

CASH INJECTION FOR LOCAL COMMUNITY GROUPS

We recently had the pleasure of presenting local community grants with small grants as part of our Annual Community Grants Scheme.

More than 35 community groups shared in \$140,000 to undertake worthwhile community projects or activities in the Lismore Local Government Area (LGA).

The community groups each received grants between \$500 and \$10,000. Meanwhile, all 29 rural halls in the LGA received \$2000 toward insurance and maintenance costs, and the 19 rural halls subject to rates charges have had these waived.

"The spirit of the grants scheme is about funding projects or activities that enrich our community. We know that a small amount of money invested in the community can go a long way," Council's Community Services Coordinator Casie Hughes said.

"For a small community group, a few thousand dollars might mean being able to run a really worthwhile project that directly benefits a community. In some cases, if these small programs were to stop, people would fall through the cracks and our society would be worse off.

"We never have enough money to give to these wonderful organisations, but it's a happy occasion when we get to say thank you to these groups, who make a huge difference in our community."

The Annual Community Grants Scheme opens in April/May and grants are distributed each August.



DON'T FORGET SUSTAINABLE HOUSE EXPO

The popular Sustainable House Expo is on this Saturday, 19 September at Lismore City Hall.

The expo is the culmination of the Sustainable Housing for Life Design Competition and there will be more than 35 sustainable house designs by architects, designers and young people on display.

Visitors can talk to the designers, check out the interesting array of entries and be there for the announcement of the competition winner.

There will also be children's activities, expo stalls on sustainable living and trade products and services, plus lots of interactive workshop, talks and other fun activities. You can also win some amazing lucky door prizes including a 1kW solar system and hemp builder's starter kit!

The Sustainable House Expo is free and runs from 12-4pm.

SECOND HAND SATURDAY IS COMING!

Don't forget to join in the biggest day of garage sales on the North Coast – Second Hand Saturday – on Saturday, 26 September.

Last year more than 800 garage sales were held across the North Coast and the event was attended by thousands of garage sale enthusiasts on the hunt for a bargain.

To find out garage sale addresses simply grab your local paper. For Lismore-only addresses see *The Northern Rivers Echo* the Thursday before the event, or for region-wide addresses grab the Weekend Star on Saturday, 26 September, for a full list. Also, there is still time to register to hold a garage sale, but you'll need to be quick as registrations close on Thursday, 17 September. Visit www.secondhandsaturday.com.au.

North East Waste says that Australians are the second-highest generators of waste in the world, with each person generating enough rubbish to fill a three-bedroom house. So, instead of buying new goods, or taking stuff to the tip, Second Hand Saturday helps people share their household goods and give them another life.

COUNCIL DECIDES...

At the ordinary meeting of 8 September, Council decisions included the following:

- Council resolved (9/1 and one absent) to place on public exhibition for 28 days the proposal to remove the Lions Fountain outside Lismore City Hall and include information on the proposed concept plan of the replacement public artwork. Council will also exhibit information on the refurbishment option for the Lions Fountain. The matter will be reported back to Council following the exhibition period.
- Council resolved (by open voting) to elect Councillor Simon Clough as the Deputy Mayor until September 2016.
- Council resolved (6/4 and one absent) to place on public exhibition for 28 days the amended Imagine Lismore 4 Year Plan and Long Term Financial Plan, which address special rate variation application requirements for the Biodiversity Management Strategy. The matter will be reported back to Council following the exhibition period.
- Council resolved (unanimous) to allocate \$218,483 to sports projects from the 2015/16 Lismore Sport and Recreation Fund. The breakdown is as follows: \$75,000 to Council (for Crozier Field redevelopment stage two and Spinks Park Plan of Management); \$32,227 to the Far North Coast Baseball Association; \$25,400 to the Lismore Basketball Association; \$19,910 to the Northern Rivers Kart Club; \$14,624 to the Channon/Dunoon Pony Club; \$10,152 to the Lismore Thistles Soccer Club; \$10,000 to Lismore Swans Junior AFL; \$10,000 to the Far North Coast Softball Association; \$10,000 to Marist Brothers Cricket Club; \$4320 to the Lismore Workers Football Club; \$3650 to Eastern Districts Cricket Club; and \$3200 to the Northern Rivers K9 Sports Club.

A complete list of Council resolutions can be viewed at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.



MASTERS CHANNEL BRINGS FLOOD RELIEF

The recently completed flood channel behind Masters Home
Improvement is expected to provide a 100mm benefit to North
Lismore, South Lismore and the CBD during a 1-in-100-year flood.

The project was identified 15 years ago but no funding was available for the project, which involved removing 76,000m³ of soil from a meander terrace in the Wilsons River to facilitate downstream flood flows.

When Masters proposed to build on the land, Council staff saw the potential for a win-win situation and offered Masters the opportunity to keep the fill if they excavated the 100-metre floodway. This was attractive to Masters, who used the fill to raise their land above the 1-in-100-year flood level.

As well as the flood channel, the riverbank was further rehabilitated with the removal of coral trees and the planting of 4000 native plants and trees.

"We hope the channel will have a significant impact on the severity and length of flooding both in the CBD and to the west to the city," Council's Senior Property Project Manager Lindsay Walker said.

"If you look behind Masters at present, the channel is simply dry land. But come a flood, that channel will allow water to flow downstream much quicker. This project was a great opportunity and outcome for the city."

The project was an initiative of Council's Floodplain Management Committee, the Office of Environment and Heritage, the Lismore SES and Richmond River County Council.



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST SOUGHT FOR NEW RECYCLED MARKETS

Lismore City Council is calling for Expressions of Interest from stallholders and businesses to be part of our new Recycled Markets.

Located in the carpark of the Lismore Revolve Shop on Wyrallah Road, the Recycled Markets are designed to promote the reuse of waste items, upcycling and community arts. This helps us reduce waste going to landfill and boosts regional sustainability.

The market will operate out of six purpose-built shipping containers that have power, fans and an insulated roof. There will be the opportunity to have market goods within the container but also at the front of the container in an allocated space. Each market stall will be allocated one whole shipping container for that market period.

The Recycled Markets will be held each Saturday from 9am to 1pm. There may also be the opportunity for the containers to be leased for longer periods as a permanent retail space for a businesses selling upcycled goods.

Following is a list of eligible items for the Recycled Markets:

- Recycled fashion altered, modified or added too.
- Recycled art, craft and sculpture.
- Recycled furniture repurposed or made from recovered materials.
- Recycled jewellery.
- Recycled paper or plastic products.
- Recycled glass products products made from bottles.
- Any other material made from reclaimed waste or recyclable material.
- Handmade items from sustainably sourced materials.

Saturday has become a large day at the Revolve Shop and over 200 vehicles enter the site to dispose of waste materials. Council wishes to add to the atmosphere with a market that bargain hunters and lovers of recycled goods can enjoy.

It is hoped the first market will be held in November.

If you would like to be part of the Recycled Markets please visit the website www.northernriverswaste.com.au and complete the EOI. Applications for the first market are due by 9 October but people can still apply after this date for future markets.

For more information, phone Kevin Trustum on 1300 87 83 87.

MEETINGS, BRIEFINGS AND INTERVIEWS

There are many ways to engage with Council and Councillors. We encourage people to attend our meetings and briefings to stay up to date with the many issues affecting our Local Government Area. You can also book in for a Councillor interview to speak directly with your elected representatives.

COUNCILLOR BRIEFINGS

Councillor briefings are held most Tuesday evenings so staff can provide background on issues or projects and Councillors have a chance to brainstorm and discuss.

On Tuesday, 22 September Councillors will be briefed on:

- Community Planning and Volunteer Program.
- Non Residential Wastewater and Trade Waste Charging Policies.
- Comparison of contractor rates.
- Farming the Sun.

This briefing is in the Council Chambers from 6pm. All welcome.

On Tuesday, 29 September Councillors will be briefed on:

- Service Review Working Party.
- Lismore Base Hospital Carparking Strategy.
- Building Better Regional Cities update.

This briefing is in the Council Chambers from 6pm. All welcome.

AFTER HOURS COUNCILLOR INTERVIEWS

Councillors are available for interviews on the first and third Monday of each month from 5.30pm at the Goonellabah Sports and Aquatic Centre.

Residents are invited to book in to discuss community issues with their elected representatives. Two Councillors attend the night on a roster.

On Monday, 21 September interviews will be conducted by Councillors Gianpiero Battista and Jenny Dowell. Interviews must be booked no later than 4pm on Friday, 18 September.

For more information about meetings and briefings or to book a Councillor interview, phone Graeme Wilson on 1300 87 83 87.

UPCYCLE YOUR HOLIDAYS... FOR FREE!

Don't forget our free school holiday event, Upcycle Your Holidays, next Tuesday, 22 September at the Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre from 10am to 3pm.

This is a free fun day for children and their parents with lots of fun games and activities based around recycling and environmental themes.

Activities include tours of the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) and organics processing facility, guided walks through the Lismore Rainforest Botanic Gardens, recycled art and craft, free badge making and doing some detective work with magnifying glasses to see what creepy crawlies are living in our waterways.

Kids can also see the garbage trucks up close and personal and there are Love Food Hate Waste cooking demonstrations where you can learn how to make tasty meals out of leftovers with chef Daniel Lange, who has trained in Sydney and London with the likes of Tetsuya and Jamie Oliver. Daniel will do three cooking sessions throughout the day, but spaces are limited. Book your spot on 1300 87 83 87.

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Visitors can also take a walk through the Lismore Rainforest Botanic Gardens (bring a picnic for lunch if you like) and check out the newly renovated Revolve Shop.

Everyone in the Northern
Rivers is welcome to attend
Upcycle Your Holidays. We
process recycling and organics from
neighbouring councils including Ballina,
Byron and Richmond Valley Council, and
we particularly encourage families from
these areas to join us. It's a great

chance to learn about our recycling facility and see what happens to your recycling after it leaves your home.

There is no need to book, just turn up on the day to our Environment Education Centre, 313 Wyrallah Road, East Lismore. Children must be accompanied by a supervising adult, and you need to bring hats, covered shoes and plenty of drinking water.



DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS ISSUED

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

In accordance with the provisions of Section 101 of the Act and Clause 124 of the EP&A Regulation, notification is given that the undermentioned developments have recently been granted consent.

DA NA

09/175-3 47 Sibley Street, Nimbin

Section 96(2) modification to undertake the development in three stages.

12/97-2 126, 186B and 190 Keerrong Road, Blakebrook

Section 96(1A) modification to amend the NSW RFS integrated development conditions No. 2 and 3 relating to asset protection zones, and water and utilities.

15/10 82 and 82A Faulkner Road, Wyrallah

Amalgamation of two lots and subdivision to create 2 x 40ha allotments.

15/15-2 35 John O'Neill Circuit, Goonellabah

Section 96(1A) modification to driveway and replacement of footpath.

15/25 4 Hurford Place, East Lismore

Install an insulated, elevated patio roof over an existing slab.

15/77-2 183 Dawson Street, Girards Hill

Section 96(1A) modification to use horizontal cladding for the front façade of the shed only.

15/95 2A and 4A Napier Street, Goonellabah

Boundary alteration and new dwelling.

15/118 6 Industry Drive, East Lismore

Use of existing industrial building (Unit No. 3) as a recreation facility (indoor) – gym.

15/122 46 Jubilee Street, Lismore

Alterations and additions to an existing building and the use of that building as a health service facility (sport physiotherapy practice).

15/142 40 Three Chain Road, South Lismore

Special purpose subdivision to create three lots.

15/146 379 Tucki Road and 787 Marom Creek Road, Marom Creek

Subdivision (boundary alteration).

15/150 57 Ashlin Road, Whian Whian

Dwelling.

15/156 351 and 379 Tucki Road, and 18 Gollan Road, Marom Creek

Amalgamation and subdivision of three lots to create two lots.

15/157 90 Esmonde Street, East Lismore

Demolition of existing fire-damaged dwelling and construction of a pre-fabricated dwelling with building line variation to 3.7m to Esmonde Street.

15/159 59 Federation Drive, Eltham

Inground pool and patio roof.

15/162 2 High Street, Lismore

Dwelling alterations and additions, pool and deck, and the removal of two trees.

15/169 7 Coleman Street, Lismore

Removal of 16 trees and restricted lopping of the Tallowwood tree in a Heritage Conservation Area.

15/171 366 Dunoon Road, Tullera

Dwelling addition.

15/174 258 Dunoon Road, North Lismore

Dwelling addition (sunroom and deck).

15/191 21 Clare Street, Goonellabah

Dwelling.

15/202 167 Wyrallah Road, East Lismore

Demolition of a dwelling.

15/205 11 Craiglea Court, Modanville

Shed with awning.

15/207 51 Karissa Drive, Goonellabah

Roof structure over existing deck.

15/211 5 McConnell Drive, Richmond Hill

Shed.

15/215 9/95 Diadem Street, Lismore

Commercial fit out of Tenancy 9.

Details of applications/consents, together with conditions, may be inspected at our Corporate Centre or via DA Tracking at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

As the consenting authority, Council has received the following development applications (and/or applications for modifications to existing consents).

DA No. 15/223

LOCATION AND DP LOT: 73A Keen Street, Lismore (Road Reserve, Unit 1 P7313).

APPLICANT: Ardill Payne & Partners.

DESCRIPTION: Construction of a public toilet block including ancillary works and removal of streetscape tree.

CLOSING DATE: 30 September 2015.

The above development applications and Statement of Environmental Effects may be inspected at Council's Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah or via DA Tracking at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.

Further information relating to written submissions is available on Council's website. There are laws regarding the mandatory disclosure of political donations in relation to planning matters. Political donations disclosure reporting forms are available at www.planning.nsw.gov.au.

ON PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Council land reclassification and rezoning

A planning proposal to amend the Lismore Local Environmental Plan (LEP) 2012 and LEP 2000 to reclassify selected Council-owned land in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, including some rezoning, is now on public exhibition.

Council resolved to support the planning proposal at its ordinary meeting of 11 August 2015 in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

The Department of Planning and Environment issued a Gateway Determination (conditional approval) on 1 September 2015.

The planning proposal involves seven Council-owned allotments. It is proposed to reclassify these lots from community to operational. Four of the allotments are also proposed for rezoning. The objectives of the proposal are to: a) enable Council to lease or sell land; b) comply with development consent conditions; and c) better reflect the current use of the land.

One of the lots is proposed to be reclassified under LEP 2000 as the land is affected by the Ministerial review into Environmental Protection Zones E2 and E3.

An overview of the reclassification/rezoning proposal is provided in the table below. The last property in the table is proposed to be reclassified from community to operational under LEP 2000:

Description of land	Reclassification to 'Operational'	Rezoning		Proposed
		No	Yes	Zone
4 Cambrian Street, Lismore (Lot 5 DP 536743)	✓		✓	B4 Mixed Use
6 Cambrian Street, Lismore (Lot 6 DP 536743)	✓		✓	B4 Mixed Use
23 Rifle Range Road, East Lismore (Lot 16 DP552816)	✓	✓		
9 Johnstone Street, North Lismore (Lot 1 DP539157)	√		✓	RU1 Primary Production
19 Hewett Street, Lismore (F DP36026)	✓		✓	R1 General Residential
22 Cedar Drive, Dunoon (Lot 37 DP248151)	√	✓		
39 Casuarina Drive, Goonellabah (Lot 33 DP 841587)	√ LEP 2000	✓		

It is proposed to apply a maximum building height of 8.5 metres to land in the R1 zone and 11.5 metres to land in the B4 zone. A minimum lot size of 400m² is proposed in the R1 zone with 40 hectares applying in the RU1 zone.

A public hearing will be held into the matter of reclassification in accordance with Section 29 of the Local Government Act 1993. The public hearing will be held after the closure of the exhibition period. A public notice of the hearing will be published at least 21 days before the start of the public hearing.

The planning proposal is exhibited for public comment from 17 September to 19 October 2015. Copies of the draft amendment are available at Council's Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, and on our website www.lismore.nsw.gov.au in the 'On Public Exhibition' section.

Submissions relating to the draft amendment, outlining grounds for objection or support, must be in writing and mailed to the General Manager, Lismore City Council, PO Box 23A, Lismore NSW 2480 or emailed to **council@lismore.nsw.gov.au**. For further information please contact Council's Strategic Planning Coordinator Paula Newman on 1300 87 83 87.

Submissions must be received by Council by close of business on 19 October.

RE-NAMING OF ROAD

Misty Valley View

Roads Act 1993, Section 162, Roads Regulation 2008

Council received a preferred name for the closed road segment of Pineapple Road, Goonellabah, as shown below:

Misty Valley View

No objections to the proposed name were received therefore Council's delegated officer has named the new road accordingly.



ON PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Town planning and infrastructure contribution changes in the Lismore Health Precinct

A planning proposal to amend the Lismore Local Environmental Plan (LEP) 2012, Development Control Plan and Infrastructure Contributions Discount Policy, to enable and encourage medium-density housing and mixed-use developments in the Lismore Health Precinct, is now on public exhibition.

At its ordinary meeting of 11 August 2015 Council resolved to support the following proposals in the Lismore Health Precinct. These proposals apply in the area bounded by Brewster Street to the west; Orion Street to the north; Fermoy Avenue, Uralba Street and Dibbs Street to the east; and McKenzie Street and Dalziell Street to the south:

- 1. A planning proposal to rezone land to the R3 Medium Density and B4 Mixed Use zone, increase maximum building heights from 8.5 and 9 metres to 13 and 16 metres and remove the Floor Space Ratio, in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. The Department of Planning and Environment issued a Gateway Determination (conditional appoval) for this planning proposal on 1 September 2015.
- 2. Changes to Chapters 1 and 2 of the Lismore Development Control Plan to include controls that guide the form and appearance of new development in the Lismore Health Precinct and limit the potential impacts, particularly of higher buildings, on adjoining residents and the streetscape.
- **3.** Changes to the Infrastructure Contributions Discount Policy to provide for a complete waiver of Council's infrastructure contributions on medium-density housing, being residential developments that are three or more storeys and have four or more dwellings, and mixed-use developments with a residential component in the proposed Brewster Street mixed-use zone.

These three proposals are now open for public comment from 17 September to 19 October 2015. Copies of the draft amendments are available at Council's Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, and on our website in the www.lismore.nsw.gov.au in the 'On Public Exhibition' link.

You can also talk directly to Council staff about the proposals on 9 October 2015 from 5pm at the University Centre for Rural Health in Uralba Street (opposite the hospital). Northern NSW Local Health District staff will also attend this meeting to provide an update on car parking and other issues affecting the Health Precinct.

Submissions relating to the draft amendment, outlining grounds for objection or support, must be in writing and mailed to the General Manager, Lismore City Council, PO Box 23A, Lismore NSW 2480 or emailed to **council@lismore.nsw.gov.au**. For further information please contact Council's Strategic Planning Coordinator Paula Newman on 1300 87 83 87.

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Water Lab Wednesdays

Rous Water is once again hosting its free school holiday activity, Water Lab Wednesday, on September 23 and 30.

Water Lab Wednesday is a free, fun activity for children aged five to 12 where they take part in water science experiments, investigations and games.

If you've been before, you can enjoy old favourites as well as new water challenges. Have fun searching for hidden water deep underground; sip water with a mega straw; make water play tricks on your eyes and brain; and solve a giant jigsaw mystery!

Water Lab Wednesday is held at Dorroughby Environmental Education Centre, 2101 Dunoon Road, Dorroughby, from 10am to 3pm (last entry 2pm). No bookings are required, just turn up! For information, **visit www.watersciencelab.com.au**.

Please stop stringing us along!!

Recently we have noticed lots of string coming through our recycling stream, and believe us when we say it causes a SERIOUS headache... it gets stuck in the machinery at the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) and it can take hours to pick the string out of the conveyer belts.

This means we have to stop the recycling process altogether and we experience lengthy delays.

We are urging residents to please remember Dirty Dozen rule number three, No Strings Attached. The rule is that no string, electrical cable, hoses, cloth or rope is to be placed in yellow recycling bins.

We urge residents to follow this rule and please place these items in the red waste bin. Thanks everyone!

YOUR COVER

Northern United Rugby League Football Club President Lestor Moran at the opening the \$1.6 million upgrade of Clifford Park in Goonellabah on 3 September. The park upgrade includes new lighting, playground, amenities block, changerooms, kiosk and carpark, with many of the facilities sporting colourful murals by local artists.





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