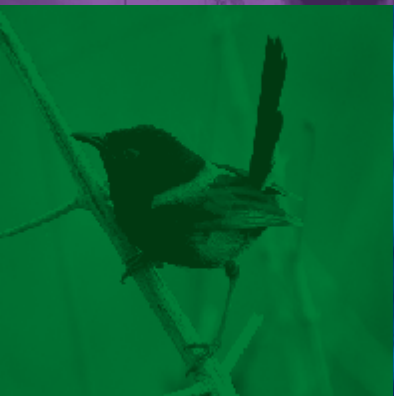




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GET IN TOUCH WITH NATURE AT THE GARDEN'S ANNIVERSARY

The Friends of the Lismore Rainforest Botanic Gardens will be celebrating the 10th Anniversary of the Official Opening of the Gardens in 2013 from 9.30am to 1pm on Sunday, 28 May.

Native plant nursery is open from 9.30am till 12pm, with great advice and sales of healthy local rainforest plants.

Come along for:

- Guided walks
- Educational displays
- Cake and coffee
- Children's activities
- Card and book sales
- Self-guided walks

SORRY NO CARD FACILITIES – CASH ONLY



PROGRAM

9am: Gates opens

9.30am: Guided walks start, (see below), nursery open, displays and food stall open in Visitor Centre

10am: Welcome to Country, speeches and special guests for 10th Anniversary at the Visitor Centre

10.30am: Cutting of the 10th Anniversary Cake at the Visitor's Centre

OPEN DAY GUIDED WALKS

Numbers are limited so bookings essential by emailing publicity@friendslrbg.com.au

(Please give a contact number and say which walk and time you'd like)

Each walk takes one hour (NB Some walk times overlap)

Cost \$5 per person

9.30am: Useful Plants Garden
- Andreas

9.30am: Uncommon Plants - Peter

10.30am: Hoop Pine Forest
- Marama

11am: Wilson's Park Species
Garden - Tim

11am: Uncommon Plants - Peter

11.30am: Rainforest/Palm Gully
Gardens regeneration – Jake

11.30am: Hoop Pine Forest– Trudi

Noon: Encounters 2020 Banks
Garden - Tracey

Meet at Visitor Centre

10 minutes before walk please.

Wear sturdy shoes and hat.



THE 12TH LISMORE WORKERS MASTERS GAMES RETURNS

The Lismore Workers Masters Games is back this year after being cancelled in 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The biennial event was started in 1999 and has become a popular fixture on the sporting calendar for mature-aged athletes from across New South Wales and Queensland.

The games will take place from 22-24 September and will feature 12 sports including baseball, cricket, fitness challenge, football, five-a-side, golf, hockey, lawn bowls, netball, OZTAG, softball and pickleball. More than 1000 competitors are expected to participate.

The Lismore Workers Club has once again come on board as the naming rights sponsor. The Workers Club has been the major sponsor of the Lismore Masters Games every year since the games were first held in 1999.

In addition to the Lismore Workers Club, the Lismore App and Lismore Come to the Heart are also supporting this year's games.

The influx of participants, spectators, and visitors will provide a welcome boost for local businesses. It is estimated that this year's games will contribute an additional \$414,000 to the local economy.

The games have a reputation for being a great social occasion, with many participants and their supporters taking the opportunity to catch up with old friends and make new ones.

This year's games are set to build on this reputation with an exciting program of events and activities including a free ticket to the Lismore Cup on Thursday, 21 September.

Registrations are now open. Early bird registrations close on Friday, 30 June, and the final registration cut-off date is Friday, 18 August.

For more information and to register for the event, go to

www.lismoremastersgames.com.au.

The 12th Lismore Workers Masters Games

September 22, 23 & 24 2023



ALBERT PARK REBUILD MARKS MILESTONE IN LISMORE'S RECOVERY

Lismore's Albert Park hosted its first national sporting event last week following the rebuild of the popular baseball and softball complex that suffered extensive damage in the February 2022 natural disaster.

Council's Managing Contractor for the repair of flood-damaged buildings and fields, Bennett Constructions, put in a great effort to complete the works in time to host the School Sport Australia National Baseball Championships.

This is the first Council facility to be restored since the natural disaster and is a small but important milestone in the recovery of Lismore, where sport is a large component of our social fabric.

Like a lot of things in Lismore, Albert Park suffered major damage, including to its clubhouse, canteen, netting and four playing fields.

With this rebuild effort by Bennett, Albert Park once again meets international standard and is ready to welcome players from around the country.

Last week, Albert Park hosted the School Sport Australia National Baseball Championships, with more than 350 people coming to Lismore, including 160 players, 30 officials. Eight teams from the ACT, NSW, QLD, South Australia and Victoria played off during the week-long event that ended on 13 May.

The championship is estimated to generate \$350,000 for the economy, supporting local businesses and jobs.



WRIGHTWAY PRODUCTS INSTALLS GRANT-FUNDED GOODS LIFT

Wrightway Products is a proud Lismore-based family business that specialises in the design, manufacture and marketing of a range of high-quality bin lifters and tippers.

It recently completed a heavy-duty goods lift with the help of the State Government's Business Flood Grant, which was administered by Lismore City Council.

The completed goods lift will protect the company's products and equipment during flood events. The company's location in South Lismore has experienced severe flooding in the past, and the new goods lift will allow the company to easily move its products and equipment to a safe height in the event of future floods. This will not only protect the company's valuable assets but also help to prevent disruptions to its operations and minimise any potential losses.

John Donnelly, Managing Director of Wrightway Products, said the new goods lift is a welcome addition to his business.

“Over the years we have learned that being flood ready is key. The lift gives us the ability to move all of our stock, equipment and machinery upstairs out of harm’s way and has given us some peace of mind,” he said

Wrightway Products, which is located in the old NORCO butter factory in South Lismore, has a long-standing history of producing and providing quality and reliable products and services.

“Having the lift installed means we can continue to run our business out of this great old building. We have been here since 2001 and couldn’t imagine running the business anywhere else,” Mr Donnelly said.



Established in 1996, the company was founded on the belief in a product, its purpose, and its benefit to society, rather than a profit-driven motive. It was created to market an invention, the Lid Lifta, a foot-pedal device that assists with the hygienic and efficient opening and closing of the lid of a wheelie bin.

From humble beginnings of two people in a backyard shed, Wrightway Products has now grown into a fully operational designer, manufacturer, supplier, and marketer of bin lifting and tipping equipment, shipping its products internationally.

The completion of the heavy-duty goods lift is a crucial milestone for the company. With the new lift in place, the company can continue to grow and expand its operations, locally and internationally, while also keeping its roots firmly planted in Lismore.



DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS ISSUED

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

In accordance with the provisions of Section 4.59 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

DA17/80-3 6, 8 and 28 Bruxner Highway, South Lismore: Section 4.55(1A) modification to the approved design of the expanded Bunnings building including changes to the external wall fabric from Colourbond metal wall cladding with a concrete dado panel to full height precast concrete.

DA22/341 21 Krauss Avenue, South Lismore: To undertake: **1)** the change of use of the front tenancy (Tenancy No. 1) to mixed-use, being a hardware and building supplies and a warehouse or distribution centre; **2)** associated alterations and additions to increase the size of Tenancy No. 1 and undertake an internal fit out; and **3)** New business identification signage to replacing existing.

DA22/350 749 and 769 Dunoon Road, Tullera: To undertake a boundary adjustment subdivision between two lots.

DA22/359 258 Warby Road, Jiggi: To undertake the: **1)** Change of use of a farm building to a dwelling to create a detached dual occupancy and the associated construction of a new deck and carport (Stage 1); and **2)** Demolition of existing structures and erection of a new farm building and associated awning (Stage 2).

DA22/381 1 Evelyn Way, Nimbin: Construction of a two-storey dwelling and a two-storey shed.

DA23/7 190 Keen Street, Lismore: To undertake the replacement of the floor to an existing heritage item (St Pauls Memorial Presbyterian Hall).

DA23/35 82 Woodlark Street, Lismore: To undertake the erection of external Business Identification Signage to the ANZ Bank.

DA23/60 39 Wyrallah Road, Girards Hill: Construction of a shed with mezzanine floor and amenities and the removal of one mango tree.

DA23/61 14 Alfred Place, Goonellabah: Shed.

DA23/67 111 Pineapple Road, Goonellabah: Inground swimming pool.

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: 22/384

LOCATION AND DP LOT: 296 Stony Chute Road, Nimbin (Lot 4 DP 1048778).

APPLICANT: W J Townend Town Planning.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Nominated integrated development to undertake a subdivision of one lot to create 3 lots and the addition of a creek crossing.

CLOSING DATE: 12 June 2023

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.



YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY

Young Writers Masterclass:

Thursday, 18 May: 5pm – 6.30pm at Goonellabah Library

Lismore Library with Byron Writers Festival & StoryBoard present Writers Masterclass.

A series of masterclasses where students will develop their creative writing techniques across a range of genres. Classes are designed to be fun and celebrate the joy of storytelling.

- Junior Masterclass with Zanni Louise, suitable for 8-12-year-olds.
- Youth Masterclass with Sarah Armstrong, suitable for 13–17-year-olds.

Tech Savvy Seniors – Inside Museums from around the World:

Thursday, 18 May: 5.30pm – 6.30pm at Lismore Pop-up Library

Part of the Tech Savvy Seniors tech workshops program at Lismore Pop-up Library, this session is all about discovering museums from around the world in exciting insider virtual tours.

Mobile Library - Nimbin Aquarius Celebration:

Thursday, 18 May: All day at the Mobile Library stop in Nimbin

Celebrate the history of the Aquarius Festival!

- Access historical documents from the 1973 festival.
- Listen to interviews with locals from the event.
- Collect a commemorative bookmark.

Social Circle – All about the Richmond River Historical Society:

Friday, 19 May: 10am – 12pm at Lismore Pop-up Library

Join volunteers from the Richmond River Historical Society and hear all things local to the region.

Tech Savvy Seniors – Virtual Travel:

Monday, 22 May: 2pm – 3pm at Lismore Pop-up Library

In this session, you'll discover how easy it is to travel the world without leaving home. We will demonstrate Google Maps, Google Earth and beyond.



HOUSING INCENTIVES

Lismore City Council will offer incentives to build more affordable housing through discounts and deferrals of Development Contributions, after Councillors adopted the new policy at their Ordinary May monthly meeting.

The new incentives policy fleshes out an action in the recently adopted Affordable and Diverse Housing Strategy.

The policy provides a deferral rather than a discount for most types of residential development that Council is seeking to encourage.

This will allow a developer to have their housing ready for sale or rent before contributions are paid to Council, thus reducing the developer's holding costs. At the same time, it allows Council to collect all the infrastructure contributions at a later date.

Discounts to developer contributions will be applied to:

- Any housing that is to be provided by and managed by a registered Community Housing Provider (CHP) or an Indigenous Community Housing Organisation (ICHO) will attract a 50% discount
- Any housing where a developer enters into a Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) with Council to provide affordable rental housing for 15 years will attract a 30% discount
- Any change of use of an existing building in the CBD to create shop-top housing will attract a 100% discount

The developers of the following types can defer all Development Contributions until an Occupation Certificate is required:

- *New shop-top housing (other than development covered by the change of use provision above), secondary dwellings, new 1–2-bedroom dual occupancies with a floor area <115m², multi-dwellings, residential flat buildings, co-living housing, seniors housing and build-to-rent housing.*

The incentives only apply to developments located in an area with reticulated sewerage.

More information can be found in the May business papers at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au

COUNCIL DECIDES...

At the Ordinary May meeting on Tuesday, 9 May, Councillors resolved to:

- Write to the Treasurer, the Minister for Emergency Services, the Minister for Local Government and Member for Lismore expressing Council's strong opposition to the NSW Government's last-minute decision to impose an enormous Emergency Services Levy (ESL) cost increase on councils for 2023/24 by scrapping the ESL subsidy and at a time after Council has prepared its draft Operational Plan and annual budget to the community, noting that the increase may lead to a reduction in important local services.
- Receive and note the minutes of the Audit Risk & Improvements Committee minutes on 7 December 2022 and 28 February 2023 and note that the acceptance of the minutes of 7 December does not imply Council's acceptance of the new terms of reference for ARIC.
- Receive the 23 February 2023 minutes of the Nimbin Advisory Group.
- Receive the 8 March 2023 minutes of the Sister City Advisory Group and that recommendation 1 be adopted.
- Receive the 15 March 2023 minutes of the Aboriginal Advisory Group and that recommendation 1 be adopted.
- Receive the 22 March 2023 minutes of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Group and that recommendation 1 be adopted.
- Receive the 12 April 2023 minutes of the Local Traffic Committee and adopted the recommendations contained in the minutes.
- Receive the minutes of the Capacity Capability Recovery Roadmap Project Control Committee.
- Adopt the Affordable and Diverse Housing Incentives Policy.
- Defer submitting an application to NSW Department of Industry requesting part of the Crown road adjoining 219 Valley View Drive, Lismore Heights be transferred to Lismore City Council until further information is provided.
- Execute a Grazing Agreement with Tregeagle Landcare Group over part of Crown Reserve at 820 Tregeagle Road, Tregeagle for a 12-month term with a 12-month option for the purpose of cattle grazing.
- Approve the appointment of the following individuals to the Aboriginal Advisory Group (in alphabetical order), Caroline Atkinson, Cindy Roberts, Edna King, Leearna Williams, Thelma James and Veronica Harris.
- That the two voting delegates to the 2023 Floodplain Management Australia National Conference are Cr Vanessa Ekins and Cr Big Rob, that if constitutional matters arise the voting delegate is Cr Big Rob, and that the following notice of motion be endorsed for submission to the Annual General Meeting: "That audio visual link remote access be provided to members unable to physically attend Floodplain Management Australia meetings and workshops."
- Receive and note the Investments - April 2023 report.
- Adopt the March 2023 Quarterly Budget Review Statement and approve the recommended variations.
- Receive and note the Professional Development Plan relating to Councillor Rob.
- Write a letter of support for Women Up North Housing Incorporated provided stating that Council is aware of the high needs in the Lismore local government area for support for women, children and young people impacted by domestic and family violence, supports Women Up North Housing Incorporated in its efforts to seek out community housing funding to establish permanent community housing, as well as crisis accommodation, in the Lismore local government area.
- Accept tender T202319 Figtree Drive Sewer Pipeline Replacement Project.
- Accept tender T23/292 - Pineapple Road Sewerage Scheme Design and Construction.
- Endorse an Organisation Structure.



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