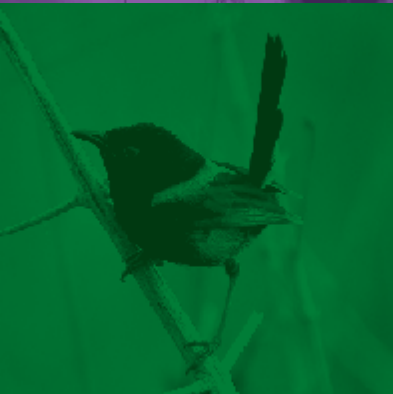




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**2015
MASTERS GAMES
OPEN FOR
REGISTRATIONS**



Are you a former sportsperson or sport lover on the wrong side of 35? Now is your chance to join the 9th Lismore Workers Masters Games and enjoy friendly sporting competition and a packed social program over three days.

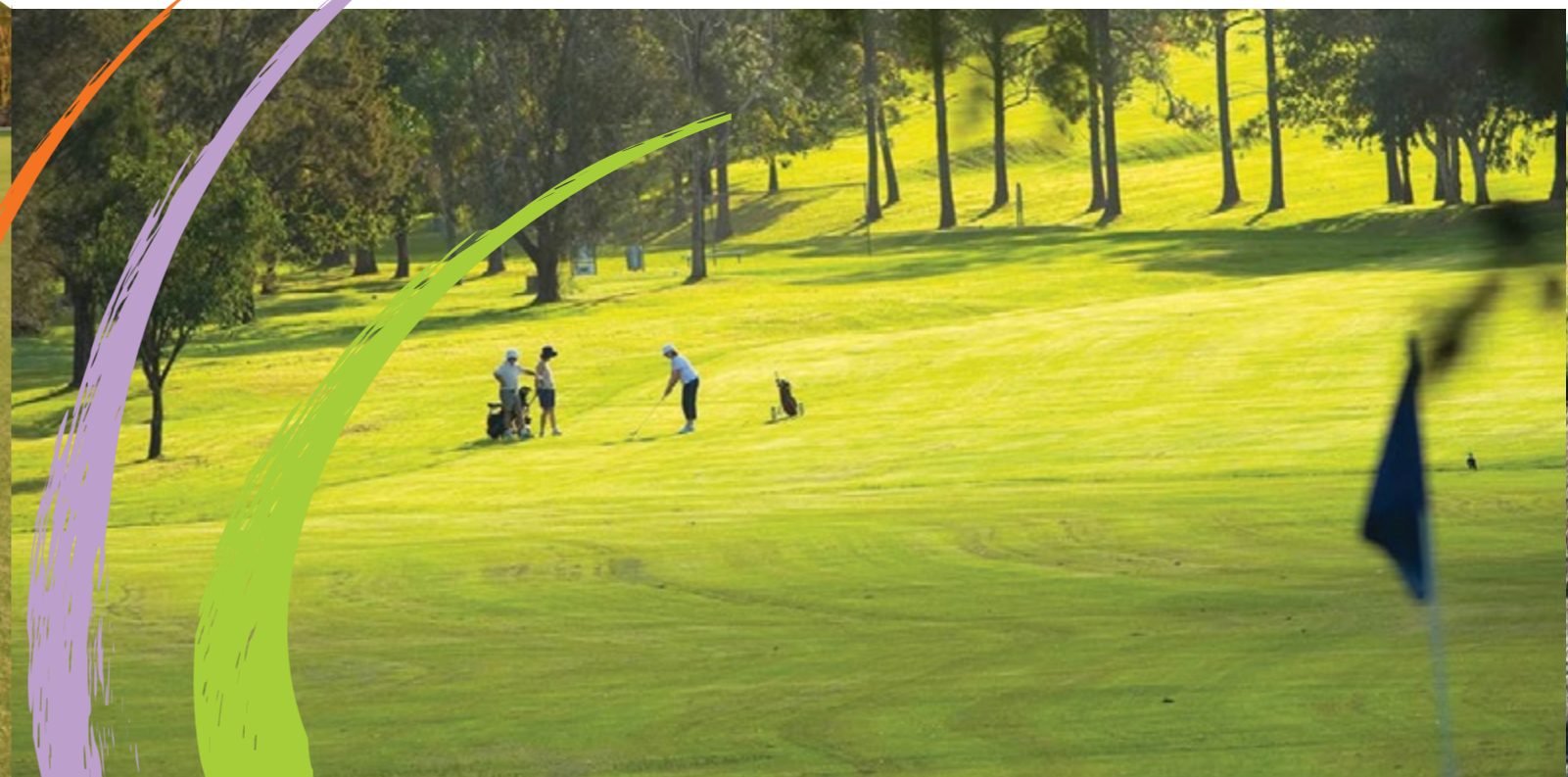
Registrations are now open for the 2015 Lismore Workers Masters Games, being held at various venues around Lismore from 18-20 September. If you get in quick, you can save some money with early bird registrations, which close on 26 June.

There are a total of 16 sports you can compete in including baseball, cricket, dressage, football, golf, hockey, lawn bowls, netball, Oztag, softball and swimming. There are also five exciting new sporting categories – a fitness challenge, rugby 7s, running, six-a-side football and Mini Olympics.

Forget long jump and shot put – the new Mini Olympics will see competitors battle it out in snooker, darts, indoor bowls and euchre for a shot at gold, silver and bronze medals.

More than 2000 competitors are expected to converge on Lismore for the biennial event, and the Lismore Workers Club is hosting three nights of entertainment. Thursday night there is \$1500 in cash draws, Friday night there is live music and dancing with Oz Horns, and on Saturday night you can laugh out loud with comedians Mandy Nolan and Nick Penn.

Registrations for this fun sporting event are now open. Visit www.lismoremastersgames.com.au or phone the Masters Games office on 02 6621 3413.



ROADS PAVED WITH GLASS NOW A REALITY

Council reached a historic recycling milestone recently, constructing the first road paved with glass.

The 500m section near Numulgi Hall was reconstructed using glass sand from the Glass Processing Plant built in May 2014. The sand will now be used in all road base from this point forward.

Since the establishment of the Glass Processing Plant, all old glass, crockery and pyrex collected from yellow recycling bins has been crushed into sand and stockpiled, ready for use on our roads.

The glass to sand concept had some teething problems, as the product needed rigorous testing to ensure there were no WHS risks to staff due to the glass sand's silica content. After months of painstaking work by Blakebrook Quarry staff, the project is now full steam ahead.

"This is a revolution in how we construct roads and we have received excellent feedback from the community right from the beginning for this concept," Council's Executive Director Infrastructure Services Gary Murphy said.



Working on-site at Numulgi laying the first road made with glass sand are (l-r) Ian Collins, Warren Watts, Coady Capello and Peter Brewer-Charles.



“It’s great to see

it is now a reality and that we have closed the loop on our glass recycling in Lismore. That’s something to be very proud of.”

Conventional glass recycling is costly and requires significant technology to separate different coloured glass for re-processing, with a high loss rate due to breakage.

As well as ensuring more glass can be recycled, transforming glass back into sand reduces the need to mine virgin material for road base and asphalt, decreasing road resealing costs as well as limiting truck movements on the road.

Road crews have indicated the challenge will now be for the Glass Processing Plant to keep up with demand.

So remember, always recycle glass, crockery and pyrex in your yellow recycling bin... one day you might be driving on it!

COUNCIL DECIDES...

At the ordinary meeting of 9 June, Council decisions included the following:

- Council resolved (6/5 in favour) to write to Kevin Hogan MP asking him to approach the Hon Andrew Robb, Federal Trade Minister, requesting release of the draft Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP) agreement for public consultation and parliamentary consideration, prior to it being agreed to by Cabinet. Council will request that the Trade Minister ensure that the TPP agreement does not contain provisions that damage Australia's sovereign rights or restrict local government policies that look after the interests of local communities. Council will also write to LGNSW and the National General Assembly of Local Government seeking their support for the resolution.
- Council resolved (8/3 in favour) that the net funds generated from the sale of parklands surplus to the needs of current and future recreational requirements in the LGA be allocated to a dedicated fund. The funds are to be used to either upgrade the standard of Lismore's existing major parks or used to develop the approved Master Plan for Lismore Park.

At the extraordinary meeting of 16 June, Council decisions included the following:

- Council adopted the Imagine Lismore 1 Year Plan, or 2015/16 budget (7/4 in favour).
- Council resolved (8/3 in favour) to apply for a National Stronger Regions Fund grant of \$2.85 million towards a \$5.8 million project to redevelop C Block as a new regional art gallery with adjoining open public space.
- Council resolved (unanimous) to apply for a National Stronger Regions Fund grant of \$7 million towards the \$26 million upgrade of the South Lismore Sewage Treatment Plant.
- Council resolved (8/3 in favour) to design the new Lismore Regional Gallery with Dominic Finlay Jones Architects, which provided the best overall tender during a recent tender process.

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



LISMORE COMMUNITY SOLAR HAS INVESTORS FIRED UP

To date, almost 70 prospective investors have pledged support for Lismore Community Solar, which aims to build the first council/community solar farms in Australia.

Lismore City Council is the first regional council in the country to commit to becoming 100% renewable by 2023. The Renewable Energy Master Plan sets out a roadmap to achieve this, which includes reducing energy consumption and using solar technology wherever possible.

Council and its partner organisation Farming the Sun launched an investor pledge campaign on 11 June to attract 40 investors to buy shares in Lismore Community Solar. The event was well attended and the subsequent pledges show there is significant support for such a venture.

More people are encouraged to sign up as it's ideal to have a large pool of potential investors to draw from.

The Lismore Community Solar investment structure is based on two community companies, each with 20 shareholders, lending funds to Council. The loans would be used to construct and operate two 100kW solar farms at the Goonellabah Sports and Aquatic Centre and the East Lismore Sewage Treatment Plant.

Investors would be asked to purchase shares between \$8000 and \$9000 with a four per cent per annum return and a pay-back period including up-front capital of seven years.

The financial model has been developed by Farming the Sun specifically for this project in Lismore, with the low risk and clear results providing surety for Council, investors and the community.

Once investors have made pledges for Lismore Community Solar, the business model will go before Council for final adoption in late 2015. If adopted, a prospectus will go live for share offers.

Investors can pledge online at www.farmingthesun.net/lismore. People can also sign up over the phone with Lismore Community Solar Coordinator Susanna Carpi on 0401 956 710 or email susanna@farmingthesun.net.



The Lismore Community Solar investor pledge launch at the Lismore Workers Club.



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 No.

14/348 7 Alternative Way, Nimbin

Additions to existing light industry development (ancillary storage shed).

15/30-2 7 Highview Crescent, Modanville

Section 96(1A) modification to extend the roof line on the outdoor area.

15/69 68 Muller Road, Tregear

Use of existing dwelling as a farm stay accommodation building.

15/75 17 Denbos Crescent, East Lismore

Shade structure (greenhouse).

15/77 183 Dawson Street, Girards Hill

Remove existing shed and replace with new shed and carport.

15/78 144 Fraser Road, Dunoon Dwelling.

15/85 175 Ballina Road, East Lismore

Subdivision of one lot to create 2 lots.

15/98 44 Baldock Drive, McLeans Ridges Dwelling.

15/102 4 McDonald Place, Wyrallah Dwelling.

15/108 27 Barrys Road, Modanville Swimming pool.

15/109 1 Oakey Creek Road, Georgica

Demolish storm-damaged shed and replace with new shed with a building line variation to 10m to Oakey Creek Road.

15/110 68 Ballina Road, Lismore Removal of all existing advertising signage and erection of six new advertising signs.

15/120 18 Livotto Drive, Richmond Hill

Inground swimming pool.

94/104-5 103 Laurel Avenue, Lismore

Section 96(1A) modification to extend drive-thru servery booth by 2.5m.

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.



GROWTH MANAGEMENT STRATEGY SETS 20-YEAR ROADMAP FOR GROWTH

The Lismore Growth Management Strategy 2015-2035 (GMS) identifies the community's aspirations for growth as well as land that will support population and economic growth until 2035.

The GMS defines the pattern and density of growth in the Lismore Local Government Area over the next 20 years, covering everything from new land releases to infill development, incentives for affordable housing, rural dual occupancy and multiple occupancy living.

This is the first time Council has integrated city and rural growth issues into one document, replacing the separate Lismore Urban Strategy 2003, Village Development Strategy 1997 and Rural Housing Strategy 2002.

In the next two decades, Lismore's population is expected to grow by 5900 people. The GMS enables the release of land that, combined with land already zoned for housing, has the potential to increase Lismore's housing stock by at least 5000 dwellings.

The GMS was developed in close consultation with the community, with 106 people attending six place-based forums throughout the Local Government Area to discuss what they love about their 'place' and how they envisage it evolving in the future.

A key finding from the consultation was that people wanted to see sustainable growth that allows our population to increase and economy to grow, but protects what people love about this area including rural outlooks and village character.

The GMS was prepared alongside Council's Road Network Strategy and the Strategic Business Plan for Water Supply and Wastewater Services, enabling Council to plan for water, wastewater and road infrastructure that supports new land releases and development.

The GMS will be reviewed in five years. To view the document, visit www.lismore.nsw.gov.au. For more information phone

Strategic Planning Coordinator Paula Newman 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.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

An ordinary Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, 14 July.

Agenda includes:

- **Reclassification of Council-owned land.**
- **Planning proposals for Trinity Drive and Pineapple Road.**

Held 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, 6 July interviews will be conducted by Councillors Greg Bennett and Simon Clough.

Interviews must be booked no later than 4pm on Friday, 3 July.

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

PESTICIDE NOTIFICATION

Pindone for rabbit control will be used during June and July at Clifford Park. There are no specific warning with this product. For more information phone Martin Soutar on 1300 87 83 87.



TENDERS

T2015-22: Vacuum Excavation Services

Submissions are invited from suitably qualified and experienced companies or individuals to provide vacuum excavation services. Council's works department would like to appoint a panel of suppliers for a period of one year, with an option of extension for an additional year.

T2015-12: Bulk Transport of Quarry Materials

Submissions are invited from suitably qualified and experienced companies or individuals for the supply of quarry materials haulage, to and from Council's quarry operation Northern Rivers Quarry & Asphalt (NRQA). NRQA would like to appoint a panel of suppliers for a period of one year, with an option for an additional one year, at a fixed price for the period stated.

Tender submissions for the above two tenders close at 2pm on Thursday, 30 July.

Interested parties are required to register at Council's eProcurement portal, www.tenderlink.com/lismore, to access relevant documents. Submissions may also be lodged at this site in the electronic tender box.

If you experience any difficulties with accessing the website or require further information, phone the Tenderlink helpdesk on **1800 233 533**.



Ballina Road tennis courts reopen

The Lismore Tennis Centre located on Ballina Road will reopen to the public on 1 July.

The centre is now under new management with Council awarding the tender for management of the centre to Brendan Lee, who currently runs the Casino Tennis Centre.

The courts are available for hire to individuals, groups or schools and lessons will be available. For more information or to hire the centre, phone **Brendan on 0402 642 967**.



ON PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Waterford Park Planning Proposal 24 June to 22 July 2015

Council has placed on public exhibition a planning proposal to amend the Lismore Local Environmental Plan (LEP) 2012 to rezone land at Waterford Park from RU1 Primary Production to R1 General Residential. The proposal is also to apply a 400m² minimum lot size and 8.5m maximum building height to the land being rezoned.

Council resolved to support the planning proposal at its ordinary meeting of 9 December 2014, in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. NSW Planning and Environment issued a Gateway Determination (conditional approval) on 19 December 2014.

The Minister of Planning and Environment has delegated the making of this LEP to Lismore City Council under section 59 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

The planning proposal to rezone land at Waterford Park from RU1 Primary Production zone to R1 General Residential is now on exhibition for public comment from 24 June to 22 July 2015.

Copies of the draft amendment are available at our Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, and at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au. Submissions should state reasons for objection or support and should be addressed to the **General Manager, Lismore City Council, PO Box 23A, Lismore**, or emailed to council@lismore.nsw.gov.au.

For enquiries, contact our Strategic Planner Dave Mc Donald on 1300 87 83 87. Submissions must be received by close of business on 22 July 2015.



ATTENTION ALL OWNERS OF ON-SITE SEWAGE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

All owners of on-site sewage management systems in the Lismore Local Government Area will soon receive a letter about changes to the 'Approval to Operate a System of Sewage Management'.

In NSW, owners of land serviced by on-site sewage management systems must hold an approval issued by Council. Approvals cannot be transferred from owner to owner when properties are bought and sold.

We want to ensure all property owners with an on-site sewage management system have an approval and that the approval is valid and up to date.

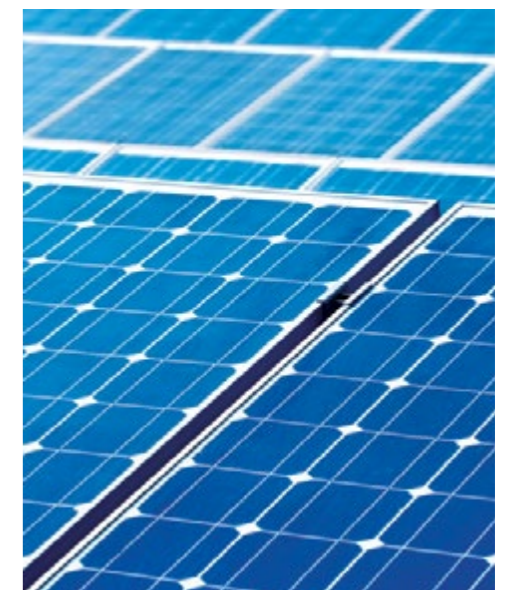
Council is issuing all landowners with a new approval. You do not have to fill out a form or pay a fee – we will simply send it to you. We just want you to be aware it's on the way.

The approval has no expiry date and will remain valid as long as you own your property. If you sell your property, Council will discuss a new approval with the new landowner.

If you have any questions, or believe your new approval is not accurate, please phone OSSM Compliance Officer Lachlan Stace on 1300 87 83 87.

YOUR COVER

Lismore Community Solar could be a reality by the end of 2015 if Council decides to go ahead with the concept and build two small solar farms funded through community loans. Council will make its final decision on the matter in late 2015. If they adopt the business model, a prospectus and share offer will go live. Stay tuned for more info.





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