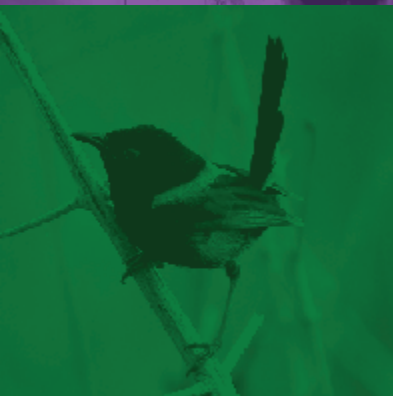




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# NEW GYM PROGRAM GETS KIDS TO POWER OFF AND SWITCH ON

A new program being offered at SWITCH 24-hour Gym is designed to get kids off their screens and into the gym to improve their physical and emotional wellbeing.

*Power Off and SWITCH On!* is aimed at young people aged 13-16 years. Qualified fitness instructors will supervise the program on the gym floor and allow participants the freedom to try different workouts and exercise equipment.

Staff from SWITCH 24-hour Gym at Goonellabah Sports & Aquatic Centre developed the program following a staff meeting where parents voiced their frustration at the increased screen time and lack of physical activity in the lives of their teenagers.

“We wanted to provide a supervised environment where young people can socialise and bond over exercise, and also try different equipment and activities to see what works for them and what they enjoy,” Gym Manager Roberta O’Brien said.

“Young people are becoming increasingly sedentary but we know from experience that group activities work and young people soon get involved and engaged in what they are doing.

“For kids who don’t necessarily have a sporting code they are part of, this is a great way to join a team and have fun, without the need for any specific skills or athletic talent.

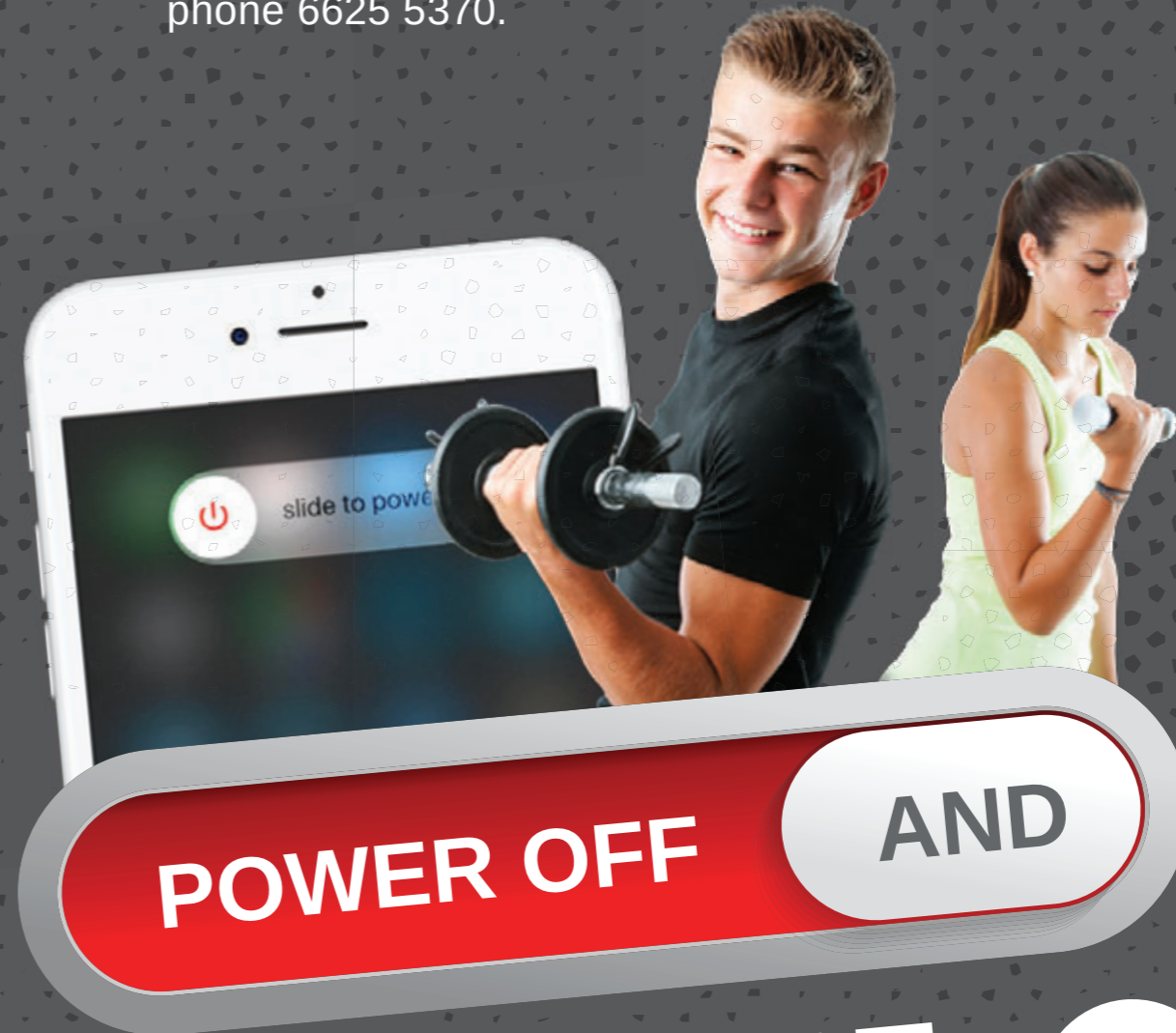
“The idea of *Power Off and SWITCH On!* is to get young people doing some much-needed exercise and help reduce anxiety, boost confidence and wellbeing, and promote active living as young teenagers become young adults.”

The *Power Off and SWITCH On!* program includes a one-on-one assessment, development of a

specialised program that can be changed to suit the young person, and supervision/monitoring by qualified staff.

*Power Off and SWITCH On!* will be held three times per week: Tuesday and Thursday from 3.30pm–5.30pm and Saturday from 9am–11am.

Three, six and 12-month memberships are available, starting from as little as \$12.50 per week For more information or to sign up, phone 6625 5370.



# SWITCH On!



# NEW GM BRINGS FINANCE AND BUSINESS EXPERIENCE

## Shelley Oldham has been appointed the new General Manager of Lismore City Council.

Shelley has previously worked for almost a decade as the Senior Vice President and Head of Public Sector at Capgemini. In this role, she was responsible for the design and delivery of solutions that assist governments in Australia to be more effective and efficient.

She was also the Director of Strategy at the Department of Treasury and Finance in Victoria and has broad experience working in government transformation, stakeholder management and strategy.

“Shelley was selected from more than 120 applicants from the local government, state government and private sectors across Australia and New Zealand. We are privileged that such a high-calibre candidate has applied and accepted the role of General Manager,” Lismore Mayor Isaac Smith said.

“Shelley brings with her a wealth of experience in finance and business in both the government and private sector. We are facing some tough decisions ahead financially and this Council is also very keen to increase our focus on economic development, so she seemed like an excellent fit to guide us into the future.

**“Having someone with Shelley’s capabilities at the helm is exactly what we need to grow Lismore’s prosperity.”**

The Mayor said it was a change for Council to appoint a General Manager from outside the local government sector and believes Shelley’s objectivity will help Council improve processes and efficiency.

“We felt her toolbox of skills is exactly what we needed in a leader to become financially sustainable and as efficient as possible,” Isaac said.

“We are very excited to welcome Shelley to our team and we are eager to see how she can shape and transform our organisation into the future.”

Shelley Oldham started in her new role on Monday, 8 October.





# COUNCIL DECIDES...

**At the 9 October ordinary meeting, Council decisions included the following:**

## **On Public Exhibition – Busking Permit Fees**

Council resolved (unanimous with two absent) to place on public exhibition for 28 days proposed changes to busking permit fees as stated within Council's adopted Fees and Charges.

The proposed change is to amend the current permit application fee of \$60 for a 12-month approval period to \$50 for a two-year approval period. The proposal will also introduce an interim permit approval (valid for 21 days) to enable busking to take place while the formal application is being processed.

Following the exhibition period and upon adoption by Council the amended permit framework will be applied retrospectively to applications approved by Council from 1 July 2018.

People are welcome to make submissions online at [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au) via the 'Your Say Lismore' community consultation portal. Submissions can also be 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.

Submissions must be received by 20 November 2018. For more information, phone Matt Kelly on 1300 87 83 87.

## **Financial Assistance for CBD Businesses**

Council resolved (6/3 with two absent) to provide financial assistance to Business – Inner CBD ratepayers totalling \$246,400 on a proportionate basis (individual Business – Inner CBD rates as a percentage of total Business – Inner CBD rates for 2018/19) and that \$96,400 of the Special Rate Variation promotion levy program funds to be collected in 2018/19 be included in the total amount.

## **Procurement Policy Amendments**

Council resolved (6/3 in favour with two absent) to place on public exhibition for 28 days an amended Procurement Policy.

Council's current Procurement Policy includes both strategic (business vision) and operational (the actual doing) processes. The proposed amendments include removing detailed references to legislation and operations processes from the policy as these are included in our Procurement Guidelines.

The amendments can 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) via the 'Your Say Lismore' community consultation portal.

Submissions 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.

Submissions must be received by 20 November 2018.

**All relevant business papers, minutes and live webcasts can be found at [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au).**

# UPCOMING MEETINGS AND BRIEFINGS

**The next ordinary meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday, 13 November from 6pm in the Council Chambers.**

Members of the public can book to speak in at the beginning of the meeting, on any agenda item, for three minutes. People may also request an AUSLAN interpreter should this be required.

**For bookings or information, phone Michella Wade on 1300 87 83 87.**





# KEEN STREET FOOTPATH UPGRADE IN 2019

We will be upgrading footpaths on both sides of Keen Street (between Magellan and Woodlark Streets) from early January.

The project will involve pulling out the current concrete footpath and laying down new services and then replacing with pavers, similar to those on the Woodlark Street crossing.

Council had previously planned to fix several footpaths around the CBD block, but has now made the decision to fix both sides of Keen Street as this is becoming a major thoroughfare in Lismore with people visiting the new Lismore Regional Gallery and The Quad.

## Will the footpaths be closed?

No, there will be pedestrian access to both sides of Keen Street while work is being completed. The work will be completed in stages to minimise disruptions.

## How will businesses/shopping be impacted?

There will be times when it won't be possible to access a business, however this will be for a very short time (four hours max). Please continue shopping at these businesses during the works!

## How much will this cost and how long will it take?

The project will cost \$1.3 million and take 10 weeks. This is why it is so important for people to continue shopping in Keen Street. Businesses need your support and patronage during this time. The project timeline could increase due to wet weather or disturbing a service line.

**For more information visit or subscribe to receive updates about this project at [www.yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au) or phone Partnering & Community Engagement Officer Flora Zigterman on 1300 87 83 87.**

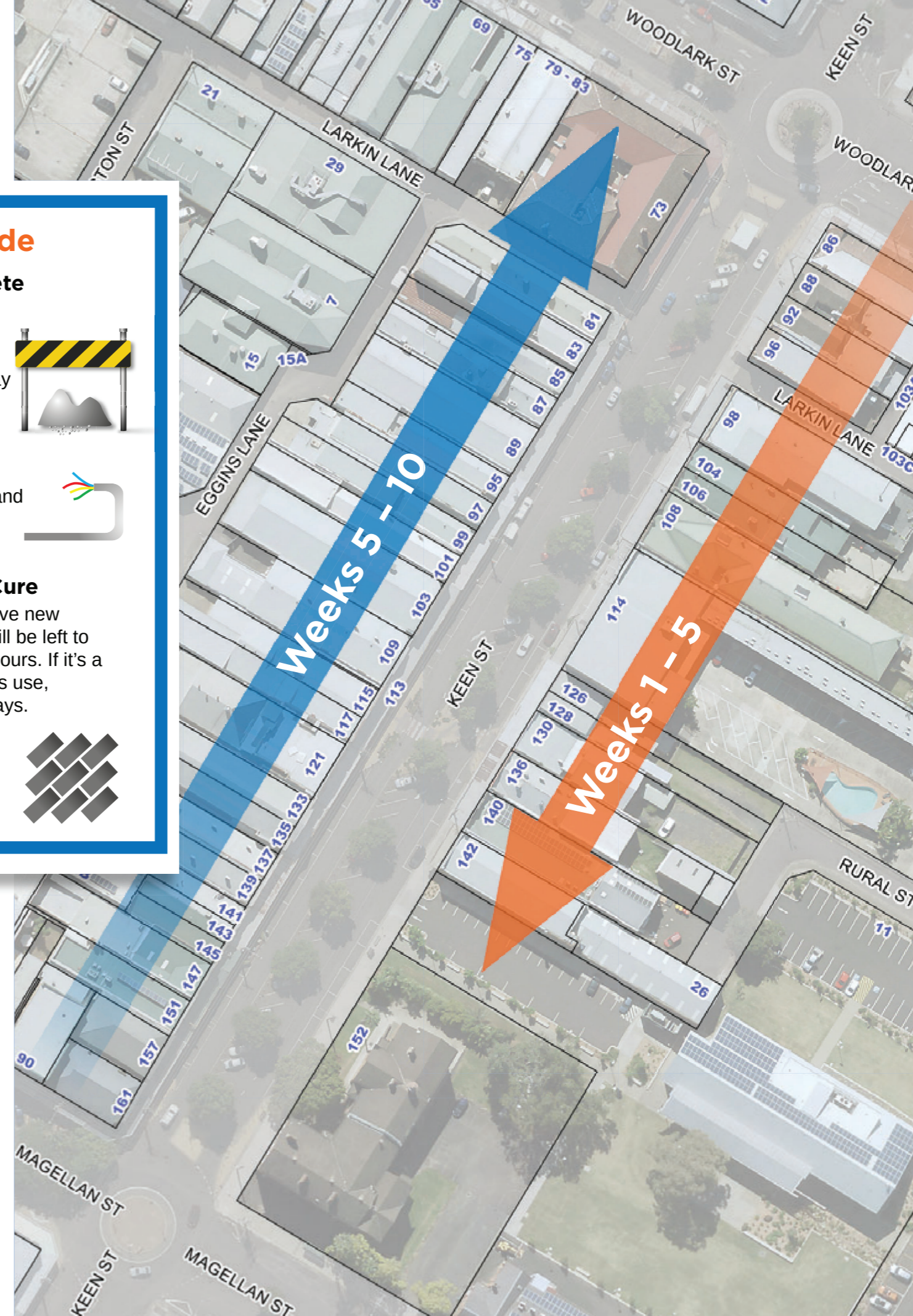
### Footpath Upgrade

**Step one** **Remove concrete**  
Concrete sawing will create a water/cement slurry that will be pumped away as required by a vacuum truck.

**Step two** **Install services**  
Excavate footpath and lay water services and conduit cables.

**Step three** **Concrete and Cure**  
The footpath will have new concrete laid and will be left to sit (or cure) for 24 hours. If it's a surface that vehicles use, it will cure for 4-7 days.

**Step four** **Paving**  
New pavers will be laid on top.





# 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.

**14/385-2 86 Diadem Street, Lismore:** Section 96(1A) application to modify consent to: (a) amend the site plans and floor plan to primarily add a fourth consulting room and reconfigure the parking area; (b) amend condition 3 to reflect the ability of consulting rooms to be used by no more than two full-time equivalent medical practitioners at any one time; (c) amend condition 4 so as to provide for retention of the southern boundary fence; and (d) amend condition 33 to remove requirement for a water tank.

**17/153-2 22 Alhadale Road, Lindendale:** Section 96(1A) modification of condition 3 to relocate existing shed within the approved biological buffer zone and placement of firefighting tank adjacent to shed.

**18/195-2 11 Newhaven Drive, Goonellabah:** Section 4.55(1A) modification to extend retaining walls.

**18/227 110 Cullen Street, Nimbin:** To use a prefabricated building as a dwelling.

**18/257 34 Union Street, South Lismore:** Change of use of a building to a recreational facility (indoor).

**18/289 115 Arkinstall Road, Tuntable Creek:** Additions and alterations to existing dwelling and new shed.

**18/307 3 Eleanor Place, Boat Harbour:** Dwelling.

**18/325 4 Donaghue Street, Dunoon:** Demolish existing carport and garden sheds and replace with a new continuous shed and attached awning.

**18/330 394 Skyline Road, Goonellabah:** Inground swimming pool.

**18/333 390 Rous Road, Tregeagle:** Inground swimming pool.

**18/349 119 Valley View Drive, Lismore Heights:** Dwelling alterations and additions (enclosing eastern side of existing verandah to create a sun room).

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).

# SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018

Notice is hereby given that at the Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, 13 November 2018, the Audited Financial Reports and the Auditor's Report for the period ended 30 June 2018 will be presented to the public.

A summary of the financial reports is outlined below.

Item	2017/18 (\$,000)	2016/17 (\$,000)
<b>Income Statement</b>		
Total income from continuing operations	126,001	120,957
Total expenses from continuing operations	110,264	102,225
Operating result from continuing operations	15,737	18,732
Net operating result for the year	15,737	18,732
Net operating result before grants and contributions provided for capital purposes	(1,862)	4,502
<b>Statement of Financial Position</b>		
Total current assets	75,307	84,529
Total current liabilities	(22,440)	(24,739)
Total non-current assets	1,398,333	1,340,868
Total non-current liabilities	(64,846)	(67,777)
Total equity	1,386,354	1,332,881
<b>Other Financial Information</b>		
Operating Performance Ratio	1.44%	6.54%
Own Source Operating Revenue Ratio	71.36%	74.36%
Unrestricted Current Ratio	1.37x	1.50x
Debt Service Cover Ratio	3.41x	4.03x
Rates, Annual Charges, Interest & Extra Charges Outstanding Percentage	9.02%	10.50%
Cash Expense Cover Ratio	7.46 mths	9.07 mths
Building, Infrastructure & Other Structures Renewal Ratio	74.14%	114.76%
Infrastructure Backlog Ratio	13.45%	19.95%
Asset Maintenance Ratio	92.64%	93.00%
External Borrowings	67,338	70,172
Internal Borrowings	3,702	5,461

In accordance with Section 420 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, any person may make a submission to Council with respect to the Audited Financial Reports or the Auditor's Report for the year ended 30 June 2018. Submissions close on Tuesday, 20 November 2018 at 4.30pm.

The audited reports can 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) via the 'Your Say Lismore' community consultation portal. Submissions 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, phone John Hartley or Amanda Binney on 1300 87 83 87.



# CHANGES TO ROADS AND ROAD NAMING

## Road closures

In accordance with Section 38B of the *Roads Act 1993*, notice is given of the undermentioned proposals to close Council roads.

- Road reserve adjoining 35 and 93 Frame Road, South Gundurimba.
- Road reserve adjoining 102 and 200 Eureka Drive, Rosebank.
- Unformed pathway between 63 and 65 Fig Tree Drive, Goonellabah.

Upon closure of these roads, Council intends to sell the lands to the respective adjoining landowner.

## Proposed road names

In accordance with Section 162 of the *Roads Act 1993*, notice is given of the undermentioned proposed road names:

**Walton Drive** – new road created within subdivision of 171 Wilson Street, South Lismore.

**Angela Place** – road located within 32 Barham Street, East Lismore.

Interested persons are invited to make written submissions concerning the road closing and naming proposals to the General Manager, PO Box 23A, Lismore, NSW, 2480 by 21 November 2018. For more information phone our Property and Legal Services team on 1300 87 83 87.

## New road names

In accordance with Section 162 of the *Roads Act 1993*, notice is given of the undermentioned officially named roads:

**Waynes Place** – road located within 40 Three Chain Road, South Lismore.

**Tranquil Court** – new road created within subdivision of 198 Gungas Road, Nimbin.



# DISPOSE OF HOUSEHOLD PROBLEM WASTE FOR FREE

The Lismore Community Recycling Centre is open year-round so people can dispose of paint, gas bottles and fire extinguishers, oil, batteries and fluoro lights.

Drop-off is free for household quantities with a maximum 20kg/20-litre limit for each material. People can bring a maximum of 15 household fluoro lights after which a fee applies. Fees also apply for commercial items or quantities.

“Most people have these problem waste items stored in their garages or homes... they can pose a danger to household members and the environment as they start to age and breakdown and need to be disposed of appropriately,” North East Waste’s Community Recycling Centre Project Coordinator Karen Rudkin said.

“Paint is the most common item dropped off at the centres. It’s either sold on at the tip shop for reuse or collected, mixed with other waste solvents and used as an alternative to fuel in cement kilns. The metal paint containers are then recycled. This is just one example of how the centre provides a long-term solution for disposing of problem waste and helps improve recycling and reuse rates.”

The Lismore Community Recycling Centre is located at the Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre on Wyrallah Road and is open Monday to Friday from 7am to 4pm and Saturday and Sunday from 9am to 4pm.

Please remember the household quantity limits and only bring up to 20kg or 20 litres for free drop-off.

*The Community Recycling Centres are operated by Council in partnership with the EPA. They are supported by the Environmental Trust as part of the EPA’s ‘Waste Less, Recycle More’ initiative funded from the NSW waste levy.*





# NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR SISTER CITY ADVISORY PANEL

## We are calling for expressions of interest to join our Sister City Advisory Panel.

The panel oversees and provides guidance on key aspects of Council's cultural relationships, from student exchange programs to cross-cultural visits and events.

Lismore has the following cultural relationships with other cities around the world:

- Sister city relationship with Yamato Takada, Japan. Commenced 7 August 1963 and was the first sister city relationship forged between Australia and Japan.
- Twin relationship with Makassar, Indonesia. Commenced 18 September 1981.
- Mutual Friendship Declaration with Conegliano and Vittorio Veneto, Italy. Commenced 10 June 1991.
- Sister city relationship with Lismore, Ireland. Commenced 31 October 2000.
- Sister city relationship with Eau Claire, USA. Commenced 23 January 2001.

Members of the Sister City Advisory Panel meet once a month and are committed to ensuring these relationships continue to grow and develop.

"Lismore's sister city and cultural relationships have grown organically over the years," Panel Chairperson and Councillor Neil Marks said.

"Our sister city relationship with Yamato Takada was historically significant, being the first of its kind between Australia and Japan, and this has remained a very strong bond that we actively nurture.

"With others we still share a close connection – we have a Friendship Festival each year in Lismore that celebrates our friendship with Conegliano and Vittorio Veneto in Italy, and if you visited Eau Claire in Wisconsin, you'd find the Lismore Hotel with its *Northern Star* wallpaper.

"We are looking for people to join the Sister City Advisory Panel who understand the importance of these cultural relationships and who can bring energy and creativity to the table."

**Interested people need to complete the expression of interest form at [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au) by 2 November 2018.**

**For more information, phone Michella Wade on 1300 87 83 87.**

# BUSH REGEN TENDER

## T2018/22: Bush Regeneration Services 2018

Council is inviting submissions for bush regeneration services. This tender is for an 'approved supplier panel' of providers for project works that may be carried out on numerous projects over the next two years. The contract is for two years with an option for an additional two years.

Tender submissions are due by 2pm on Thursday, 22 November 2018.

Interested parties are required to register at Council's eProcurement portal [www.tenderlink.com/lismore](http://www.tenderlink.com/lismore) to access relevant documents. Submissions may also be lodged at this site in the electronic tender box. All tender schedules must be completed for submission of a conforming tender.

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



## YOUR COVER

### This week we wanted to highlight that our Northern Rivers Compost (made from food and garden waste) is once again for sale at the Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre.

As some of you may be aware, we have not had compost for sale for several weeks. We know it has been an inconvenience and we'd like to thank you for your patience.

We are now back in business and compost is available for \$5 a bag (15kg), \$35 per trailer load or \$28 per cubic metre for orders over 10m<sup>3</sup>. Bulk delivery is available and we also have courtesy trailers available for hire.

PS: We have had some enquiries and questions about last fortnight's cover – the absolutely beautiful artwork of two wompoo fruit doves. It was very remiss of us not to mention the artist – the incredibly talented Katherine Castle. Thanks to those who have expressed their appreciation for this artwork and to those who were looking out for the interests of local artists!





CONTACT US:  
**1300 87 83 87**

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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