

## Council meeting

The next Ordinary meeting of Council will be held at the Gloucester Administration Centre, today, 27 June at 2pm.

We encourage members of the public to sit in on our meetings, as a way of finding out more about how council works and to stay updated on what's happening in the MidCoast Council area.

## Careers at Council

We are seeking suitably qualified people to fill the roles of:

- Coordinator Ageing Services
- Design Draftsperson
- Development Planners

Visit our website for further information and to apply.

## Bulky waste collection



The scrap metal and bulky waste clean-up will take place in the Gloucester area on 6 - 17 August.

This is a great opportunity to dispose of those larger, unwanted items around the house or in the shed, and have them conveniently picked up from the kerbside where your regular bins are usually placed for collection.

Items must be sorted into two separate piles – one for scrap metal, and the other for general bulky waste. Visit our website for guidelines including what items will be accepted, and how your waste must be presented – non-compliant waste will not be collected and anything rejected and left outside your property is your responsibility to remove. You should place your waste out on 4 August – no earlier, as this will be considered illegal dumping and you could be fined.

Note: electronic waste (eg, TVs, computers) is not accepted.

Tip: If your unwanted items are in reasonable condition / working order, help us reduce the amount of waste going to landfill by trying to re-home them instead.

More info at [www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/bulkywaste](http://www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/bulkywaste)

## Have your say

We are seeking community feedback on:

- Development Proposal 514/2018/DA - 83 Albert Street Taree
- Development Proposal 529/2018/DA - 46 Waterman Street Old Bar
- Forster Main Beach Masterplan

Visit our website for further information.

## On our roads and bridges

Keep an eye out for maintenance/construction crews working on:

- **Callaghans Creek Bridge** - Construction of the replacement bridge is programmed for July. Access via a side track around work site is in operation.
- **Gloucester Road (Bo Bo Creek)** - Works are predominantly completed with linemarking and signage to be installed shortly.
- **Thunderbolts Way - the slips, Barrington** - Reconstruction of 2.1km of road pavement was completed last week with bitumen seal. The project will be completed when weather conditions allow.
- **Gloucester Tops resheeting** - Final works for gravel resheeting are due for completion in 2 weeks.
- **Grading** - Currently undertaking maintenance grading on Craven Creek Road.
- **Footpaths** - Maintenance is currently being undertaken to address various trip hazards. Other footpath and road signage maintenance is also being undertaken.
- **Potholing and patching** - Crews are continuing to carry out potholing works on all sealed roads.
- **Shared pedestrian / cycle path** (from Showground Road to Dangar Road) - All preparation works have been done with sealing to be completed shortly.

For full details on all maintenance and construction works on our roads and bridges, visit [www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/roads](http://www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/roads)

With all roadworks please remember to travel safely. Observe roadworks signs and speed restrictions, note changed traffic conditions, and proceed with caution.

## Streamlining DA enquiries

From next Monday 2 July, we are streamlining our Development and Building enquiry process to provide a better service to all our customers. Our friendly customer service team is trained in planning matters and will handle all enquiries during your Council office opening hours.

Specialised planning and building staff will be available to answer complex development enquiries over the counter (or phone) at our Taree and Forster Offices between 8.30am - 10.30am on weekdays (excluding public holidays). For complex enquiries received outside of these hours we aim to respond by phone within one working day.

At the Stroud, Gloucester and Tea Gardens offices - call to make an appointment, or call between 8.30am - 10.30am to be transferred by phone to speak with a planner or building inspector.

As always, we're focussed on providing quality customer service, and helping you connect with Council in more effective and efficient ways.

## Apply for a Duralie community grant

The funding round for 2018 Duralie Mine Community grants is now open!

Organisations delivering projects that will provide lasting benefit for the Stroud area are encouraged to apply for funding through the Duralie Community Fund.

Developer contributions from the Duralie coal mine are used to fund community projects and initiatives in the area in which the mine operates. These funds are distributed through the Duralie Community Fund, administered by MidCoast Council.

Organisations are able to apply for grants of between \$5,000 and \$50,000. For full conditions and application forms, please visit: [www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/grants](http://www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/grants)

Applications close this Friday 29 June.

## Seniors units available to rent - Gloucester

We currently have units in King Street Gloucester available for rent for single persons aged 60 years and over. For details of the entry criteria, please contact Melissa Scott-Young at our Forster office.