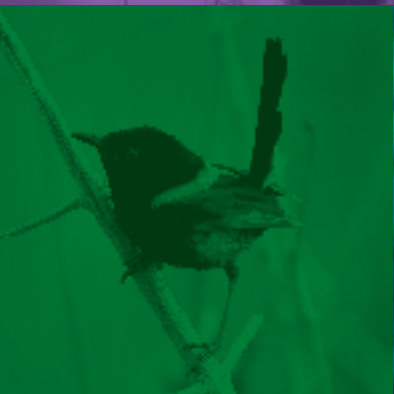




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LISMORE MEN'S SHED SIGNS LEASE WITH COUNCIL FOR NEW HOME

The Lismore Men & Community Shed has a new home after it was forced to leave it's previous premises a few years ago.

Lismore City Council has entered into a lease with the organisation to use 15 Industry Drive, East Lismore after the State Government transferred ownership of the land and buildings to Council for a peppercorn amount.

Men and Community Sheds are places where men and women can hang out with mates, learn to build things, pass on skills and give back to their local community.

The new home consists of a 1,593 square metre property, including a 282 square metre building. The State Government also recently announced a \$80,000 grant to the Lismore Shed to upgrade the existing facilities to attract more women.

Lismore City Mayor Steve Krieg said the Men's Shed upgrade is welcome news for the community.

"Following the devastation of the floods earlier in the year, it is more important than ever to have facilities like the Men's Shed which are imperative for mental well-being," he said.

"It has been a long road to get the Lismore Men's Shed back up and operating and I would like to congratulate all those involved who made this happen."

Shed president Don Abrahams thanked the State Government, Council and State Member for Lismore Janelle Saffin who worked with Mr Abrahams to lobby the State Government for its new home.

Ms Saffin said: "I was pleased to advocate for the Lismore and Community Mens Shed, working closely with President Don Abrahams and in strong collaboration with my parliamentary colleague Ben Franklin MLC, Lismore Mayor Steve Krieg and Lismore City Council in what was fantastic collaboration. It always pays to work together.

"It was a long drawn out lobby but we got there."



CALLING PARTNERS TO CREATE A CIRCULAR ECONOMY

Lismore City Council adopted a new strategy, the Resource Recovery and Residual Waste Strategy 2022-32 with a vision of *Sharing the Responsibility towards a Circular Economy and Resourceful Community.*

This Strategy is a 10-year approach to shifting from the current linear model of 'Take, Make, Break, Dispose' to a circular economy model that's about designing waste out of our systems, keeping materials in use and regenerating natural ecosystems.

As part of the transition to a circular economy, Council is seeking partners to assist in achieving its strategy outcomes and deliver circular economy solutions.

This involves organisations and businesses that can work with Council on specific projects and initiatives or that Council can support to deliver their own projects and initiatives.

These partners can be from the Lismore Local Government Area, as well as from the Northern Rivers region.

The aim of the Registration of Interest process is to understand the capacity and capability of interested businesses or organisations to provide circular economy solutions to reuse and/or reprocess specific waste material streams or implement other circular economy initiatives.

The Registration of Interest is not just about improving material diversion and recycling rates, but is focused on developing viable long-term solutions to also reuse these materials within the region to:

- retain material and economic value regionally
- build the resilience of our regional resource management and manufacturing sectors
- to start 'closing the loop' with regards to the materials and products we use, consume and ultimately discard in the region



Council aims to work with applicants to co-design or facilitate suitable circular economy solutions that deliver desired outcomes for the region in partnership with Council and other relevant regional partners.

An information session about the Circular Economy Partners registration of interest and a project launch will be held at the Lismore Workers Sports Club, 202 Oliver Ave, Goonellabah NSW 2480, on Tuesday, 9 August. Tea and Coffee from 10am with the session commencing at 10.30am. Please phone Council on 6625 0500 to register attendance.

Submissions and more information can be found here

<https://yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au/registration-of-interest-circular-economy-partners>



ROADS UPDATE

The February natural disaster damaged more than 90% of Lismore's 1200km road network with a repair bill of \$200 million.

Council is continuing to repair our roads with new works starting on a weekly basis, thanks to funding and support from State and Federal governments.

Below is an update on current projects.

Fernside Bridge: Following the 3.5tonne restriction put in place, a temporary crossing (side-track) is being installed on the downstream side of the current bridge to provide heavy vehicle access across the creek. This side-track will be in place until Fernside Bridge is either repaired or replaced, pending NSW Government grant submission approval.

Dunoon Rd: Dunoon Road works at Boomerang Creek were completed on 28 June. Additional pothole repair works for Dunoon Road will be completed over the coming weeks.

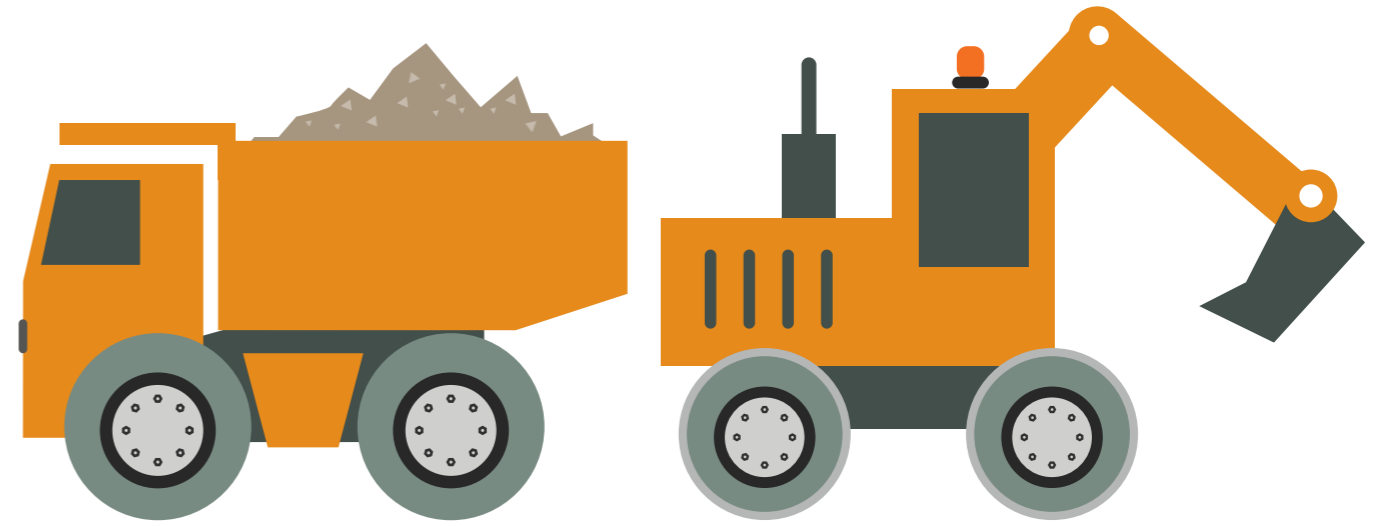
The Channon Road: Geotechnical investigations have been completed for the slip behind the guardrail. Works will commence once the design of proposed embankment reconstruction is finalised. The scope of works required to heavy patch flood-damaged sections of the road has now been approved, with works to commence in the coming weeks.

The Channon Rd (Robertson Bridge): Remediation works of the abutments started last week. Traffic control is in place.

Pinchin Rd: Embankment reconstruction works are substantially complete. Pavement repair to the road surface will commence shortly.

Wallace Rd: Geotechnical drilling is complete. Inclometers have been installed to monitor ground movement over the next month before design to build back better commences.

Keerrong Rd: Bridge construction works are underway. Landslip repair, drainage reconstruction and gravel road re-sheeting is planned to commence in August.



Tunable Creek Rd: Investigation works north of Rose Rd are underway to establish the feasibility of a side-track to facilitate local access to Nimbin. Geotechnical investigations are complete for all slips. Undergoing instrument monitoring to determine the remediation of the site.

Duncan Rd-Corndale Rd: Works have started to heavy patch and stabilise damaged sections.

Richmond Hill Rd: Embankment reconstruction work underway under traffic light control.

Nimbin Rd (slip north of Stoney Chute): 80% of design drawings received and under review. Appointment of contractor proposed for this month.

Woodlawn Rd: One lane open. Geotechnical investigations are scheduled for the end of July.

Stoney Chute Rd: Geotechnical drilling is complete. Inclometers have been installed and will monitor ground movement over the next month prior to design commencing.

Cawongla Rd: Geotechnical drilling is underway.

Council thanks the community for its patience as we rebuild our roads.

**To keep up to date with roadworks,
go to www.yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au**

LOCAL BUSINESSES: HAVE YOUR SAY ABOUT NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR RENEWING OUR BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND LOCAL ECONOMY

Lismore City Council invites local businesses to be part of the planning to support business and economic renewal, which builds on flood recovery efforts across the Lismore Local Government Area.

Help Council understand your needs and aspirations so we can advocate effectively and work collaboratively with government agencies to help you, our business community.

Please visit www.yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au to share your thoughts and register for an upcoming Business Renewal Forum:

Tuesday, 2 August – Nimbin

Thursday, 3 August – Lismore

Thursday, 4 August - virtual forum if you can't make it in person

The Forum sessions are run in collaboration with the Lismore Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Nimbin Chamber of Commerce, Business NSW, Regional NSW and Regional Development Australia - Northern Rivers. Each forum will feature a short presentation, followed by Q&A and opportunities to engage with support agencies.

This business renewal engagement complements other input from business and community members across a range of issues following the 2022 floods, such as housing, flood response and mitigation, insurance and funding opportunities, and building back better.

We value all the engagement our community has contributed to date, and share updates and support opportunities at <https://lismore.nsw.gov.au/flood-2022-information>

SUPPORT OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES

It's exciting to see many businesses return to the CBD with others announcing opening dates.

This is the time we should all show our support for our local businesses.

Council is working with the Lismore App to promote local businesses that have re-opened. So next time you want a particular item or service, don't simply jump in the car and drive to Ballina or Casino, check out the increasing range of stores now open across Lismore.

It's as easy as going to our Come to the Heart website www.cometotheheart.com.au or the Lismore App to find a list and interactive map of What's Open - currently over 300 stores and counting!

Any local business that wants to be included in our listings, can email business@lismore.nsw.gov.au

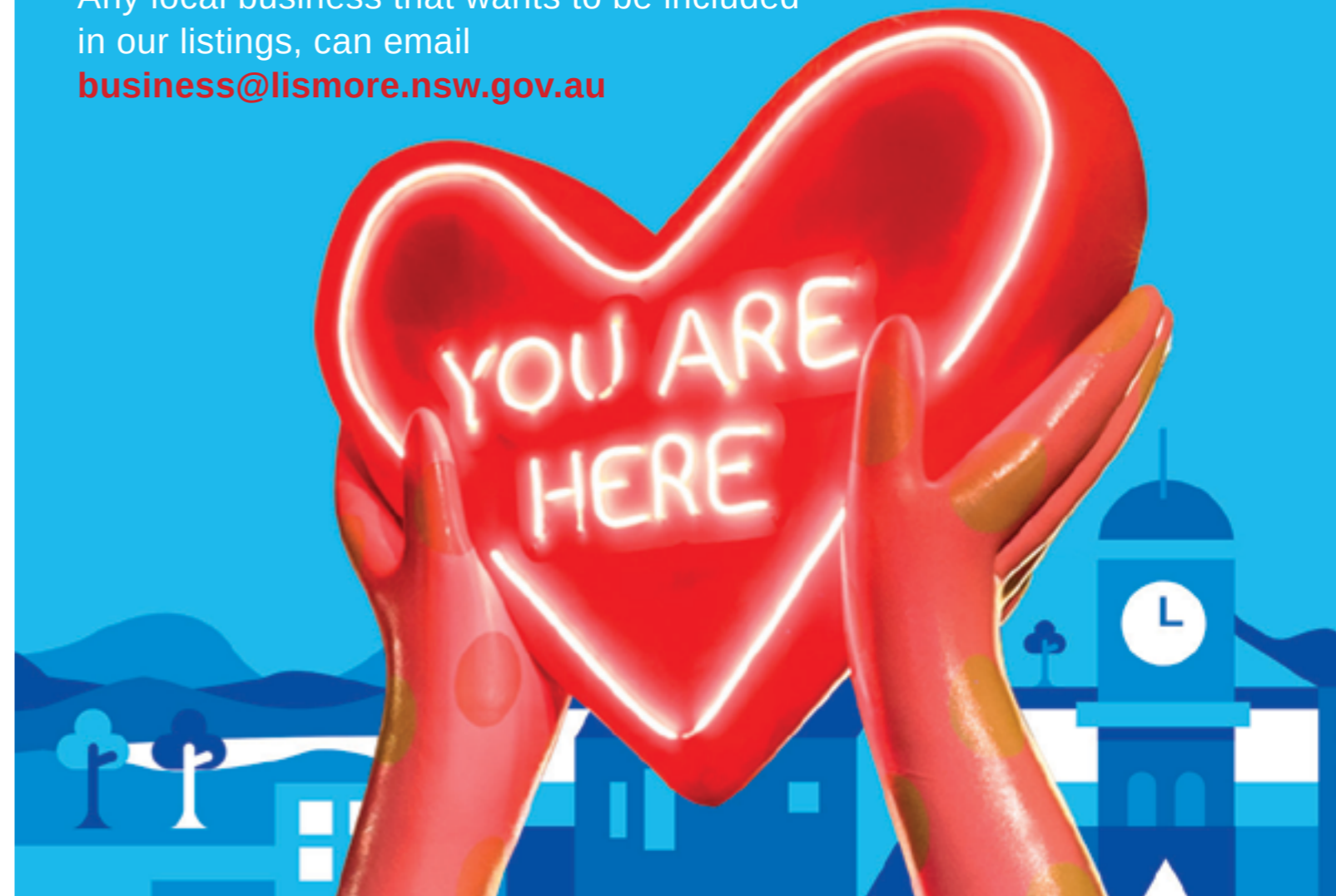


Image above and on cover features 'In The Heart' public sculpture in Lismore Laneways by local artists Eden Crawford-Harriman and Holly Ahern, 2021.



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.

APPLICATION DETAILS

DA21/381-2 43 Funnell Drive, Modanville: Section 4.55(1A) application to modify consent to amend window sizes, add windows, add storage room, amend kitchen, reduce height of hempcrete wall (replace with gyprock).

DA21/519 928 Bruxner Highway, McKees Hill: Shed.

DA22/23 943 Keerrong Road, Keerrong: Dwelling (manufactured home).

DA22/48 15 Evelyn Way, Nimbin: Dwelling.

DA22/80 59 Just Street, Goonellabah: Dwelling and retaining walls.

DA22/83 6 Roseview Road, McLeans Ridges: To undertake the erection of a secondary dwelling.

DA22/89 6 Tulipwood Avenue, Goonellabah: To undertake the erection of an attached dual occupancy, driveway, boundary fence, earthworks including retaining walls and strata subdivision to create 2 lots.

DA22/93 17 Evelyn Way, Nimbin: Dwelling.

DA22/112 6 Evelyn Way, Nimbin: Construction of 2 sheds.

DA22/143 50 Cordyline Road, Rock Valley: Change of use of an existing dwelling to a farm building for the purpose of farm storage and construction of a new dwelling with attached shed.

DA22/154 7 Bottlebrush Place, Caniaba Dwelling.

DA22/161 32 Lomandra Avenue, Caniaba Inground swimming pool and shed.

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: 22/151

LOCATION AND DP LOT: 606 Ballina Road, Goonellabah (Lot 1 DP 864013).

APPLICANT: Newton Denny Chapelle.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: To undertake the: 1) removal of the existing building, structures and nominated vegetation; and 2) erection of a multi-dwelling housing development comprising six (6) dwellings and associated driveway and car parking, earthworks, civil works, utility services, fencing, landscaping and strata subdivision

CLOSING DATE: 25 July 2022.

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 inspected 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.

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WOOD SMOKE ISN'T GOOD SMOKE

As temperatures drop and winter sets in, the incorrect use of wood fire heaters can seriously affect our air quality.

We can all help reduce the amount of woodsmoke pollution this winter by using aged dry wood and running your heaters properly.

Some simple steps to reduce woodsmoke pollution are:

- Don't let your heater smoulder overnight – keep enough air in the fire to maintain a flame.
- Burn only dry, aged hardwood in your wood heater. Unseasoned wood has lots of moisture, which causes a fire to smoke.
- Store your wood under cover in a dry, ventilated area. Freshly cut wood needs to be stored for at least eight to twelve months.
- Never burn rubbish, driftwood or painted or treated wood. These are sure to pollute the air and can produce poisonous gases.
- When lighting a cold heater, use plenty of dry kindling to establish a good fire quickly.
- Use several small logs rather than one large log and stack them loosely in your heater so air can circulate around them. Don't cram the firebox full.
- Keep the flame lively and bright. Your fire should only smoke when you first light it and when you add extra fuel. Open the air controls fully for 5 minutes before and 15 to 20 minutes after reloading the heater.
- Check your chimney regularly to see how well your fire is burning. If there is smoke coming from the chimney, increase the air supply to your fire.
- Have the chimney cleaned every year to prevent creosote build-up.
- If you are buying a wood heater, make sure it has a compliance plate showing it meets the Australian Standard (AS/NZS 4013:1999).

For information on how to use your wood heater better, contact Council on 66250500 or visit the EPA website at

www.epa.nsw.gov.au/woodsmoke.



KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR FROGBIT

Frogbit (*Limnobium laevigatum*) is a fast-growing, aquatic weed that poses significant threat to our already struggling local waterways.

Forming dense mats, Frogbit threatens native animals by reducing available food and shelter and inhibiting light to native water plants.

Due to recent flood events, we are anticipating outbreaks of this invasive water weed across the region in creeks, dams and roadside ditches, but we need your help to find them!

This weed is listed as high risk and is **PROHIBITED MATTER in NSW**.

Frogbit is identifiable by its round fleshy leaves, up to 4cm across. Young leaves float on the water surface and have a spongy underside. Mature leaves grow above the water surface and lose their sponginess. Flowers are small and white. The fruit is a capsule containing up to 100 floating seeds which are easily dispersed and can remain viable for three years. Frogbit can also spread vegetatively when fragments attach to animals or water equipment and are transported to new areas.

Do not attempt to treat or dispose of Frogbit yourself. If you see this plant, please call Rous County Council on (02) 66 233 800. We will lead an initial response for the treatment and disposal of the plant to stop it from spreading.

For more information scan the QR code to view a full plant profile via the NSW DPI Weedwise app.





WHAT'S HAPPENING AT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY

All library activities are FREE but spaces are limited. Please contact the library for bookings on 6621 2464 or lismore@rtrl.nsw.gov.au

Lismore Pop-Up Library can be found at 6 Centenary Drive, Goonellabah.

Talking Rubbish & Beeswax Wraps with North East Waste

Join us for this free event and discover the A-Z of recycling! You'll also have the opportunity to make your own beeswax wrap!

Thursday, 21 July at 11am / Mobile Library - Nimbin

Aware Parenting Workshop

Come and learn about Aware Parenting, an evidence-based child rearing philosophy that helps babies, children and adults process emotions.

Wednesday, 27 July at 10.30am – 12.30pm / Lismore Pop-Up Library

Creative Writing Masterclass

For young writers from 10-18 years. New writers always welcome, with pizza provided!

*Thursday, 28 July at 5pm
Lismore Pop-Up Library*

Free Tech Lessons

Our tech team can help you master your phone, tablet or laptop.

*Tuesdays and Thursdays
Lismore Pop-Up Library*



USAGE AUDIT OF CBD WORK ZONES FOR TRADESPEOPLE PARKING

Lismore City Council will begin monthly usage audits of CBD Work Zones now that many businesses have re-opened and shoppers are beginning to return to the city.

Council introduced Work Zones in May for tradespeople working in the CBD to help local businesses rebuild after the 28 February natural disaster.

The Work Zones have helped our local businesses to repair their premises and re-open their doors faster by allowing tradespeople easy access to buildings and their vehicles.

However, Council needs to remain flexible about the needs of businesses, tradespeople and returning shoppers to our CBD as the recovery continues.

With many businesses now returning, Council will be undertaking audits of zone usage and business occupancy at the end of each month to identify whether the percentage of the work zones can be reduced, in response to business occupancy and commuter demand for parking.

In the area known as the CBD super block, tradespeople can currently apply for a Trade Parking Permit to park in a dedicated Work Zone.

The streets that define the super block are Woodlark Street (North), Keen Street (East), Conway Street (South) and Molesworth Street (West).





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