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### ANNUAL LANTERN PARADE LIGHTS UP LISMORE CBD

### The annual Lismore Lantern Parade is on this Saturday, 25 June with a program of events to delight young and old.

The Lantern Parade begins at 5.30pm and travels from the corner of Market and Molesworth streets to Oakes Oval with dancers, bands and illuminated sculptures weaving their way through the streets of Lismore CBD. The parade culminates at Oakes Oval at 6.30pm (gates open from 4pm) with a fiery finale featuring pyrotechnics, lanterns, a bonfire, entertainment and fireworks. Tickets for the finale can be booked online at **www.lanternparade.com**.

There are also lots of free activities associated with the Lantern Parade happening throughout Lismore over Saturday and Sunday, 25-26 June. For full details see the website.



#### Saturday, 25 June

#### Viking Village Solstice

Immerse yourself in a Viking village keeping alive the arts and culture of the Norse people of the 10th and 11th century.

Jolley Field, Lismore (enter via Uralba Street), 10am to 4pm

#### **Kids ArtsFest**

Creative kids activities and lantern decorating (toddlers to teens). Magellan Street, Lismore, midday to 5pm

#### Homecoming Community Stage

Showcasing works by local artists involved in the multi-arts festival The Homecoming, in Lismore this October. The Homecoming is a collaboration between the Northern Rivers Conservatorium and RealArtWorks Inc. Carrington Street, Lismore, midday to 9pm

#### Market delight

Arts, crafts and community market stalls, tasty food and more. Carrington Street, Lismore, midday to 9pm

#### Winter Warmers

Local charities providing delicious hot food in a market environment. Oakes Oval, Lismore, 4-8pm

#### Sunday, 26 June

#### Friendship Festival – Piazza in the Park

Celebrating the Italian culture of the Northern Rivers with food, music, games and more.

Spinks Park, Molesworth Street, Lismore, 10am to 3pm

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#### Until 9 July

#### **Enchanted Windows**

CBD businesses have decorated their windows with two themes in 2016: 'Flora and Fauna' and 'Piazza in the Park'. Lismore CBD

### **COME AND JOIN OUR FREE NAIDOC CELEBRATION DAY**

People of all ages and backgrounds are invited to join our annual NAIDOC Celebration Day on Thursday, 30 June to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture.

The annual NAIDOC Celebration Day is a free event at the Lismore Showground featuring more than 50 service providers from around the Northern Rivers.

The family day offers lots of free activities with food and live music, rides and jumping castles, reptile shows with the Snake Man, face painting and clowns.

There is also a special AFL workshop with the Gold Coast Suns, a talent showcase by local schools and announcement of the NAIDOC Leadership Awards.

"NAIDOC Celebration Day is about honouring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture with fun, colour and music," Council's Community Services Coordinator Casie Hughes said.

"Coming together in celebration is an important and informal way to share culture and learn from one another. Events like this are delivering reconciliation outcomes in real and authentic ways."

The 2016 NAIDOC theme is Songlines: The living narrative of our nation. This refers to the 'dreaming tracks' that crisscross Australia and are said to trace the journeys of ancestral spirits as they created the land, animals and lores.

These dreaming tracks are sometimes called 'songlines' and are recorded in traditional songs, stories, dance and art, allowing Aboriginal culture, history and knowledge to pass from generation to generation.

#### The NAIDOC Celebration Day runs from 10am to 2pm at Lismore Showground. Lismore City Council is running a free community shuttle bus. The timetable is as follows:

#### **Pick-up:**

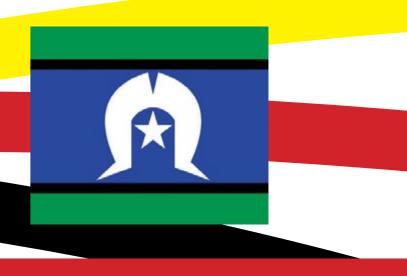
Goonellabah Shopping Centre Shearman Drive Lismore Square Lismore Transit Centre Old Railway Station in South Lismore Showground

#### **Drop-off:**

Showground Old Railway Station in South Lismore Lismore Transit Centre Lismore Square Shearman Drive Goonellabah Shopping Centre

9am/10.10am 9.10am/10.20am 9.20am/10.30am 9.30am/10.40am 9.40am/10.50am 9.50am/11am

1pm/2.10pm 1.10pm/2.20pm 1.20pm/2.30pm 1.30pm/2.40pm 1.40pm/2.50pm 1.50pm/3pm



### **QUEST APARTMENT COMPLEX PROPOSED FOR LISMORE**

Lismore City Council voted unanimously at its June meeting to progress the sale of almost 3000 square metres of land in the Harold Fredericks Carpark for a \$13 million Quest apartment complex.

Located behind the Lismore Library and bounded by Dawson and Magellan Streets, the proposal is for a three-storey complex featuring 41 serviced apartments, 53 on-site carparks, 24-hour on-site management, a gymnasium and modern guest facilities.

Council's Executive Director Sustainable Development Brent McAlister said the new apartment block, proposed by Quest Apartment Hotels and the FKG Group, would have a huge economic impact on Lismore.

"The term 'game changer' is often overused, but this development would be a genuine game changer for Lismore," Brent said.

"Our dominance in professional services and as a sporting hub needs to be supported by A-grade office space and quality serviced apartments to accommodate our visiting registrars, accountants, lawyers, health specialists and sporting families.

A significant number of these visitors are being lost to the coast with all their spending. This development, along with the office block being constructed in Molesworth Street, will stop that leakage and support our regional professional services.

"In this regard I place this proposal in the same category as the North Lismore Plateau – critical to our future growth and regional role."

**Destination NSW** data for the year ending June 2014 showed an

increase of 8.9% in the room occupancy rate on the previous 12 months in Lismore and that 27,000 people, or 19% of domestic travellers to Lismore, came on business.

The above information was used by Council to spruik Lismore as an ideal location for serviced apartments to several known operators in the field. As a result, Quest Apartment Hotels and the FKG Group agreed to meet with Council and progress a sale offer.

A charrette was held on-site with developers on 19 May to discuss logistics of the build.

The development would result in the direct loss of around 100 carparks in the Harold Fredericks Carpark and Council has identified replacement parking to compensate for this loss. There are several options, including additional line-marking of carparks in surrounding streets, reconfiguration of parking in Magellan Street to provide an additional 57 spaces, extension of the art gallery carpark by 11 spaces, and construction of a new carpark with 19 spaces on the corner of Rural Lane and King Street. The total number of additional car parking spaces that could be provided in the nominated locations would be approximately 100.

Council has also noted that the mature fig trees fronting Dawson Street are significant to the streetscape, and has made a commitment to work closely with the developer to ensure key trees are retained.

Council hopes to have details of the sale finalised over the next few months.

### **MULTIMILLION-DOLLAR SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT MOVES FORWARD**

Council voted unanimously at its June meeting to enter negotiations with preferred tenderer Stirloch Constructions for the \$20 million upgrade of the South Lismore Sewage Treatment Plant.

The multimillion-dollar upgrade is expected to take 18 months and transform the 80-year-old plant into a modern facility with an increased capacity of 45%.

At present the South Lismore Sewage Treatment Plant can service around 15,000 people. The upgraded plant will be able to service 22,500 people, catering for expected population increases including growth on the western side of the city due to the North Lismore Plateau.

Council's Project Manager Paul Smith said the current plant was old and rundown, and the new plant wouls give Lismore a best-practice effluent treatment facility.

"One of the benefits of the upgrade is it will significantly improve environmental impacts," Paul said.

"The technology used to build the plant in the 1930s is a far cry from what we have now. We will reduce odour and effluent discharge extensively once the upgrade is complete."

Work on the new treatment plant is expected to begin in November 2016.



### **FESTIVAL CELEBRATES ITALIAN MUSIC, FOOD, FRIENDSHIP AND CULTURE**

As well as the Lantern Parade this weekend, Lismore will also host a special Piazza in the Park – a celebration of all things Italian where people are invited to come and 'be Italian for a day'.

The event is on this Sunday, 26 June in Spinks Park, which will be transformed into a festive town green with a pop-up eatery, the Riviera Trattoria and Bar, run by expert Italian caterers.

Visitors can enjoy local market stalls boasting some of the region's best Italian fare including cheeses, olives and salamis or you can join in Italian card games, bocce and outdoor chess. There will also be cooking demonstrations at Palate Café, dance, children's activities and street art performances.

The event is part of the Friendship Festival, which pays tribute to Lismore's 'friendship relationship' with the city of Conegliano in northern Italy, as well as the contribution Italian settlers have made to the district over the last 100 years. Piazza in the Park will be held near the Italian monument in Spinks Park, which honours the many ways in which Italians have enriched the Northern Rivers and its communities.

Piazza in the Park is on Sunday, 26 June from 10am to 3pm in Spinks Park. Entry is free and everyone is welcome.

# **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.

#### 15/150-2 57 Ashlin Road, Whian Whian

Section 96(1A) modification to redesign approved dwelling.

#### 15/172-2 394 Skyline Road, Goonellabah

Section 96(1) modification to remove a red forest gum tree and amend condition 25 regarding validation report.

#### 15/340 3/2 Blue Knob Road, Nimbin

Change of use to include a retail space within the café and use of detached building within lot 3 as a workshop and studio.

#### 16/3-2 65 Rous Road, Goonellabah

Section 96(1A) modification to move the site of the photovoltaic system.

#### **16/6** 352 Wallace Road, Terania Creek

Change of use of an existing shed to an expanded dwelling.

#### 16/21 10 Snow Street, South Lismore

Change of use to a depot with ancillary retail component, plus construct a new rear awning and associated infrastructure.

#### 16/23 50 Cullen Street, Nimbin

1. Awning over Council's footpath along the adjoining street frontage of existing commercial premises approximately 9.8m long and 3.2m wide; and 2. Roof structure 6m x 4m over existing concrete slab at rear of property, adjacent to the northern boundary.

#### **16/58** 15 Holmesleigh Drive, Goonellabah

Covered verandah addition and spa pool to existing dwelling.

#### **16/66** 22 May Street, Dunoon

Shed for general household storage.

#### 16/71 70 The Channon Road, Dunoon

Alterations and additions (part completed) to existing dwelling including minor demolition works.

#### 16/85 52 Alphadale Road, Lindendale Dual occupancy detached.

16/92 11 Star Avenue, Goonellabah Carport with a building line variation to 2.3m to Star Avenue. 16/94 356 Alphadale Road, Lindendale

Alterations and additions to an existing building to create a second dwelling to be used as a detached dual occupancy development in conjunction with the existing dwelling.

16/98 381 Cross Road, Numulgi Inground swimming pool.

16/110 12 Mackay Street, Lismore Heights Demolish existing landing and steps and erect new deck, balustrade and steps.

16/113 14 Fiona Court, Goonellabah Extension to existing dwelling, retaining walls and shed. **16/131** 12 Minshul Crescent, North Lismore

Inground swimming pool.

16/142 3 Melaleuca Court, Caniaba Inground swimming pool.

16/143 193 Fredericks Road, Caniaba Dwelling.

Details of applications and consents, together with conditions attached, may be inspected at Council's Corporate Centre during business hours or via DA Tracking at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.

### T2016-20: DISPOSAL OF COUNCIL VEHICLES

#### Lismore City Council is disposing of the following vehicles by tender:

- 1 x Mitsubishi Triton GLX 4x4 dual cab utility tray back
- 1 x Isuzu D-Max 4x4 dual cab utility tray back
- 1 x Isuzu D-Max 4x4 dual cab utility style side
- 1 x Hvundai Santa Fe
- 1 x Toyota HiAce van
- 1 x Hyundai i30 sedan

Information and vehicles will be available for inspection (sorry, no test drives) from 11.30am to 1.30pm on Monday, 27 June at the Revolve Shop Carpark, located at the Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre, 313 Wyrallah Road, East Lismore.

Bid sheets will be available on the day. Submissions will only be accepted in writing and must be placed in the tender box in the fover of Council's Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah.

Tender submissions close at 2pm on Wednesday, 29 June 2016.



### **MEETINGS, BRIEFINGS AND INTERVIEWS**

#### AFTER HOURS COUNCILLOR INTERVIEWS

Councillors are available for interviews on the first and third Monday of each month from 6pm at the Goonellabah Sports and Aquatic Centre.

On Monday, 4 July interviews will be conducted by Councillors Greg Bennett and Simon Clough. Interviews must be booked no later than 4pm on Friday, 1 July.

#### **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, 28 June the agenda includes: Section 82A Review of Determination Application, LEP deferred matters and Health Precinct rezoning.

On Tuesday, 5 July the agenda includes: Service Review Working Party updates.

Both will be held in the Council Chambers from 6pm. All welcome.

For information and bookings phone Vicki Lollback on 1300 87 83 87.

### **RSVP FOR RECONCILIATION WORKSHOP**

Council is inviting local organisations and businesses to a free workshop on Wednesday, 6 July, where we will help you develop a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP).

Lismore is the first council in the Northern Rivers to develop a RAP and it has resulted in positive outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people including increased employment at Council, more say in decision-making and better cultural awareness among staff.

At the workshop we will guide participants through the steps to develop a RAP with Reconciliation Australia with guest speakers from other organisations sharing their experiences.

The workshop is on Wednesday, 6 July from 9.30am to 3pm in the Council Chambers. Lunch and refreshments provided but RSVP essential. Phone Casie Hughes on 1300 87 83 87.

#### **ON PUBLIC EXHIBITION** Planning proposal to amend the Lismore Local Environmental Plan – map changes and community title for rural landsharing

communities (multiple occupancy)

#### 23 June to 25 July 2016

At its ordinary meeting of 8 March 2016, Lismore City Council resolved, in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, to support a planning proposal to amend the Lismore Local Environmental Plan (LEP) 2012 to allow the subdivision of approved and new rural landsharing communities using community title provisions and reduce the area of the Lismore LGA in which new rural landsharing communities will be considered. On 24 March 2016 the Department of Planning and Environment issued a conditional Gateway Determination. The Minister for Planning has delegated the finalisation of the LEP to Council.

The objectives of the planning proposal are to:

- reduce the locations in the Lismore LGA in which new rural landsharing communities can take place; and
- enable new rural landsharing communities to be approved using community title provisions; and
- enable approved rural landsharing communities to be subdivided using community title provisions.

The planning proposal applies to existing approved rural landsharing communities and various locations across the Lismore LGA as shown on the proposed Rural Landsharing Community Development map.

The planning proposal is now open for public comment from 23 June 2016 to 25 July 2016. Copies of the planning proposal, the Gateway Determination and associated material are available at the front counter of Council's Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, and on Council's website www.lismore.nsw.gov.au under the 'On Public Exhibition' page.

Submissions outlining grounds of objection or support can be made online, emailed to council@lismore.nsw.gov.au or mailed to the General Manager, Lismore City Council, PO Box 23A, Lismore, NSW 2480.

For enquiries or a hardcopy of the planning proposal and related material, phone Strategic Planning Coordinator Paula Newman on 1300 87 83 87. Submissions must be received by close of business on 25 July 2016.



### SAVE THE DATE: CAMPING SHOW COMING SOON!

The 2016 4WD Caravan, Camping & Marine Show is coming to Lismore Showground from Friday to Sunday, 8-10 July.

The event is the biggest show of its kind in regional NSW with more than 200 exhibitors attending.

The 4WD Caravan, Camping & Marine Show features hundreds of the latest industry products, with every kind of vehicle and gadget imaginable.

The event is a major fundraiser for of the Life Saver Rescue Helicopter and also features food, entertainment and free on-site parking.

### **POSITIONS VACANT**

We want skilled, passionate people in our workforce who will strive to make Lismore the best place it can be.

Please find below our latest employment opportunities:

Position Title	Salary	Closing Date
Fleet Optimisation Officer	\$1,383.60 to \$1,591.14 per week + super	26/06/16
Plant Operator – Materials Recovery Facility	\$855.80 to \$984.17 per week + super	26/06/16
Learn-to-Swim Instructor (part-time)	\$21.74 to \$23.05 per hour + super	26/06/16
Head Swimming Coach (part-time)	\$24.08 to \$25.52 per hour + super	26/06/16

For further information or to apply visit **www.lismore.nsw.gov.au**.



### APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR LOCAL HERITAGE ASSISTANCE FUND

Council and the NSW Heritage Office are offering grants to carry out conservation works on listed heritage items or items within conservation areas listed in the Lismore Local Environmental Plan.

The grants, up to \$2000, are to assist owners in the repair and conservation of their properties and must be matched dollar for dollar by the applicant.

Projects previously funded include restoration of murals in Nimbin; reinstatement of decorative architectural features; repainting; and window, fence and verandah repairs.

The closing date for applications is Wednesday, 20 July 2016 and successful applicants will be announced in August.

Application forms and brochures on the scheme are available on Council's website **www.lismore.nsw.gov.au** and at our Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah.

### **YOUR COVER**

The Lismore Lantern Parade is an annual community arts festival held around the longest night of the year (the winter solstice). The Lantern Parade is recognised as the signature event for Lismore along with the North Coast National.

This year the Lismore Lantern Parade is celebrating 22 years of bringing light to the heart of the city and the 2016 theme is 'Australian Flora and Fauna'. Watch out for lots of new animal lantern creations on parade this Saturday, 25 June. For more program details see inside.





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Lismore City Council's Corporate Centre is located at 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah.

We are open Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 4.30pm.

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