

# Annual Report 2018-19

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## Beneficiaries of Financial Assistance (grants and donations)

In accordance with Local Government Regulation 2005 cl217(1)(a5), an annual report must include details of the total amount contributed or otherwise granted under the Local Government Act s356 to financial assist others.

Assistance Category	Amount (\$)
Lismore Inner CBD Businesses	246,400
FNC Life Van Relocation	9,606
Mayor's Discretionary Funding	2,952
Annual Community Grants Scheme	112,615
Rural Halls – Maintenance and Insurance	58,000
Rural Halls – Rates	17,391
Drought Relief	6,618
Contribution to Friends of Lismore Rainforest Botanic Gardens	69,170
<b>Total</b>	<b>522,752</b>

## Capital Expenditure Reviews

In accordance with the Division of Local Government Capital Expenditure Guidelines (2010), councils should provide a report on capital works projects in annual reports. Please provide details below.

Council did not submit any capital expenditure review report to the OLG for the reporting period.

## Companion Animal Enforcement

In accordance with the Local Government Regulation 2005 cl217(1)(f), an annual report must include a statement of the Council's activities during the year in relation to enforcing and ensuring compliance with the Companion Animals Act 2008.

Council spent a total of \$404,295 on companion animal management activities in 2018-19.

This covered enforcement, education and information activities such as:

- Community education programs and community liaison to promote and assist in responsible pet ownership, microchipping and de-sexing of dogs and cats (for example, through the National Desexing Network and community events such as the North Coast National Agricultural and Industrial Society's Lismore Show), which contributed to fewer companion animal seizures last year
- Maintenance of 4 off-leash areas, at Riverside Park South (fenced area), Lismore Gasworks, Elizabeth Gardens, and Hepburn Park Recreational Area
- Provision of appropriate management and care of animals that come into Council's custody at the pound
- Investigation of 64 reported dog attack incidents (includes when a dog threatens, harasses, chases, or bites a person or another animal).

Council has an obligation under the Companion Animal Act 2008 to consider alternative courses of action before euthanasing any animals that come into its care, and supports a No Euthanasia policy for healthy animals that can be rehomed. Where possible, animals are released back to owners or put up for adoption directly through Council's pound, or released for rehoming to animal rescue organisations such as Animal Rights and Rescue, Animal Welfare League NSW & QLD, Companion Animals Welfare Inc, 11 Hour Rescue, Australian Working Dogs Rescue, and Wally's Rescue. Animals not be suitable for rehoming due to poor health or temperament are euthanased. In 2018-19, of the 162 dogs seized, 8 were euthanased, and of the 13 cats seized, 2 were euthanased.

# Contracts Awarded

In accordance with the Local Government Regulation 2005 cl217(1)(a2), an annual report must provide details (names, nature, amounts) of contracts awarded for amounts exceeding \$150 000.

Contract No.	Contract Details	Contractor	Tender Amount
T2017-8	Casual Plant Hire	Panel of suppliers	Schedule of Rates
T2017-27	Lismore Regional Parkland Design	Five Designs Pty Ltd T/A Vee Design	\$102,800 (ex GST)
T2018-4	Lease One (1) Backhoe Loader	JCB Equipment	Lease
T2018-6	Bulk Fuel & Fuel Card Services Supply for Council Plant & Equipment 2018-2021	North Coast Petroleum	Schedule of Rates
T2018-7	Bulk Transport of Quarry Materials	Panel of suppliers	Schedule of Rates
T2018-8	Disability Employment Service for Recycling Activities	Summerland House Farm, House With No Steps	\$426,254 pa (ex GST)
T2018-11	Quarry Materials and Asphalt Plant Raw Materials	Panel of suppliers	Schedule of Rates
T2018-14	Lismore CBD CCTV Upgrade	Fredon Security P/L	\$309,550 (ex GST)
T2018-16	Transactional Banking	Commonwealth Bank	Schedule of Rates
T2018-20	Supply Four (4) Rear Discharge Mowers	Mower World Commercial	\$173,160.00 (inc GST)
T2018-21	Supply & Installation of Geosynthetic and Geomembrane Liner and Leachate Drainage Pipework for Landfill Cell 2B	Jaylon Pacific Pty Ltd	\$993,818.10 (inc GST)
T2018-22	Supply biodiversity programs in an efficient and effective manner	Panel of suppliers	Schedule of Rates
T2018-24	Organics Shredding	Aboriculture Pty Ltd	Schedules of Rates
T2019-2	Transport and Disposal of General Solid Waste	Veolia Environmental Services (Australia) Pty Ltd trading as Ti Tree Bioenergy Pty Ltd	Schedules of Rates
T2019-3	Hepburn Park - supply and delivery of grandstand seating Far North Coast Hockey Facility	Steel Post and Rail	\$167,310 (inc GST)
T2019-6	Prescribed Person Contract-ProcurePoint-Whole Government Contract-Facility Management Cleaning Services - Contract 8061001-09	ISS Facility Services Australia Ltd	Schedule of Rates
T2019-7	Lismore City Regional Sports Hub, Oakes & Crozier Oval – Stage 1	Planit Consulting	\$819,939.84 (inc GST)
T2019-8	Community and Citywide Information LED Event Signage – City Hall/NORPA	LED Signs Pty Ltd	\$151,157 (inc GST)
T2019-11	Transport and Disposal of Mixed Waste Materials	BMI Group Pty Ltd	Schedule of Rates
T2019-16	Prescribed Person Contract - Internal Audit Services - LGP 218	Grant Thornton Australia Limited	\$225,000 (ex GST)

## Councillor Expenses and Facilities

In accordance with Local Government Regulation 2005 cl217(1)(a1), an annual report must include details of the total cost during the year of the payment of the expenses of, and the provision of facilities to, councillors in relation to their civic functions (as paid by the council, reimbursed to the councillor or reconciled with the councillor), including separate details on the total cost of each of the following:

<b>Councillor Expenses &amp; Facilities</b>	<b>\$</b>
Office Equipment and Facilities	8,021
Telephone calls	2,973
Conferences & Seminar Attendance	9,442
Training	5,150
Interstate Visits (including transport, accommodation and other out-of-pocket travelling expenses)	8,015
Overseas Visits (including transport, accommodation and other out-of-pocket travelling expenses)	0
(note – refer also to section 3 above)	120
Expenses for spouses (spouse, partner or other person who accompanied a Councillor, being expenses payable in accordance with the Guidelines)	120
Child care (or expenses involved in the provision of care for an immediate family member of a Councillor)	770
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,471</b>

<b>Allowances</b>	<b>\$</b>
Mayoral Allowance	43,165
Total Councillor Allowances	216,866
<b>Total</b>	<b>260,031</b>

## Disability Inclusion Action Plan

Disability Inclusion Act 2014, s. 13

In accordance with the Disability Inclusion Act s.13, Council must include in its annual report information on the implementation of its Disability Inclusion Plan.

It also recognises Council's responsibility to support people with disabilities to access the same human rights as everyone in the community.

Key achievements in 2018-19 in implementing the DIAP include:

- Bimonthly meetings of the Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee held to provide advice to Council on disability access and inclusion
- Continued provision of a hearing loop in Council Chambers and live streaming of Council's ordinary meetings
- Provision of funding for AUSLAN interpreters for meetings and events
- Release of an updated Missed Business Guide in July 2018, which helps businesses with hints, tips and simple ways to improve accessibility
- Installation of ReadSpeaker technology, which provides text to speech services enabling people who are vision impaired to have website content read aloud at the click of a button
- Release of an updated Tradies Guide to Good Access in May 2019, which provides builders with a quick reference guide to Australian standards for accessibility.
- AUSLAN-led tours of the Archibald Prize at Lismore Regional Gallery in May and June 2019 (thanks to support from local Quota Clubs) to allow members of the deaf community to form a deeper understanding and connection with the artworks

# Government Information (Public Access) Applications

In accordance with the Government Information (Public Information) Act 2009 s125 and Regulation 2009 cl7(3), an annual report must provide:

- Details of the review of its program for the release of government information in the public interest
- Statistical information about access applications received during the reporting year

Table A: Number of applications by type of applicant and outcome*								
	Access granted in full	Access granted in part	Access refused in full	Information not held	Information already available	Refuse to deal with application	Refuse to confirm/deny whether information is held	Application withdrawn
Media	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Members of Parliament	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Private sector business	5	3	0	1	0	0	0	0
Not for profit organisations or community groups	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Members of the public (application by legal representative)	0	4	0	2	0	0	0	0
Members of the public (other)	5	6	1	2	0	1	0	0

\* More than one decision can be made in respect of a particular access application. If so, a recording must be made in relation to each such decision. This also applies to Table B.

Table B: Number of applications by type of application and outcome								
	Access granted in full	Access granted in part	Access refused in full	Information not held	Information already available	Refuse to deal with application	Refuse to confirm/deny whether information is held	Application withdrawn
Personal information applications*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Access applications (other than personal information applications)	10	12	1	4	0	0	0	0
Access applications that are partly personal information applications and partly other	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0

\* A personal information application is an access application for personal information (as defined in clause 4 of Schedule 4 to the Act) about the applicant (the applicant being an individual).

<b>Table C: Invalid applications</b>	
<b>Reason for invalidity</b>	<b>Number of applications</b>
Application does not comply with formal requirements (section 41 of the Act)	0
Application is for excluded information of the agency (section 43 of the Act)	0
Application contravenes restraint order (section 110 of the Act)	0
Total number of invalid applications received	0
Invalid applications that subsequently became valid applications	0

<b>Table D: Conclusive presumption of overriding public interest against disclosure: matters listed in Schedule 1 to Act</b>	
	<b>Number of times consideration used*</b>
Overriding secrecy laws	0
Cabinet information	0
Executive Council information	0
Contempt	0
Legal professional privilege	0
Excluded information	0
Documents affecting law enforcement and public safety	0
Transport safety	0
Adoption	0
Care and protection of children	0
Ministerial code of conduct	0
Aboriginal and environmental heritage	0

\* More than one public interest consideration may apply in relation to a particular access application and, if so, each such consideration is to be recorded (but only once per application). This also applies in relation to Table E.

<b>Table E: Other public interest considerations against disclosure: matters listed in table to section 14 of Act</b>	
	<b>Number of times consideration used*</b>
Responsible and effective government	0
Law enforcement and security	2
Individual rights, judicial processes and natural justice	15
Business interests of agencies and other persons	2
Environment, culture, economy and general matters	0
Secrecy provisions	0
Exempt documents under interstate Freedom of Information legislation	0

<b>Table F: Timeliness</b>	
	<b>Number of applications</b>
Decided within the statutory timeframe (20 days plus any extensions)	19
Decided after 35 days (by agreement with applicant)	4
Not decided within time (deemed refusal)	4

<b>Table G: Number of applications reviewed under Part 5 of the Act (by type of review and outcome)</b>		
	<b>Decision varied</b>	<b>Decision upheld</b>
Internal review	0	1
Review by Information Commissioner*	0	0
Internal review following recommendation under section 93 of Act	0	0
Review by NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal	0	0

\* The Information Commissioner does not have the authority to vary decisions, but can make recommendations to the original decision-maker. The data in this case indicates that a recommendation to vary or uphold the original decision has been made by the Information Commissioner.

<b>Table H: Applications for review under Part 5 of the Act (by type of applicant)</b>	
	<b>Number of applications for review</b>
Applications by access applicants	1
Applications by persons to whom information the subject of access application relates (see section 54 of the Act)	0

<b>Table I: Applications transferred to other agencies under Division 2 of Part 4 of the Act (by type of transfer)</b>	
	<b>Number of applications transferred</b>
Agency-initiated transfers	0
Applicant-initiated transfers	0

## Environmental Upgrade Agreements

In accordance with Local Government Act 1993 s54D(2) and s54P(1), an annual report must include particulars of any environmental upgrade agreement entered in to by the council.

A council may enter into an environmental upgrade agreement with a building owner and a finance provider in relation to a building. An environmental upgrade agreement is an agreement under which:

- a building owner agrees to carry out environmental upgrade works in respect of a building, and
- a finance provider agrees to advance funds to the building owner to finance those environmental upgrade works, and
- the council agrees to levy a charge on the relevant land for the purpose of repaying the advance to the finance provider.

Council did not enter into any Environmental Upgrade Agreements during the reporting period.

## External Bodies (controlled by Council)

In accordance with Local Government Regulation 2005 cl217(1)(a7), an annual report must include a statement of all corporations, partnerships, trusts, joint ventures, syndicates or other bodies (whether or not incorporated) in which the council (whether alone or in conjunction with other councils) held a controlling interest during the year.

Council did not hold any controlling interest in corporations, partnerships, trusts, joint ventures, syndicates or other bodies in 2018-19.

## External Bodies (delegated by Council)

In accordance with Local Government Regulation 2005 cl217(1)(a6), an annual report must include a statement of all external bodies that during that year exercised functions delegated by the council.

Council recognises Richmond Tweed Regional Library (RTRL) as an associate in its Financial Reporting. Council has a 25% interest in RTRL.

## External Bodies (participated in by Council)

In accordance with Local Government Regulation 2005 cl217(1)(a8), an annual report must include a statement of all corporations, partnerships, trusts, joint ventures, syndicates or other bodies (whether or not incorporated) in which the council participated during the year.

Council has an interest in a joint operation - North East Weight of Loads Group (NEWLOG). This organisation is responsible for reducing damage to council roads.

Council also has a 50% share in Blue Hills Residential Estate, which involves the development and sale of land.

## Equal Employment Opportunity

In accordance with Local Government Regulation 2005 cl217(1)(a9), an annual report must include a statement of the activities undertaken by the council during the year to implement its equal employment opportunity management plan.

Council recognises that its workforce is ageing and that it needs to attract younger staff.

One of the ways we are doing this is by removing barriers to employment and encouraging diversity within our workforce to build the talent pool we need for the future. To help us achieve this, Council's Equal Employment Opportunity Plan details our commitment to deliver equal employment opportunity through the Reconciliation Action Plan, Disability Inclusion Action Plan and other measures, to ensure a workforce that is representative of the demographic of our community.

Key achievements in 2018-19 in implementing the EEO Plan include:

- Flexible working trials to attract and retain employees
- Appointment of Council's first female General Manager
- Provision of work placement and employment opportunities for four local people living with a disability, in partnership with local disability employment service providers
- Engagement of Aruma (formally House with No Steps) to provide employment opportunities for meaningful work and social interactions for several people at Council's Materials Recovery Facility.
- Ongoing employment of seven local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander trainees within Council.
- Of the six school-based Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Council trainees participating in the Elsa Dixon Aboriginal Employment Program (reported in 2017-18), one transitioned to casual employment at the Richmond Tweed Regional Library.



## Legal Proceedings

In accordance with the Local Government Regulation 2005 cl217(1)(a3), an annual report must include a summary of the amounts incurred by the council during the year in relation to legal proceedings taken by or against the council (including amounts, costs and expenses paid or received by way of out of court settlements, other than those the terms of which are not to be disclosed) and a summary of the state of progress of each legal proceeding and (if it has been finalised) the result.

Details	Costs (\$)	Status	Result
NCAT - LCC v Reeves	6,457	Finalised	Order issued as sought by Council
Council & Ors ats Widjabul Wai Bai Native Title Fereederal Court Proceedings No SAD1174/2013	17,050	Ongoing	
LCC v Mason Dick	14,125	Finalised	Order issued as sought by Council
LCC v Adam	1,559	Finalised	Court found in favour of Council and ordered the defendant to pay Council's legal costs
LCC v Brandolini	3,013	Finalised	Found in Council's favour
LCC v Woolbank	20	Finalised	Found in Council's favour
LCC v Hazlett	1,364	Finalised	Found in Council's favour
LCC v Welcome Park Lismore Hotels Pty Ltd	3,239	Finalised	Matter withdrawn at first mention No costs awarded
LCC v AAA Horticulture and Hydroponics Farm Pty Ltd	8,721	Ongoing	
Ryan v NRPP & LCC & Winten	15,497	Ongoing	
LCC v Allport	8,275	Ongoing	
LCC v Massussi	16,413	Ongoing	
G & R Brown & Sons Pty Ltd t/a Brown Contractors vs LCC	59,712	Finalised	Adjudicator found in favour of claimant. Council ordered to pay claim amount plus interests and costs.
<b>Total Legal Expenses</b>	<b>155,445</b>		

## Overseas Visits

In accordance with Local Government Regulation 2005 cl132, an annual report must include details (including the purpose) of overseas visits undertaken during the year by councillors, council staff or other persons while representing the council (including visits sponsored by other organisations).

No overseas travel was undertaken by Councillors or Council staff during the reporting period.

## Public Interest Disclosure

In accordance with the Public Interest Disclosure Act 1994 s31 and Regulation 2011 cl4, Council must include the following information:

Component	#
number of public officials who have made a public interest disclosure to the public authority	5
the number of public interest disclosures received by the public authority in total and the number of public interest disclosures received by the public authority relating to each of the following:	6
• corrupt conduct	5
• Maladministration	1
• serious and substantial waste of public money or local government money (as appropriate)	0
• government information contraventions	0
• local government pecuniary interest contraventions	0
number of public interest disclosures finalised by the public authority in this reporting period	5
whether the public authority has a public interest disclosure policy in place	Yes
what actions the head of the public authority has taken to ensure that his or her staff awareness responsibilities under section 6E (1) (b) of the Act have been met	Training was conducted by the NSW Ombudsman in this reporting period for Contact Officers, Senior Managers and the Disclosures Officer. Awareness training was conducted by the NSW Ombudsman in this reporting period for all staff.

## Rates and Charges Written Off

Local Government Regulation 2005 – cl132

The annual report must include the amount of rates and charges written off during 2018-19.

Details	Amount (\$)
Pensioner Abandonments	
• General	716,149
• Water	232,097
• Wastewater	223,635
• Domestic Waste	184,180
Other Abandonments	9,398
Postponed Rates & Interest	0
Written off due to hardship	20,840
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,386,299</b>

# Recovery and Threat Abatement Plans

Fisheries Management Act 1994, s220ZT (2)

Recovery and threat abatement plans - Councils identified in a recovery and threat abatement plan as responsible for implementation of measures included in the plan, must report on actions taken to implement measures as to the state of the environment in its area.

Local Councils have partial responsibility for three actions in the Threat Abatement Plan for Removal of Large Woody Debris from NSW Rivers and Streams. These are:

CRA 2: Ensure the development, administration and implementation of legislative and policy frameworks to protect riparian vegetation and maintain future supply of large woody debris. This includes development consents, State Environmental Planning Policies, property vegetation plans, private native forestry codes of practice, native vegetation regulations, integrated forest operations approvals and forest operating procedures.

CRA 3: Review environmental impact assessment processes and procedures used by consent and determining authorities when considering developments or activities that have the potential to impact on large woody debris. Identify anomalies, inconsistencies or deficiencies and modify processes as required.

CRA 4: Identify options to utilize regulatory and voluntary incentive based mechanisms to protect large woody debris in priority areas known to support threatened species populations or ecological communities and implement as appropriate.

Lismore City Council assessment processes include referral to a staff ecologist to ensure compliance with the Biodiversity Conservation Act and relevant plans under the Fisheries Management Act. During the reporting period, no development applications involving removal of large woody debris from a river or stream were received.

## Remuneration (General Manager)\*

In accordance with Local Government Regulation 2005 cl217(1)(b), an annual report must include a statement of the total remuneration package of the general manager during the year that include the total of the following:

Component	Amount (\$)
Salary	263,749
Bonus/Performance payments	0
Superannuation	27,487
Non-cash benefits	10,673
Fringe Benefits Tax payable	4,848
<b>Total Remuneration</b>	<b>306,757</b>

Note: Refer to p. 11 of the Annual Report for details of changes to staff employed as General Manager during 2018-19

## Remuneration (Senior Staff)

In accordance with Local Government Regulation 2005 cl217(1)(c), an annual report must include a statement of the total remuneration packages senior staff members (expressed as the total, not of individual members) during the year that include the total of the following:

Component	Amount (\$)
Salary	496,697
Bonus/Performance payments	0
Superannuation (including salary sacrifice contributions)	63,347
Non-cash benefits	678
Fringe Benefits Tax payable	111
<b>Total Remuneration</b>	<b>560,833</b>

## Special Rate Variation Expenditure (Business Promotion)

Councils must report on special rate variation expenditure (granted under s508) in accordance with conditions of any instruments of approval made by the Minister. For the Business Promotion SRV, Council is required to report in its annual report:

- the program of expenditure that was actually funded by the Special Variation;
- any significant differences between the Proposed Program and the program of expenditure that was actually funded by the Special Variation and the reasons for those differences; and
- the outcomes achieved as a result of the Special Variation

<b>Total Income Received (\$):</b>		<b>\$120,175</b>		
<b>Details (Expenditure as funded by SRV)</b>	<b>Budget (\$)*</b>	<b>Actual (\$)</b>	<b>Diff (\$)</b>	<b>Reason for \$ Difference</b>
Marketing		50,000		
• Stocktake Sale	4,873			
• Christmas Campaign	16,728			
• Marketing and production	28,399			
CBD Events and Placemaking		60,000		
• Eat the Street	23,045			
• Events and placemaking assets	6,516			
• Masters Games	163			
• Pop-up activities	10,850			
• Santa's Wonderland	16,776			
• Carols by Candlelight	2,650			
Business		2,500	763	Remainder of Awards funding from general fund
• Lismore Business Awards	1,737			
• Business Planning				
Contingency	8,438	8,438		
CCM role Coordination and Overheads	0	0		
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>120,175</b>	<b>120,938</b>	<b>763</b>	

Strategy Area/Project	Outcome
Marketing	<p><b>'What's On' Campaign</b> – developed bimonthly promotions showcasing featured events during the period. Combination of media including TV, Facebook and Print</p> <p><b>Santa's Wonderland</b> – biggest marketing campaign/event initiative through Lismore Business Panel. Included pop up shop Santa's Wonderland which was themed and decorated. Shop offered Daily Photos with Santa, Gift Wrapping Station, Letters to Santa for kids, treasure hunt, window display competition and major retail campaign/giveaways which encouraged shoppers to City Centre.</p> <p><b>Stocktake Sale</b> – annual promotional activities, including television, print and social media</p> <p><b>Mother's Day Sale</b> - annual promotional activities, including television, print and social media</p> <p><b>General Retail Marketing</b> - General retail marketing and city centre promotions including further development of website, digital assets (Facebook and Instagram), TV, radio and print. Website hits and unique visitors are now in excess of 300,000 per annum which has seen an increase of 14% over the past 12 months.</p>
Events and Placemaking	<p>Sponsorship and marketing promotion for Lismore Lantern Parade, a much-loved, iconic event which has been held in Lismore for 25 years. This year over 20,000 spectators attended the event.</p> <p>Sponsorship of the Lismore Christmas Carols, with roving entertainment and a Santa visit as well as support for local charities. Crowd in excess of 4000 people.</p> <p>Sponsorship of the Lismore Masters Games, held for the 20th year in September. Event has 16 different sports, across 22 venues in the City which attracts 1700 competitors to stay for three days (up 12% on previous event).</p> <p>Event management for the annual award-winning Eat the Street festival, now in its fifth year. Over 24,000 attended this year's event. Festival was awarded Gold Medal at North Coast Tourism Awards and Silver Medal at NSW Tourism Awards in Events Category.</p> <p>Support of other events throughout calendar year which attract thousands of visitors to the City Centre which boosts the local economy.</p>
Business	<p><b>Lismore Business Awards</b> - Sponsorship of Lismore Business Chamber and Industry Awards to showcase Lismore businesses and broaden the appeal of local businesses</p>

## Special Rate Variation Expenditure (Biodiversity Management)

Councils must report on special rate variation expenditure (granted under s508) in accordance with conditions of any instruments of approval made by the Minister. For the Biodiversity Management SRV, Council is required to report in its annual report:

- d) the program of expenditure that was actually funded by the Special Variation;
- e) any significant differences between the Proposed Program and the program of expenditure that was actually funded by the Special Variation and the reasons for those differences; and
- f) the outcomes achieved as a result of the Special Variation

Total Income Received (\$):			\$519,173		
as funded by SRV)					
1	Cleaning up our own backyard: Planning and processes	32,000	23,096	8,904	Scheduled operations in high conservation value roadside vegetation postponed due to weather. Will be completed early 19/20
2	Cleaning up our own backyard: Supporting the community	47,000	42,465	4,535	Urban engagement program in preparation for implementation 19/20. To be considered under BMS review
3	Working with rural landholders	293,000	251,820	41,180	Two major partnerships have been in development phase. Rate rebate project not developed – to be reviewed under BMS review in 19/20
4	Working in the urban environment	116,000	110,273	5,727	
5	Koala Plan of Management	38,000	36,937	1,063	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>526,000</b>	<b>464,590</b>	<b>61,410</b>	

Strategy Area/Project	No. (SRV area)	Outcome
Vegetation mapping across remaining areas of LGA	1	Prioritising and planning of biodiversity projects based on high quality information
Identification and inspection of areas of High Conservation Value roadside vegetation and implementation of weed control	1	Weed control undertaken on 1.75 km of HCV roadside vegetation
Improved protection of threatened species on roadsides		
Support to 10 urban Landcare groups	2	Enhanced capacity of community groups working on biodiversity outcomes
Biodiversity events and workshops attended by 217 people in both rural and urban areas	2	Strengthened connections between community and environment, and enhanced capacity in the community to support biodiversity outcomes
Biodiversity Breakfast	2	The contributions of volunteers and landholders to biodiversity are valued and recognised.
44 individual landholder projects under the Rural Landholder Initiative	3	Bush regeneration work on 63.6 ha of native vegetation; 10,677 trees planted Strengthened relationships between LCC and rural landholders Enhanced capacity of rural landholders to maintain and improve the biodiversity values of Lismore's rural lands
3 Rural Industry partnership projects, under the Rural Landholder Initiative: - native bee habitat on macadamia properties - tea tree and biodiversity - engaging with graziers on health soil and water	3	Strengthened relationships between LCC and rural industries Enhanced capacity of rural industries to maintain and improve the biodiversity values of Lismore's rural lands
Bush regeneration in urban reserves	4	The SRV funded works at 4 sites, covering 19.1 ha including 3 ha of primary work Enhanced landscape connectivity and habitat values Improved protection of threatened species on Council-managed land
Bush regeneration in high value riparian vegetation	4	Restoration work undertaken along 1.7 km of the Wilson River Enhanced landscape connectivity and habitat values Improved protection of threatened species on Council-managed land
Feel Blue Touch Green program	4	Two events attended by 22 people 8-10 people attended a 12 week program working in riparian habitat Strengthened connections between community and environment, supporting mental health and well-being as well as biodiversity
Koala Traffic Zone	4	Vehicle-activated signage and pavement markings installed on a stretch of road of high roadkill risk Improved protection of threatened species on Council roads
Stage 2 of Wildlife Roadkill Management Strategy prepared	4	Prioritising and planning of roadkill reduction measures based on high quality information
Koala habitat restoration projects	5	Weed management on 43 ha of koala habitat; 3612 koala food trees planted; revegetation of over 10 ha of koala habitat; on both public and private land Improved quantity and quality of koala habitat
Contributions to collaborative research into distribution pathways and strategies for koala conservation	5	Decision-making and resource allocation for habitat restoration based on high quality information

## Stormwater Management Services

In accordance with Local Government Regulation 2005 cl217(1)(e), an annual report must include a statement detailing the stormwater management services provided by the council during the year.

Council collected \$381,924 in levies in 2018/19, of which \$114,589 was spent on our large stormwater network, with the remainder reserved for future stormwater capital projects from the Stormwater Management Plan. The SMS charge was spent on inspections, maintenance, operational costs and also for various capital and renewal works. These works included:

- Garrard Street, East Lismore – Localised Flooding Reduction Works - Completed
- Cathcart Street, Girards Hill – Localised Flooding Reduction Works – Started
- Just Street, Goonellabah – Bioretention Basin Renewal - Completed

The remaining unspent funds are placed back into Reserves and can only be used for future Stormwater related works as outlined in the Stormwater Management Plan.

## Swimming Pool Inspections

In accordance with Swimming Pools Act 1992 s22F(2) and Regulation 2008 cl18BC, an annual report must include information in relation to swimming pool inspections carried out in accordance with the Act and Regulation.

Details	#
Number of inspections of tourist and visitor accommodation	0
Number of inspections of premises with more than two dwellings	
Number of inspections that resulted in issuance of a certificate of compliance under s22D of the Act	75
Number of inspections that resulted in issuance of a certificate of non-compliance under s18B of the Regulation.	33



# Voluntary Planning Agreements

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 No 203, Division 7.1(2)(7.5)(5) (formerly s93G)

A planning authority that has entered into one or more planning agreements must, while any such planning agreements remain in force, include in its annual report particulars of compliance with and the effect of the planning agreements during the year to which the report relates.

## 1. Cameron Road Development - DA10/77 - Voluntary Planning Agreement

The approved subdivision development at Cameron Road is subject to a Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) under Development Consent 2010/77 for the following works:

- Upgrading Cowlong Road
- Upgrading Boatharbour Road
- Upgrading McLean Ridges Hall

The infrastructure contributions identified in the VPA are required to meet the demand for services and facilities arising from the increased residential population.

Council currently holds contributions collected from previous subdivision lots released in restricted funds that are to be directed to the identified road improvements.

## 2. 214 Molesworth Street – DA14/236 – Voluntary Planning Agreement

The approved commercial building at 214 Molesworth Street, Lismore, is subject to a VPA under Development Consent 2014/236 for the following works:

- Provision of 34 formalised public car parking spaces in the Lismore CBD

The infrastructure works undertaken by the developer will assist in compensating for the loss of publicly available car spaces on the subject land as originally approved by Council.

# Works on Private Land

In accordance with Local Government Regulation 2005 cl217(1)(a4), an annual report must include details or a summary of resolutions made during that year under Local Government Act s67 concerning work carried out on private land and details or a summary of such work if the cost of the work has been fully or partly subsidised by the council, together with a statement of the total amount by which the council has subsidised any such work during that year

Council has not performed any works on private property for the reporting period.