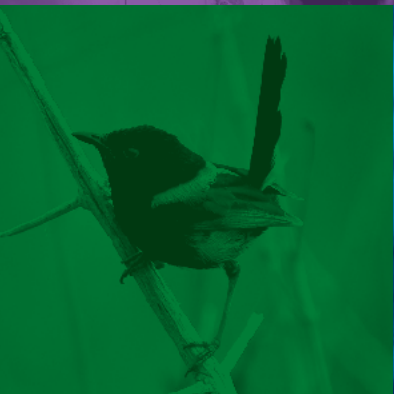




# LOCAL MATTERS

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# COMMUNITY INVITED TO GRAND OPENING OF LISMORE REGIONAL GALLERY

The Lismore community is warmly invited to the grand opening of the new Lismore Regional Gallery on Saturday, 28 October.

The \$5.8 million Lismore Regional Gallery and Quadrangle project at the old Lismore High School site off Keen Street is now complete, and the doors are being thrown open to local residents, VIPs and visitors.

Lismore Regional Gallery Director Brett Adlington said a gallery for Lismore was first mooted as far back as 1901. In 1954, Council opened the previous gallery premises in Molesworth Street as a 'temporary gallery'.

After decades of discussion, funding applications and hard work, Brett said it was an incredible feeling to finally roll out the red carpet and open the doors to a new gallery for Lismore.

"There has been so much effort from so many individuals over the years... it's overwhelming and exciting to finally have a brand new gallery," he said.

"The Lismore Regional Gallery is now a functional and modern facility that we can be proud of as a regional city. We have four times the space; a climate controlled, flood-free storage area for our permanent collection of more than 1000 pieces; and a friendly and welcoming environment for visitors and locals.

"We encourage the whole community to join us for the grand opening!"

The new gallery was designed by Bangalow-based architect Dominic Finlay-Jones, who also designed the award-winning Lismore City Hall refurbishment.

General Manager Gary Murphy said the new Lismore Regional Gallery will see visitation of approximately 55,000 people annually, boosting Lismore's economy by \$1.8 million.

"The new Lismore Regional Gallery and Quadrangle will become a strong anchor for the city centre," Gary said.

"It will bring vibrancy to the CBD and attract visitors who will inevitably flow into the city centre. The mural at the entrance to the gallery by Githabul artist Luke Close has already transformed the space. The whole gallery and Quad development will change the face of Lismore CBD."

The Lismore Regional Gallery and Quadrangle project was funded with \$2.85 million from the federal government's Stronger Region's Fund, \$120,000 from the Lismore Quadrangle Pledge Campaign, \$410,000 from the state government, \$126,800 in other public donations, and a \$500,000 donation from the Margaret Olley Arts Trust. Council funded the remainder with borrowings of \$1.9 million.

**The program for the opening on Saturday, 28 October is as follows:**

**From 4pm:** 100 Wonderplace's 'Artkeepers' project in the Quadrangle

**5.30pm:** Welcome to Country and smoking ceremony in the Quadrangle

**5.45pm:** Speeches and official opening

**6.30pm:** Gallery open to public visitors

**6.30pm:** Tralala Blip playing in the Quadrangle

**7.15pm:** Romaine Moreton and Lou Bennett (from Tiddas) performing a new work drawing together poetry, moving image and an original score

**After the grand opening, Lismore Regional Gallery opening hours will be as follows: Tuesday and Wednesday 10am to 4pm, Thursday 10am to 6pm, and Friday/Saturday/Sunday 10am to 4pm.**



# APPLY NOW FOR 2018 RURAL LANDHOLDER INITIATIVE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

**There is still plenty of time for rural landholders to apply for our Rural Landholder Initiative expression of interest for on-ground works on private rural properties.**

The EOI is open until 25 January 2018, and we urge anyone interested to read the guidelines, think about appropriate projects and apply before the deadline.

The Rural Landholder Initiative EOI is a partnership designed to help enhance biodiversity and/or koala habitat on rural properties right across the Lismore Local Government Area.

Assistance of up to \$5000 is available for primary works and initial maintenance in the first year, with complex restoration projects eligible for second-year funds of up to \$2500. Sites along floodplain riverbanks can apply for up to \$10,000 if works include fencing and off-stream watering.

In response to the March flood, restoration works that aim to address flood damage to creeks and riverbanks, hillslopes and bushland are also eligible for funding. These projects must also address the long-term biodiversity benefits that can be achieved alongside flood damage repair and mitigation.

We recommend that interested landholders take a look at our educational booklets to gain ideas about how to improve your land. The booklets cover major environmental issues for five land use types in our region: beef graziers, dairy farmers, orchardists, floodplain croppers and rural 'lifestyle' landholders.

The booklets offer ideas for improving land management practices for biodiversity and include a Farm Health Assessment Tool so you can self-assess current practices and identify possible actions for project proposals.

Consulting with Landcare and bush regeneration professionals is also a great idea if you are unsure about how to identify priority projects and conservation values on your property.

The Rural Landholder Initiative EOI is a great way to access funds for works to improve your property's biodiversity, habitat and water quality, which can in turn enhance farm health and productivity.

**Expressions of interest are open until 25 January 2018.**



**HEALTHY LAND AND WATERWAYS**

**All the information you need is available on our website at [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au).**

**Go to the green 'Environment & Sustainability' tab and click on Rural Landholder Initiative.**



# COUNCIL DECIDES...

At the October 2017 meeting, Council decisions included the following:

- Council resolved (7/4) to investigate locations in the CBD that could facilitate free all-day motorcycle parking in off street/footpath areas. Potential sites will be brought back to Council before implementation.
- Council resolved (unanimous) to actively seek expressions of interest from 'tiny' housing providers as part of the affordable housing mix for the proposed Building Better Regional Cities Expression of Interest. Council is currently working on a process that will see public expressions of interest sought for projects/partnerships to allocate \$3.3 million in funds unspent from the Building Better Regional Cities fund.
- Council resolved (unanimous) to continue to work with and support Jarjum Preschool with their proposal to relocate the preschool to Clifford Park. Council will determine a land value for a piece of land at Clifford Park to sell to Jarjum and negotiate with the preschool about what financial assistance they require towards the preschool relocation project. A further report will be prepared for Council to consider the level and type of financial support required for the development.
- Council adopted an Urgency Motion on the evening in relation to roadwork tenders and the employment of contractors who are also involved in the construction of the Adani Carmichael coal mine. Council resolved (7/4) in relation to tender No. 17.32 'Civil Construction Works' to include additional selection criteria, being disclosure of any involvement in providing services to, or contracting for, the development and operation of the Carmichael mine. Council further resolved that in order to provide guidance to staff for future procurement, Council considers a policy position on trading with entities that provide services to the Carmichael mine and new fossil fuel entities. This will be done in a workshop to be held as soon as possible followed by a formal resolution of Council.
- Council resolved (9/2) to accept a tender from Swimplex Aquatics Pty Ltd for tender T2017-28 Lismore Memorial Baths Flood Repairs Enabling Works to the value of \$448,576. Council also resolved to provide additional funding of \$112,500 to facilitate flood proofing of the electrical and monitoring equipment at the Lismore Memorial Baths.

**A full list of Council resolutions is available in the Business Paper section of our website at [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au).**

# OAKES OVAL UPGRADE BEGINS

Work has now begun on the \$3 million upgrade of Lismore's Oakes Oval in order to have the redevelopment complete before the 2018 AFL season.

The Oakes Oval redevelopment includes new grandstands, expanding the on-field playing area to boost spectator capacity and make it suitable for AFL games, replacing the change-rooms, and installing a new electronic scoreboard.

The Federal Government has contributed \$1.4 million to the project, with AFL Queensland, Lismore City Council, Lismore Swans AFL and NSW Cricket matching the funds in cash or in kind.

The upgrade make Oakes Oval the premier sports facility in northern NSW, capable of hosting premiership AFL, rugby league, soccer, and rugby union matches. AFL peak bodies have already identified Oakes Oval as a potential venue for high-level events.

"Every building or construction project represents dollars flowing back into our city, and it could not come at a better time following the flood earlier this year," General Manager Gary Murphy said.

"The Oakes Oval redevelopment is not only great news for Lismore's reputation as a regional sporting centre and a win for local sports fans, but it is also another important stepping stone in our rebuilding.

"Combined with other developments such as the new Lismore Regional Gallery and Quadrangle, Lismore will see a significant increase in visitors, which is great news for local business."



# MEMORIAL BATHS REMAIN CLOSED FOR FLOOD REPAIRS

Council last week awarded the tender for flood repair works at the Lismore Memorial Baths and is hoping to reopen the facility in time for Christmas.

The Memorial Baths was severely damaged in the March flood with an estimated \$1 million in damage to the pump and filtration system.

Manager Major Recreation and Cultural Facilities Tony Duffy said Council had planned to open the pool in August this year, extending the normal swimming season, but unfortunately the flood spoiled those plans.

“The flood damage at the Baths was significant, with the entire pump system destroyed as well as lots of other minor damage to infrastructure,” Tony explained.

“We have been working to fix the seating, café and other minor works, and now that the tender is approved we can get to work on the pump system. We will also put in place important flood mitigation measures to prevent such a significant loss in future floods.

“We apologise to our local swimming community and families – we know it’s been a long process and that on hot days people really want to use their local pool. For that we can only apologise. We are working as fast as we can.”

People are encouraged to use the Goonellabah Sports & Aquatic Centre facility until the Memorial Baths can reopen. Council is hopeful of opening before Christmas but will announce a firm date closer to the time.



# NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR 2018 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

Council is calling for nominations for the 2018 Australia Day Awards.



General Manager Gary Murphy said the awards were designed to recognise people who contributed to Lismore, Nimbin and surrounding village communities in some way, had a history of volunteering or excelled in their field of endeavour.

“Australia Day Awards give us a chance to single out people in our community who make a difference to the lives of others or achieve exceptional things in their profession or field,” Gary said.

“If you know someone who is passionate, talented or works tirelessly in our community, I encourage you to nominate them.”

Gary said often the only way for Council to hear about the extraordinary achievements of ordinary citizens is for a colleague, friend or family member to nominate them.

“Inevitably, people who deserve reward never seek it, so we need your help to find the wonderful local people doing good deeds or achieving great things in our community,” Gary said.

“It only takes 5-10 minutes to complete an online nomination, and it brings great joy to watch hard-working people receive a little of the recognition they deserve.”

Nominations are now open in the following categories: Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Aboriginal Citizen of the Year, Services in Community (Individual), Services in Community (Group), Sportsperson (Senior), Sportsperson (Junior), Sports (Team/Group/Organisation), Sustainable Environment and Art/Cultural.

**Nominations close on Friday, 15 December 2017. Council only accepts online nominations. Please visit [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au) to apply.**



# 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.

**05/928-2 22 Belbourie Crescent, Boat Harbour:** Section 96(1A) modification to include reference to the enclosed floor plan design as to acknowledge the unauthorised ground floor alterations and additions.

**09/145-2 805 Ballina Road, Goonellabah:** Section 96(1) application to modify the description of the development to make reference to the proposed shed demolition occurring in Stage 1, modify Condition No. 1 (staging) and Condition No. 44 (erosion and sediment control in Stage 1).

**17/117 35 Sibley Street, Nimbin:** To undertake a change of use of an existing shed to a vehicle repair station (one work bay) and the associated construction of five on-site parking spaces and associated landscaping and civil works.

**17/251 186 Wilson Street, South Lismore:** Extension to an existing industrial building (for use as a dance studio) and internal driveway, and relocation of three on-site car parking spaces.

**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).**

# DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

## ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

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

**DA NUMBER:** 17/332

**LOCATION AND DP LOT:** 22 Cook Street, South Lismore (Lot 2 DP 1110641).

**APPLICANT:** Newton Denny Chapelle.

**DESCRIPTION:** Subdivision to create one additional allotment and the development of two industrial buildings (with one building on each allotment) with one being used for a depot and the other a general industry.

**CLOSING DATE:** 8 November 2017.

**DA NUMBER:** 90/341-05

**LOCATION AND DP LOT:** 550 Nimbin Road, Blakebrook (Lot 201 DP 1227138).

**APPLICANT:** Newton Denny Chapelle.

**DESCRIPTION:** Development consent 1990/341 approved a bitumous hotmix (asphalt) plant on the subject land. The Section 96(2) application seeks to modify development consent 1990/341 to enable the permanent relocation of the asphalt plant to the location approved on a temporary basis in 2015 and to enable the installation of an alternate mobile asphalt plant from that approved on a temporary basis in 2015. **Note:** *If the Section 96(2) application is approved there is no right of appeal to the Land and Environment Court by any objector.*

**CLOSING DATE:** 8 November 2017.

**The above development applications and Statement of Environmental Effects may be inspected at our Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, or via DA Tracking at [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://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](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au).**

## ON PUBLIC EXHIBITION

### ANNUAL COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME POLICY

A revised Annual Community Grants Scheme Policy is on public exhibition from 25 October to 24 November 2017.

The Annual Community Grants Scheme has been running for three years, replacing the Section 356 Donations scheme in order to simplify applications and move to a more transparent and competitive process.

Council recently conducted a review of the policy and process to ensure it reflects best-practice and a number of improvements have now been made.

The amended Annual Community Grants Scheme Policy may be viewed at Council's Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, or on our website at [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au) under the 'On Public Exhibition' link.

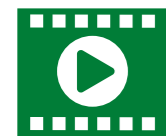
Submissions outlining grounds of objection or support can be made online, emailed to [council@lismore.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@lismore.nsw.gov.au) or sent to the General Manager, Lismore City Council, PO Box 23A, Lismore, NSW 2480.

**For enquiries, please contact Council's Partnering and Community Engagement Officer Kath Parry on 1300 87 83 87.**

**Submissions must be received by Friday, 24 November 2017.**



# NIMBIN YOUTH FILM FESTIVAL 2017



**Organisers of the annual Nimbin Youth Film Festival are calling for entries from talented young filmmakers.**

The festival aims to encourage and empower young people to tell their stories via the powerful medium of film, and provides an opportunity for young voices to be showcased to the broader community.

All young people aged up to 24 are eligible to enter the competition and have their films shown on the big screen. There will be two age sections in this year's festival – the 0-18 category and a 19-24 category, both with cash prizes to be won.

There is also a new \$500 Party Safe Award for the film with the best message about partying safe around alcohol and minimising harm, plus a \$400 Sustainability Award for the best film with a sustainability theme.

Entries are accepted from residents within the Lismore, Tweed, Byron, Kyogle, Ballina, Richmond Valley and Clarence Valley local government areas.

Films can be made on any video device from an iPhone, DSLR camera or GoPro to high-end video cameras. The judges are much more interested in the stories being told than technical perfection.

Nimbin Youth Film Festival is keen to promote collaboration, team work and interaction between different generations. Young people are encouraged to get support from parents, friends, schools and older filmmakers. As long as the vision for the film comes from young people and they are the drivers/directors, then the film can be entered. Whole crews are also invited to enter.

The festival screening and awards ceremony will be held at a pop-up cinema in Nimbin Town Hall at 2pm on Saturday, 2 December.

Check out the Nimbin Youth Film Festival Facebook page to find links to previous films at [www.facebook.com/nimbinyouthfilmfestival](http://www.facebook.com/nimbinyouthfilmfestival). Past films can also be found on YouTube by searching Nimbin Youth Film Festival.

Entries close on 17 November at 4pm and entry is free. For further details and entry forms visit [www.nimbinyouthfilmfestival.com](http://www.nimbinyouthfilmfestival.com).



# MEETINGS AND BRIEFINGS

## 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, 7 November the agenda includes:** September Quarterly Budget Review Statement, plant tenders and groundwater extraction and on-site bottling in the rural area. Held in the Council Chambers from 6pm.

**On Tuesday, 21 November the agenda includes:** Cycling Towns grants, Waste & Resource Recovery Strategy, Optimised Decision Making (ODM) model for roads and planning proposals. Held in the Council Chambers from 6.30pm.

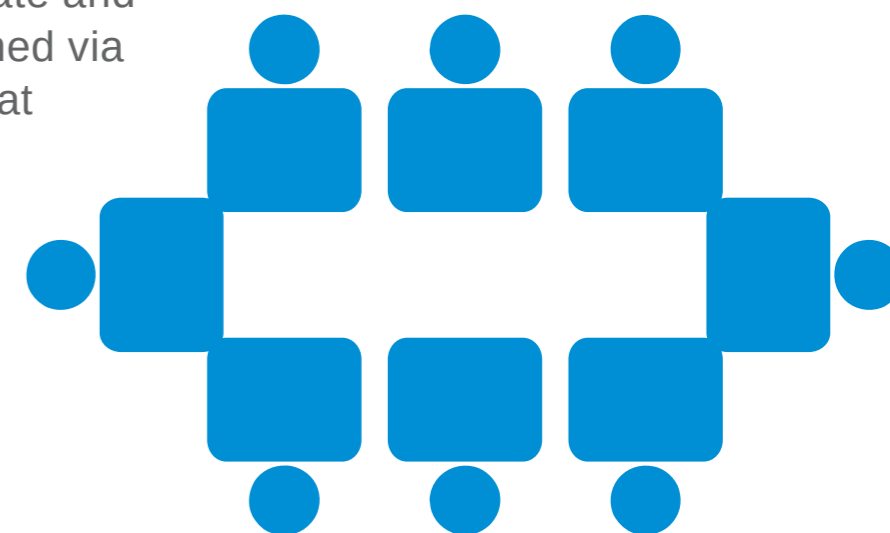
**On Tuesday, 28 November the agenda includes:** Fossil fuel investments and economic development. Held in the Council Chambers from 6pm.

## COUNCIL MEETINGS

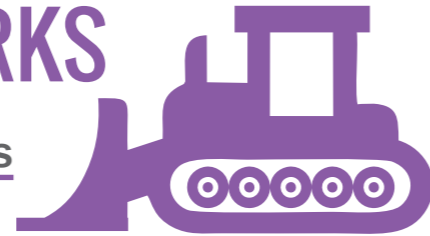
The next ordinary meeting of Council is on Tuesday, 14 November from 6pm in the Council Chambers.

The agenda is placed on our website under Business Papers about one week prior to the meeting date and meetings can be live streamed via our meeting webcasts page at [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au).

**For more information or to book in for public access, phone Michella Wade on 1300 87 83 87.**



# TRAFFIC ALERTS: ROADWORKS



Please be aware of the following roadworks in your travels about town.

## **Wyrallah Road – Oliver Street to Rosedale Square, East Lismore** *(fixing the road)*

We are starting to fix this section of road after replacing the water main a few months ago. Firstly we will upgrade road drainage here over the next month under 'stop-go' traffic control.

Once we have finished these drainage works, we will temporarily close this section of Wyrallah Road for three months except for local traffic to adjoining houses.

The temporary closure will be during work hours only and a detour will be in place using Dalley and Dibbs streets. This upcoming road closure will allow us to complete the works in the shortest time possible and reduce the impact of through traffic on the road while it's being fixed. We will use onsite message trailers to keep you updated.

## **Conway Street, CBD – between Keen Street and Molesworth Street** *(water main)*

We have begun to replace an ageing water main to allow us to fix the road next year. We are starting at the Keen Street end and will temporarily close the parking lanes along Conway Street between Carrington and Keen streets over the next three weeks. Some travel lane disruptions can also be expected under 'stop-go' traffic control.

We will then move on to replacing the water main along Conway Street between its Carrington and Molesworth Street intersections. This will require temporary closure of the westbound travel and parking lane first, followed by the northbound lane. Detours will be via Carrington Street. We will keep you and adjoining businesses updated as traffic control changes.

**We apologise for these traffic disruptions and appreciate your patience while travelling through our roadworks.**

# POSITIONS VACANT

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.

Please find below our latest employment opportunities:

Position	Salary	Closing Date
Treatment Trade Operator	\$1,010.00 to \$1,161.50 per week plus super	27 October at 5pm
Design Officer	\$1,091.90 to \$1,255.69 per week plus super	27 October at 4pm

**Detailed information packages are available on our website at [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au).**

# YOUR COVER

Brett Adlington has been the Lismore Regional Gallery Director for eight years. Part of his appointment was to help achieve a new gallery for the city, and this Saturday he will MC the grand opening of the new \$5.8 million Lismore Regional Gallery and Quadrangle precinct.

“The gallery and Quadrangle project has created a new gathering place for Lismore... seeing the level of activity in the space already is amazing. People come to eat, sit, kick a ball around, enjoy events... it's got a really lovely community feel. When the gallery opens it will transform the space even further. I feel like the new gallery signifies a boost that we really need after the flood... it says to the world that we are not a stagnant city and we are growing and modernising.”

Full details of the opening inside.







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