cultural Centre, Tumbulgum Road, Murwillumbah commencing at 3.30 pm.

Agenda

Reports for consideration

Confirmation of minutes

- 5.1** Confirmation of minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held Thursday 23 October 2025
- 5.2** Confirmation of minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held Thursday 6 November 2025

Schedule of outstanding resolutions

- 8.1** Schedule of Outstanding Resolutions as at 10 November 2025
- Mayoral minute**
- 9.1** Mayoral Minute for October 2025
- 9.2** Mayoral Minute – Acknowledgement of Kyle Sculley – Equal Access Advisory Committee Member

Receipt of petitions

- 10.1** Receipt of Petitions as at 5 November 2025

Reports from the director planning and regulation

- 13.1** Proposal to Establish Alcohol Free Zones within Tweed Shire (2025 to 2029)

Reports from the director sustainable communities and environment

- 14.1** Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Art Centre Strategic Plan 2025 – 2028
- 14.2** Minutes of the Aboriginal Advisory Committee Meeting held Friday 5 September 2025
- 14.3** Richmond Tweed Regional Library (RTRL) Deed of Agreement
- 14.4** Draft Single Use Materials and Packaging Policy
- 14.5** Soft Plastics Collection and Recycling

Reports from the director engineering

- 15.1** Council Policy – Rainwater Tanks in Areas with Reticulated Water
- 15.2** Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held Thursday 9 October 2025
- 15.3** Planning Agreement Policy – for adoption
- 15.4** TEN000089 Broadwater Parkway Planning Approvals and Detail Design
- 15.5** Proposed extension of temporary licence for access over Council-owned operational land at Parkes Drive, Tweed Heads West, located off Sussyer Avenue, Tweed Heads West (part Lot 1 DP1011625)

Reports from the director corporate services

- 16.1** Monthly Investment Report for the period ending 31 October 2025
- 16.2** Quarterly Budget Review – September 2025
- 16.3** Annual Financial Statements as at 30 June 2025
- 16.4** Legal Services Register Report – 1 July 2025 to 30 September 2025
- 16.5** Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Quarterly Report for the Period Ending 30 September 2025
- 16.6** 2024/2025 Annual Report
- 16.7** Release of Restriction on Use created in Lot 412 DP 859933 (30 Enterprise Avenue, Tweed Heads South)

- 16.8** Canal Properties Easement Variation – Endless Summer, Tweed Heads
- 16.9** Retirement of the Donations and Subsidies (Rates and Charges) – following public exhibition
- 16.10** Compliance Policy – for adoption
- 16.11** Investment Policy – for adoption
- 16.12** Managing Unreasonable Customer Conduct Policy – for adoption
- 16.13** Compliments and Complaints Policy – for adoption
- 16.14** TEN000071 Construction of a New SES Facility at Murwillumbah

Orders of the day

- 19.1** NOM – Cr Firth – Accessing Soft Plastic Recycling
- 19.2** NOM – Cr Firth – Short Term Accommodation Economic Study
- 19.3** NOM – Cr Brinsmead – Knox Park Pond
- 19.4** NOM – Cr Owen – Reopening of Salt Beach Emergency Beach Access
- 19.5** NOM – Cr Brinsmead – Council to Request Landowner to Clean Up Prominent Site 169-171 Wharf Street, Tweed Heads
- 19.6** NOM – Cr Owen – Addressing Alleged and Potential Discrimination in the NSW Government's Code of Meeting Practice for NSW Councils
- 19.7** NOM – Cr Owen – Councillor Psychological Safety and Well-being Framework
- 19.8** NOM – Cr Brinsmead – Inquiry into and Report on the Prevalence, Causes and Impacts of Loneliness in New South Wales
- 19.9** NOM – Cr Cherry – Investigate Use of Pod Village Site in Pottsville North Caravan Park for Temporary Housing
- 19.10** NOM – Cr Hone – Visit from State Rep. for C Zones
- 19.11** NOM – Cr Hone – No Land Clearing for Wind Turbines/ Towers, Associated Transmission Lines and Substations

Questions with notice

- 20.1** QWN – Cr Owen – Rangers Unit – Resourcing and Operational Efficiency
- 20.2** QWN – Cr Brinsmead – Ed Parker Rotary Park Car Park Upgrade
- 20.3** QWN – Cr Brinsmead – Christmas in the Tweed Shire
- 20.4** QWN – Cr Brinsmead – Kingscliff Temporary Housing Village Decommissioning Works
- 20.5** QWN – Cr Owen – How Many Homes in Tweed Shire Will be Impacted by Proposed Higher Flood Planning Levels
- 20.6** QWN – Cr Owen – Terranora Foreshore

Reports from the director engineering in committee

- 28.1** Acquisition of land for road widening – 260 Cudgera Creek Road, Mooball (Lot 8 in DP787647)

Reports from the director corporate services in committee

- 29.1** Tourism Services Review
- 29.2** Notifications of multiple Aboriginal Land Claims lodged across Tweed Shire LGA

The agenda for this meeting, which may also include any late or supplementary reports, will be updated prior to the date of the meeting and is 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 this meeting will be available as soon as practical following the meeting and are unconfirmed until they are formally adopted at the next Council meeting.

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