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Recycling Myths & Facts



In this second article in our recycling series, we are looking at soft plastics.

Lismore City Council can no longer accept soft plastics in our recycling bins, but you can still recycle soft plastics at major supermarkets.

Woolworths and Coles both have REDcycle collection points at the front of their stores.

Soft plastics make up a huge amount of household waste. We encourage all residents to keep recycling soft plastics. Simply fill up a plastic bag and drop it off at your nearest REDcycle collection point when you go shopping.

People often ask what are soft plastics? Essentially it's a soft plastic that can be scrunched up into a ball such as bread bags, biscuit packet wrappers, pasta and rice bags, frozen food bags, confectionary bags, plastic shopping bags and cereal box liners. For more information and a comprehensive list of soft plastics you can drop off at major supermarkets, visit www.redcycle.net.au.

► **Why doesn't Council just keep recycling soft plastics?**

We often get asked this question.

Unfortunately there are no processors in Australia that will accept our soft plastics for recycling and we can no longer send materials to China.

Australian manufacturer Replas recycles the soft plastics collected at major supermarkets via the REDcycle collection points. We asked Replas

Do the scrunch test!



If it CAN'T be scrunched into a ball it is hard plastic and cannot be recycled via REDcycle.

Put it in your yellow recycling bin (clean, loose and nothing smaller than a credit card).



If it CAN be scrunched into a ball it is soft plastic and can be placed in a REDcycle drop off bin.

if they would take our soft plastics but they didn't want any more supply until there is more demand from shoppers for goods made from recycled plastic. So, the only way to recycle soft plastics now is via the REDcycle collection points.

Next fortnight we will look at hard plastics.

If you have a recycling question, call us on 1300 87 83 87 or go to <https://yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au/recycle-right>, or you can pick up a free fridge magnet at your local library or our Corporate Centre in Goonellabah to learn what goes in each bin.

THE LANTERN PARADE IS SET TO LIGHT UP LISMORE ON THEIR 25TH BIRTHDAY

The Lismore Lantern Parade celebrates 25 years of lighting up the night on the winter solstice.

Three days of festivities get underway from Friday, 21 June with a Gala Concert at City Hall featuring Moorambilla Voices, the teenage ensemble Maxed Out, Taiko drummers, participants from the Lismore Schools' Festival Choir, the Northern Rivers Youth Jazz Ensemble and Young Songwriter Freya Cotterill. Tickets are available from the NORPA ticket office or at lanternparade.com

On Saturday, 22 June things kick off with the KidsArtFest in The Quad from 10am. There are festivities throughout the day across the CBD including The Creative Way – a series of performances and displays on all day throughout the Back Alley Gallery, plus market stalls, a photographic exhibition at the gallery, the inaugural Buskers' Festival in Magellan Street and music all day on the Heartbeat Stage at The Quad.

The parade will leave Market Street at 5.30pm, culminating with the Fiery Finale in Fredericks Car Park. This is a ticketed event with grandstand seating and big screen displays. Tickets are available from

www.lanternparade.com.

If you after a fine dining experience, there is a new ticketed event called the Lantern Banquet that includes a three course meal plus beer or bubbles that will be held in a crystal clear marquee lit by lanterns on the gallery lawns.

The theme this year is Rivers of Light and at dusk on Sunday, 23 June, a flotilla of lantern lit kayaks and canoes will make their way down the river from the Ballina Street bridge to the Winsome Hotel, celebrating the birthplace of the Lantern Parade 25 years ago.



Lantern Parade director Jyllie Jackson at the 25th birthday launch.

TANTALISE YOUR INNER ITALIAN AT THIS YEAR'S LISMORE FRIENDSHIP FESTIVAL - PIAZZA IN THE PARK.

The community celebration recognises the contribution Italian settlers have made to the region and will bring Italian food, wine, music and other activities with a distinctive Italian twist to Spinks Park on Sunday, 23 June from 10am to 3pm.

Locals and visitors alike are invited to play a round of bocce, cheer on a team in the tug-o-war challenge, sing and dance along with the kids to the Curly Cousins, or join in a tarantella (folk dance) accompanied by Domenico and his Latin Mafia Band.

Drama teacher Antonio Mazzella will be encouraging people to dress up and get involved with the 'commedia dell'arte' which is an improvised comedy performance.

"The Park will be pumping," said festival manager and Lismore Citizen of the Year, Aliison Kelly. "People of all ages and stages will be able to sit and listen to the accordions or feast on fine fare at our food market stalls, share stories with visitors in a human history project in the CWA Rooms or take a few lessons in the Italian language."

Café and restaurants around the CBD are also participating by celebrating Italian food, wine and coffee on their menus throughout June as part of an Italian café Culture Trail.

There is also an Italian Film Festival screening at Birch, Carroll and Coyle on Saturday and Sunday, June 15-16. For full details of the all activities go to www.lismorefriendshipfestival.com.au.



BUDGET AND DRAFT DELIVERY PROGRAM ON PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Lismore City Council's draft Delivery Program (2017-21) and Operational Plan (2019/20 budget) are now on public exhibition and we are seeking community feedback.

The net operating result for the year is a \$3.066 million surplus. Excluding capital revenues (grants and developer contributions) the result is a \$(3.879) million deficit. A cash surplus of \$1.198 million has also been reported.

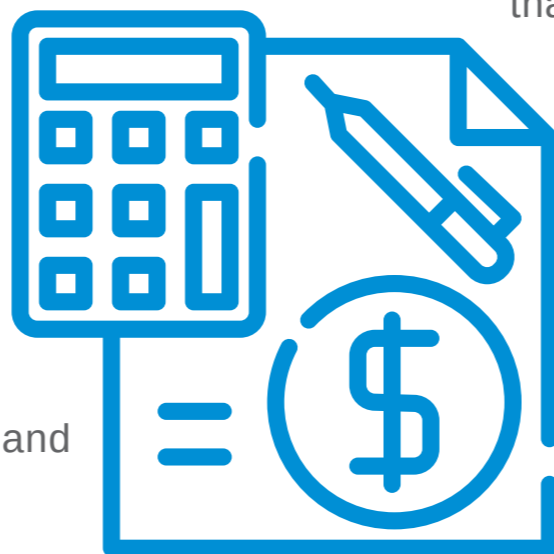
The 2019/20 budget is \$163.522 million, which includes \$44.2 million for roads and associated infrastructure, or 27% of the budget.

A total of \$34.17 million in acquisition of assets is included in the 2019/20 financial year. Some of the major projects include:

- \$10.69 million for new roads and associated activities;
- \$5.92 million on parks and recreation;
- \$4.48 million in wastewater infrastructure;
- \$4.28 million in water infrastructure;
- \$2.82 million for plant replacement;
- \$2.43 million for waste disposal – Landfill Cell 2;
- \$1.25 million for waste disposal – MRF, capping & planning; and
- \$1.23 million for Stormwater Management Services.

There have been some major changes required to provide a cash surplus. These changes include:

- the Roads Rehabilitation Program being reduced by \$1.129 million
- downscaling production at Blakebrook Quarry for at least twelve months, saving \$3.6 million
- the Drainage Reconstruction program has been reduced to \$nil (saving approximately \$200,000)
- no transfer of funds to reserve for Council's share of costs for Tucki Tucki Creek Acquisitions (saving approximately \$110,000) and
- Lismore Memorial Baths swim season reduced to 6 months, saving \$61,400 p.a.



The budget also outlines some minor changes to fees and charges.

This year's budget includes a general rate increase of 2.7% (rate peg) as well as increases to waste charges (1.8%), water charges (4.6%) and wastewater charges (1.8%). For the average residential property, rate bills will increase by \$99.54 to \$3,521.

The budget also includes provision for extensive community consultation about a special rate variation (SRV) that would allow Council to improve roads and footpaths, support business growth and provide better parks and facilities.

If the community is supportive of the SRV, it would be staged over three to five years from 2020/21.

The Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal of NSW (IPART) requires Council to advise the community that we will be entering into consultation about future rate increases. IPART also requires that prior to the consultation that we publish the full potential of any proposed rate increases.

Mayor Isaac Smith said it was important to have the conversation with the community about the level of service they expect from Council and how it is paid for.

“We have managed to turn a \$6 million deficit into a \$1.2 million surplus by making significant internal changes and savings without impacting upon our residents,” he said. “But if we want to grow our city, improve infrastructure and the quality of life of all residents, then we will need to increase revenue into the future.”

The SRV consultation would include a dedicated page on ‘Your Say’ Lismore, promotion of the consultation process, face to face workshops and information kiosks at local events and other workshops. Council proposes to undertake this consultation from August 2019.

The draft documents can be viewed at Council's Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, the Lismore and Goonellabah libraries, Nimbin Visitor Information Centre or online via the ‘Your Say Lismore’ community consultation portal at www.yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au. Submissions can be made online, emailed to 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 21 June 2019.

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.

DA13/305-04 29 Greenwood Drive, Goonellabah: Section 4.55(1A) modification to (a) rearrange the numbering of the Torrens Title lots so that the northern lot is known as Lot 2 and the southern lot is known as Lot 1 to enable the lot numbering to accord with the approved construction certificate drawings and the final plan of subdivision; (b) remove four (4) residential units (units 8-11) and associated strata subdivision from the development approval so as to result in a vacant Torrens Title Lot 2; (c) modify the staging of the development to enable the construction of the seven (7) residential units and associated strata subdivision within Torrens Title Lot 1 to be undertaken within Stage 2 of the development; and (d) remove Stage 3 from the consent notice as a result of the above actions in points 2 & 3.

DA17/356-02 72 and 76 Cullen Street, Nimbin: Stage 1 – The use of 2 (two) existing shipping containers for storage and an existing awning for parking on Lot 8 DP 5446 being 76 Cullen Street, and for the removal of seven palm trees from Lot 10 DP 5446 being 72 Cullen Street, Nimbin. Stage 2 – The construction of a third shipping container for storage and awning for parking on Lot 8 DP 5446 being 76 Cullen Street, Nimbin.

DA19/017 34 and 36 Union Street, South Lismore: Change of use to enable storage premises (Units 7 and 8) and Transport Depot (Units 11 and 12).

DA19/045 27 May Street, Dunoon: Inground swimming pool.

DA19/052 157 Magellan Street, Lismore: Change of use of an existing medical practice to a dwelling.

DA19/057 2739 Wyrallah Road, Buckendoon: Construction of a dam and use of fill to create a mound for future dwelling and shed.

DA19/078 59 Federation Drive, Eltham: To use an existing building as a secondary dwelling.

DA19/084 29 Just Street, Goonellabah: Dwelling and retaining walls with building line variation to 3.8m to Just Street.

DA19/090 9 Booyong Road, Clunes: Shed

DA19/109 180 Richmond Hill Road, Richmond Hill: The erection of a carport with a building line variation to 4.0m to Richmond Hill Road.

DA19/113 69 Cathcart Street, Girards Hill: Dwelling alterations to a heritage item.

DA19/118 21 Whispering Valley Drive, Richmond Hill: Two storey dwelling

DA19/126 18 Wade Street, East Lismore: Dwelling additions and alterations (two ensuites and laundry extension).

DA19/132 392 Richmond Hill Road, Richmond Hill: Erection of a shed

DA19/134 11 Wyrallah Road, Girards Hill: Removal of Blue Quandong tree in a Heritage Conservation Area.

DA19/136 37 Lomandra Avenue, Caniaba: Dwelling

DA19/138 3 Ewandale Close, Clunes: Inground swimming pool

DA19/145 25 Lomandra Avenue, Caniaba: Shed

Details of applications and consents, together with conditions attached, may be inspected at our Corporate Centre during business hours or via DA Tracking at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.

LISMORE DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN AMENDMENT No. 25 NOTIFICATION OF ADOPTION

Pursuant to clause 21 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000, notice is given that the Lismore Development Control Plan (DCP) Amendment No. 25 was adopted by Council at its Ordinary meeting of 14 May, 2019.

DCP Amendment No. 25 involves modifications to Part A Chapter 6 – Village, Large Lot Residential and Rural Subdivision. The amendment involves the inclusion of a new structure plan and associated clauses for land at Bexhill Village.

Further detail is contained in the DCP Amendment report presented at the ordinary meeting of Council on 14 May, 2019. Access to this report is obtained by following the 'Business Papers' link on Council's website at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au

Amendment No. 25 to the Lismore DCP comes into effect on Wednesday 5 June 2019.

The DCP can be viewed on Council's website at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au

TRAFFIC ALERT: ROADWORKS

Traffic controls are in place at the following roadworks:

LISMORE

Rotary Drive, Lismore (upgrading the footpath)

Rotary Drive will remain closed to eastbound traffic heading towards Goonellabah while we fix the footpath. Please detour via Dibbs Street and Ballina Road. Rotary Drive will remain open to westbound traffic heading into the CBD from its Ballina Road roundabout until works are completed by early July.

New Ballina Road, Lismore (fixing the road)

New Ballina Road remains temporarily closed while we fix Leicester Street between Diadem Street and Eric Place. Please detour via High Street or Ballina Road.

Larkin Lane, CBD (fixing the sewer)

Larkin Lane will remain temporarily closed to all traffic as we fix the wastewater main. Pedestrian access will be maintained to the adjoining businesses and arcades.

RURAL

Kyogle Rd, Tuncester (fixing the road)

Works may start shortly to fix another section of Kyogle Road west of Rosehill Road, Tuncester. Look for our onsite message trailer for a start date.

Dunoon Road south of Duncan Road, Dunoon (Black Spot roadworks)

Dunoon Road located 0.2km south of the Dunoon village remains under traffic control while we complete Black Spot funded traffic safety improvements.

Nimbin Road, Coffee Camp (fixing the road)

Nimbin Road remains under traffic control 0.5km to 1km north of Bishops Creek Road as we fix the road under joint funding with the NSW Roads and Maritime Services.

Caniaba Road at Caniaba Hall, Caniaba (Saving Lives of Country Roads roadworks)

Caniaba Road adjoining the Caniaba Hall and Rural Fire Shed remains under traffic control as we continue road widening under NSW Saving Lives on Country Roads funding.

Bangalow Road, east of Eltham Road, Bexhill (fixing the road)

Bangalow Road east of the Eltham Road turn off remains under traffic control as we progressively fix this section of road on behalf of NSW Roads and Maritime Services.

We apologise for any travel delays you experience and we will update changes to traffic controls on our trailer signs at each roadworks site and at www.northernrivers.myroadinfo.com.au

SWITCH TO BRAZILIAN JIU-JITSU AT GSAC

Have you ever wanted to learn a martial art? Do you want to lose weight and be more confident? Do you want your kids to be more self-reliant and disciplined?

Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu is coming to SWITCH 24-hour Gym at Goonellabah Sports & Aquatic Centre from 1 July with a free open day for families on Saturday, 15 June.

Head Instructor of the new SWITCH Jiu-Jitsu, Ben Pietzsch, said families including mum, dad and children of all ages are welcome to come and give Jiu-Jitsu a try.

“Brazilian Jiu Jitsu is an incredible learning tool for young people and a practice that brings families together. It’s great for mind, body and overall fitness,” Ben said.

“Brazilian Jiu Jitsu uses the power of leverage and technique, teaching the student that once you learn the correct movements, size does not matter. Brazilian Jiu Jitsu is a great form of discipline and self-protection. It’s ideal for women and young men as Jiu-Jitsu



offers a no-striking method of personal protection and self-defence that is fun and engaging.”

Ben said SWITCH Jiu-Jitsu was suitable for children from the age of six and it is taught in a family-friendly environment where children and their parents can practise together.

“GSAC is the perfect place for this type of program as it offers state-of-the-art facilities and the infrastructure to support members,” he said.

“We invite people to enjoy our open day with a demonstration and Q&A session. Even if you’ve never thought about doing martial arts before, come along and enjoy the experience with your kids. Ask questions, join in, have fun.”

The open day runs from 9am to 12pm at GSAC and everyone is welcome.

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Classes will begin on 1 July as follows:

Kids ▶ Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday

Adults ▶ Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday

No registration is necessary for the open day. For more information or to book classes, phone the friendly SWITCH team on 6625 5370.

LAST CHANCE TO NOMINATE FOR 2019 BIODIVERSITY AWARDS

Nominations for the 2019 Lismore Biodiversity awards close on Friday, 28 June.

The awards recognise excellence in environmental stewardship by acknowledging and thanking the farmers, rural landholders, community groups and schools working to protect and enhance our local biodiversity.

There are four award categories and each winner will receive cash or goods and services to the value of \$1000 thanks to our generous sponsors.

The Awards categories are:

NSW Dept. Primary Industry - Primary Producer Award:

For a primary producer demonstrating best practice in managing biodiversity alongside agricultural production.

North Coast Local Land Services - Individual Rural Landholder:

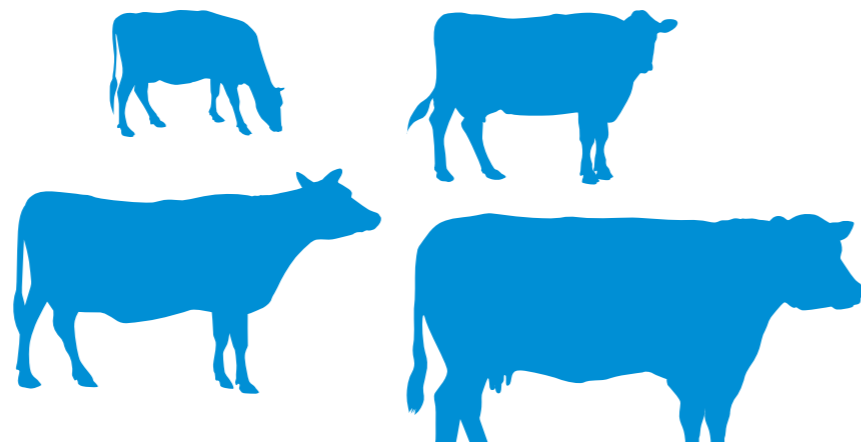
For non-primary producer rural landholders demonstrating outstanding biodiversity work.

Community Group: For community groups doing excellent biodiversity restoration or species protection work.

Educator or School: For any school or community educator inspiring action for biodiversity protection and restoration.

Last year's primary producer winner Robert Hunter is a great example of a dedicated farmer improving biodiversity while maintaining agricultural production on his 40 hectare grazing property. Since 2011, Robert has improved fish habitat and water quality by planting 4,500 native trees and groundcovers along more than 2kms of Coopers Creek. The trees planted in the initial stages protect the creek banks from erosion, control sediment and nutrient input into Coopers Creek, and provide important shade for the creek and his cattle as they grow.

Entry forms can be found at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au and the awards will be presented at the Lismore City Bowling Club in September during National Landcare Week.



Public notice – asbestos disposal

Lismore City Council's Waste and Resource Recovery Facility at Wyrallah Road is no longer able to accept any asbestos waste until further notice. This includes all domestic (including household kits), commercial or any other waste containing asbestos. The facility's current landfill cell has reached capacity faster than expected and Council is in the process of expanding and constructing a new landfill cell to cope with the growing needs of our community.

It is anticipated that the new cell will be operational before the end of the year.

To locate an alternative location for asbestos disposal please refer to the NSW Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) website www.epa.nsw.gov.au - (Search: "facilities that accept household asbestos") for a list of facilities licenced to accept asbestos waste in the North Coast region. The closest ones are at Casino, Kyogle, Grafton and Stotts Creek (Tweed Shire). Please note some facilities require notice and prior approval before delivery and/or acceptance.

Lismore City Council would like to remind the community that illegal dumping of asbestos waste is a serious EPA offence and heavy penalties apply. Should you require more information on asbestos laws, and requirements for handling and disposing of asbestos, please visit the EPA website.

Council meetings and briefings

The next ordinary meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday, 11 June from 6pm in the Council Chambers as well as an additional ordinary Council meeting on Tuesday, 25 June for consideration of the 2019/20 budget.

Members of the public can book to speak at the beginning of the meeting, on any agenda item, for three minutes.

Councillor briefings are held most Tuesday evenings so Councillors can discuss upcoming issues and projects, and be presented with detailed background information on future Council reports.

For bookings at Council meetings or briefings, or for more information, phone Michella Wade on 1300 87 83 87.

All relevant business papers, minutes and live webcasts can be found at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.

Upcoming car park closure

A section of Crowther Carpark, east of Keen Street, will be temporarily closed for Browns Creek flood works by Rous County Council. These works will repair flood damage and restore the carpark. Works are expected to start in late June and take up to two weeks to complete. For more information, please contact Adam Nesbitt on 6623 3800.



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Lismore City Council's Corporate Centre
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We are open Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 4.30pm.

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