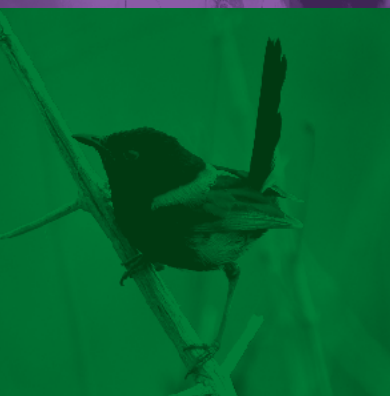


# LOCAL MATTERS

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# COUNCIL DECIDES...

Decisions made at the 10 June meeting include the following.

- Council will write to the Premier, the Minister for Resources and Energy, the Minister for Planning and Environment and our state members of parliament calling for the withdrawal of all Petroleum Exploration Licences (PELs) from our Local Government Area and that our Council be declared a 'No Go Zone' for all gas mining.
- Council has endorsed the Lismore City Hall Business Plan 2014/15. The Plan is designed to enable the manager, Northern Rivers Performing Arts (NORPA), to more effectively market and manage the newly refurbished facility and measure financial performance.
- Council has adopted its Road Rehabilitation and Capital Works Programs for the 2014/15 financial year. The Road Rehabilitation program was developed from a points rating evaluation system adopted last year following a report by consultants Morrison Low. The report recommends a change in the way Council fixes roads to increase their life and get more

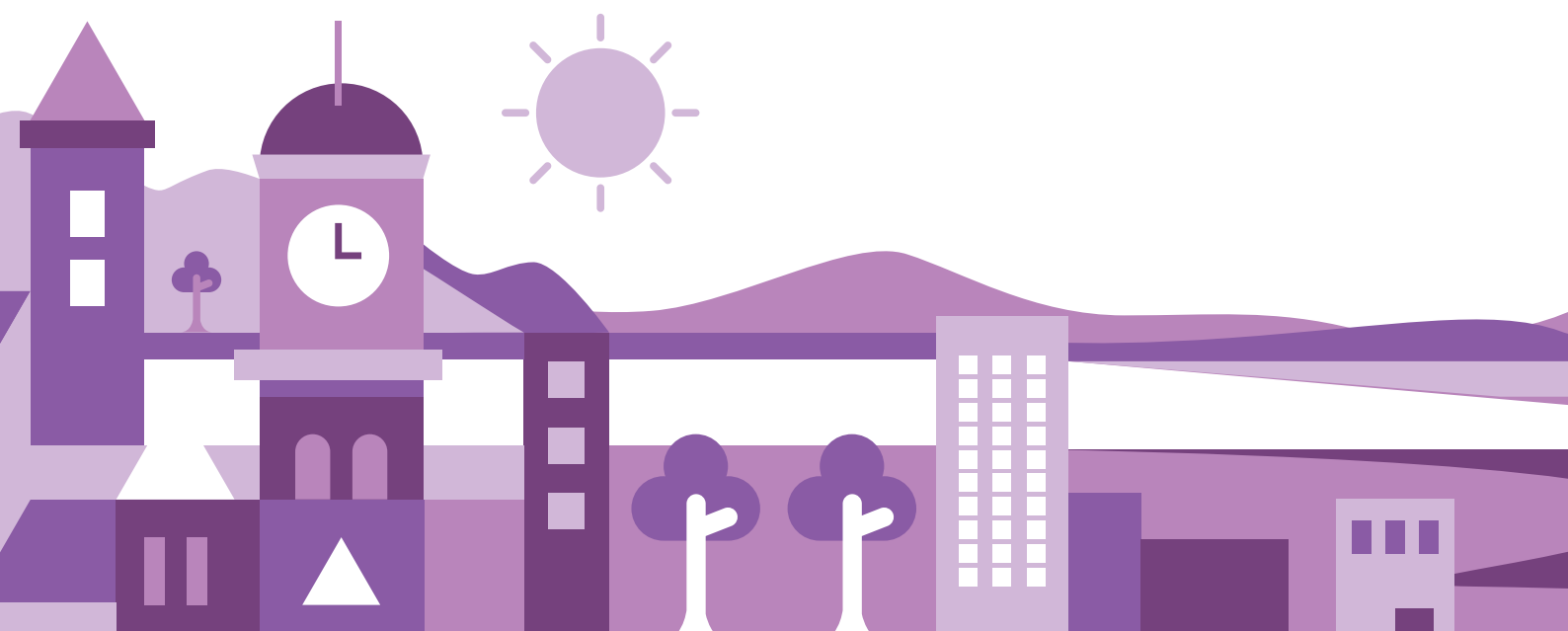


kilometres of bitumen resurfaced. This includes resurfacing roads before they fall into disrepair so that water and moisture does not seep in and begin creating potholes. In essence, the recommendations may see Council not fixing the worst roads first but instead investing funds to obtain the most additional life out of other roads. It may also mean building less new road infrastructure, such as kerb and gutter, to get more kilometres of sealed road repaired.

## **2014/15 Budget adopted**

On Tuesday, 17 June the 2014/15 Imagine Lismore 1 Year Plan (Budget) and the 2014/15 Rates & Annual Charges were adopted. Copies of the Imagine Lismore 1 Year Plan and new rates and charges are available on Council's website.

**A full list of all resolutions can be found in the Council meeting minutes at [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au).**



# BUY LOCAL PROJECT WINS INNOVATION AWARD

*Lismore City Council has won an Excellence in Innovation gong at the Northern Rivers Business Awards for its Buy Local Project Northern Rivers.*

The Buy Local Project Northern Rivers is a partnership between Council, the Northern NSW Local Health District and the University Centre for Rural Health. It's a simple, online portal where we can place tenders and businesses can get the details automatically emailed to their inbox.

Since its launch in July last year, 240 businesses have registered and there has been \$3 million of tenders advertised through the Buy Local Project.

The online portal is powered by the Industry Capability Network (ICN), a not-for-profit service that connects business online. The Buy Local Project is the first time in ICN's 30-year history that big purchasers have teamed up to create a regional procurement portal. It is an Australasian first.

Following its win at the Northern Rivers Business Awards, the Buy Local Project is now in the running for the state award, which will be announced in November.

Council Economic Development Manager Mark Batten (pictured) said two new partners have just come on board – St Vincent's Private Hospital and Medicare Local – significantly increasing opportunities for local businesses.

Mark is still encouraging businesses to sign up, particularly as contracts have been released for the Lismore Base Hospital upgrade (worth \$30-\$50 million collectively). Contracts advertised could range from very small jobs or supply orders right through to large projects and bulk goods.

All you need to do is spend 15-30 minutes creating a company profile and specify what products or services your business offers. When a tender becomes available, you'll receive a notification and can decide if you want to apply.

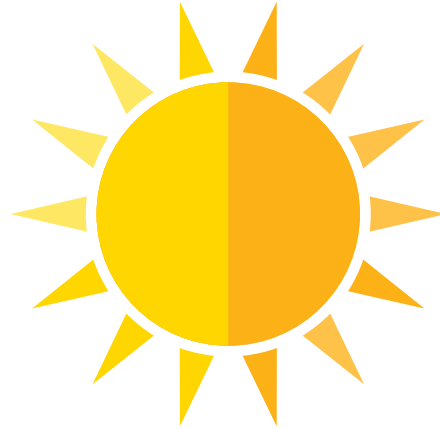
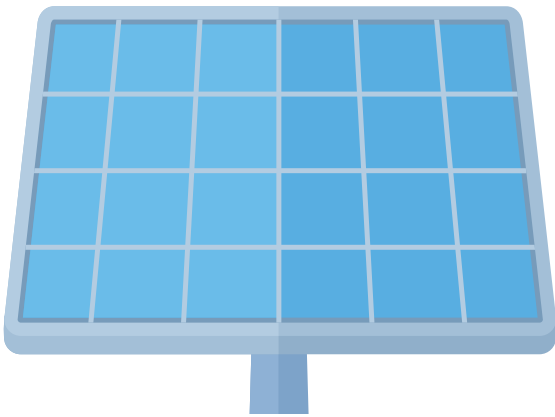
**Sign up now to the Buy Local Project at [www.regional.icn.org.au](http://www.regional.icn.org.au).**





# COUNCIL IN HOT WATER...

Council has installed solar hot water systems on 10 of its facilities – another step in our challenge to self-generate all electricity from renewable resources by 2023.



The 10 new solar hot water systems were jointly funded by Council and the Local Government Energy Efficiency Program (LGEEP).

The LGEEP is a Commonwealth Government grant program that helps local governments install energy efficient solar and/or heat pump hot water technology in buildings and community facilities, particularly in low socio-economic or otherwise disadvantaged areas.

There are three new solar hot water systems on community facilities: the amenities blocks at Gilchrist Oval in Caniaba and Balzer Oval in Dunoon and the Lismore Memorial Baths. There are also seven new systems on the following Council buildings: our Corporate Centre, Mechanical Works Depot, Water and Wastewater Works Depot, East Lismore Sewage Treatment Plant office, East Lismore Sewage Treatment Plant laboratory, Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre and Blakebrook Quarry.

The 10 systems cost just over \$31,000 after claiming back \$8265 from Small-scale Technology Certificates (STCs), a solar credit scheme run by the Commonwealth's Clean Energy Regulator.

Installing more solar hot water systems will form part of our new 2023 Renewable Energy Master Plan, which should be completed by August.



# FLOATING OUR BOAT

The new public sculpture on Woodlark Street will be installed on Sunday, 7 July.

There will be some lighting installed afterwards and then the scaffolding will be removed. The sculpture, created by Paul Johnson, is a large metal 'boat skeleton' which references both the fact that Lismore was built on a floodplain and also that the town itself developed as a direct result of river trade. Underneath the sculpture will be some artistic panels with information about Lismore's flood history. Please note there will be road closures and detours in place during the installation on 7 July.



**GASFIELD FREE**

## BENTLEY PARAPHERNALIA WANTED

The NSW State Library is creating a Bentley blockade ephemera collection.

The library would like to make an historical collection of flyers, posters, signs, photos and any other paraphernalia relating to the recent Bentley blockade.

You can drop any materials you have on the second floor at Lismore City Library, 110 Magellan Street, Lismore.



# NO MORE COMPOSTABLE NAPPIES IN ORGANICS BINS

We have been working to gain organic certification for our processed kerbside organics (i.e. the material collected from green-lidded wheelie bins) and have been informed that we could gain this certification if we no longer accept compostable nappies in that waste stream.

Acquiring organic certification will allow us to sell organic certified compost to local organic farmers, and there is a lot of demand for this.

After weighing up the pros and cons, we've decided we will no longer be accepting nappies of any kind in our organics bins.

We still encourage the use of compostable nappies over ordinary disposables. Disposable nappies can take thousands of years to break down in landfill, so please keep using compostable nappies and place them in your red-lidded waste bin.

**Thanks for your cooperation in helping us to make this change.**







# CLEAN UP YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

Community Litter Grants now available

**Are you fed up with seeing litter in your neighbourhood?  
Do you have a great idea to clean up your local area?**

Get your project off the ground with funding from the Community Litter Grants.

A joint initiative of Keep NSW Beautiful and the NSW EPA, the Community Litter Grants are now open for 2014. The program distributes funds to community groups who are working to keep their local area clean.

Last year almost \$150,000 was distributed to 32 groups who used the money to add bins, set up education programs, clean up graffiti, create community gardens and transform their litter hotspots into beautiful public places for the whole community to use.

To apply for a grant visit [www.knswb.org.au](http://www.knswb.org.au) and look under the **Our Programs** tab.





# 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.

### **07/319-4 33 Orion Street, Lismore**

Section 96(1) modification to condition 9 to refer to a flood height of 12.67m AHD.

### **13/181-3 48 Dibbs Street, Lismore**

Section 96(1A) modification to approved site layout.

### **13/320-2 1 Greenhills Drive, Goonellabah**

Section 96(1A) modification to roof line.

### **14/38 3/41 and 4/41 Molesworth Street, Lismore**

Change of use of part of a building to a business premises (beauty therapists).

### **14/45-2 42 McKenzie Street, Lismore**

Carpark.

### **14/59 76 Young Road, Tuntable Creek**

Use of a building ancillary to a dwelling (studio).

### **14/61 5 Reserve Street, Goonellabah**

Upgrade of recreation area lighting including replacement of 6 existing light poles with 4 new poles.

### **14/76 6 O'Mahoney Drive, Goonellabah**

Dwelling and retaining walls.

### **14/78 16 Alternative Way, Nimbin**

Resited dwelling with associated alterations and additions and retaining walls.

### **14/84 19 Marlyn Avenue, East Lismore**

Dwelling addition (patio extension).

### **14/86 13 and 27 Rudgley Road, Caniaba**

Subdivision (boundary alteration).

**14/88 11 Leycester Street, Lismore**

Alterations and additions to an existing educational establishment (Trinity Catholic College).

**14/92 6 Keen Street and 4 Leycester Street, Lismore**

To undertake the construction of a carpark and associated earthworks, drainage works and retaining walls.

**14/100 52 Magellan Street, Lismore**

Change of use to a self-serve frozen yoghurt shop.

**14/107 11 Leycester Street and 65 Hindmarsh Street, Lismore**

Alterations and additions to an existing educational establishment (Trinity Catholic College).

**14/114 4/13 Hilltop Close, Goonellabah**

Strata subdivision to create 3 lots.

**14/119 9 Sarah Court, Goonellabah**

Inground swimming pool.

**14/121 19 Cromer Street, South Lismore**

Carport with a building line variation to 3.5m to Cromer Street.

**14/122 11 Mackey Street, Lismore Heights**

Carport.

**14/123 5A Millar Street, Goonellabah**

Strata subdivision to create 2 lots.

**14/124 157 Gungas Road, Nimbin**

Shed.

**14/125 7 Doyle Place, Goonellabah**

Dwelling.

**14/130 19 Livotto Drive, Richmond Hill**

Inground swimming pool.

**14/131 106 Nightcap Range Road, Dorrroughby**

Dwelling addition (covered patio).

**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](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au).**



# MEETINGS, BRIEFINGS AND INTERVIEWS

## 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, 1 July Councillors will be briefed on:

- **RMS speed limit assessment process.**
- **External Funding Review (Section 356 donations) submissions received.**
- **Section 94 Contributions Plan.**

Held in the Council Chambers from 6pm. All welcome.

## COUNCIL MEETINGS

An ordinary meeting of Lismore City Council will be held on Tuesday, 8 July.

Items on the agenda include:

- **Vacancy on Lismore Business Panel.**
- **Section 356 review.**

Held in the Council Chambers from 6pm. All welcome.

Copies of the business paper are available at our Corporate Centre, Lismore Library, selected rural stores and [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au).

## AFTER HOURS COUNCILLOR INTERVIEWS

Councillors are available for interviews on the first and third Monday of each month commencing at 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, 7 July interviews will be conducted by Councillors Greg Bennett and Simon Clough.

Interviews must be booked no later than 4pm on Friday, 4 July.

## SPORT AND RECREATION ADVISORY GROUP

The Sport and Recreation Advisory Group will meet on Wednesday, 2 July in the Lismore Room at our Corporate Centre from 5.30-7.30pm.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### LEP Amendment No. 8 – Reclassification of selected Council-owned land

A Public Hearing into these proposed reclassifications **will be held on Monday, 14 July in the Council Chambers at 5.30pm.**

The Public Hearing will be chaired by a person who is independent of Council. Any member of the public can make a short verbal presentation up to five minutes long and written submissions will also be accepted.

To make a presentation, register on 1300 87 83 87.

Reclassification details can be found at [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au).

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



## CREDIT CARD SURCHARGE

**As of 1 July 2014 there will be a surcharge of 0.5% on all payments made to Lismore City Council with a credit card.**



# POSITIONS VACANT

*Want work with Lismore City Council?*



## Lismore City Council is a great place to work.

Enjoy challenging employment and do something worthwhile for your local community.

We have great staff, good conditions and a strong set of organisational values.

Keep an eye out for our latest jobs in the Positions Vacant section at [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au) or sign up for our 'Job Alert' email service in the 'Subscribe' section of our website.

We want skilled, passionate people in our workforce who will strive to make the Lismore Local Government Area the best place it can be for our diverse and unique community.

Position	Salary range
Senior Design Officer	Depending on qualification(s) and experience, Council is offering a salary range from \$65,146 per annum plus 9.25% superannuation.
Design Officer	Depending on qualification(s) and experience, Council is offering a salary range from \$59,602 per annum plus 9.25% superannuation.

**Applications close 2 July 2014.**

**Detailed information packages are available on our website [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au) or phone us on 1300 87 83 87.**



# SPORT AND RECREATION FUND 2014/15

**Applications for the Sport and Recreation Fund 2014-15 are now open.**

The Sport and Recreation Fund 2014-15 is designed to assist sporting clubs and associations to improve the quality, availability and standard of sport and recreation facilities in the LGA.

Submissions are now being called from interested clubs and associations for applications for funding. Applications close at 4pm on Monday, 28 July.

Guidelines for applicants and expression of interest forms are available at [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au) or from our Corporate Centre.

**For more information phone James Voght, our Community Services Officer (Sport and Recreation), on 6625 0573.**

## CLIFFORD PARK UPGRADE

**Lismore City Council has developed a Master Plan for Clifford Park and applied for funds to upgrade the area.**

If Council is successful in gaining funding, preparation work to upgrade the park would commence later this year with building work starting early in 2015. The works proposed include:

- An upgrade of the existing carpark.
- Demolition and construction of a new club house.
- Construction of a walking path around the park.
- Installation of exercise equipment.
- Demolition of the scout hall (which has been condemned).

Council is interested in the community's thoughts about the proposed work and the Master Plan is available for people to see.

**To have a copy of the Master Plan emailed to you or to find out more, phone Lizette Twisleton or Casie Hughes on 1300 87 83 87.**



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