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One Coast - Cassowary Coast



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PEDALS AT THE READY FOR PUMP TRACK DESIGN

WARRINA Lakes Pump Track draft designs have been unveiled today, with the community encouraged to view and have their say on the proposed design.

The next step in delivering Stage One of the Warrina Lakes Parklands master plan is to design, construct and build a pump track for the community.

Cassowary Coast Regional Councillor Nick Pervan said pump tracks are a fun and exciting riding space that fosters important skill-building for all ages.

"Earlier this year, Council unveiled the first pump track on the Cassowary Coast in Cardwell. Feedback from the community has been overwhelmingly positive and it has been great to see the continued high use of the track.

"The Warrina Lakes pump track will build on the excitement by offering an alternative pump track for residents and visitors and encourage increased patronage of the Lakes."

Community feedback will play an important part in shaping the final design. Warrina Lakes Information Sessions will be held for anyone who would like to view the proposed design in person, ask questions and provide feedback.

- Innisfail Lioness Market, ANZAC Memorial Park, Innisfail.
Saturday 17 December 2022

9:00am- 12:00pm

- Innisfail Library, 49 Rankin Street, Innisfail
Thursday 12 January 2023

9:30am- 11:30am

Alternatively, the community can visit Council's Your Say platform, to view the design and provide feedback online. The Your Say survey opens Friday 9 December 2022 and will close Sunday 15 January 2023. An update will be provided to the community once consultation closes.

Councillor Pervan said that the current draft design has two components to the pump track. A beginner's pump track has been proposed, catering for less experienced riders. The beginner's track enables riders to get a feel for how a pump track works and build their skills before progressing to the larger track. We are seeking feedback from the community if this is an addition that they would like to see and depending on feedback provided will reassess the design against available budget.

"The larger section of the pump track has been designed for intermediate/advanced users, with a range of jumps, slopes and curves that challenge riders to develop and build new skills.

"For our residents and visitors who haven't used a pump track before; a pump track is a small circuit with feature like rollers and berms that you can ride continuously without pedaling. Your speed along

the pump track is dependent on your ability to gain momentum by "pumping" the tight terrain transitions of the track."

Daniel Snelgrove, Managing Director, World Trail said that the Warrina Lakes asphalt pump track has been designed to cater for all user groups, ages and abilities. The track incorporates a range of customised features including rollers, doubles, dragonbacks, berms and transitions and well as an advance line for the more experienced users.

"All features are rollable thus providing a safe, progressive training ground that is fun for everyone to ride. This unique design also offers a separate beginner pump track to ensure the young kids can build their skills before tackling the more advance pump features."

Those unable to provide feedback face to face are encouraged to have their say by visiting yoursay.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/warrina-lakes-pump-track, by calling 1300 763 903 or emailing enquiries@cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au. Feedback is now open until Sunday 15 January 2023. Council is committed to keeping the community informed during project milestones. Updates will be sent out via email to interested stakeholders throughout the project. To join this mailing list, please visit yoursay.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/warrina-lakes-pump-track to register your interest.



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WATER INDUSTRY FNQ INTEREST DAY RAISES FUNDS FOR LOCAL REFUGE

CASSOWARY Coast Paws and Claws have been the recipients of \$2,400 thanks to funds raised at the Water Industry Operators Australia (WIOA) industry event.

The WIOA held its eighth WIOA Far North Queensland Interest Day and TRILITY Charity Bowls Day. The Interest Days have become an important way for local councils and other industry operators to network and discuss industry-leading processes, innovations and technologies.

Throughout the day, several raffles were held which resulted in a donation of \$2,400 by WIOA to a local charity of choice. Due to the rotating system of selection, Cassowary Coast Regional Council was given the opportunity to choose a local charity. Council is pleased to donate the full amount of \$2,400 to Cassowary Coast Paws and Claws to assist them in purchasing much needed supplies for the busy Christmas season when refuges are often stretched to and beyond their limits.

Cassowary Coast Regional Council Mayor Mark Nolan is pleased to see the donation go to such a vital charity in the community.

Cassowary Coast Paws and Claws have overcome their challenges for the benefit of giving back to our community and animals in need.

"In previous years, Council supported the reopening of the refuge centre after Cyclone Larry, resourcing grants for a new toilet block.

"The shelter was also renamed following community feedback, which suggested that the facility be renamed to reflect the refuge serving the whole Cassowary Coast region.

"The animals at the shelter are cared for by an incredible team of staff, who often do this work with such minimal resources. Every dollar will assist their work, especially around such a busy time of year," said Mayor Nolan.

Council would like to thank all involved in the WIOA Interest Day and those who helped raise funds for this worthy cause.

For more information regarding Cassowary Coast Paws and Claws facility please visit Cassowary Coast Paws & Claws Inc Facebook Page.



Mayor Mark Nolan and Council Water Manager present a cheque to Cassowary Coast Paws and Claws

CASSOWARY COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL CHRISTMAS CLOSURES

COUNCIL Customer Service Centres, Libraries and Depots will be closed from Friday 23 December, 2022 and will re-open with regular hours on Tuesday 3 January 2023.

Innisfail Library will close a day earlier on Thursday 22 December for collection maintenance. During Council's Christmas closure please direct all calls to 1300 763 903.

If your emergency is potentially life threatening, please call 000.

Alternatively, you can visit Council's

website www.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au or utilise the Snap, Send, Solve app to lodge any non-urgent items. Kerbside rubbish collection will operate as per normal collection days.

Cassowary Coast Waste Transfer Stations Christmas Operating hours can be found by visiting www.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/transfer-stations.

Cassowary Coast Regional Council Team Members and Councillors would like to wish all in the community a safe and joyous Christmas season.

COMMUNITY VISION FOR MISSION BEACH TOWN CENTRE ADOPTED

AT the Local Government Meeting on 15 December 2022, Council endorsed the Concept Designs for the Mission Beach Town Centre Revitalisation Project.

The Mission Beach Strategic Master Plan underwent both an initial and draft consultation phase in 2018, with common themes and suggestions collated from the feedback to assist with developing the final Mission Beach Strategic Master Plan.

In 2022, Council endorsed the Communication and Engagement for the Mission Beach Town Centre Revitalisation Project which commenced a number of key engagement practices to ensure Council can deliver on a project that has a shared vision with the community.

Across September and October, Council undertook two phases of community engagement on the Concept Design with over 92 stakeholder interactions during the concept design phase, one Councillor briefing, three community reference group meetings, one community pop-up with 45 people in attendance, five face-to-face meetings, and one online meeting.

Division Three Councillor, Trudy Tschui, said it was great to see the community so involved in the engagement process and the feedback and recommendations provided are understood by Council and will be reflected in the detailed design.

"Council has reviewed key considerations and recommendations from the community engagement and are satisfied that these have been considered in the final concept

and will be resolved through the detailed design.

"Council aims to deliver a vibrant, livable and dynamic town centre, with a unique laid back atmosphere, showcasing the natural environment, and through the engagement carried out now have an in-depth understanding of what this means for community.

"The Community and Stakeholder Reference Group provided a number of recommendations for Council's consideration, including environmental matters (plant species), structure design, form and placement, parking, amenity accesses and initiatives that will support businesses during the construction phase.

"The next phase will be detailed design. Council will provide the detail to address the community's aspirations as highlighted in the concept design phase.

"Council would like to thank all those who have participated during both phases of engagement.

"Your feedback and time is appreciated and will strengthen the final outcome of this project," said Councillor Tschui.

Council will look to present the detailed design in April 2023 and will keep the community updated during this process.

To view the full engagement report from both stage one and stage two of consultation or view the final concept designs, please visit: yoursay.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/mission-beach-town-centre-revitalisation-project.



Mission Beach draft concept plan



COUNCIL OFFICES, LIBRARIES AND DEPOTS

All Customer Service Centres, Libraries and Depots will be closed from Friday 23 December, 2022 and re-open with usual operating hours on Tuesday 3 January, 2023. Innisfail Library will close on Thursday 22 December.

GARBAGE COLLECTION

No disruption - collection as per normal service days.

SWIMMING POOLS

Please visit applicable swimming pool Facebook page or contact pool directly for holiday hours.

WASTE TRANSFER STATIONS OPERATING HOURS

Cardwell	CLOSED Christmas Day OPEN Public Holidays Monday 26, Tuesday 27 December and Monday 2 January 9am to 4pm. All other days follow normal operating hours.
Bells Creek	CLOSED Christmas Day OPEN Public Holidays Monday 26, Tuesday 27 December and Monday 2 January 9am to 4pm. All other days follow normal operating hours.
Hull Heads	CLOSED Christmas Day OPEN Sunday only 9am to 1pm.
Tully	CLOSED Christmas Day OPEN Public Holidays Monday 26, Tuesday 27 December and Monday 2 January 9am to 1pm. All other days follow normal operating hours.
Murray Upper	CLOSED Christmas Day OPEN All further Saturdays 9am to 1pm.
Stoters Hill	CLOSED Christmas Day OPEN Public Holidays Monday 26, Tuesday 27 December and Monday 2 January 9am to 4pm. All other days follow normal operating hours.
Mission Beach	CLOSED Christmas Day OPEN Public Holidays Monday 26, Tuesday 27 December and Monday 2 January 9am to 1pm. All other days follow normal operating hours.

VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRES CLOSURES

Tully	CLOSED Friday 23, Saturday 24, Sunday 25, Monday 26, Tuesday 27, Thursday 29, Friday 30, Saturday 31 December and Sunday 1 and Monday 2 January, 2023.
Cardwell	CLOSED Saturday 24, Sunday 25, Monday 26, Tuesday 27 of December and Sunday 1 and Monday 2 January, 2023.
Innisfail	CLOSED Saturday 24, Sunday 25, Monday 26, Tuesday 27 of December and Sunday 1 and Monday 2 January, 2023.

The Mayor, Councillors and all team members at Cassowary Coast Regional Council wish the community a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous 2023.

AFTER HOURS CALL 1300 763 903
cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au



OPEN SPACE STRATEGY FEEDBACK OPPORTUNITY

TO inform future management and investment in Cassowary Coast Parks and Reserves, Council is seeking feedback on Phase One of the development of the Cassowary Coast Open Space Strategy.

Across the Cassowary Coast, Council currently manages 315 open spaces, all with varying degrees of service and maintenance. The total area of open spaces equates to 17Ha of land per 1,000 residents. The industry recommended standard is currently 5Ha per 1,000 people.

Council is developing an Open Space Strategy to guide the planning, management and resourcing approach which suits our community needs.

Phase One of the development of Council's Open Space Strategy is to undertake community consultation regarding the proposed classification framework for our parks and reserves as outlined within the Open Space Classification and Service Level document.

Planning and Regional Development

Portfolio Holder, Mayor Mark Nolan said consultation is the first step to ensuring Council creates the correct classification and hierarchy for our open spaces.

"Currently, the community's open spaces fall under a wide variety of categories with an equally diverse level of embellishments.

"Through the consultation stage, Council wishes to create a uniformed approach, ensuring parks are categorised correctly and consistently, and what facilities or park features (termed embellishments) should be provided in these spaces.

"Council also aims to create a distinct framework that ensures the level of services provided, is the same for each category of park.

"By creating an agreed holistic strategy, Council will address an identified oversupply of open space and undersupply of quality regional parks; and provide clear guidance on management, future investment and replacement of aging assets," said Councillor Nolan.

INNISFAIL CBD REVITALISATION STAKEHOLDER REFERENCE GROUP

CASSOWARY Coast Regional Council is seeking expressions of interest from the community to be a part of the Innisfail CBD Revitalisation Stakeholder Reference Group.

The purpose of the Reference Group is to create an opportunity for stakeholders and community to be regularly informed, engaged and consulted by Council on the concept designs and progress of the project, and increase awareness amongst the community of the project.

The Reference Group is one phase of the planned engagement and is a vital method to ensure Council is connecting with key stakeholders across various platforms.

Expressions of interest are open to community members wishing to join the group which will include representation from Council, local business owners and operators, traditional owners and property owners.

Expressions of interest are open until 31 January 2023.

To read the terms of reference and apply to become a member visit
<https://yoursay.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/innisfail-SRG>



Consultation on the key classifications with the Open Space Strategy can be found at <https://yoursay.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/open-spaces> and will be open for a five week period.



MAYOR'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO COMMUNITY

THROUGHOUT this year, I have been continually humbled by the passion and generosity of our community. I want to thank each person for their individual contributions - volunteering, running or supporting small businesses, providing feedback, participating in community groups, events or sporting associations, all contribute and enhance our region's diverse community life.

For Council, it has been a particularly busy twelve months as we embarked on our largest Community Scorecard, to ensure future projects align with community aspirations and priorities, and Council's activities and services. The community voice was captured, and from there, an action plan was developed to address the top six priority goals of the community.

Council has continued to focus on our investment into capital works including road upgrades and renewals, drainage and bridges, and continued investment into water and sewerage infrastructure. Creating opportunities for Economic Development has guided the creation of the Economic Development Advisory Committee and the Small Business Friendly Charter in conjunction with the Department of Employment, Small Business and Training which has demonstrated Council's commitment to supporting economic growth and invest-

ment in our region.

In addition, Council has made progress on key projects including successfully securing funding for the Mission Beach Town Centre Revitalisation project, facilitating community consultation and appointing a Community Stakeholder Reference Group to provide a representative voice throughout the final design and construction phase. Council is also progressing the Normalisation of Port Hinchinbrook with several important rehabilitation projects across the suburb taking place as well as progressing the design and construction of the Cardwell Sewage Treatment Plant and the dredging of One Mile Creek. The completion of the Cardwell Pump Track was strongly driven by community and is part of a larger project which aims to have Cardwell recognised as a leading mountain bike trail destination. Innisfail is also set to receive their own Pump Track at Warrina Lakes with a draft concept out to the community for consultation. To ensure our community has remained active and involved in decision making, the Your Say Cassowary Coast platform was launched with Dog Off-Leash trial areas, Unsealed Road Improvement Plan, Banfield Parade and Mission Beach Town Centre Revitalisation Project - all projects which the community has provided essential feedback on.

I would like to acknowledge and thank Council's team who are also preparing for what will be another busy year in 2023, delivering on our Capital Works Program and Operational Plan Outcomes. We will continue to improve our engagement with community and stakeholders to address our community's priorities articulated through the Community Scorecard and Action Plan. On behalf of Councillors and Staff I hope

you have an enjoyable and safe festive season, look after one another, and don't forget to take time to explore our beautiful Cassowary Coast region. This time of year can also be challenging for some so I would encourage those who can, to give a small contribution to the Community Christmas Appeal.

Merry Christmas, everyone - see you in 2023!



Merry Christmas from all Councillors and CCRC team members.



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CASSOWARY COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL
PRESENTS 2023 SCHEDULE

10:30 AM
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A HARD KNOCK LIFE Tuesday 23 May trybooking.com/CERUV	JENNY WYNTER BY REQUEST Tuesday 18 July trybooking.com/CERVB
KING OF SWINGERS Tuesday 10 October trybooking.com/CERCO	KAREN KNOWLES CHRISTMAS Tuesday 28 November trybooking.com/CERVI

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REDUCE WASTE THIS FESTIVE SEASON

THE festive season can be an expensive time of year, but it doesn't have to involve wasting money through food waste. Household food waste in Australia peaks in December. With some simple planning you can avoid wastage, saving money and the environment.

Shop, serve and store food mindfully this festive season by following these simple tips:

- Plan meals before you shop and use a shopping list.
- Check your portions and prepare the right amount.
- Let your guests serve themselves.
- Ask your guests to BYO food containers for leftovers.
- Use any leftovers.
- Freeze excess food.

For more tips and tricks on how to reduce food waste, save money and the environment check out the Love Food Hate Waste and OzHarvest Use It Up websites.

THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

A BIG thank you to Russell Sign & Print Cassowary Coast and Freemasons Innisfail for their generous donations to the Community Christmas Appeal.

Every cent from the appeal will be returned back into supporting the community with a variety of local charities and organisations distributing the donations to the genuinely-disadvantaged in our community.

To make your donation, visit or call our Customer Service Centres on 1300 763 903.

For full details on how you can help those in need, yoursay.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/christmas-appeal

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CASSOWARY COAST
Christmas APPEAL

THANK YOU TO THE BELOW DONORS FOR THE GENEROUS DONATIONS TO SUPPORT THE CHRISTMAS APPEAL

*Russell Sign and Print
and Freemasons Innisfail*

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

KEY CONTACTS

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Contact **1300 763 903**
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Write:
Please address all correspondence to:
Andrew Graffen, Chief Executive Officer
PO Box 887
Innisfail, QLD 4860
Email:
enquiries@cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au

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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