

Community update meetings

Come along to our final meeting to find out about changes we're making to provide better customer service and access to information, an update on our roads, the recruitment process for our new General Manager, and more.

- **Stroud** School of Arts Wednesday 16 May 6pm

If you were unable to attend, we'll be uploading a video of one of the meetings to our website this week.

Bulky waste collection

The scrap metal and bulky waste clean-up is now underway in the Great Lakes region.

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.

Waste items must be sorted into two separate piles – one for scrap metal (such as pushbikes, whitegoods with doors removed, or empty paint tins with lids removed), and the other for general bulky waste (such as broken furniture, small appliances or floor coverings). There are strict guidelines around what items will be accepted, and how your waste must be presented for collection – please check our website to ensure your bulky waste piles comply, as non-compliant waste will not be picked up.

You should check the date for collection in your specific zone, and place your waste out according to the schedule – no earlier, as this will be considered illegal dumping and you could be fined.

All scrap metal collected will be recycled, however all general bulky waste will be sent to landfill so please consider if your items could be re-used by someone else and try and find a new home for them instead.

Please note: electronic waste (eg, TVs, computers and gaming consoles) is not accepted, and anything rejected and left outside your property is your responsibility to remove.

More information www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/bulkywaste.

Council meetings

Extraordinary Council Meeting

An Extraordinary Council meeting will be held at the Taree Administration Centre today, 16 May at 10am. The purpose of this meeting is to consider our Draft Delivery Program (2018-2021) and Operational Plan (2018-2019).

Ordinary Council Meeting

The next Ordinary meeting of Council will be held at the Taree Administration Centre, Wednesday 23 May 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.

With prior notice, you may address the meeting on any item of business.

Development consents

Development consent has been granted for the following applications:

DA-314/2018	83 Newman Avenue, Blueys Beach (dwelling)
DA-320/2018	114 Amaroo Drive, Smiths Lake (dwelling)
DA-329/2018	17 Timbertop Avenue, Forster (dwelling and removal of three trees)
DA-349/2018	43 South Street, Forster (alterations & additions)
DA-352/2018	12 Bent Street, Tuncurry (alterations & additions)
DA-380/2018	91 The Lakes Way, Forster (circus)
DA-433/2018	13 Peel Street, Tuncurry (carport)
DA-443/2018	13 Pelican Avenue, Hawks Nest (shed)
DA-460/2018	13 Jonathan Place, Forster (dwelling & swimming pool)
DA-466/2018	48 Windward Circuit, Tea Gardens (dwelling)
DA-473/2018	1/7 North Street, Tuncurry (dwelling)
DA-476/2018	5 Hawke Street, Tuncurry (swimming pool)
DA-480/2018	5 Wombourne Road, Tea Gardens (alterations and additions)
CDCSWI484/2018	11 Caryota Place, Forster (swimming pool)
DA-497/2018	125 Gunns Gully Road, Allworth (dwelling)

The above consents are available for inspection free of charge at our Customer Service Centre during ordinary office hours.

Our future plans on exhibition

If you're keen to find out what we're planning to achieve over the next 12 months, and where we are heading over the next three years, make sure to review our draft Operational Plan (2018-19) and Delivery Program (2018-21).

Both are presented in a single document, alongside the annual budget, proposed schedule of fees and charges, and statement of revenue policy. The Operational Plan outlines a range of specific projects and measurement criteria that will serve as a delivery checklist for the upcoming year. The draft documents are open for feedback from tomorrow 17 May, until Friday 15 June.

Visit our website to find out more, review the documents, and to have your say. You can also give feedback on other items on exhibition. Click "Have your Say" on our home page.

Careers at Council

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

- Community Strengthening Officer - Aboriginal Designated
- Team Member - Specialist Operator
- Team Member - Specialist Operator - Final Trim Grader

Visit our website for further information and to apply.

Last chance ... Local Heritage Fund

If your heritage place is in need of a little TLC to restore it back to its former glory, you may be eligible to apply for funding in this year's Local Heritage Fund. The heritage grants program is open to eligible applicants across the entire MidCoast region.

For more information about the program, eligibility criteria and the application form, visit www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/LHF
Hurry, as applications close this Friday 18 May.

On our roads and bridges

Keep an eye out for our maintenance and construction crews in these areas:

- **Bulahdelah - Lee Street**
- **Esplanade, North Arm Cove**
- **The Lakes Way, Pacific Palms**

For full details and updates on maintenance and construction works on our roads and bridges, visit MyRoadInfo.com.au, or search works near you at www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/roads.