

# TWEED Tweed Link

A Tweed Shire Council publication

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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 custodians of these lands



Scenic Drive at Bilambil Heights is closed due to a major landslip caused by the recent flood event.

## Please, don't put people's lives at risk

Residents are urged not to remove road closure signs or barriers – they're there to keep our community safe. Removing or tampering with barriers is a serious offence and could result in someone being hurt or killed. Don't be that person.

Flood damage to our road network is extremely significant and there are still many roads closed as crews continue with the clean-up. Council crews are working as hard as they can but this work will take months, not weeks, to complete.

Please be patient.

Stay up to date with the latest road closures at myroadinfo.com.au. For more information about how Council responds to high priority road hazards following a flood, go to tweed.nsw.gov.au/roads

## Tweed community urged to share their flood stories

Tweed residents are encouraged to share their experiences of the recent flood through a special portal established by Council to ensure their voices are heard and their experiences noted for future advocacy work and learnings.

Council will continue to advocate on behalf of the community to State and Federal governments for funding support and seek improvements to flood response and recovery for future flood events.

By listening to residents' first-hand experiences, Council can learn how all levels of government can further improve the flood response and keep our community as safe as possible in future floods.

Affected Tweed residents are encouraged to visit yoursaytweed.com. au/share-your-flood-experience to share their stories and help Council understand their experience of this current flood event.

The page will be open for contributions over coming weeks to allow plenty of time for those who do not yet have internet access to contribute. In particular, Council wants to hear about:

- Personal experiences of water level rises, immediate impacts, evacuations and rescues across the Tweed Shire.
- How residents continue to be affected in the immediate aftermath including access to essential services, food, water, medical supplies, telecommunications, internet and evacuation centres.
- The extent of damage to property, impacts on personal health and wellbeing.
- Stories of local community heroes, community spirit and resilience. Affected Tweed businesses are also urged to complete the Business Flood Impact Assessment survey at <a href="mailto:yoursaytweed.com.au/business-">yoursaytweed.com.au/business-</a> flood-impact-assessment.

The stories and images will also be collected by the Tweed Regional Museum to help future generations understand what it was like to live through the phenomenal 2022 flood.

## Normal bin services to resume

Bin collection services have returned to normal across most of the Tweed this week, where trucks can safely gain access to bins.

Council's waste collection services were severely impacted by the floods and during this time, prioritising red bins first, green bins next and lastly yellow bins, to ensure rotting waste was removed from properties before recyclables.

As things slowly return to normal, Council is urging residents to use their 3-bin system correctly and to avoid using all 3 bins for general waste. This contamination is causing issues at the recycling plant and at the organics processing facility.

Council would like to thank residents for their patience and understanding during this time. If you have still have not had a bin service, contact Council on 02 6670 2400.

For the latest up-to-date information about where clean-up crews are visiting next, visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/flood-clean-up or follow Council on Facebook and Instagram.

## Which Tweed parks are open?

A significant number of parks, playgrounds and public toilets in the Tweed suffered damage in the flood and many are still closed to the public until they can be deemed safe and clean.

Priority is being given to clean and restore recreation and park facilities. Council will be working with the Australian Defence Force to expedite this process.

In flood-affected areas people should exercise caution when using public outdoor facilities and not use closed facilities where seats, shelters or barbecues may have been exposed to flood water.

Residents are encouraged to use the great Council facilities which have not been impacted by floods. Visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/find-park to find out which parks, playgrounds and public toilets are open.

Most sports fields are now back open, except for those at Tumbulgum and Uki. Some sports club buildings have also been impacted and will remain closed until further notice. For more information, visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/sports-fields-closures

## Community invited to help shape the future of the Tweed

Ever wondered how Council plans for the long term future of the Tweed?

Tweed residents are invited to register to attend a Community Conversation on Tuesday 29 March, or go online in their own time, to contribute to a plan that will help shape the future of the Tweed.

Every Council term, the community has an opportunity to influence the long-term plan for the Tweed and set the vision for the future they would like to see. These aspirations are then embedded into a Community Strategic Plan. The plan was last drafted in 2017.

It is now time for Council to review it to make sure it reflects our community's priorities for the future of the Tweed.

The community has already been sharing their views of what is

important to them in a range of ways. The community has so far shared they want:

- · to be safe at home and in our community with reliable essential services and infrastructure
- the Tweed's people and places to thrive
- to plan so the Tweed to grows and evolves sustainably
- a healthy, natural environment that supports us.

Once Council has heard from the community in this early stage of consultation, it will draft an updated Community Strategic Plan and place it on public exhibition in late April.

To register for the Community Conversation at Tweed Auditorium or have your say online visit yoursaytweed.com.au/future-of-the-tweed



## Last week we each used as at 14 March 2022

## In brief ...

## Cemeteries back open

As with much of the Tweed, Council's cemeteries were impacted by the recent flood.

However, Tweed Valley Cemetery, Tweed Lawn Cemetery and Murwillumbah Lawn Cemetery have returned to full operation again for burials, ash interments, burial and ash interment site selection, chapel bookings and cremations.

Find out more at <a href="mailto:tweed.nsw.gov.au/cemetery-locations">tweed.nsw.gov.au/cemetery-locations</a>

## Kingscliff Triathlon postponed

Organisers of the Kingscliff Triathlon have decided to postpone the event which was due to take place on Sunday 26 March 2022.

Race director Mike Crawley said any previous communications concerning the original date of the triathlon of 26 March should be disregarded.

The event has been postponed until the weekend of 28 and 29 May 2022. All athletes have been notified.

Email kingsclifftri@nxsports.org with any other queries.

## Impact to online services

Due to a system upgrade, Council's ePayment and Property Services portal will be unavailable form 4.30 pm on Thursday 17 March to Tuesday 22 March 2022.

During the outage, Council's Customer Contact Centres at Murwillumbah and Tweed Heads will remain available during business hours to process payments and support application lodgements and enquiries. Call 02 6670 2400.

## **Cane toad numbers may increase**

Cane toad numbers are expected to explode following the influx of water in recent months, with the pest continuing to breed rapidly towards the end of its season.

Much of our native wildlife has been displaced by the recent flooding event and we can give them a helping hand by removing cane toads from the environment.

To help rid the Tweed of this pest, join the next cane toad busting session on Thursday 24 March from 6:45 to 8:45 pm at Tweed Heads West.

Visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/cane-toads for more information and to register for free.

This will be a COVID-safe event. The exact location for the toad busting event will be provided upon registration. For more information please email canetoads@watergum.org

## **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**

DA21/0285 – Use of existing Agricultural Produce Industry Building (approved under DA17/0917) for purpose of Agricultural Produce Industry and Garden Centre; and signage (1 sign)

Lot 21 DP 870043, No. 155 Tweed Coast Road, Cudgen

**DA20/1046** – Extension to existing tavern at The Pavilions Hotel comprising of external dining area

Lot 1 DP 848875, No. 2-14 Henry Lawson Drive, Terranora DA21/0619 - Signage for new display home

Lot 133 DP 1233026, No. 14 Altitude Boulevard, Terranora

**DA21/0410** - Pontoon

Lot 17 SP 63869, Lot 134 DP 255387, Unit 17/No. 83 Gollan Drive, **Tweed Heads West** 

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

## **Get the Tweed Link early by email**

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

## **Energy-Saving Home Assessments event**

## Find out easy tips to save you money and energy in the home.



Wednesday 30 March, 6:30 to 7:30 pm **Banora Point Community Centre** 

With **Seb Crangle**, accredited Home Energy Advisor.

Attendees will go into the draw to win one of 5 free home assessments, each valued at \$250.

Registrations and close midnight, Sunday 27 March.



## Register at tweed.nsw.gov.au/energy



**Follow Council on** social media

March to Wednesday 30 March 2022



**Development proposal for public comment** 

Council and may be viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at

The following Development Application has been received by Tweed Shire

datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au for a period of 14 days from Wednesday 16

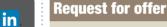
The proposal is not designated development and Tweed Shire Council is











**RF02022013 Supply of Pre-Employment Assessment Services** 

Offers close: Wednesday 12 noon (AEDT) 23 March 2022

RF02022026 Supply of Wet and Dry Hire Mobile Plant & **Equipment – Flood Works** 

Offers close: Wednesday 12 noon (AEDT) 30 March 2022

Offers must be lodged as specified in the offer documentation.

Request for offer documentation is available at no charge from Council's website at tweed.nsw.gov.au/tenders-contracts

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

For further information please contact Contracts Administration on 02 6670 2606.

#### the consent authority. **Applicant** Location **Proposal** Application no. Lot 2 DP 815370; Telecommunications DA22/0088 Service Stream Limited No. 1126 facility Pottsville Road. **Pottsville**

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

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

## **Current vacancies**

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

WATER WEEK 11 Check when your water meter is read at tweed.nsw.gov.au/meter-reading-billing-schedule

## **Council Meeting agenda – Thursday 17 March 2022**

The Council Meeting agenda for Thursday 17 March 2022 is available on Council's website at tweed.nsw.gov.au/council-meetings. The meeting will be held at the Harvard Room, Tweed Heads Administration Building, Brett Street, Tweed Heads commencing at 3 pm.

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 and this Council Public Forum is for speakers on agenda items being considered and will be held at 2 pm prior to the meeting.

## Agenda

### **Reports for consideration Confirmation of minutes**

Confirmation of Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meetings held Thursday 17 February 2022 and Thursday 3 March 2022

## Schedule of outstanding resolutions

8.1 Schedule of Outstanding Resolutions at 8 March 2022

## **Mayoral minute**

9.1 Mayoral Minute for February 2022

## **Receipt of petitions**

10.1 Receipt of Petitions as at 7 March 2022

## Orders of the day

**Reports from the Director Sustainable Communities** and Environment

17.1 RF02021107 New License for Gallery Café

## **Reports from the Director Engineering**

- 18.1 Classification of Land as Operational for Pump Station Kings Forest (Lot 6 in DP 1270901)
- 18.2 RF02021123 Design and Supply Casuarina Footbridge
- 18.3 Procurement of Large-Scale Generation Certificates: Electricity **Related Carbon Emission Targets**

## **Reports from the Director Corporate Services**

- 19.1 Council Committees Delegates
- 19.2 Northern Regional Planning Panel Expressions of Interest
- 19.3 Dates and Times for Planning Committee and Council Meetings
- 19.4 Compliments and Complaints Analysis Report for the period 1 October to 31 December 2021
- 19.5 Waiving Payments Natural Disaster Event

## Reports from sub-committees/working groups

21.1 Minutes of the Tweed Shire Youth Council Meeting held Tuesday 23 November 2021

## Confidential items for consideration

## **Reports from the Director Planning and Regulation in committee**

27.1 Architectural Design Competition Waiver in lieu of an Architectural Design Review Process - Tweed Mall Shopping Centre

### **Reports from the Director Sustainable Communities and Environment in committee**

28.1 Tweed Holiday Parks – Deed Appointing Contractor to Manage Hastings Point Holiday Park

The agenda for the meeting, which may also include any late or supplementary reports, will be updated prior to the date of the meeting and is available on

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. Please be aware that this meeting is webcast and will be available on Council's website following the meeting at tweed.nsw.gov.au/council-meetings



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