



# LOCAL MATTERS

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## DARREL CHAPMAN FUN RUN ▶ ROAD CLOSURE

The Darrel Chapman Fun Run returns to the streets of Lismore on Sunday, 27 August 2023

### Why not pull on your running shoes and join the fun?

It's not too late to register at [www.darrelchapman.com](http://www.darrelchapman.com).

You can register for either:

- **4km walk/run**  
(starts at 9am)
- **10km run**  
(starts at 7am)
- **21km Marathon**  
(starts at 7am)



The run will start in Woodlark Street then turn right into Molesworth Street and along Winterton Parade before turning right into Woodlawn Road, with runners looping back near Numulgi Road.

To ensure the safety of runners, spectators and motorists, all roads adjoining the route will be closed to traffic between 5am and 12 noon.

All funds raised go to Our Kids to purchase lifesaving equipment for our local hospitals.

Lismore City Council is a supporter of the Darrel Chapman Fun Run.

## LISMORE BUSINESS RENEWAL ENGAGEMENT

Lismore City Council invites local businesses to get involved with our next series of Business Renewal Engagement.

Let us know about opportunities and challenges you see in our business community to help Lismore thrive again.

- **CBD Walkshop:** 8am to 10am  
Monday, 11 September
- **Morning forum:** 8.30am to 10.30am  
Wednesday, 13 September at Lismore Bounty Motel
- **Afternoon forum:** 5pm to 7.00pm  
Thursday, 14 September at Lismore Bounty Motel

Find out more and register your spot (or fill out quick online questions) at [yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au/business-renewal-2023](http://yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au/business-renewal-2023)



We value your input to inform Council's planning, advocacy and collaboration with government agencies, and our work with local businesses and organisations to progress through disaster recovery and renewal.

Contact [business@lismore.nsw.gov.au](mailto:business@lismore.nsw.gov.au) for more information.







Materials such as mulch, soil, baled hay, turf and other high-risk material cannot be moved from within a 5km radius of this site without inspection and certification by Queensland authorities.

While the nest has been destroyed, it is crucial that residents and businesses in northern NSW be alert for the signs of fire ants and to report any suspected detections.



**It is important to keep NSW free from this invasive and aggressive pest, which if established, will have a huge impact on the way we live our lives and could affect our export markets and ability to trade.**



Residents and businesses should check their properties as finding fire ants early and alerting NSW DPI will increase the chances of successful eradication.

Fire ants are dark reddish-brown with a darker black-brown abdomen and from two to six millimetres long. They look similar to other ants, but their ant nests are distinctive with mounds of loose, crumbly or fluffy looking soil with a honeycomb appearance, up to 40cm high, with no obvious entrance holes.

Red imported fire ants can damage electrical and agricultural equipment, sting people causing allergic reactions, sting pets and livestock, kill native plants and animals as well as damage ecosystems beyond repair.



**Residents and businesses should report any sign of fire ants to the NSW DPI on 1800 680 244.**

Anyone bringing nesting materials into NSW, such as mulch, woodchips, compost, sand, gravel, soil, hay and other baled products from the red imported fire ant biosecurity zone in southeast Queensland, should check the measures being implemented before entering NSW.

**For more information, go to [www.dpi.nsw.gov.au](http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au)**



## **BE ON ALERT FOR FIRE ANTS**



**The NSW Government has taken immediate action to reduce the risk of fire ants entering the state after fire ants were detected at Tallebudgera, a suburb in the City of the Gold Coast, just 5.5km from the NSW border.**

Immediately following detection of the ants at the premise, the NSW Biosecurity (Invasive Ant Carriers) Control Order 2023 was triggered to prohibit the movement of materials that could bring the ant into NSW.

# COUNCIL DECIDES

## At the Ordinary August meeting on Tuesday, 8 August 2023, Councillors resolved to:

- Receive and note Condolence Motions for Valerie Axtens and Barry Crimmins and send condolence letters to both families.
- Receive the Mayoral Attendance Report for July 2023.
- Receive and adopt the recommendations contained within the minutes of the Capacity, Capability & Recovery Roadmap Project Control Committee, the Floodplain Risk Management Committee, Access & Inclusion Advisory Group meeting and the Local Traffic Committee meeting.
- Write to the Northern Rivers Reconstruction Corporation, NSW Reconstruction Authority's chief executive Simon Draper, Member of Lismore Janelle Saffin, Minister for Emergency Services and Minister for Planning & Public Spaces seeking clarification and a public statement on the future of houses purchased via the Resilient Homes Program.
- Advise the Richmond Tweed Regional Library Committee its preference is to purchase all Member Council interests in the vacant land at 1 Lancaster Drive Goonellabah, that the purchase be through direct negotiation and that the purchase amount be based on an independent market valuation.
- Receive and note the Councillors Expenses and Facilities Policy for January 2023 to June 2023.
- Adopt the proposed fees and charges for Lismore Centra Tourist Park as outlined in the August Business Papers and included them in the 2023-2024 Schedule of Fees and Charges.
- Adopt the Terms of Reference outlined in the August Business Papers for Aboriginal Advisory Group, the Nimbin Advisory Group, the Sister City Advisory Group and the Access and Inclusion Advisory Group, with the following amendments: (1) meeting duration will be a maximum of 90 minutes (2) if the business of the meeting is unfinished after 90 minutes the committee may, by resolution, extend the time of the meeting by a maximum of 30 minutes (3) if the business of the meeting is unfinished after 90 minutes and the committee does not resolve to extend the meeting, the chairperson must either (a) defer consideration of the remaining items of business on the agenda to the next

ordinary meeting of the committee or (b) adjourn the meeting to a time, date and place fixed by the chairperson but no later than fourteen (14) days after the deferred meeting, (4) this Clause does not limit the ability of the committee to resolve to adjourn a meeting at any time. The resolution adjourning the meeting must fix the time, date and place that the meeting is to be adjourned to, and that any decision about the future of the Koala Implementation Group (KIG) be deferred until after a briefing about the activities of the KIG and the requirements of the Comprehensive Koala Plan of Management for a 10-year review. That members of the KIG be invited to attend and participate in that briefing.

- Execute a lease for a suitable office space in or around the Lismore CBD for Council's Flood Recovery Road and Bridges project staff, contractors and consultants for three (3) years with two, one (1) year options, with funding from the Natural Disaster Funding Arrangements (DRFA).
- Execute a lease for a suitable hardstand parking space in or around the Lismore CBD for Council's Flood Recovery Road and Bridges project staff, contractors and consultants for a term of three (3) years with two, one (1) year options, with funding from the Natural Disaster Funding Arrangements (DRFA).
- Renew the lease with RDO Equipment Pty Ltd (over approximately 247m<sup>2</sup> of road reserve adjoining 9 Three Chain Road, South Lismore for the purpose of machinery display and business identification in for a term of five (5) years.
- Finalise the Planning Proposal (for the rezoning of land at 57 Durham Road, 520 Wyrallah Road and 40 and 70 Monaltrie Lane, Monaltrie) and submit it to the Department of Planning and Environment for Gateway determination, proceed to public exhibition of the Planning Proposal, and that officers report back to Council upon the conclusion of the public exhibition. A rescission motion on this matter was received the following morning which means it will go back to the September Ordinary Council meeting for a final determination.
- Endorse the review of Lismore Strategic Road Network 2023 prepared by SDS Civil and that the works schedule be used to inform the Section 7.11 Contributions Plan update.
- Receive and note the July Investments Report.
- When Council had resumed its former sitting, the Mayor reported that Council, meeting in Closed Session, had resolved to formally censure Councillor Rob pursuant to section 440G of the *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)* which states 'a council may by resolution at a meeting formally censure a councillor for misconduct'.



# JOIN THE WAR ON WASTE

## Why we need to declare war on plastic

Plastic waste has emerged as one of the most pressing environmental concerns of our time. Its adverse impact on ecosystems, marine life and human health cannot be overstated.

Thanks to the ABC's *War on Waste* series, it has again taken centre stage, highlighting the urgent need to address the escalating issues of plastic waste.

## **Plastic waste is a problem affecting us locally.**

In our community, a glaring example of problematic plastic waste emerges in the form of small lids that contaminate recycling streams.

These seemingly innocuous items can wreak havoc on recycling processes, leading to inefficiencies and undermining recycling efforts.

## **Taking action: a simple step to help your local Materials Recovery Facility (MRF).**

A practical step we can all take is to remove lids from bottles and jars and place them in the red landfill bin. By doing so, they don't get mixed in with the crushed glass and other types of plastic and create the need for more sorting.



# HAVE YOUR SAY ON NEW SKATEPARK AND YOUTH PRECINCT

To ensure the new Lismore Skatepark and Youth Precinct is a safe and inviting space for all users to enjoy, we would love your feedback.

Please take a couple of minutes to fill in this form, so we can collaborate in a way that suits you. You can access the form via this QR code.

Thank you to those who have already submitted feedback, we'd love to keep you involved. Upcoming workshops are proposed for September, with ongoing consultation providing plenty of ways to have your say.

Important aspects such as shade, accessibility, beginners' area and safety have been incorporated into the current design thanks to previous feedback.

Development of the Final Concept Design is underway. We are encouraging community members to register their details to be part of the process.

Construction is scheduled to commence in January 2024.

**For more details or to register, visit Your Say:**  
<https://yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au/lismore-skatepark-and-youth-precinct>





## 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

**DA21/620-2 74 Conway Street, Lismore:** Erection of a shed for the storage of goods associated with the air-conditioning business.

**DA22/118-2 30 Blue Hills Avenue, Goonellabah:** Section 4.55(1) modification to correct an administrative error in relation to the consent date of Development Consent Notice 5.2022.118.1.

**DA22/345 6 Ryces Drive, Clunes:** To undertake: 1) a change of use of part of an expanded dwelling to a secondary dwelling with associated alterations and additions; and 2) alterations to the principal dwelling to create an additional bedroom.

**DA22/359-2 258 Warby Road, Jiggi:** Section 4.55(1) application to modify consent to rectify description and conditions to delete references to staging of the development.

**DA23/54 390 Terania Creek Road, Terania Creek:** Use existing structure as an expanded dwelling.

**DA23/85 25 Starkey Road, Whian Whian:** Dwelling.

**DA23/126 16 James Street, Dunoon:** Dwelling additions and alterations (sunroom and deck).

**DA23/157 8/60 Barham Street, East Lismore:** Dwelling and 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](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au).

## POPULAR FIT TOGETHER RETURNS FOR AUGUST

Fit Together returns on Saturday, 26 August 2023 after a successful July event that attracted more than 50 people who participated in various fitness activities catering for the whole family.



Fit Together is a fun and free family day out that will be held at Goonellabah Sports and Aquatic Centre. The day is split into two sessions. The first session, a 'For the family' session between 12pm and 2pm, allows families to connect and play relay games and social sports together.

Then during the second session, 'Solo Sessions' between 2pm and 3pm, active entertainment will be provided by Fitness Kidz that parents can choose to stay or take some time for themselves and try either boxing or Zumba – a fun dance workout!

If teens attend the day with their family, they can participate in the family social sports in the first session, then access a free swim pass (limited swim passes available) or attend one of the adult classes in the second session.

A limited creche is available for 0-4 years for families with toddlers.

To register online to secure a spot or sign up on the day, see the event timetable or enquire about Creche, please scan the QR code or go to [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com).

Fit Together is funded by the Office of Sport and proudly brought to you by Lismore City Council.







# HAVE YOUR SAY ON PUBLIC OPEN SPACE AND PEDESTRIAN NETWORKS

In 2021 you told us what you wanted and expected from public open space and pedestrian networks around Lismore and the villages.

We listened to you and have now drafted two strategies to guide the development and enhancement of our public spaces, as well as our walking and cycling infrastructure into the future: an Open Space Strategy and a Walking, Cycling and Micromobility Strategy.

Lismore City Council wants to hear from you again to know what you think about the draft strategies. Visit Your Say Lismore to learn more about the strategies and provide comments or take part in a five-minute survey.

Simply use the corresponding QR code



## Open Space Strategy

[yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au/os-strategy](https://yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au/os-strategy)



## Walking, Cycling and Micromobility Strategy

[yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au/wcm-strategy](https://yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au/wcm-strategy)

# CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK 2023

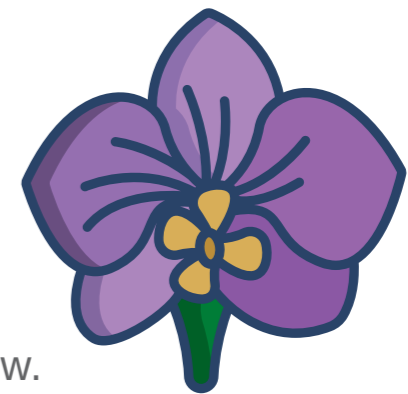
Read grow and inspire this week at your local library.

Each year since 1945, children have celebrated Children's Book Week across Australia. Visit the Goonellabah and Lismore libraries to experience the colourful displays and read Australia's favourite books for 2023.

## Australasian Native Orchid Society - Orchid Show

Thursday, 24 August 9am-5pm, Friday, 25 August 9am-5pm & Saturday 26, August 9am-12pm

Richmond Tweed Regional Library  
Support Services,  
6 Centenary Drive Goonellabah



Spring is coming! Come along and see our beautiful native orchids at the Australasian Native Orchid Society Show.

The show is being held at the Family History and Research Centre, opening on Thursday, 24 August.

So many colours, so much variety on display with experts giving orchid-growing advice and lots of plants available for sale. This could be your opportunity to begin your collection of native orchids. The awards presentation will be at 12 noon Saturday, 26 August.

## NBN Scam Awareness

Friday, 25 August 2pm at Lismore Pop Up Library

Learn how you can get more from your nbn® connection with internet scams prevention. At this session, we'll cover:

- How to recognise common scams
- How to stay safe online
- What to do if you think you have been scammed



# CHANGES AT LISMORE RECOVERY CENTRE

The Recovery Centre is changing the days of its operation, effective immediately, for the months of August and September.

The Centre will now be open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, and will be closed on Fridays. Some services have also changed.

Located at the Lismore Transit Centre, the Centre has supported flood-affected residents and businesses to access a range of supports and services since the February 2022 natural disaster.

## The following services are available:

### Tuesday

Lismore City Council: 9am-4pm

Uniting RSS: 9am-3pm

Legal Aid: 9am-4pm

Johns Lyng Group  
(Property Assessments):  
10am to 12pm

### Wednesday

Lismore City Council: 9am-4pm

Service NSW: 10am-4pm

### Thursday

Lismore City Council: 9am-4pm

Service NSW: 10am-4pm

NR Community Legal Centre: 10am-3pm

For more information on the Recovery Centre,  
phone Council on 6625 0500



## Tech Savvy: Connecting to Others

**Monday, 28 August 2pm – 3pm at Lismore Pop-up Library**

Need a helping hand with video calls? Find out how to get set up from your smartphone, tablet or computer.

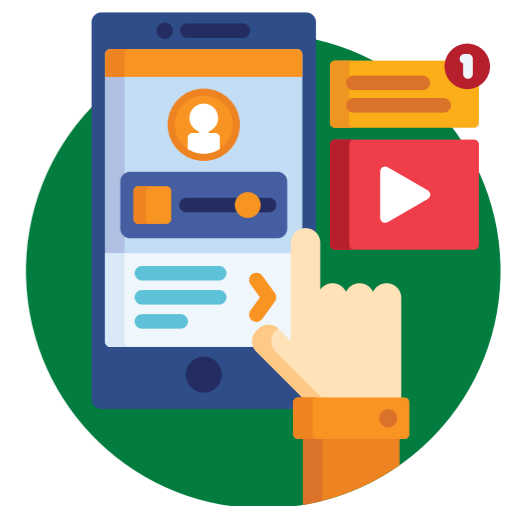
## One-on-One Tech Help

Every Monday at Goonellabah Library, and every Tuesday and Thursday at Lismore Pop-up Library.

Has the world of technology got you beat? Do you have questions about your phone, laptop or tablet? Do you want to learn more about Facebook or emailing? Whatever your question why not see if we can help?

A Tech Lesson is one-on-one help tailored to your needs.

**Phone Goonellabah Library on 02 6625 1235 or the Lismore Pop-up Library on 02 6625 1235 for enquiries and to book an appointment.**







# CONTACT US: 6625 0500

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