LOCAL MATTERS

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REINVIGERATING OUR CBD

If you have been into the CBD recently, you would have noticed that the Keen Street upgrade is almost complete, with pedestrian access restored along the entire strip providing full access to shops in time for Christmas.

Shortly, street furniture and gardens will be installed in the southern end of the street, which will provide relief for shoppers.

Weather dependent, we also hope to have the new Pedestrian Spine linking City Hall with the Wilsons River finished by early in the new year.

Commencing this week, works include the construction of a 2.5m wide accessible concrete footpath through Heritage Park, lighting, signage, and a central deck around the fig tree.

The park will remain partially open during the works with additional signage in place to direct pedestrians. Access will be via Victoria Street for the first three weeks of the works.

The miniature railway will be closed for two weeks while works impact access for the railway and station, however, it will continue to operate after that.

The beautification of Keen Street and the Pedestrian Spine are all designed to help reinvigorate the CBD.

Now that more businesses have reopened across Lismore, Council is also planning a series of December activities to bring our community together and attract visitors to enjoy Lismore's amazing shopping and food, arts and entertainment, spaces, and community spirit.

We're looking forward to celebrating the season with local businesses and talent, and to encourage everyone to support Lismore with their Christmas shopping!

To find out more and join in festive programming and promotions, email us at business@lismore.nsw.gov.au

LISMORE EMPLOYMENT LANDS PROJECT

You may have noticed the new roundabout that is currently under construction on the intersection of Oliver Avenue and Holland Street at Goonellabah.

This roundabout will form part of a very important project for Lismore's future, the Lismore Employment Lands Project.

The Lismore Employment Lands Project will provide access to new industrial land for businesses by constructing key pieces of infrastructure. Opening more employment land means more jobs for the community and a stronger economy moving forward.

The project scope includes the following key elements:

- Construction of the 'Oliver Avenue link', including a new bridge over Tucki Tucki Creek
- New roundabout at the Oliver Avenue/Holland Street/Taylor Avenue intersection
- Modifications/upgrades to the existing roundabout at Bruxner Highway/ Holland Street to facilitate B-double movements
- Construction of a new public carpark at Hepburn Park
- Filling of Council-owned land at 260 Oliver Ave to facilitate additional industrial lots

This project is progressing well with works occurring on multiple fronts. These include the Hepburn Park car park, Oliver Avenue/ Holland Street

roundabout and the Oliver Avenue link road (including the bridge).

The project is funded by both the State and Federal Governments and is anticipated to be completed by early February 2023.







LEVEE AND PUMPS UPDATE

After the threat of another major flood last week, we would like to provide the community with an update on the state of our levee and pump systems.

Ahead of last week's weather system, Council deployed two large diesel pumps at the Gas Works Creek and Hollingsworth Creek pump stations.

The existing pumps at these locations were damaged in the February/ March natural disasters. The electrical switchboards that were destroyed at the existing pump stations are pump station specific and need to be custom built. With a nationwide shortage of components, we are experiencing delays in manufacturing.

Both pumps at the Brown's Creek pump station are fully operational. These worked as intended throughout last week's event. These pumps can pump around 5mm of water per hour from the CBD back into the Wilsons River. Normally, this helps to keep the CBD dry when the levee is closed. The Rowing Club pump located behind the Transit Centre is operational.

There are additional smaller pumps located throughout the CBD. These are located at the Lismore City Bowling Club, Glasgow Lane, Woodlark Street (near Fawcetts Bridge) and an optional one at Three Chain Road if required.

During the February/March natural disaster one of the pumps behind the old RSL was badly damaged and is not operational. A temporary trailer pump can be used in this location until Rous, which owns the pumps, repairs it.

All levee gates are operational and can be closed according to the usual operating procedures.

Lismore City Council is responsible for the maintenance and operation of the levee system, while Rous County Council owns the infrastructure.

PARKING REGULATIONS TO BE REINTRODUCED IN HOSPITAL PRECINCT

All-day paid parking along Hunter and Dalziel Streets and timelimited parking along Weaver Street, McKenzie Street and Laurel Avenue will be re-introduced from Monday, 7 November.

Lismore City Mayor Steve Krieg acknowledged the valuable contribution our front-line health workers provide to the community and the challenges they faced over the past two years.

"In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Council voted to ease parking restrictions around the hospital precinct in April of 2020," he said.

"With the pressure the pandemic placed on the hospital now easing, we need to reintroduce these parking measures to deliver a better balance of parking space for residents, businesses, hospital staff and visitors."

Hunter and Dalziel Streets will return to \$2 all-day paid parking while Weaver Street, Laurel Ave and McKenzie Steet will be restricted to 4-hour parking.

Council has committed to a 14-day community information period to allow precinct users to adjust and understand the changes. Council has also written to the State Government requesting the immediate implementation of Stage 2 development of the NSW Health's parking station.

Regular reviews of the precinct will continue to ensure the parking controls are achieving the best outcome for the community.

Further information on the Lismore Base Hospital regulated parking precinct can be found on Council's website at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au in the Parking Permits section under the Residents & Household tab.



WHAT'S IN OUR BINS?

In May/June this year, Council engaged specialist consultants to conduct a kerbside bin audit of our three-bin system (recycling, organics & landfill).

Council conducts this audit of at least 220 households every two to three years under guidelines from the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA). Analysing what's in our bins helps us understand what we are doing well and identify opportunities to improve resource recovery. The last survey was completed in December 2019.

Three ways we can improve:

- **1.** Reduce the overall waste that we generate whenever you can, buy products that are re-usable, unpackaged or recyclable
- 2. Keep food out of landfill use a kitchen caddy or similar container inside your home and then empty into your organics bin or home compost
- **3.** Use only the compostable bags in your organics bin bags with labels like 'green', 'degradable' or 'biodegradable' do not compost but break down into smaller pieces of plastic

Here is a snapshot of what was found in the bins:

RECYCLING

- We've seen an increase in contamination, from 8% in 2019 to 15% in 2022
- The main contaminants are soft plastics (e.g. plastic film and bags), as well as food and liquid still in containers
- There are other items that don't go in the recycling bin but are recyclable if brought to our waste facilities (e.g. household chemicals, batteries and light globes)



ORGANICS

- While 93% is still an excellent recovery rate, we've seen an increase in contamination from 3% in 2019 to 7% in 2022
- The main contaminants are nappies, treated wood/timber, dust/rocks and plastic bags



Thank you for your efforts, especially with all the challenges that this year has brought - every little bit counts!

LANDFILL

- Lots more material in this bin can be recovered or recycled
- 23% was food, food-soiled paper, garden waste and untreated wood/timber still make up of our landfill bins these can go in your organics bin
- 11% of this material was paper, glass and hard plastics - these can go in your recycling bin



DOUBLE THE FUN THIS SECOND HAND SATURDAY

Second Hand Saturday, the North Coast's biggest day of garage sales, is back this November with two main event dates to choose from: Saturday, 19 November or Saturday, 26 November (or both).

Council has partnered with North East Waste and other local councils to develop this initiative.

All you have to do is register your garage sale at the Second Hand Saturday website or by calling Council. You will then get free online advertising and promotion via the Second Hand Saturday website and app.

For more information and to register, visit the Second Hand Saturday website www.secondhandsaturday.com.au or contact

Council on 6625 0500. Registrations close on Friday, 11 November.





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.

APPLICATION DETAILS

DA19/157-2 134 Crofton Road, Nimbin: Section 4.55(1A) modification to the location of the detached dual occupancy.

DA20/463-2 53 Dawson Street, Lismore: Change of use to a mixed-use development comprising: Stage 1: ground floor retail premises and food and drink premises; and Stage 2: staff room/office premises on the first floor (ancillary to the ground floor uses).

DA21/319 97 and 111 Pineapple Road, Goonellabah: To undertake the subdivision of two lots to create sixty-one (61) lots (55 residential zoned lots, 5 rural zoned lots and 1 public reserve lot) with associated public roads. infrastructure/civil works, bulk earthworks, tree removal and vegetation management works.

DA21/612 39 Currie Road, The Channon: Dwelling.

DA22/43 26A Highview Crescent, Modanville: Shed.

DA22/45 27 and 29 Centenary Drive, Goonellabah: Change of use to a warehouse facility with associated alterations and additions to the site including demolition works, extension of the existing hardstand area, modification of onsite parking, stormwater management works, earthworks and minor internal and external building works.

DA22/53 680 Boyle Road, Koonorigan: To undertake the erection of a new dwelling to create a detached dual occupancy comprising the construction of a driveway, on-site effluent disposal system and associated works.

DA22/60 621 Ballina Road, Goonellabah: Alteration to dwelling (Group Home) new door from lounge to carport.

DA22/156 291 Richmond Hill Road, Richmond Hill: Shed.

DA21/162 31 Canary Drive, Goonellabah: Retaining walls and boundary fence.

DA22/163 166 Keerrong Road, Blakebrook: Inground swimming pool.

DA22/170 538 Cowlong Road, McLeans Ridges: Shed.

DA22/217 14 Jacaranda Avenue, East Lismore: Dwelling additions and alterations (covered deck with laundry and toilet).

DA22/252 158 Moras Road, Rock Valley: Change of use of a shed to a dwelling and inground swimming pool (as built).

DA22/262 3 William Place, Lismore Heights: Inground swimming pool.

DA22/264 59, 61 and 63 Elliott Road, and 77, 77A, 79 and 81 Crown Street, South Lismore: Demolition of four structures.

DA22/272 8 Pinecrest Drive, Goonellabah: Shed.

DA22/273 300 Coraki Road, South Gundurimba: Extension to existing shed. DA22/274 139 James Road, Goonellabah: Dwelling addition (carport with a building line variation to 12m to James Road) and extension of existing driveway by approx. 20m2.

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.

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

As the consent authority, Council has received the following development applications for consideration.

DA NUMBER: 22/284

LOCATION AND DP LOT: 28 and 1/28 Cook Street, South Lismore (Lot 0 SP 104767 and Lot 2 SP 104767).

APPLICANT: Newton Denny Chapelle.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: To undertake the construction of 108 self-storage units, bulk earthworks, stormwater management and associated infrastructure works.

CLOSING DATE: 14 November 2022.

DA NUMBER: 22/286

LOCATION AND DP LOT: 73 and 75 Dawson Street, Lismore (Lot 1 DP 328100 and Lot 1 DP 772995).

APPLICANT: SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd. **PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:** To undertake the construction of a service station with a two-storey convenience store (180m2 GFA) overhead fuel canopy, signage underground fuel tanks and infrastructure, loading bay, garbage yard and plant area.

CLOSING DATE: 14 November 2022.

If you wish, you may make a submission to the Council in relation to the **Development Application.** Any submission must specify the grounds of objection (if any).

The above Development Application(s) and accompanying documents may be inspected at Council's Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, during ordinary office hours 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 from the Department of Planning at www.planning.nsw.gov.au.



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST



Council is seeking Expressions of Interest (EOIs) from rural landholders across the Lismore LGA who seek assistance for on-ground works to protect and enhance areas such as koala habitat, creeks and riverbanks and remnant vegetation restoration.

These will be for funded projects starting in July 2023.

A full list of Conservation Values and criteria for support are found on the Council website at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au

EOIs open on 1 November and close Friday, 17 December 2022.

Assistance with professional advice, labour and materials may be provided up to \$7500 over two years.

For further information call Council on 66250 500 or email environmentalstrategies@lismore.nsw.gov.au.



GET READY TO POWER UP AT THE CLYDE CAMPBELL SOLAR CAR PARK

When the Clyde Campbell Solar Carpark and EV Charging Station is completed it will not only provide energy to power vehicles and help reduce carbon emissions, it will also provide much needed shade, particularly over summer.

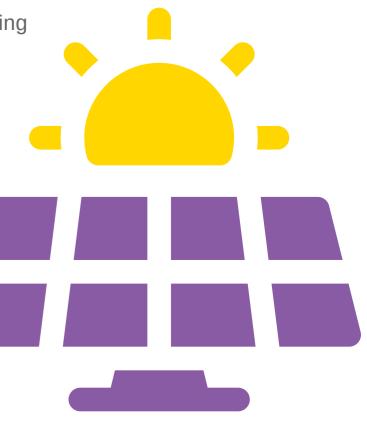
Work on the site started in July this year after it was delayed due to the February natural disaster and March major flood. Construction is now well under way with the car park structure and civil works complete.

The project consists of a butterfly design roof structure with a 99.9kW solar PV system. It will cover more than 40 public car spaces in the Clyde Campbell Carpark, with an electric vehicle car-charging station.

While the roof will provide shade, the solar panels will generate power that is fed back into electricity grid, with revenue funding ongoing maintenance costs.

The solar panel switchboard and switchboard platform are currently being fabricated and are due to be fitted in mid-to-late November. The project is scheduled for completion by mid-December.

The \$700,000 project is funded by a \$1 million grant provided by the Federal Government's Drought Communities Program to 52 NSW councils to complete infrastructure and other drought-relief projects.



WHAT'S ON AT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY

All library activities are FREE but spaces are limited.

Please contact the library for bookings and more information on **6621 2464** or **lismore@rtrl.nsw.gov.au**

Lismore Pop-Up Library can be found at 6 Centenary Drive, Goonellabah.

Melissa Doyle Author Event

Join us at Goonellabah Library as one of Australia's most-loved television personalities appears live and in conversation with Kate Coxall.

In her new book, *15 Seconds of Brave*, Melissa shares the wisdom of survivors - stories from some of the most resilient people she has ever met. These brave men and women show how hope can prevail and we can all, as one remarkable little boy put it, find our "fifteen seconds of brave".

Goonellabah Library: Thursday, 3 November at 5.30pm Book now on 02 6625 1235 or email goonellabah@rtrl.nsw.gov.au.

► How to spot a scam

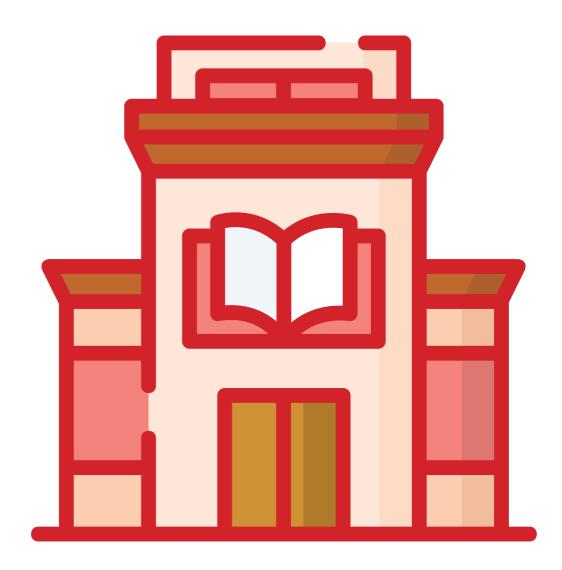
Join us at Goonellabah Library for Scam Awareness Week, an annual campaign hosted by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission and the Scams Awareness Network, which raises awareness about common scams and offers tips on how people can protect themselves from scammers.

Goonellabah Library: Tuesday, 8 November at Goonellabah Library

► Big Book Sale

The Goonellabah Library will be holding a **BIG BOOK SALE!** Books 50c each.

Goonellabah Library: Friday 11 November to Sunday, 13 November during opening hours.



► Sip & Social

Join the libraries new program this November to meet more people and make connections with others in your community, while taking part in enjoyable and fun activities. Participants can enjoy a range of activities, such as craft projects, game events, science workshops and visits from local speakers in a safe and social environment.

The program runs every Friday from 10am at the Lismore Pop-Up Library, with a rotation of events throughout the month.

► Upcoming activities in November include:

Friday, 4 November – Scrabble and Games Friday, 11 November – Paper Quilling



CONTACT US: 6625 0500

Corporate Centre: 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah Hours: Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 4.30pm Post: PO Box 23A, Lismore, NSW 2480 Email: council@lismore.nsw.gov.au Web: www.lismore.nsw.gov.au



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