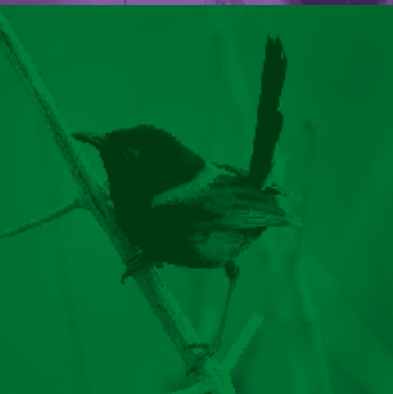




LOCAL MATTERS

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HEALTHY AND FUN SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



It's time to put down the tablet and mobile phone these school holidays and rediscover all the great, and healthy, things our region has to offer.



Council has produced a downloadable online booklet, *Feel Blue, Touch Green*, with a handy map of where you can take a walk on the wild side.

While the Rotary Park walk remains closed due to damage, you can take the kids on a range of walks including along Tucki Tucki Creek and through the Birdwing Butterfly Gully to Hepburn Park, and the Lismore Rainforest Botanic Gardens to name just two. You can download the booklet at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au under the Environment and sustainability tab.

For kids who like to be more active, riders of all types can enjoy the Mountain Bike Skills Course at Nesbitt Park. The course was designed and constructed by World Trails which installs mountain bike facilities in Australia and around the world. It is designed to help beginner and intermediate mountain bike riders develop their skills on various natural elements they may find on actual bushland trails.

There is also plenty of shade for parents to relax as they watch their children hone their bike riding skills.

Prefer a train ride? Why not jump on the miniature train at the always popular Heritage Park. The park also has a water play area with squirters, misters and coconut palm soaker to keep the kids cool in the warmer months.

There is also a nature play area with boulders and timber features for children to climb on and new equipment in the Tiny Tots playground including a carousel, tree-tops tower, tortoise seesaw and inground trampolines. You can also cook up a storm on the free BBQs.

The Lismore and Goonellabah libraries are also offering a range of fun activities that are featured in this issue of *Local Matters*.

WATCH YOUR COUNCILLORS IN ACTION

Councillors meet on the second Tuesday of every month at 6pm in the Council Chambers in Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah and you are invited to come along and watch the debate.

You can even tell Councillors what you think about a particular issue they are about to discuss through Public Access.

Held at the start of every Council meeting, community members can speak for up to four minutes on any agenda item on the Business Paper. All you need to do is go to Council's website and register to speak.

The Business Paper for each Council meeting can also be found on Council's website under the Community & Engagement tab along the top. Simply go to www.lismore.nsw.gov.au

To help inform debate and decision making, Councillor briefings are also held most Tuesday evenings so staff can provide background on issues or projects and Councillors have a chance to brainstorm and discuss the topic.

Briefings are held from 6pm at the Council Chambers and topics for each briefing can be found at the bottom of Council's website.

People may request an AUSLAN interpreter for Council meetings. For more information and/or bookings please phone 6625 0500 through the National Relay Service and ask to speak with the Mayor & Councillors Executive Assistant.

If you can't attend a monthly Council meeting in person, you can watch it from the comfort of your own home, either via the livestream on Council's website or Council's Facebook page where you can join in the discussion with other community members.

The Mayor also gives a brief video wrap up of each Council meeting the following day on Facebook, which includes a link to *Council Decides* that lets you know all the decisions Councillors made the previous evening.

HOW CAN I TALK TO COUNCIL?



Online

Use our online portal to report a road issue, request maintenance, have an issue resolved and more.

Visit www.lismore.nsw.gov.au

Speak with our team

Phone: 02 6625 0500

Email: council@lismore.nsw.gov.au

Visit: 43 Oliver Avenue,
Goonellabah NSW 2480

Write: PO Box 23A, Lismore
NSW 2480

Your Say

Find out more about current consultations happening in the community and share your ideas and feedback to help us improve services, make key decisions and plan for the future. **Visit** www.yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au

Contact your Councillor

Contact your Councillors directly to ask questions, provide feedback, or raise matters about issues affecting you and your community.

Visit www.lismore.nsw.gov.au and look under the Council & Engagement tab.





Artist Hiromi Tango with one of her works Heartbeat.
Photo Josef Ruckli. Courtesy of the artist.

Hiromi Hotel: Rainbow

Until 15 April, 2023 / Lismore Regional Gallery pop-up space

Hiromi Hotel: Rainbow is a sensory installation that takes inspiration from the rainbow, drawing on the colours and symbology of this natural wonder.

Hiromi Tango's therapeutic process involves gently wrapping fabric to build twisting organic forms and create spaces for reflection and human connection. Visitors are welcome to create their own pieces from material provided at the gallery to add to the artwork.

Hiromi Tango is a revered contemporary artist based at Tweed Heads. Her work has been exhibited at major national art museums and regional galleries across Australia and at international exhibitions in the United States, Belgium, Dubai, and the Asia Pacific.

Event details: Hiromi Hotel: Rainbow exhibition is open until 15 April at The Lismore Regional Gallery pop-up space, 46 Magellan St, Lismore. Tuesday to Saturday, 10am - 4pm. Thursdays until 6pm.

For more info visit lismoregallery.org

Mathew Daymond: The Complacency of Man and Machine

22 April – 13 May,
2023 / Lismore
Regional Gallery
pop-up space

Mathew Daymond is an artist, musician, poet, and instrument player.

Living with the gift of difference, he makes art his way, exploring many ideas and processes, including nature's beauty and mystery, narrative and old-world images, and the rich possibilities of collage, paint, words, and found materials.



Mathew Daymond, *Small Trees* 2022, collage on paper, 33 x 22cm. Courtesy of the artist

Event details: Mathew Daymond: The Complacency of Man and Machine Exhibition. 22 April – 13 May, 2023. Lismore Regional Gallery pop-up space. 46 Magellan St, Lismore. Tuesday to Saturday, 10am - 4pm. Thursdays until 6pm.

For more info visit lismoregallery.org

SAFER CITIES: HER WAY COMMUNITY WALKSHOPS

Your
Say
Lismore

Council is seeking community members 16 years and over to participate in upcoming Community Walkshops.

Lismore is one of ten pilot Councils across NSW selected by Transport for NSW to deliver the Safer Cities: Her Way Program.

Council's Community Engagement Team has been holding pop-up stalls and visiting local organisations and community groups to get feedback on ways to improve the real and perceived safety for women, girls, and gender diverse individuals when walking or moving through public spaces and transport hubs.

The next phase of this project will be a series of CBD-based 'Community Walkshops' where the community will have the opportunity to walk along a selected route connected to a transport hub in the CBD and talk about the issues they face.

Upcoming Community Walkshop details:

- **Walkshop 1:** Wednesday, 12 April 2023, 7am - 8.30am
- **Walkshop 2:** Friday, 14 April 2023, 5.30pm - 7pm
- **Walkshop 3:** Thursday, 20 April 2023, 2pm - 3.30pm
- **Walkshop 4:** Thursday, 20 April 2023, 5.30pm - 7pm

To register and for more information on this project, visit www.yoursay.lismore.gov.au



GET TO KNOW YOUR DISASTER DASHBOARD

Our Disaster Dashboard provides real-time information to help residents and visitors to the Lismore local government area be aware of, prepare for and respond to local emergencies.

From road conditions and closures to power outages and river heights, the disaster dashboard is designed as a one-stop-shop for disaster events.

The dashboard provides links to emergency news and contacts as well as a direct feed from the Bureau of Meteorology's weather warnings and Council's Facebook page.

Now is the time
to familiarise yourself
with the Dashboard.

It can be found at
<https://disaster.lismore.nsw.gov.au>
or under Quick Links on our
main website
www.lismore.nsw.gov.au





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

DA20/535 4N/117 Upper Tuntable Falls Road, Nimbin: Use of the existing building as a residential dwelling.

DA21/54 13C/117 Upper Tuntable Falls Road, Nimbin: Use of the existing building as a residential dwelling.

DA21/249 17E/117 Upper Tuntable Falls Road, Nimbin: Dwelling.

DA22/124 5 Kadina Street, Goonellabah: Additions and alterations to dwelling.

DA22/240 2 Falls Road, Nimbin: To undertake a subdivision to create 2 lots and associated earthworks and removal of 3 trees.

DA22/315 6 Denbos Crescent, East Lismore: To undertake a subdivision (1 lot into 2 lots) and associated civil infrastructure works.

DA22/321 24 Livotto Drive, Richmond Hill: Shed.

DA22/367 387 Caniaba Road, Caniaba: To undertake the removal of an existing school sign and the erection of a new digital LED pole/pylon sign.

DA23/005 5 Ferguson Close, Goonellabah: Inground swimming pool and retaining walls.

DA23/009 20 Ridgeland Close, Boat Harbour: Dwelling additions (rear covered patio, front insulated patio roof and new carport).

DA23/021 72 Mountain View Drive, Goonellabah: Dwelling additions and alterations (demolition of existing deck and construction of a new covered deck).

DA23/22 10 Eden Street, Girards Hill: 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: 2023/46

LOCATION AND DP LOT: 15 Industry Drive, East Lismore (Lot 9 DP 230347).

APPLICANT: Lismore Men's & Community Shed.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: To undertake the change of use an existing depot to a community facility for use by the Lismore Men's and Community Shed, and the associated construction of 1) a dust collector and compressor room; 2) a new metal working shed; and 3) a new concrete slab.

CLOSING DATE: 17 April 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.



SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARIES

All library activities are FREE and can be booked via the QR code

► **Bees Wax Wraps**

Tuesday, April 11 at 10am / Lismore Pop-Up Library

► **Library Lego Activity**

Tuesday, April 11 at 3pm / Lismore Pop-Up Library

► **Big Screen Gaming**

Wednesday, April 12 at 2pm / Goonellabah Library

► **Story Time among the trees**

Thursday, April 13 at 10.30am / Lismore
Rainforest Botanic Gardens

► **Upcycled Magnets**

Thursday, April 13 at 11am /
Mobile Library – Nimbin

► **Marble Fun Run**

Friday, April 14 at 2.30pm /
Goonellabah Library

► **ByteWise Questacon
Exhibition**

All holidays / Lismore and
Goonellabah Libraries



AND FOR THE NOT SO YOUNG

► **Tech Savvy Seniors this April**

These free workshops provide a non-judgemental space to learn about your device. Be exposed to new and diverse tech experiences with the help of supportive staff. This April the library will be hosting the following workshops:

► **Poetry Group**

Wednesday, April 5 at 3pm-4.30pm / Lismore Pop-Up Library

► **Phone Photography**

Friday, April 21 at 10am / Lismore Pop-Up Library

► **Social Circle**

Every Friday 10am-12pm / Lismore Pop-Up Library

Every Friday, the Lismore Social Circle meet and experience a range of creative and fun activities, host special speakers, and share their stories.

The social circle is an inclusive pathway to meet new people and form bonds within the community. This April, the group will host a visit from Lee, the creator of Feral Cheryl, the iconic doll which took Australia by storm in the 1990's.

COUNCIL ADOPTS NEW AFFORDABLE & DIVERSE HOUSING STRATEGY

Council resolved at its March meeting to adopt a new housing strategy that identifies a range of measures Council will undertake to stimulate additional affordable and medium density housing.

This will be primarily in the urban area as the location of new housing should be aligned with the location of jobs, infrastructure and services.

The Affordable & Diverse Housing Strategy updates and replaces the Lismore Housing Strategy (2012) and sets policy goals to achieve a minimum of 40% of all new housing to be 'diverse' or 'medium density' housing typologies by 2033 and that at least 15% of all new housing are affordable to people in the very low to moderate-income household categories.

Lismore Mayor Steve Krieg said affordable housing was a major issue for Council and the community and that the strategy focuses on the things that Council can do.

"There are so many factors that influence the cost of housing, such as interest rates, the cost of building materials and macro-economic conditions that are well beyond the influence of what local government can do. What this strategy does is identify the things that we can do at a local level," he said.

The strategy identifies three strategic principles:

1. Advocate on behalf of specific demographics and target groups within our community,
2. Facilitate the supply of land and suitable planning controls that encourage increased density and a diversity of housing types to meet the changing needs of the population, and
3. Partnerships and Direct Support initiatives that deliver the construction of additional affordable and medium density housing projects.

The strategy includes a range of 27 specific actions that Council will undertake in the short, medium and long term to be achieved within an expected 10-year timeframe.

The Affordable & Diverse Housing Strategy is available on Council's website, along with other related housing information at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au

DA MORATORIUM ENDS FOR FLOOD-AFFECTED BUSINESSES

The 12-month moratorium allowing local flood-affected businesses in Lismore to undertake like-for-like repair at their premises without the need for a Development Application or temporarily relocate their business to a new location, has now expired.

The moratorium was brought in following the February 2022 natural disaster and was designed to help local businesses repair their premises and get back into operation sooner.

With the lapsing of the moratorium, a Development Application will now be required for all new business changes of use where the building does not have existing use rights for that particular type of business.

Similarly, where new building works or the like are proposed, a new Development Application must form part of those renovations and re-establishment process.

Council duty planning or building staff are available to assist with any enquiries.





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