

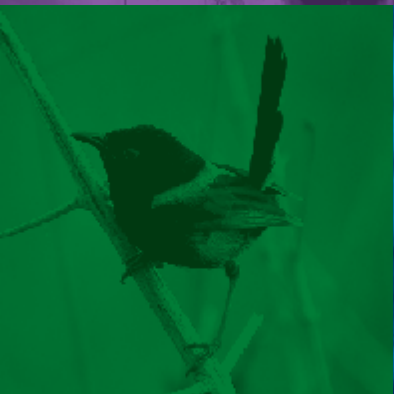


LOCAL MATTERS

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WELCOME TO OUR SPECIAL FLOOD EDITION

With lots of rain and minor to moderate flooding in the last few months, we decided it was a great time to provide information to residents about flooding in Lismore and debunk some common myths and misconceptions.

The NSW State Emergency Service (SES) is the lead agency for floods, storms and tsunamis, but several agencies work together to support the NSW SES during flood events.

As a quick guide, this is the job of each agency during floods:

Bureau of Meteorology: Provides weather warnings, storm warnings, flood watches and flood warnings

NSW SES: Provides local advice relevant to the latest BOM flood warnings, including evacuation warnings and orders

Council: Operate the levee, maintain our road network and pass on information to the community via our Facebook page.

The NSW SES is the organisation to turn to if you have damage from floods or storms to your home or property. All calls for help should go to 132 500 and in an emergency situation, always call Triple Zero (000).

Other agencies such as Council and our local ABC North Coast radio station will share advice from the NSW SES, but the NSW SES is always the source of truth in flood and storm events.

Council supports the NSW SES by distributing information and our job is to keep essential services working throughout a natural disaster. For instance, while the NSW SES might come to fix a leak in your roof caused by a falling branch, it is Council's job to remove trees from blocking roads.

We hope you find some useful information in this special edition of Local Matters. Please remember if you live or work in a flood city such as Lismore, you need to know your risk and have a plan for floods.

Lismore will flood again. That's a fact!

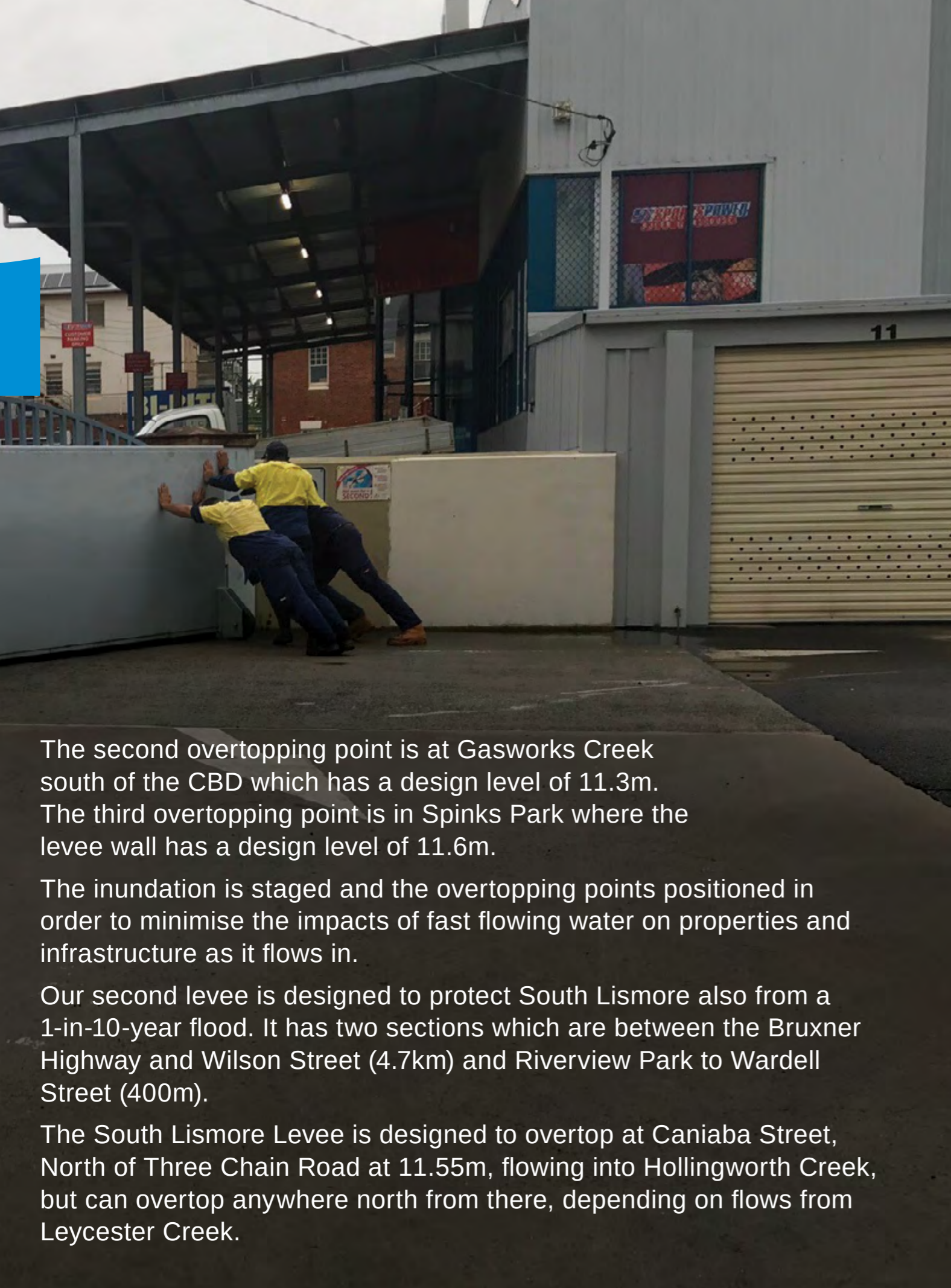


LEVEE KEEPS OUT A RISING RIVER

The CBD and South Lismore levees are designed to protect the city from a 1-in-10-year flood. Since it was built there have been numerous floods but it has only been overtopped once in the March 2017 flood.

The lowest and first overtopping point is at the spillway opposite the old Police Station in Molesworth St. However, even though the design height of the levee is 10.95m at the spillway, the levee may actually overtop when the official Wilsons River Height gauge at the Rowing Club is around 10.2 – 10.6m (with 10.2m being possibly the worst case). This depends on the amount of rain falling in the Leicester and Wilson catchments and the downhill slope of the surface of the flood water.

The slope varies from flood to flood. The variable level at which the river will overtop is due to the overtopping point being located some 500m or so up river from the official gauge site.



HOW OUR GATES OPERATE

There are 32 gates along the levee that Council staff close at varying stages depending on the river level.

The first three gates at Upper and Lower Hollingworth Creek (South of Kyogle Road and at Riverview park) and Gasworks Creek are closed when the river reaches 4m. All other gates are closed in a specific sequence when the river reaches or is predicted to reach 5, 6 and 7m. The final gates under 11 Molesworth Street are closed at 9m. The temporary pop up deflector walls in Keen Street and Richmond Lane are constructed when it is predicted that the levee will over-top.

Timing of the closure of some gates can vary depending on whether cars are still parked in the Kirklands Riviera, Rowing Club, and the Upper and Lower Hensley carparks behind the levee wall.

When severe weather is predicted, motorists should not park in carparks on the river side of the levee as vehicles may be damaged by rising flood waters.

The second overtopping point is at Gasworks Creek south of the CBD which has a design level of 11.3m. The third overtopping point is in Spinks Park where the levee wall has a design level of 11.6m.

The inundation is staged and the overtopping points positioned in order to minimise the impacts of fast flowing water on properties and infrastructure as it flows in.

Our second levee is designed to protect South Lismore also from a 1-in-10-year flood. It has two sections which are between the Bruxner Highway and Wilson Street (4.7km) and Riverview Park to Wardell Street (400m).

The South Lismore Levee is designed to overtop at Caniaba Street, North of Three Chain Road at 11.55m, flowing into Hollingworth Creek, but can overtop anywhere north from there, depending on flows from Leycester Creek.

FLOOD DEFLECTOR WALLS

There are five Deflector Walls within the Brown Creek Floodway.

These are designed to provide some protection to the buildings within the floodway from fast flowing water when the levee overtops through the Browns Creek Floodway.

They are at the Clive Campbell Carpark toilet block, the driveway to bottle shop behind Mary G's, Keen Street at Singh's Tyre and Mechanical and Lismore Antiques and Richmond Lane.



HOW OUR PUMPS WORK

There is a range of large and small pumps that are activated during a flood event to extract rainwater from within the levee walls and pump it into the Wilsons River.

The largest two pumps are at the Browns Creek Pump Station. They are the original pumps from the 1960s when Browns Creek was first filled in and the carpark built over the tunnel that the creek now runs through. When the CBD levee was constructed, the pumps were refurbished and upgraded to increase their capacity.

Once the river height reaches 5.2m, the Browns Creek gate is closed and the first pump automatically kicks in. If the height reaches 5.4m, the second pump automatically starts. They both operate until the height of the river drops below 5.4m, when Pump 2 stops, with Pump 1 continuing until the height drops to 4.8m. If the height rises again to 5.2m, the cycle restarts and will do so while ever the gates are closed. It is designed to keep the level below 6m, keeping Dawson and Uralba streets open.

Each pump has a capacity of 3000 litres per second.

The Gasworks Creek gates are closed at 4m and also has two pumps that operate on the same principle as Browns Creek pumps but start at different heights. Pump 1 starts at 6.4m and Pump 2 at 7m. Both stop when the level drops to 5.5m. Each pump has a capacity of 2000L/s

Lower Hollingworth Creek in Riverview Park and Upper Hollingworth Creek Gates on Kyogle Road close at 4m. The one pump at the Lower Hollingworth Gate starts at 5.1m and turns off when it drops to 4.5m. This pump is designed to keep water out of South Lismore and keep Union Street open.

There are six additional smaller pumps in the CBD near the old RSL, Bowling Club/Spinks Park, the Transit Centre, Glasgow Lane, Woodlark Street (near Fawcetts Bridge) and an optional one at Three Chain Road (near Coates Hire if required).



FLOOD WARNING AND EVACUATIONS

Residents can sign up for a flood warning SMS Text Alert by going to www.lismore.nsw.gov.au

In the event of the SES issuing an evacuation order, they will door knock affected areas and disseminate it through the media

Southern Cross University is the Evacuation Centre for Lismore in times of natural disaster. The SES and other emergency services will direct affected residents to the university when the Evacuation Centre is operational.

If you evacuate, please register with the Red Cross' Register.Find.Reunite at www.register.redcross.org.au so that your family and friends know you are safe and emergency services will know you are not in danger.

Last roads out of Lismore

CBD

North – Keen Street then Leycester or High Street
East – Conway Street then Wyrallah Road

South Lismore

Casino Street – Ballina Street Bridge then Ballina Street and Wyrallah Road

North Lismore

Bridge Street or CBD then north through Keen Street and Leycester Streets. Residents furthest away from the river may have access to Dunoon Road through the showground



FLOOD ADVICE FROM LISMORE SES

This summer has been wetter than usual and the flood season is not yet over.

The NSW SES wants you to ask yourself a simple question – are you and your family ready for a flood? Because if you live and/or work in the Lismore area, it's vital to be prepared for flooding.

The NSW SES has six key messages for community members:

1. **Know your risk**
2. **Understand where to go**
3. **Know who to call**
4. **Prepare your 'Get Ready to Go' kit**
5. **Check your insurance**
6. **Know when to act during a flood or emergency**

The NSW SES has resources to help you understand each of these key messages and how to be prepared – to learn more, visit their website at www.ses.nsw.gov.au.

This month, the Lismore SES has launched an awareness initiative for people in the Lismore flood zone, North and South Lismore called 'The Risk is Real' campaign.

The campaign includes:

- Social media awareness campaign with online videos containing information specific to Lismore.
- Direct community engagement – volunteers will be doorknocking in high-risk areas to hand out magnets and provide direct advice on floor heights and evacuation triggers.
- Flood Safe Guides – these are an excellent free resource for anyone living in a flood-prone area. They contain important information every flood-affected householder should know. These will be available soon at your local library or through the NSW SES.



The NSW SES Lismore City Unit is also looking for new flood spotters to help them during times of flood. If you live in a rural or remote area, the NSW SES would love your help to provide information and photos that they can share with the wider community. You must register to become a flood spotter – email Janet Pettit at janet.pettit@one.ses.nsw.gov.au.

The website below will provide up-to-date information during a flood.
NSW SES website: www.ses.nsw.gov.au

Disaster Dashboard: <https://disaster.lismore.nsw.gov.au>

Facebook: [NSW SES Lismore City Unit](#)

Facebook: [Northern Rivers NSW SES](#)

Bureau of Meteorology (BOM): www.bom.gov.au

MyRoadInfo: www.myroadinfo.com.au

For businesses, go to www.smallbusiness.nsw.gov.au to access Get Ready resources.



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.

DA15/289-2 6 Minshul Crescent, North Lismore: Section 4.55(1A) modification to upper-level floor area and layout and changes in window location and sizing.

DA17/417-3 68 Newbridge Street, South Lismore: Section 4.55(1A) modification to the proposed industrial building design and layout,

DA19/324-2 9 Holland Street, Goonellabah: Section 4.55(1A) modification to approved industrial use to include food preparation and of the internal floor plan.

DA20/360 28 Phyllis Street, South Lismore: To undertake the construction of a new building to be used as a private storage premises and associated driveway, parking, civil works and landscaping.

DA20/379 23 Ryces Drive, Clunes: Inground swimming pool.

DA20/406-2 21 Toongahra Circuit, Goonellabah: Section 4.55(1A) modification to amend the slope of the driveway.

DA20/459 10 Mayfield Street, Eltham: Dwelling alterations and additions, relocate carport and water tank.

DA20/492 77 McKenzie Road, Eltham: Dwelling alterations and additions, new studio, carport and inground swimming pool.

DA20/500 61 Barham Street, East Lismore: Two storey dwelling, shed and inground swimming pool.

DA20/509 23 Spurfield Road, McLeans Ridges: Shed.

DA20/517 25 Highview Crescent, Modanville: Inground swimming pool.

DA20/523 18 Beddoes Road, Modanville: Inground swimming pool.

DA20/524 2 Spurfield Road, McLeans Ridges: Dwelling.

DA20/527 19 Spurfield Road, McLeans Ridges: Dwelling.

DA20/528 4/39 Woodlark Street, Lismore: Change of use to a Gelato/Ice Cream Parlour.

DA20/530 85 and 87 Avondale Avenue, East Lismore: Change of use of garage to a secondary dwelling, alterations and additions to existing dwelling, inground swimming pool and retaining wall.

DA20/533 4 Corella Court, Goonellabah: Dwelling addition – attached patio awning and separate attached carport.

DA20/534 39 May Street, Dunoon: Dwelling.

DA20/538 11 Talbot Close, McLeans Ridges: Two storey dwelling.

DA20/544 114 Keen Street, Lismore: Change of use of an existing shop (rear of the arcade) to a food storage area ancillary to the adjacent café.

DA21/4 7 Pinecrest Drive, Goonellabah: Dwelling.

DA21/012 2/38 Carrington Street, Lismore: Change of use from Hair Salon to a Colon Hydrotherapy Clinic.

DA21/13 3 North Place, Lismore: Two storey dwelling.

DA21/16 12 Spurfield Road, McLeans Ridges: Retaining wall with a maximum height of 1.6m.

DA21/28 3 Magnus Court, Goonellabah: Dwelling.

DA21/30 30 Hidden Valley Circuit, Chilcotts Grass: Dwelling.

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

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

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

DA NUMBER: 21/41

LOCATION AND DP LOT: 128 and 198 Fernside Road, Fernside and 366 Yeager Road, Leicester (Lot 3 DP 733693, Lot 2 DP 1077773 and Lot 2 DP 803822).

APPLICANT: GM Project Development and Management.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Staged Subdivision of 3 existing lots to create 8 new lots.

CLOSING DATE: 17 March 2021.

DA NUMBER: 21/57

LOCATION AND DP LOT: 135, 137 and 139 Union Street, South Lismore (Lot 1 DP 300777, Lot 2 DP 300777 and Lot 4 Sec 2 DP 4372).

APPLICANT: Spectrum Retail Group C/- KDC Pty Ltd.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Demolition of existing buildings and construction of a service station.

CLOSING DATE: 17 March 2021.

If you wish, you may make a submission to the Council in relation to the Development Application. Any submission must specify the grounds of objection (if any).

The above Development Application(s) and accompanying documents may be viewed electronically at Council's Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, during ordinary office hours or via DA Tracking at 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.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY LUNCH AND AWARDS

Lismore City Council are again hosting an International Women's Day Luncheon as a part of the Lismore Women's Festival presented by the YWCA.

The luncheon will feature keynote speaker Karley Banks, touch football's International Open and Youth World Cup Coach. Karley will be speaking to the international theme of "Choose the Challenge". A topic which is very apt for a woman who has achieved great success in a traditionally male dominated arena.

We have partnered with The Winsome to host a silent auction at the event to support the vital work that they do. The Winsome is a Lismore charity which operates to support and serve the homeless in our community. The list of donating businesses and organisations will be announced soon.

There will also be Community Awards for the inspiring, creative and industrious women in our community. You can nominate across 5 categories. To nominate a woman you know, please go to our website www.lismore.nsw.gov.au

Lismore City Council's Director of Corporate Services Kate Webber will Master of Ceremonies. Kate joined Council last year after in an extensive career spanning local government, riskZBA, NAB, Deloitte and Macquarie Bank. Kate also chairs a not-for-profit which supports at risk teenage girls and was NSW's 2014 Corporate Volunteer of the Year. Kate has a long family history in the region and is enjoying focusing her efforts on the community and family.

All are welcome. This event is not exclusively for women and it is hoped that a cross section of our diverse community attends.

The event will take place under a COVIDsafe plan.



Event Information:

When and where: Monday, 8 March, 12.30pm-2.30pm
at Lismore City Hall Theatre (1 Bounty Street)

Tickets: \$45 per person, or \$400 for a table of 10.

ARTISTS TO SHINE AS EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST CALLED

Expressions of Interests are open for local artists who would like to be part of Lismore's SHINE Festival.

When the sun sets on Lismore's CBD, Molesworth Street and its laneways will light up over four nights in August with the creative and innovative work of local artists.

The SHINE Festival is a discovery focused light festival with sites along Molesworth St and its laneways transformed by contemporary light works that will inspire and ignite the imagination.

The four-night event between 19 and 22 August is designed to help reinvigorate the CBD by attracting locals and visitors to the area.

Audiences can expect the unexpected as a program of artists present bold new works ranging from small surprises, large scale projections, the telling of untold stories and immersive light installations that will reframe Lismore's CBD.

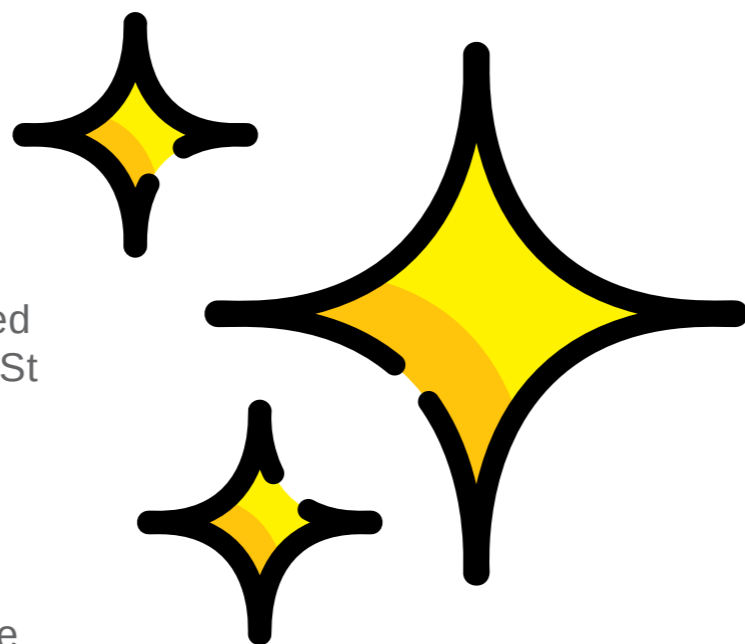
Event Manager Valley Lipcer said SHINE will be a platform for artists to produce new experimental public works and for local and visiting audiences to experience the high-quality work being produced in the region.

"I encourage local artists to submit an Expression of Interest to present a work at the festival. We're interested in diverse voices and hearing from both emerging and established artists," she said.

Interested artists can make an Expression of Interest by going to www.yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au

The free event is made possible by a grant from the Federal Government's Regional Tourism Bushfire Recovery program.

EOI's close on Tuesday, 23 March.



TENDER SPT092122LIS PLANT HIRE

Lismore City Council is inviting submissions from suitably qualified and experienced contractors, owners, and operators to provide Casual Plant Hire.

The intent of this Request For Tender (RFT) is to establish a Panel of suppliers to provide Wet and Dry Plant Hire on an 'as required' basis for Lismore City Council.

The contract is for an initial period of 25 months from 1 June 2021 to 30 June 2023 with an option for two (2) x twelve (12) month extension periods.

Tender submissions close at 10am Tuesday, 23 March 2021.

Regional Procurement is calling for tenders on behalf of Lismore City Council and interested parties are invited register at Regional Procurement's eProcurement portal <https://portal.tenderlink.com/regionalprocurement/alltenders/> to access relevant documents. Submissions may also be lodged at this site in the electronic tenderbox.

Enquiries: All tender specific enquiries must be directed to the TenderLink Forum.

General enquiries only may be directed to Peter Salafia - Manager Regional Procurement on 02 4978 4044 or peters@regpro.com.au

AMENDMENT 30 TO THE LISMORE DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN (DCP)

Adoption of Amendments to DCP Chapter 5a – Urban Residential Subdivision

At its ordinary meeting of 9 February 2021 Council resolved to adopt amendments to DCP Chapter 5A – Urban Residential Subdivision. Pursuant to Clause 21 (1)(a) and (2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 Council gives notice of its decision to adopt amendments to DCP Chapter 5A that include a Structure Plan and additional provisions to guide the future subdivision of 1A and 1B Northcott Drive, Goonellabah.

Amendment 30 to DCP Chapter 5A comes into effect on Wednesday, 3 March 2021.



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