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# WE'RE LISTENING TO OUR COMMUNITY

Lismore City Council has unveiled the findings from its most comprehensive Customer Experience Survey to date, shedding light on community perceptions of the Council's performance, areas of strength and opportunities for improvement.

The survey, conducted over a three-month period, engaged a record-breaking 530 participants through face-to-face interactions at prominent local spots such as the 2023 Back Lismore Show, The Quad, Nimbin, as well as online platforms.

The results provide a baseline that not only shows Council where we should focus our efforts but also lets us measure the effectiveness of our actions.

**Here are just some of the highlights.**

**To read the full results, go to**

**[www.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lismore.nsw.gov.au)**



## What do people want to hear about

70%

Community events

54%

Roads

49%

Environmental issues

44%

Grants

41%

Recovery



80%

Find it easy to connect with Council



34%

Prefer self-service Council options



72%

Want to interact with Council when it suits them



70%

Council processes are too time consuming



43%

Council resolves issues promptly



89%

Want to tell their story only once

# COUNCIL EASTER OPERATING HOURS

**Corporate Centre:** Closed from 4.30pm on Thursday, 28 March until 8.30am on Tuesday, 2 April.

## Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre:

Closed from 3.30pm on Wednesday, 27 March until 7.30am on Tuesday, 2 April.

Please note that waste collection will continue as normal.

## Nimbin Transfer Station

Closed from 3pm on Thursday, 28 March until 8am on Tuesday, 2 April.

## Libraries

All Lismore Area Libraries will be closed from Friday, 29 March, reopening on Tuesday, 2 April.

## GSAC

GSAC be closed Friday, 29 March, Sunday, 31 March and Monday, 1 April. GSAC will be open on Saturday, 30 March.

## Lismore Memorial Baths

Closed Friday, 29 March only.

## Lismore Regional Gallery

Closed from Friday, 29 March, reopening on Tuesday, 2 April.



# RECYCLING & RECOVERY CENTRE CLOSED FOR MAINTENANCE ON THURSDAY, 28 MARCH

The Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre on Wyrallah Rd will be temporarily closed on Thursday, 28 March, prior to the Easter long weekend.

This closure is necessary to carry out essential and long-overdue maintenance works that will enhance the overall safety and functionality of the facility.

We understand the inconvenience this closure may cause, but these measures are crucial to ensure the well-being of both our staff and visitors.

During this closure, kerbside collection will continue to operate as normal. The Nimbin Transfer Station will remain open on Thursday, 28 March.

The Lismore Recycling and Recovery Centre will reopen on Tuesday, 2 April, after the Easter long weekend.

We thank you for your patience and cooperation during this period.



# HABITAT WORKSHOP & GUIDED WALK IN MARCH

## Garden Habitat Heroes workshop is set to bloom at the Lismore Rainforest Botanic Gardens

**Saturday, 23 March, 9.30am to 12.30pm:**

This is the first of four Garden Habitat Heroes workshops to be held this year by Richmond Landcare, thanks to funding from the Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal Strengthening Rural Communities Program.

This immersive workshop invites participants on an educational voyage to transform their yards into thriving habitats for native flora and fauna. From learning the secrets of habitat creation to crafting a native bee hotel for your garden, attendees will embark on a hands-on journey to amplify biodiversity in their own backyards, with a focus on how to encourage solitary and stingless bees to thrive.

The presenters will have books, including children's books, available for purchase. There will be observation hives, sugar-bag honey tasting, hands-on displays and lots of time to ask questions to deepen your knowledge of our stingless bees. There will also be a guided walk through parts of the Botanic Gardens.



Morning tea will be provided, offering participants a chance to mingle and exchange ideas in a relaxed atmosphere. However, with limited spaces available, early bookings are essential to secure a spot in this transformative workshop.



## Guided Walk in the Lismore Rainforest Botanic Gardens

**Sunday, 24 March 9.30am:**

Andreas will take you on an informative walk featuring some history of the gardens and useful plants of the rainforest. Learn more about beautiful and useful plants, ideal for a smaller space or understory, or for a larger area, as you wander through the Sensory and Useful Plants Garden.

Meet at the Visitor's Centre at 9.15am for a 9.30am start for a one-hour walk. \$5 per adult, children free. No card facilities sorry. Wear a hat and sturdy shoes. Enjoy morning tea in the Visitor's Centre after the walk. Donation appreciated.

## Register here:

<https://events.humanitix.com/garden-habitat-heroes-stingless-and-solitary-bees>

## Booking essential (Numbers limited)

Email: [publicity@friendslrbg.com.au](mailto:publicity@friendslrbg.com.au)

# COUNCIL DECIDES

## At the Ordinary March Council meeting held on Tuesday, 12 March 2024, Councillors resolved to:

- Receive the Mayoral Attendance Report for February 2023, and that future Mayoral Attendance Reports be included in the Business Paper as a Notice of Motion
- Receive and adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes of the 14 February Local Traffic Committee meeting
- Receive but not adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes, establish a Lismore Villages Advisory Group to include representations from throughout rural Lismore, and prepare Terms of Reference to guide the Lismore Villages Advisory Group, for consideration and endorsement by resolution of Council.
- Council include community consultation and a feasibility study to consider the viability of establishing a permanent library, art gallery, information centre, and/or additional water storage at 9 Sibley Street Nimbin in the 2024-25 Operational and other relevant IP&R documentation going forward, subject to budget allocation, hold a workshop to identify options to receive requests for and facilitate the provision of future funding to external entities, excluding individuals.
- Receive and adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes of the 21 February Disability and Inclusion Advisory Group meeting
- Receive and adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes of the 14 February Aboriginal Advisory Group meeting
- Note the Questions on Notice responses
- Delegate the General Manager to finalise a revised Draft Voluntary Planning Agreement and place the Draft Voluntary Planning Agreement on public exhibition in line with the requirements of the Gateway Determination
- Support the Planning Proposal to introduce an Affordable Housing Contribution Scheme into the Lismore LEP 2012, that the General Manager submit the Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure with a request for a Gateway Determination, in line with conditions of the Gateway Determination, the General Manager place the Planning Proposal and the Affordable Housing Contribution Scheme on public exhibition and consult with Government agencies, and that following the close of the public and agency consultation, the General Manager report back to Council
- Receive and note the February 2024 Investments Report and review the Investments Policy by the end of the financial year
- Place the draft Section 7.11 Contribution Plan 2024 on public exhibition with a briefing provided to Council on the results of any submissions, and that a report is brought back to Council with any proposed amendments to the draft plan seeking Council's endorsement
- Adopt the Destination Management Plan 2024-2028
- Adopt the Walking, Cycling and Micro-mobility Strategy 2024
- Adopt the Wade Park Masterplan and that Council thank the contributing consultants, Parks & Leisure Australia, Council officers involved in the Master Plan
- Adopt the Open Space Strategy 2024-2043
- Support the draft Development Control Plan Part B, Chapter 11 (DCP), place it on public exhibition alongside the Planning Proposal, and that a report to Council is made following the close of the public exhibition period
- Receive and endorse the Delivery Program Progress Report for the period July to December 2023
- Send delegates to the 2024 ALGA National General Assembly they being Mayor Krieg, Deputy Mayor Hall and Councillors Bing and Jensen, and that the voting delegate be Mayor Krieg
- Note the draft minutes of Northern Rivers Joint Organisation, Rous County Council and Richmond Tweed Regional Library
- Note and receive the Councillors' Expenses and Facilities report for July 2023 to December 2023
- Waive fees and charges for admission to the Lismore Memorial Baths for the balance of the 2023/2024 swimming season



# 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

**DA19/065-2 628 Koonorigan Road, Koonorigan:** Section 4.55(1A) Application to modify consent to amend the design of dwelling 2 to include a lower-ground floor that comprises two rooms, laundry and internal stairs.

**DA21/352-2 20 McLennan Lane, Lismore:** Section 4.55(1) Application to modify consent (5.2021.352.2) to amend the consent description to delete reference to the part demolition of the existing building as it has already been fully demolished under separate DA5.2022.370.1.

**DA21/472-3 1566 Bangalow Road, Clunes:** Section 4.55(2) modification to comprise; (1) delete the cellar-door building, (2) change the use of the approved one-bedroom detached dual occupancy in the winery building to the cellar door with mezzanine office, (3) alterations to the approved office/storage room in the winery building to change the use to toilets and storage, (4) modification to consent conditions No. 2, No. 3, No. 4, No. 6, No. 21, No. 41, No. 43 and No. 56, and (5) delete consent conditions No. 5, No. 33 and No. 34.

**DA21/585-2 65 Rous Road, Goonellabah:** Section 4.55(1A) Application to modify consent (5.2021.585.1) by deleting the following elements from the approved development: the additional carparking, the replacement of existing ILU garages, the internal upgrades to Quarmby Household, Aitchison Household and central areas within Jarmin RACF, and internal upgrades to the Kalina RACF.

**DA22/192-2 11, 13 & 15 Ballina Road, East Lismore:** Section 4.55(1) application to modify condition 12 of Development Consent 5.2022.192.2 by amending the requirement to consolidate the subject lots to prior to the issue of any Occupation Certificate.

**DA22/344 21 Pound Street, Lismore:** To undertake the erection of a secondary dwelling and vegetation management works.

**DA22/360 319 Arthur Road, Dorroughby:** Two (2) farm sheds.

**DA23/159 12/76 Young Road, Tuntable Creek:** Dwelling (on Site 12 of approved Rural Landsharing Community).

**DA23/232 450 Repentance Creek Road, Repentance Creek:** To undertake (1) Alterations and additions to the existing dwelling (covered walkway, gazebo, laundry, drying area and storeroom) and associated driveway works, roof extension, earthworks and retaining walls to create a terrace, (2) The use of an existing building as an addition to the existing dwelling and (3) The use of existing building (old schoolhouse) as a farm building (shed); and the use of an existing church building as a dwelling, creating a detached dual occupancy, and associated new carport and driveway works.

**DA23/246 30 Evergreen Drive, Goonellabah:** Dwelling with detached carport.

**DA23/266 18 Beddoes Road, Modanville:** Dwelling alterations and additions.

**DA23/281 21 Stewarts Way, Nimbin:** To undertake the re-siting of two (2) dwellings to create a detached dual occupancy and the construction of two associated double carports and driveway.

**DA23/295 2 Oak Drive, Goonellabah:** Extension of retaining wall.

**DA23/296 82 Uralba Street, Lismore:** To undertake the (1) demolition of the existing buildings on the site and the removal of seven (7) trees; and (2) erection of a co-living housing development (3 x 4 bedroom units and common room) and associated driveway, carparking, utility services, fencing, earthworks and landscaping.

**DA23/314 12 Livotto Drive, Richmond Hill:** Dwelling alterations and additions.

**DA23/315 21 Gum Tree Drive, Goonellabah:** Carport (ancillary to dwelling).

**DA23/334 42 Barham Street, East Lismore:** Dwelling alterations and additions.

**DA23/335 14 McIntosh Road, Chilcotts Grass:** Dwelling alterations and additions.

**DA23/339** 11 McDermott Avenue, Goonellabah: Dwelling addition and alteration (new ensuite).

**DA24/7** 19 Star Avenue, Goonellabah: Carport.

**DA24/10** 41 James Street, Dunoon: Dwelling.

**DA24/13** 17 Clare Street, Goonellabah: Shed.

**DA24/14** 1 Douglas Place, Chilcotts Grass: Dwelling addition (carport), retaining walls and privacy fences.

**DA24/17** 4 Pinecrest Drive, Goonellabah: Shed.

**DA24/18** 14 Mandala Crescent, Richmond Hill: Inground swimming pool.

**DA24/19** 129 Ballina Road, East Lismore: Shed with a building line variation to 500mm to western boundary and retaining wall to be constructed on western boundary.

**DA24/29** 21 Greenwood Drive, Goonellabah :Carport

**DA24/32** 97 Rosehill Road, Blakebrook: Inground swimming pool.

**DA24/34** 72 Walker Street, East Lismore: Dwelling additions and alterations (covered outdoor area).

**DA95/229-2** 751 Rock Valley Road, Rock Valley: Section 4.55(2) Application to modify consent (5.1995.229.1 Quarry) to extend the life of an existing basalt quarry for an additional 12 years. 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 Natural Resource Access Regulator is required in accordance with Water Management Act 2000. The consent authority is the Lismore City Council.

**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).**

## HAVE YOUR SAY

**Council is seeking the community's feedback on the proposed rezoning and design controls for land at 1055 and 1055A Bruxner Highway (the site).**

An application to rezone the land (a Planning Proposal) has been lodged with Council for assessment. To support the planning proposal, Council has drafted a new Development Control Plan (DCP) chapter which will guide future development applications.

The objective of this planning proposal is to amend the Lismore Local Environmental Plan 2012 (LEP) to enable residential, mixed use and industrial development to occur on this site to meet the needs of the Lismore community.

We want you to let us know what you think about the proposal before we proceed. Lismore City Council has not been designated as the Local Plan Making Authority for the purposes of finalising changes to the LEP, meaning the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure will make the final sign-off.

Also, we'd love to know what you think this urban release area should be named.

To find out more go to [www.yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au)

You can make a submission at Your Say Lismore, by post to **PO Box 23A Lismore NSW 2480**, or email [council@lismore.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@lismore.nsw.gov.au)

Submissions close 5pm on Wednesday, 1 May 2024.

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## HAVE YOUR SAY ON NEW CONTRIBUTIONS PLAN

**Lismore City Council is exhibiting a new draft Contributions Plan that, in accordance with Section 7.11 (formerly Section 94) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, sets out the requirements for the payment of monetary contributions from new developments that increase the demand for public amenities and services.**

The draft plan will be on public exhibition from 18 March to 26 April.

It covers all land within the Lismore LGA other than the North Lismore Plateau which is covered under its own contributions plan.

The draft plan considers development and population projections to 2041 and has identified a range of infrastructure projects in the following categories:

- **Community Facilities**
- **Public Domain Facilities**
- **Open Space and Recreation**
- **Walking and Cycling**
- **Traffic Management**
- **Stormwater Management**

Following any changes as a result of submissions and final endorsement by Council, the draft plan is intended to replace the existing Section 94 Contributions Plan that has been operational since 2015.

As a result of the new works program and the methodology used to develop the plan, the contribution rates for urban residential and retail have increased, whilst the rates for rural north residential and rural south, commercial (Business and Office Premises), and industrial have been reduced.

A copy of the draft plan can be view on Council's Your Say page at [www.yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au](http://www.yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au) where you can also find information on how to make a submission.



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