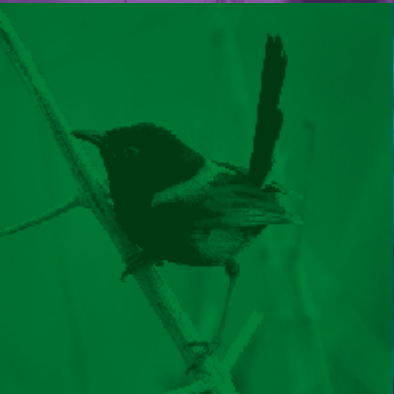


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# YOUR GUIDE TO HOUSING AND RECOVERY

The current housing crisis is not just a statistic or a news headline, it's a current reality that affects countless individuals and families in Lismore and beyond. As we grapple with soaring prices, limited availability and the stress of securing a stable place to call home, it's crucial we take steps to address this issue.

In response to this crisis, Lismore City Council has developed the Lismore Housing Expo, demonstrating Council's commitment to providing access to the knowledge and resources needed to find a safe and secure place to live.

This is an important event not only for Lismore's recovery but also for the City's future.

Stallholders will showcase the wide array of services and resources available to help people through the challenges of the current housing situation. From tiny homes and modular homes to house removals, house raising, the two rooms project and recovery support services.

Attendees can connect with experts on housing grants, development applications, financial counselling or legal advice. These free 30-minute sessions run between 10am and 2pm and are open to all attendees.

Enjoy complimentary food, coffee and kids' activities throughout the day. Plus, enter the lucky door draw for a chance to win one of three Loving Local Gift cards.

Access this important information at the Lismore Housing Expo on Saturday, 11 November, from 10am to 2pm at the South Lismore Bowling Club. For more details visit Council's website at [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au) or contact Council on **6625 0500**.

**This is a Back Lismore initiative designed to help advance Lismore into the future. To discover how you can support Lismore, visit [www.backlismore.com.au](http://www.backlismore.com.au).**



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# Building Business Success with the Northern Rivers Rail Trail

Lismore City Council and Richmond Valley Council invite businesses to participate in our upcoming program to identify leverage opportunities for the Northern Rivers Rail Trail.

Delivered by Meredith Wray, a leading regional tourism expert, this program will help businesses to understand the economic opportunities surrounding the Trail and how they can capitalise on this new regional asset.

The program includes insights from ambassadors from the Tweed section of the Rail Trail, updates on project construction at Casino and Lismore, and knowledge sharing to support business growth and diversification.

Northern Rivers  
**RAIL TRAIL**

**lismore** city council

**Richmond  
Valley  
Council**

## RSVP essential

**9 November 2023**

**Venue:** Casino Golf Club,  
147 West Street, Casino

**Time:** 5.30pm – 7.30pm  
(light refreshments provided)



**16 November 2023**

**Venue:** Two Mates  
Brewing, 7 Engine  
Street, South Lismore

**Time:** 5.30pm – 7.30pm  
(light refreshments provided)



# LISMORE'S LOVING LOCAL GIFT CARDS

To support our business community, Lismore City Council is expanding the Loving Local Gift Card program.

The gift cards offer plenty of choice – they can be redeemed at almost 100 local stores (and counting!) and are also a great way to #BackLismore!

It's free and simple for businesses to join the Loving Local Gift Card program so that cards can be redeemed at your store. All money loaded onto Loving Local Gift Cards can only be spent with participating shops in Lismore and Goonellabah.

The cards are easy to operate via Eftpos, and new 'digital cards' are soon to be rolled out that also work with Square and Shopify platforms. Loving Local Gift Cards are used extensively for presents, prizes, corporate gifts and relief initiatives and will be promoted and gifted extensively leading up to Christmas.

You can find more information about the Loving Local Gift Cards in the Business section of Council's website at [www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au) or contact [business@lismore.nsw.gov.au](mailto:business@lismore.nsw.gov.au).



## A COMMUNITY CAMPAIGN

'Back Lismore' is a call to action and a storytelling platform aimed at reigniting excitement and pride in our region.



#BackLismore

Mick and Kim Sauer

Those who live, learn, work, visit or play in our region are invited to embrace the many ways in which they can back Lismore.

To find out how and get involved, visit [www.backlismore.com.au](http://www.backlismore.com.au).

This initiative has been developed in response to the community's call for a shift in narrative from 'flood city' to 'open'.

While not everything, and everyone, is back where they want to be, Lismore is really starting to thrive again.

Mick and Kim Sauer took over the Lismore Speedway just before the natural disaster in 2022, putting in a mammoth effort to get the track back in action that year.

“The Speedway means so much to so many. The history here is rich, and we are committed to honouring the past while creating a bright new future for Lismore,” Kim said.

The club has a big season opening weekend coming up, kicking off with a pre-season practise night on Friday, 3 November and fan appreciation event on the Saturday morning before the flag drops for the 2023-24 Castrol Lismore Speedway season later that day.

## Back Lismore resources available for all

Back Lismore is designed to encourage residents and visitors to support local businesses, attractions, events and the vibrant community that makes the Lismore region unique.

The campaign's flexibility ensures inclusivity, allowing every individual and entity in the region to participate and share how they support and champion the region.

A creative toolkit is now available to all community members, including local organisations, businesses, educational institutions, artistic venues and community leaders.

This toolkit has been created to empower everyone to share their stories, experiences, and showcase the ways we can all back Lismore. To access further information, including a video, creative toolkit and instructions on how to use it, visit [www.backlismore.com.au](http://www.backlismore.com.au).

# APPLY TO BE PART OF THE SISTER CITY DELEGATION VISIT 2024

Lismore City Council is extending an invitation to six community members to join a delegation to visit our Japanese sister city, Yamato Takada, as part of the 60th-year anniversary celebrations.

The visit also coincides with the renowned Cherry Blossom Festival in 2024.

This is a unique opportunity for anyone who wants to be an ambassador for Lismore and take part in the official sister city delegation activities, promoting the enduring friendship between the cities.

As part of the delegation, you will be part of the official tour of the city led by Council staff visiting many of the city's cultural and historic sites, including Todaiji Temple, attend the world-renowned Cherry Blossom Festival and take part in traditional tea ceremonies, weaving and dance.

Community members are invited to express their interest in joining the delegation, with six places offered.

All applicants are urged to review the Eligibility Criteria and Delegates' Requirements before submitting an Expression of Interest.

All delegates will need to fund their own costs, including accommodation and airfares.

## Travel Dates

Delegates are required to arrive in Yamato Takada on Friday, 29 March 2024 and depart from Yamato Takada, on Thursday, 4 April 2024.

## How to apply

Interested individuals can access application forms online via Council's website or at the Council's Corporate Centre.

**Expressions of Interest close at 5pm on 10 November 2023.**

**For online applications, please visit <https://forms.lismore.nsw.gov.au/forms/19432>.**





# 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

**DA17/413-3 9 & 12 Black Road, Terania Creek:** Section 4.55(1A) Application to Modify Consent to delete the deferred commencement condition A2 and make it an operational condition of consent.

**DA23/40 6 Robert Street, Lismore:** To change the use of an existing studio to a secondary dwelling.

**DA23/71 619 Coraki Road, Ruthven:** To undertake a rural Torrens title subdivision of one (1) lot into two (2) lots.

**DA23/101 51 Avondale Avenue, East Lismore:** To undertake a change of use from dwelling to Medical Centre with associated internal alterations, demolition of retaining wall, onsite parking, removal of vegetation, business identification signage, stormwater drainage works, widening of existing driveway and internal driveway pavement.

**DA23/142 556 Corndale Road, Corndale:** To undertake: 1) the erection of a new community hall (Corndale) and associated access driveway, parking spaces, loading area and earthworks; and 2) the refurbishment of the existing toilet block. The proposal is classified as nominated integrated development and integrated development in accordance with s4.46 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Approval from NSW Department of Planning and Environment (Water) is required in accordance with Water Management Act 2000. The consent authority is the Lismore City Council.

**DA23/212 9 Foleys Road, South Lismore:** Dwelling addition (covered deck).

**DA23/223 9 Karissa Drive, Goonellabah:** Dwelling addition (carport) with a building line variation to 0.3m to Karissa Drive.

**DA23/224 312 Molesworth Street, East Lismore:** Demolition of footings and pool and remove house from site (Heritage Item).

**DA23/226 79 Magellan Street, Lismore:** To undertake the change of use from a shop to a community facility (Disability Day Services) with associated alterations and additions and business identification signage.

**DA23/236 2 Penelope Place, East Lismore:** 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](http://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:** 20/488-02

**LOCATION AND DP LOT:** 805 and 811 Ballina Road, Goonellabah (Lot 2 DP 1287963 and Lot 1 DP 1112474).

**APPLICANT:** BRS Northern Rivers Pty Ltd.

**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:** Section 4.55(2) Application to undertake the following modifications to Development Consent 5.2020.488.2 for a staged subdivision comprising 92 residential lots (51 Torrens Title lots and 41 Community Title lots):

1. move Road 2 to the west by 11.5m and relocating Lot 29 to the eastern side of Road 2;
2. amend the stormwater drainage layout of the subdivision, including the addition of a new rock lined open drain (and low flow pipes), between Road 2 and the western boundary, and draining into detention basin 1;
3. amend the configuration of ten (10) of the approved lots, including Lots D28 and D29;
4. undertake earthworks and retaining walls to bench level twenty-nine (29) of the approved lots;
5. amend the sewer layout of the subdivision to accommodate the proposed benching of lots;
6. amend the widening of De Re Drive and the location of on-street parking spaces, and amend the location of the footpath from the northern side of De Re Drive to the southern side; and
7. amend management Zone 6 of Condition 48 by deleting the environmental off-set area on Lot 12 DP858912 (4 Holland Street).

**CLOSING DATE:** 13 November 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](http://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](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au).



## WEED ALERT: SEEDED BANANA (MUSA SPECIES)

It looks like a Ladyfinger banana, but don't be fooled by the Seeded banana's appearance. Seeded banana is an invasive weed and a biosecurity threat to our region.

Seeded banana's inedible fruit contain up to 200 seeds which can be spread by fruit-eating animals as well as being dispersed by waterways. Its large leaves hamper the growth of native understory plants, and its roots degrade soil nutrients.

Seeded banana is known to host the Banana Aphid, an insect which spreads Bunchy Top disease, one of the most serious diseases to strike the banana industry. For this reason, banana plants can only be purchased through approved suppliers.

Help protect our forests and banana industry from Seeded banana. Seen it? Call Rous **02 6623 3800** or use the webform [www.rous.nsw.gov.au/report-a-weed](http://www.rous.nsw.gov.au/report-a-weed). To keep up to date, follow Rous on Facebook @RousCountyCouncil.



## CONSTRUCTION OF LISMORE TO BENTLEY RAIL TRAIL

**Tender Ref: T2023135**

In 2021 Lismore City Council was successful in securing funding from the Commonwealth Government, to construct the Lismore to Bentley section of the Northern Rivers Rail Trail.

This project will facilitate an active and alternative form of transport for residents and communities in the region. The rail trail will also be a considerable tourist attraction – a notable addition to the active tourism offerings of the region.

The objective of this tender is to select a suitable contractor to conduct construction of the rail trail according to the outlined specifications in the package.

Tender submissions close at 4pm Thursday, 9 November 2023.

Interested parties are required to register at Council's eProcurement portal [www.vendorpanel.com.au](http://www.vendorpanel.com.au) to access relevant documents.

Submissions should also be lodged via VendorPanel in the electronic tender box.

**VendorPanel Reference # VP382390**

If you experience any difficulties with accessing the above website, email VendorPanel support at [support@vendorpanel.com.au](mailto:support@vendorpanel.com.au).

For further information regarding this tender, email the Lismore City Council Procurement team at [procurement@lismore.nsw.gov.au](mailto:procurement@lismore.nsw.gov.au).



# GET PREPARED FOR SUMMER

While summer is the time we all love to get outside and enjoy the warmer weather, it also comes with increased risk of fires, storms, floods and heatwaves.

This year an El Niño climate pattern has developed, which increases the chance of a drier hot season. Take steps today to make sure you're prepared for an emergency.

To assist, the State Government has prepared a handy toolkit to help in the event of an emergency.

## The toolkit contains information about:

- preparing for bushfires
- NSW Rural Fire Service fire danger ratings
- Hazards Near Me NSW app
- preparing for storms and floods
- being ready to manage a heatwave.

For more information on how to prepare for a natural disaster, visit [nsw.gov.au/get-ready](https://nsw.gov.au/get-ready)

The Federal and State governments have also launched a free app to better prepare your home from bushfire risk.

Households can now measure the bushfire resilience of their own home through a star-rating system and receive a customised action plan to make practical, evidence-based bushfire safety improvements to their homes.

The app is available at [rating.rbcouncil.org](https://rating.rbcouncil.org).

You can also download the free Hazards Near Me app at [www.nsw.gov.au/emergency/hazards-near-me-app](https://www.nsw.gov.au/emergency/hazards-near-me-app)

# WILSONS AND RICHMOND RIVER FLOOD WARNING IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The region's flood warning service is being reviewed, and the community is invited to have its say on what improvements should be made.

The Richmond and Wilsons Valley flood warning improvement project will make recommendations and fast-track improvements to our existing flood warning service to improve scope and reliability. This may involve upgrades to existing gauges, new gauges and new flood warning service locations. This will support the Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) and NSW State Emergency Service (SES) in providing accurate and timely flood warnings to the community.

The project is being led by NSW Department Planning and Environment – Environment and Heritage Group in consultation with the BOM, SES and local councils. Full project details and initial draft recommendations can be found via the QR Code below.

You can provide feedback, questions or suggestions regarding improving the existing flood warning network in the Richmond and Wilsons rivers catchment up until 10 November 2023.







# CONTACT US: 6625 0500

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