

GRANTS PROGRAM STRENGTHENS COMMUNITY-LED INVESTMENT

CASSOWARY Coast Regional Council is providing 17 local community groups with \$69,425.00 in funding as part of the second round of Council's 2022-2023 Community Grants Program.

The program supports non-profit community organisations to develop and deliver projects, programs and events which benefit, enhance and meet the needs of our community.

Six groups received over \$25,000 for initiatives under the Program's Community Wellbeing and Lifestyle Stream. Projects cover signage and promotion for recreational sport events, recreational sport initiatives and a facility improvement project.

Seven groups will receive over \$30,000 funding for initiatives that stimulate economic activity

and drive spend into Local Businesses across the Cassowary Coast. Events and initiatives receiving support include the Dunk Island Outrigger Event, Tully Cane Productivity Initiative, Innisfail Pasta and Sugo Event and Cardwell Seafest.

Three local P&Cs will each receive around \$5,000 each to support initiatives which will reduce waste and support environmental sustainability practices within schools in Mourilyan, Murray Upper and Mission Beach.

Councillor Trudy Tschui, Community and Culture portfolio holder said Round Two of the Community Grants Program saw a diverse range of applications that included community services, sports and recreational events, and youth focused environmental

projects. All support our region's economic development, liveability and cultural vibrancy.

"Council is proud to grant over \$69,425.00 to the successful applicants which will assist in the delivery of these initiatives and provide benefit to the broader community. Our Community Grants Program supports local groups who play a crucial role in our community and in strengthening local inclusion.

"If you're a part of a community group or have an idea for a project or event but need additional funding to bring it to fruition, I encourage you to explore Council's Community Grant program in preparation for the next round later this year." said Councillor Tschui.

Successful recipients for the Community Grants Program - round two are:

Community Wellbeing and Lifestyle

- Tully Mission Beach Pickleball - Ready for Play
- Rotary Club of Innisfail - Riverfest
- Tully Men's Shed - Connectivity Project
- Tully Motorcycle Club - Facility Project
- Innisfail Game Fishing Club - Signage & Promotion
- Cassowary Coast Little Athletics - Promotion
- Tully Rugby League Club - QRL Pride Game

Economic Development

- Cairns Italian Festival - Innisfail Pasta & Sugo Festival Event
- Tully Cane Productivity Cane Services - Sugar Cane Nursery Project
- Kurrimine Beach Fishing Club - Signage & Promotion
- Mission Beach Outrigger Club - Dunk Island Outrigger Event
- Innisfail Historical Society - Tropical Art Deco Festival
- Cardwell Community Events - Bike & Boats Expo
- Cardwell Seafest - Seafest Event 2023

Environmental Sustainability

- Mourilyan State School P & C - Growing Green Kids Project
- Murray Upper School P & C - Waste Warriors
- The Rainforest School - School Recycling Program

Community members seeking further information on Council's Community Grants Program can visit www.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/funding-grants.



Community Grant recipients Tully Mission Beach Pickle Ball group

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COUNCIL THANKS COMMUNITY FOR INPUT

BANYAN PARK BEAUTIFICATION

CASSOWARY Coast Regional Council would like to thank the community for taking the time to provide feedback for the Banyan and Lions Park Project through our online platform and surveys and at our face-to-face sessions.

During consultation, there were five key areas in which Council looked to gain a greater understanding. These included:

- How the space is currently used;
- What play elements the community most wanted;
- What park elements the community

most wanted;

- Whether the Transit Centre should remain in the same location or be relocated; and
- Key themes.

The project received over 450 online contributions, more than 150 ideas through the face-to-face sessions and 155 comments through social media.

Council has compiled all the feedback and will use this to inform the design stage, which will be presented back to the community for consideration in the near future.

To stay up to date or for more information on the project please visit yoursay.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/banyan or send us an email at yoursay@ccrc.qld.gov.au.



SEAT WITH A VIEW

COUNCIL recently asked the community where they would like to see benches and picnic tables installed across our region. Interested residents and visitors used the Your Say site and placed a pin where they would like to see these facilities installed.

Cassowary Coast Mayor Mark Nolan said that 48 contributions were made for locations across our region.

"I would like to acknowledge and thank all contributors for the time taken to provide feedback on this matter. The feedback highlighted the locations that matter to our residents and visitors, and will ensure future facilities are in or near these key

locations. Council is currently developing its Open Space Strategy and suggestions for additional furniture in Council managed Parks and Open Space will be assessed in conjunction with that process."

Suggested locations across the Cassowary Coast:

- Bingil Bay- Two suggestions.
- Coconuts- Two suggestions.
- East Innisfail- Six suggestions.
- Etty Bay- One suggestion.
- Flying Fish Point- One suggestion.
- South Mission Beach- Five suggestions.
- Mission Beach- Eight suggestions.
- Wongaling Beach- 24 suggestions.

The Public Consultation report can be found by visiting yoursay.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/beach-foreshore-furniture.



Aerial image of Banyan Park.

Scenic pathway connection

COUNCIL recently finished construction of a pathway along a section of road on Innisfail-Japoon Road, Mena Creek. The 2-metre-wide deco pathway connects to the existing pathway that provides access to the viewing platform at the bottom of the falls and Paronella Park.

These works were fully funded by the Cassowary Coast Regional Council.





BINGIL BAY CONNECTION COMPLETE

THE Bingil Bay shared pathway now connects the popular Bingil Bay fore-shore and beach area to the Bingil Bay café. The new shared pathway is 1.6 metres wide on deco gravel material. This provides a safe off-road space for pedestrians and cyclists.

Cassowary Coast Regional Council Division Three Councillor Trudy Tschui said that through community consultation locals advised they wanted the final design to fit in with the natural beauty of the area.

"Council and the Bingil Bay Community worked together during the consultation phase to ensure the pathway is as natural as possible in keeping with the surrounding environment with minimal impacts on the existing vegetation.

"This exciting project has allowed Council to work collaboratively with the local community. The project outcomes demonstrate the value of

connecting with our community to ensure their feedback is incorporated into the delivery of Council projects.

"I would like to thank the Bingil Bay community who held a BBQ event on Friday 28 April 2023 to celebrate the project and thank all involved," said Councillor Trudy.

Kennedy MP Bob Katter said this will be a great asset to the Mission Beach community.

"I highly recommend the food at the local café at Bingil Bay, and I've completed this walk to the beach many times myself," Mr Katter said.

"Combining the two areas will be a great experience for locals and visitors."

Local Community Member Paul Roxby said that the community was heard, and Council addressed the safety elements through the continual meetings held.

"The community would like to thank

the Australian Government, Council, and community members for all their contributions to making the pathway a success," said Mr Roxby.

Council would like to thank all the community members who showed their support and patience throughout the extensive planning and construction process.

The path will provide a more connected area for our community to allow users to more safely enjoy the great outdoors while riding and walking.

This project is funded by the Australian Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program, committing \$325,000.

The LRCI Program supports local councils to deliver priority local road and community infrastructure projects across the nation, supporting jobs and delivering benefits to local communities.



For further information on the project please visit yoursay.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/bingil-bay-pathway

Ready for play – playgrounds receive makeover

EXCITING news, Council has recently undertaken playground renewal works at three locations across the Cassowary Coast.

The replacements are part of the renewal program focused on replacing outdated infrastructure and playgrounds with new and improved furniture and play equipment.

The refreshed playgrounds at Scheu Park, Etty Bay and Cowley Beach are now reopened and ready for play.

These works have been funded by Council under the Recreational and Natural Area renewals Program.



Cowley Beach playground.



Etty Bay playground.



Scheu Park playground.



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ECHO OF THE PAST EXHIBITION

MISSION Beach Historical Society is proud to present 'Echo of the past: historical photographs of Mission Beach 1890's - 1950's'.

Join Dr Valerie Boll, President Mission Beach Historical Society, Leonard Andy, Djiru Traditional Owner and Maxine Marsh, Branch Administrator Tully library,

for a talk at the Mission Beach Library, Saturday 6 May, 10 to 11am and explore how photos create a connection between people and place, past and present.

Djiru artefacts will be available to view on the day only. Photographing cultural artefacts and exhibition images not permitted.

For further information and to see upcoming Cassowary Coast Libraries events, please visit www.facebook.com/CassowaryCoastLibraries



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Tully
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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

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