

COMMUNITY CONNECT

One Coast - Cassowary Coast



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LEVEL ONE WATER RESTRICTIONS IN PLACE

LEVEL 1 water restrictions are in force from the 22 November 2022 across the Cassowary Coast region.

Cassowary Coast Regional Council is encouraging the community to be water wise in your home and backyard to help steady intake levels until rainfall arrives.

Residents will be permitted to use sprinklers and irrigation systems three nights a week between 6pm and 8am the next day.

Further to the dry conditions, the Bureau of Meteorology has forecasted continued heatwaves to hit the region over the next week.

Environment Portfolio Holder Jeff Baines said small changes you make in your home and garden can overall assist with conserving water in our

water schemes across the region.

"Council is encouraging Cassowary Coast Residents to monitor their water use by following the designated times and days in which you can water.

"Wet weather is predicted as part of the La Nina weather pattern, however until the region receives heavy rainfall, the community needs to be mindful of conserving our precious water and remember, every drop counts.

"Council is allocated a daily amount of water for each creek across the region. As water levels of the creeks declines due to dry weather, it gets more difficult for Council to draw enough water into our networks.

"Through implementing water restrictions, it ensures creeks can continue to flow, and Council can con-

tinue to meet the demand required by our region," said Councillor Baines.

Council has a number of projects within this financial year that will improve water security in the region. They include:

- Smart Water Meter Program– Replacing aging retail meter fleet with smart water meters
- Hyatt Street Reservoir – renewing aging infrastructure and improve community asset.
- Education & Awareness– Community education and understanding of water security issues.
- CCRC Water Portal – provide public access to the CCRC Water Portal to allow residents to access live smart meter data.
- Water Supply Security Assessment

– Partner with State Government to undertake a water supply security assessment of the region's water supply.

Level 1 water restrictions allow the use of sprinklers and irrigation systems, they must only be used on alternate days, between 6pm and 8am:

- Odd-numbered houses – Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
- Even-numbered houses – Wednesday, Friday and Sunday
- No automated watering on Mondays.

For more information on the current Level 1 water restrictions visit www.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/water-restrictions.

LEVEL 1

WATER RESTRICTIONS NOW APPLY

across the Cassowary Coast

It's time to be *water wise*
because *every drop counts*



WHAT'S ON



Sunday 4 December – Festival of Small Halls – 3:30pm

Festival of Small Halls returns to Innisfail with Inn Echo and Sam Buckingham and local artist Ash Binello.

Tickets available at festivalofsmallhalls.com/innisfail-2022/

Tuesday 6 December – Morning Melodies A Holly Christmas - 10:30am

Deck the Halls with BUDDY HOLLY and celebrate all that is Christmas.

Tickets available from www.trybooking.com/BWDUF

Thursday 15 December – Ordinary Council Meeting – 9:00 am

Watch the Council Meeting Live Stream via cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/live-stream

Visit Councils website cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/events for more information.



COMMUNITY PRIDE REFLECTED IN QUALITY CRAFTED FLAG STAND FOR COUNCIL

COUNCIL recently received a very significant work of craftsmanship and bespoke donation of a new wooden flag stand. Life-long resident of Innisfail, John Durso, kindly handcrafted the timber stand with quality woods including Satin Sycamore, Red Cedar, and Satin Ash. The incredible detail reflects the high standard of artistry which will ensure the stand becomes an integral part of the ceremonial items of Council.

For 40 years, Mr Durso was a timber boat builder and operated a charter boat with many stories to share of his life and adventures out on the Great Barrier Reef and chartering the Gulf Region. Since retirement, Mr Durso has used his time to perfect his artwork, with many of his creations reflecting his experiences on the water and his work as a timber boat builder. He has spent time creating unique

fishing rod holders, snooker cabinets and previously donated custom trophies for Council's Tilapia Fishing Competition.

Mr Durso also worked as a projectionist for 15 years in the Innisfail Airdrome and Regent Theatres, now Regent Arcade and later became Manager of both. His historical ties to the region and to Innisfail inspired his work on the Council Flag Stand.

"The Innisfail Shire Hall

should have a piece that reflects community pride," said Mr Durso.

The contributions of this flag stand by Mr Durso reflects the significant and silent contributions that many of our local citizens selflessly give to our community through their volunteer efforts. This donation by Mr Durso will provide our community with a legacy which is reflected in the quality crafted flag stand to be displayed in Council Chambers.



John Durso with his handcrafted wooden flag stand.

1080 Baiting Program Christmas Closures

COUNCIL wishes to advise community members of operational closures for the 1080 Feral Pig Baiting Program over the Christmas period. The last planned baiting event is scheduled for 21 December 2022 with baiting services to resume on 11 January 2023.

Council provides landowners with assistance programs to manage feral pigs on their properties. The 1080 Baiting Program is one of the services provided by Council which not only aims to reduce feral pig numbers in the region, but

also limits the potential for Panama TR4 to be spread by the animals.

Community members who regularly use this service will also receive notification of Christmas closures via email. Community members wishing to find out more about this program for 2023 can visit Council's website at www.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/pestanimals.

For further information contact Council at 1300 763 903 or email enquiries@cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au.



BINGIL BAY PATHWAY- PROJECT UPDATE TWO Council's new website is almost here!



Bingil Bay

CASSOWARY Coast Regional Council is pleased to announce that the tender for the construction of the Bingil Bay pathway has been awarded.

Far North Queensland company, Terranovus Earthworks and Plant Hire is scheduled to commence works in early 2023, weather and site conditions permitting.

Council committed to providing key project updates to the Bingil Bay

community at the September Community meeting held at Bingil Bay Cafe. Interested stakeholders are encouraged to visit yoursay.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/bingil-bay-pathway to register your interest in receiving project updates.

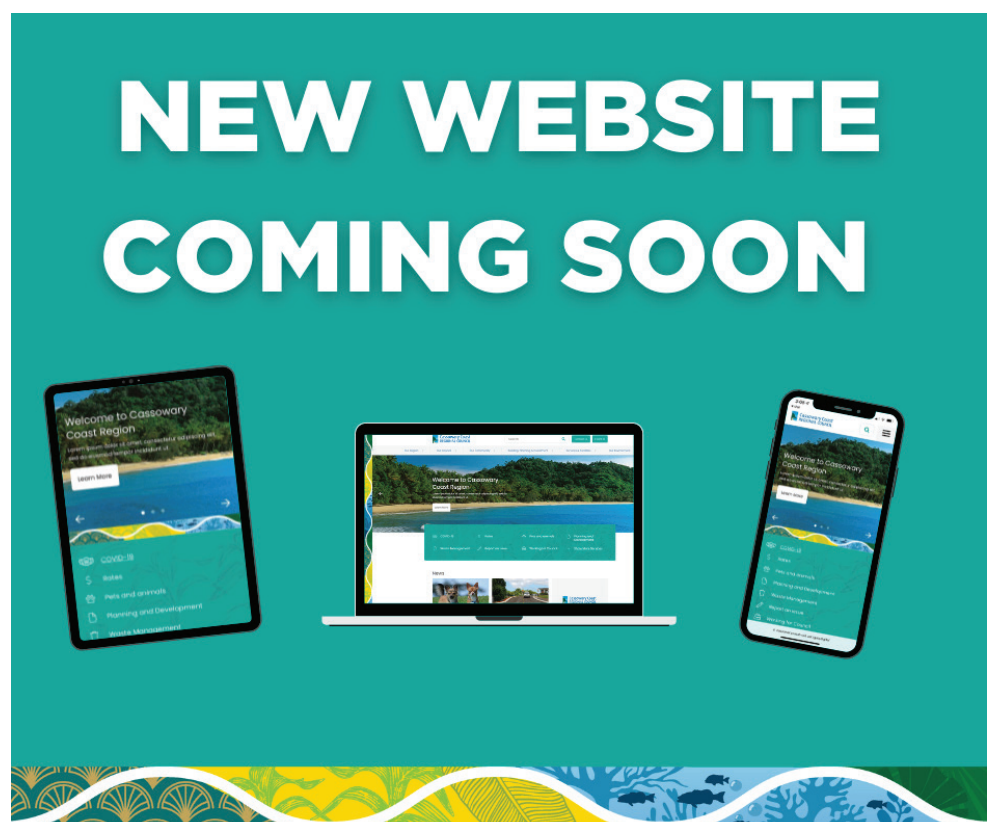
This project is funded as part of the Australian Government's \$3 billion Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program.

COUNCIL is pleased to announce that we are currently improving our digital customer experience by transitioning to a modernised, and easy to use website.

Key improvements will provide a more customer intuitive navigation, improved accessibility and fresh new design. From Tuesday 6 December to Friday 9 December, you may notice

some pages have moved, falling under new improved categories.

We look forward to bringing you a new and improved Cassowary Coast Regional Council website. Keep your eyes on cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au as updates occur. If you need assistance locating a page or service during this time please contact Council on 1300 763 903.



KIRRAMA RANGE ROAD NOW OPEN

THE newly re-sheeted 18 kilometres of Kirrama Range Road is now complete, with the road fully opening today. Works improve safety and driveability of the road.

The Kirrama Range Road is a stunning drive through parts of the World Heritage Wet Tropics in our region, and also passes over many bridges, a number of spectacular lookouts and through the Murray Upper National Park and Girringun National Park.

The works, which were funded through the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements Restoration of Essential Public Areas were in response to the impacts of Tropical Cyclone Niran

and the associated low-pressure system event which occurred in early March 2021.

During the project, the road was closed to traffic at certain times of the day, and Council thanks community who frequent the road for their patience during this time.

The upgrades are jointly funded by the Commonwealth and Queensland Governments and approved by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority

For more information please contact Cassowary Coast Regional Council on 1300 763 906 or email enquiries@cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au.



Freshly completed Kirrama Range Road.

FOXTAIL AVENUE, PORT HINCHINBROOK ROADWORKS

WORK to rehabilitate the degraded section of Foxtail Avenue in Port Hinchinbrook will commence on Wednesday 30 November, weather permitting.

Council is very mindful of the importance of this road to the community and the impact that repairing this section of Foxtail Avenue will have as part of the ongoing process of the normalisation schedule for Port Hinchinbrook.

The works will involve removing and replacing a 60 linear metre section of Foxtail

Avenue. The majority of the work is planned to occur before Christmas, however the final asphalt is planned for early in the New Year, weather permitting. Traffic will be reduced to one lane, with traffic control and traffic lights on site when required.

For further information please contact Council at 1300 763 903 or email enquiries@cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au.

Council apologises for any interruptions this may cause and will look to have the work completed as soon as possible.



Aerial Image Port Hinchinbrook

MURRAY STREET, TULLY - PROJECT UPDATE TWO

CASSOWARY Coast Regional Council commenced works in September 2022, to upgrade Murray Street, between Richardson Street and Curtis Street intersections. Council committed to providing further updates to the community during construction; this is Project Update Two.

In conjunction with the Murray Street works, concerns were brought to Council's attention after inconsistent street addressing was causing confusion for mail delivery services on Murray Street, between the Tully Masonic Centre, QFES and the Tully Caravan Park. To rectify the issue and minimise impact on other properties Council recently approved the recommendation to extend Richardson Street in Tully, past the Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (QFES) building to the round-about on Butler Street. Murray Street upgrade works are progressing well with watermain replacement works, kerb and channel works now complete. Primer seal of the road is expected to be completed in early December, subject to weather and site conditions. A primer seal is an application that provides a temporary bitumen surfacing treatment that can protect the gravel pavement until such time as the asphalt surfacing can be applied. Primer seal also provides effective water proofing and aggregate retention. Asphalt paving is anticipated to be undertaken in mid-December with guard rail installation planned for late-December, subject to weather and site conditions. Murray Street is expected to re-open for traffic by Christmas, subject to primer seal and asphalt work having been completed. Any changes to the schedule will be advertised on Council's Facebook and



Murray Street, Tully

website.

The Cassowary Coast is growing, and our region requires the infrastructure and services to accommodate our current residents and support future population growth. The Murray Street project will improve a primary road in Tully, improve flood immunity, improve access for heavy vehicles and cater for future growth of the area.

Council would like to sincerely thank the community for their patience whilst the Murray Street works are underway.

To sign up for project news, please visit www.yoursay.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/murray-street-reconstruction-works. The next project update will be issued in mid-December.



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Seeking Applications

TECHNICAL OFFICER - ASSETS

Applications closes 5:00 pm
Monday, 5 December, 2022

For more information or to apply, please visit:
www.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/employment-opportunities



KEEP THE KIDS ENTERTAINED THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

CASSOWARY Coast Libraries have a variety of fun activities for the kids these holidays. Maker Space and board games are available in every branch all through the holidays. Bookings are essential.

School Holidays at the Library

<h4>Innisfail</h4> <p>Wednesday 14 Dec 10.30-11.30am Christmas Bunting Ages 6+</p> <p>Tuesday 20 Dec 10.30am MOVIE "A Boy Called Christmas" Rated PG</p> <p>Thursday 5 Jan 10.30am MOVIE "Minions: The Rise of Gru" Rated PG</p> <p>Thursday 12 Jan 10.30-11.30am Canva Storybook Workshop Ages 7+</p> <p>Tuesday 17 Jan 10.30-11.30am Desert Island Design & Adventure Ages 6+</p>	<h4>Mission Beach</h4> <p>Wednesday 14 Dec 10.30-11.30am Make a Reindeer Christmas Game Ages 6+</p> <p>Tuesday 20 Dec 10.00am MOVIE "A Boy Called Christmas" Rated PG</p> <p>Thursday 12 Jan 10.30-11.30am Kite Making Ages 6+</p> <p>Thursday 19 Jan 10.30-11.30am New Year Canva Calendar Ages 6+</p>
<h4>Cardwell</h4> <p>Tuesday 13 December 10.30-11.30am Make a Suncatcher Ages 6+</p> <p>Thursday 15 Dec 2.00pm MOVIE "Sonic the Hedgehog 2" Rated PG</p> <p>Tuesday 10 Jan 10.30-11.30am Canva Storybook Workshop Ages 7+</p> <p>Tuesday 17 Jan 2.00pm MOVIE "The Mitchells vs the Machines" Rated PG</p>	<h4>Tully</h4> <p>Tuesday 13 Dec 2.30-3.30pm Make a Suncatcher Ages 6+</p> <p>Monday 19 Dec 11.00am-12.00pm Canva Storybook Workshop Ages 7+</p> <p>Tuesday 10 Jan 2.30-3.30pm Woven Twig Creation Ages 6+</p> <p>Tuesday 17 Jan 2.30-3.30pm Create your Holiday Adventure Keepsake Ages 6+</p>

Bookings Essential!

Also Available all Holidays

MAKERSPACE & OTHER FUN ACTIVITIES

Cassowary Coast Libraries

PH: 1300 366 616



CASSOWARY COAST Christmas APPEAL

THANK YOU - LIONS CLUB INNISFAIL FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATION



100% of funds go to support those in need in our local community at Christmas.

KEY CONTACTS

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Visit Council
Cassowary Coast Regional Council has three Customer Service Centres across the region. Specially trained staff can provide information and advice on topics including:

- local laws and compliance
- rates enquiries
- account payments (EFTPOS facilities available)
- animal registration.

Customer Service Centres and Opening Hours

Innisfail Shire Hall
70 Rankin St. Innisfail
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
8:30am - 4:30pm
Wednesday 9:30am - 4:30pm

Tully
Tully Civic Centre, 38-40 Bryant St. Tully
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
8:30am - 4:30pm
Wednesday 9:30am - 4:30pm

Cardwell
Cardwell Library, 4 Balliol St. Cardwell
Monday - Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm

Cassowary Coast Libraries
comprises of four branches located at Cardwell, Innisfail, Tully and Mission Beach. For locations, opening times or general enquiries, please call 1300 366 616 or visit www.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/libraries

Waste Transfer Stations locations and opening hours can be found by visiting:
www.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/transfer-stations

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