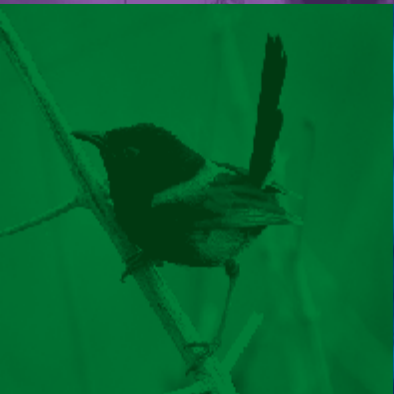


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YOUR GUIDE TO HOUSING AND RECOVERY

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 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.

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BACK LISMORE - A COMMUNITY CAMPAIGN

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

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.

Lismore artist Kate Stroud (pictured), from Stroud de' Signs, is one of many familiar faces that has joined the Back Lismore campaign.

Kate said "an unexpected invitation following last year's natural disaster led to a magical transformation". Her art studio, once nestled beneath her Queensland home, was lost to the flood.

From the waters emerged a collaboration of creative women in a shared space at The Outpost.

"Each Back Lismore story highlights that the strength of a community lies in its collective unity and support for one another," said Kate.

Many inspiring stories like Kate's, can be found on the 'Back Lismore' Facebook and Instagram pages.

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.

The Back Lismore campaign will officially launch at the 2023 Elders Back Lismore Show on 19-21 October.

LISMORE'S LOVING LOCAL GIFT CARDS

To support our business community, Lismore City Council Destination and Economy team members are signing up more stores with the Loving Local Gift Card program.

The gift cards offer plenty of choice – they can be redeemed at over 80 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 or contact business@lismore.nsw.gov.au.



THE LISMORE SHOW

The Elders Back Lismore Show will return to the Lismore Showground on 19, 20 and 21 October.

For 138 years, the Show is where our community comes together to have a bit of fun. It's three days of family fun entertainment.

Come and watch the Monster Trucks, FMX Bikes, JetPacks, the Ashton Circus, laser shows, fireworks, the Back Lismore Community Parade, Community Stage, the Buckleys and Tex Perkins with Matt Walker.

There's even helicopter rides, with a competition to win a free ride for up to three people on the Saturday.

Enter at www.northcoastnational.com.au.

There are all the regular competitions and displays of the region's agricultural and industrial sectors.



If you are a school, sporting, or community group, you are invited to take part in the Back Lismore Show Community Parade and have the chance to win prize money for the most creative float.

Register your group before Wednesday, 18 October and receive free entry to the show on Friday, 20 October.

Show tickets on sale now! For more details, go to www.northcoastnational.com.au

So come along, catch up with friends, make new ones and Back Lismore by going to your Lismore Show. It's where memories are made!

Lismore City Council is proud sponsor of the 2023 Elders Back Lismore Show.



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.

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

All applicants are urged to diligently review the Eligibility Criteria and Delegates' Requirements before submitting.

All delegates will need to fund their own associated 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 the Council's website and physically at the Council's Corporate Centre.

Expressions of Interest will remain open until 5pm on Tuesday, 31 October 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

DA22/192 11, 13 & 15 Ballina Road, East Lismore: To undertake the erection of a light industrial building and associated driveway, parking spaces, civil infrastructure works, tree removal and landscaping.

DA22/326 21, 37, 39 & 41 North Street, 16, 17, 17A, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 23A, & 24 Withers Street, 48, 48A & 48C Osborne Road, 1, 3, 5, 7 & 9 Numulgi Street, Bexhill: To undertake a subdivision to create thirty-eight (38) village residential lots and associated earthworks, roads, civil infrastructure works, vegetation removal and vegetation management works.

DA22/371 27 Hunter Street, Lismore: To undertake the change of use of an existing childcare building to a group home, associated internal alterations and new entry ramp.

DA23/122 23 Tareeda Way, Nimbin: To undertake the erection of a detached dual occupancy and associated earthworks, driveways, civil works, landscaping and strata subdivision in the following stages: Stage 1: Erection of Dwelling 1; Stage 2: Strata subdivision into two allotments (creating a vacant strata allotment); and Stage 3: Erection of Dwelling 2 on the vacant strata Lot 2.

DA23/132 324 Dunoon Road, North Lismore: Dwelling alterations and additions with a building line variation to 3m to Dunoon Road.

DA23/147 25A Walker Street, Clunes: Inground swimming pool.

DA23/150 27 Bellevue Avenue, Lismore Heights: Dwelling alterations and additions – remove existing verandah and construction of a new covered deck.

DA23/177 16 Wyrallah Road, East Lismore: Demolition of a flood-damaged shed and construction of new shed and carport.

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.



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 our webform www.rous.nsw.gov.au/report-a-weed. To keep up to date, follow Rous on Facebook @RousCountyCouncil.





SMALL BUSINESS MONTH

In collaboration with Business Lismore and the Nimbin Chamber of Commerce, Lismore City Council celebrates Small Business Month with themed events on 'My Small Business Brand'.

Business Lismore hosts a morning workshop on modern branding with Ryan McCann from Lion & Lamb agency. Discover the power of branding in resonating with socially conscious consumers. The session is at 8.30am on Wednesday, 25 October, at The Business Hub, SCU Plaza. Morning tea provided.

Concurrently, the Nimbin Chamber of Commerce offers a day-long workshop focusing on AI-driven content creation, branding, and marketing. Kylie Mowbray-Allen from Hello Media, an expert in digital marketing, will guide attendees on brand understanding, AI tool utilisation and effective social media management. Join her on Friday, 27 October, from 8am to 4pm at the Nimbin Bush Theatre. Refreshments included.

To register for either event, go to Council's Yoursay Page at <https://yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au/>.

Both Chambers were successful in obtaining a NSW Government grant to deliver events on the theme of 'My Small Business Brand'.



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 to access relevant documents.

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

VendorPanel Reference # VP382390

If you experience any difficulties with accessing the above website email VendorPanel support on support@vendorpanel.com.au.

For further information regarding this tender email the Lismore City Council Procurement team at procurement@lismore.nsw.gov.au.



COUNCIL DECIDES

At the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 10 October, Councillors resolved to:

- Receive the Mayoral Attendance Report for September 2023.
- Receive the minutes of the 16 August meeting of the Sister City Advisory Group minutes and adopt the recommendations.
- Receive the minutes of the 17 August meeting of the Nimbin Advisory Group minutes and adopt the recommendation.
- Receive the minutes of the 6 September meeting of the Floodplain Risk Management Committee and adopt the recommendation.
- Receive and note the minutes of the 18 September meeting of the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee.
- Receive the minutes of the 20 September meeting of the Local Traffic Committee and adopt the recommendation.
- Approve the application for modification of Development Consent DA92/523 for extension of life by 12 years of the quarry at 72 River Bank Road, Monaltrie subject to conditions.
- Receive and note the September 2023 Investments Report.
- (1) Enter into a new license agreement with Lismore Senior Citizens Social Club Inc for occupation of part of Goonellabah Community Centre, with subsidised rent. (2) The General Manager be delegated authority to execute the license with the Lismore Senior Citizens Social Club Inc over Suite 8 and the attached store room at 27 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, for a term of five years for the permitted use of: Lismore Senior Citizens Social Club Activities.
- Note the following documents be executed as negotiated under delegated authority by the General Manager:

Item A **Lease to Lismore City Council** over Suite 6, 164 Molesworth Street, Lismore for Lismore Regional Gallery's continued use of the office space in line with funding from the State Government

Item B **Lease to Lismore City Council** over Shop 3, 164 Molesworth Street, Lismore for Lismore Regional Gallery's continuation of the Lismore Regional Gallery Pop up Gallery in line with funding from the State Government.

- Adopt clause 3.16(a) to be included in Lismore City Council's Code of Meeting Practice that:
- (a) any response provided to a question with notice submitted under clause 3.16 will be included in the minutes of the meeting. In the case of an oral response a transcript of the response is to be included in the minutes.
- Receive the Pecuniary Interest Returns report and acknowledge the tabled Pecuniary Interest Returns.
- Adopt the Council's Ordinary Meeting Schedule for 2024 that:
 1. the first Ordinary Meeting of Council for 2024 be held on Tuesday, 13 February 2024 at 6pm and subsequent meetings held on the second Tuesday of the month with the final ordinary meeting for this term of Council being Tuesday, 13 August 2024.
 2. Council's first meeting after the September 2024 local government elections be held on Tuesday, 8 October 2024 at 6pm with subsequent meetings being held on the second Tuesday of November and December 2024 at 6pm.
- Contact Transport for NSW, Department of Planning and Environment-Heritage and Janelle Saffin MP requesting as a matter of urgency, an accelerated process to be fast-tracked to remove the rail bridge and reopen Terania Street due to safety concerns and the impact on local business. This is to be followed by the removal of the below rail bridges:
 - Union Street and Frank Street
 - Crane Street between Barrow Lane and Simmons Street
 - Alexandria Parade near Flick Street
 - Winterton Parade near the Lismore Turf Club (preferably during school holidays)
- The General Manager provided a response in the Business paper regarding why the CSIRO should not be sought out and asked to be the lead agency undertaking a Regional Vision and Masterplan. No further action was taken. When the Council had resumed, the Mayor reported that the following had been resolved:
 - Accept the Tender T2023123 from JW Molyneux and C Toms Pty Ltd trading as Half Tide Plumbing and Roofing for the Replacement of Roof - Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah.



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