



# Community Noticeboard

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...The latest Council News, Community Events, Job Vacancies, Tenders  
- it's all here on the Noticeboard...

## COMING UP

- 18<sup>th</sup> May** – In the Bin Touring Festival - 7.00pm at Endeavour Park
- 20<sup>th</sup> May** – Clean up Cook Shire Day more details below
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> May** – Tidy Towns Judging
- 29<sup>th</sup> May** - Drum Muster Collection Lakeland
- 1<sup>st</sup> June** – Submissions close for Draft Corporate Plan

## DRAFT CORPORATE PLAN 2007-2012 HAVE YOUR SAY...

The draft corporate plan outlines the long-term goals and priorities for our community. A series of community meetings are scheduled in order that you have an opportunity to provide feedback to Council.

Come and have **your** say at the following meetings:

- **Coen Old Race Club Hall**  
Thursday 17th May at 6:00 pm
- **Laura Town Hall**  
Friday 18th May at 10:00 am
- **Lakeland Community Hall**  
Friday 18th May at 2:00 pm
- **Ayton Hall**  
Thursday 24th May at 1:00 pm
- **Rossville Community Hall**  
Thursday 24th May at 4:00 pm

If you have any questions about the draft corporate plan, please contact Mike Tomlinson, Community and Economic Development Officer by phone: 4069 5622 or email: [mtomlinson@cook.qld.gov.au](mailto:mtomlinson@cook.qld.gov.au)

## POSITIONS VACANT

Highly dedicated and motivated persons are now invited to apply for the following positions.

- **Labourers(Roadworks)HRM42/0607**  
closes 4.30pm Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2007
- **Survey Assistant HRM23a/0607**  
closes 4.30pm Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2007
- **Expression of Interest for Casual Sewerage Plant Technician**  
closes 4.30pm Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2007

Applicants must obtain information kits and address the specific selection criteria. All applications should be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer and marked Confidential Job Application with the relevant HRM No. Applications for the above positions must be received by 4.30pm on the closing date. Information kits are available by contacting 4069 5444 or via email at [mmulhall@cook.qld.gov.au](mailto:mmulhall@cook.qld.gov.au) or downloaded from [www.cooktowns.com](http://www.cooktowns.com)

The Cook Shire Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

## AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF COOK

Will be held on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> -22<sup>nd</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup> May 2007 at the Gungarde Hall, Charlotte Street, Cooktown.

Monday – 1.30 pm Ordinary Meeting commences – open to public.

Recommencement 9.00am on Tuesday and 9.00 am on Wednesday - open to public.

## IN THE BIN SHORT FILM FESTIVAL

In the Bin Touring Film Festival is once again travelling to Cooktown for this family event. This is a FREE community event and will be held in the Endeavour Park at 7.00pm on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2007. For further information please contact Councils Arts, Culture and Events Officer, Sally Saw on 40695622 or [ssaw@cook.qld.gov.au](mailto:ssaw@cook.qld.gov.au)

## RENTAL HOUSING NEEDED

Cook Shire Council is again seeking expressions of interest for the supply of medium to long term furnished or unfurnished rental housing for use as employee accommodation in Cooktown. Please provide details of the property, location, number of bedrooms, any furnishings and rental value. Submissions should be addressed "Expression of Interest, Supply of Rental Accommodation" and received by Council no later than Friday 18th May 2007. Further information may be obtained by contacting Council's Personnel Officer, Melissa Mulhall on 4069 5444.

## REQUEST FOR TENDERS FOR THE SALE AND SUPPLY OF COUNCIL VEHICLES

- T1. Supply of Council Fleet Vehicles/Plant
- T2. Sale of Council Fleet Vehicles/Plant

Tender documents are available by contacting Ellanna Gilson at the Council Chambers, 121 Charlotte Street, or by telephoning: 4069 5444, facsimile: 4069 5423, email: [egilson@cook.qld.gov.au](mailto:egilson@cook.qld.gov.au) downloaded from [www.cooktowns.com](http://www.cooktowns.com) or by writing to: PO Box 3 Cooktown QLD 4895.

## REQUEST FOR SITE SPECIFIC ART WORKS DESIGN AND EXECUTION

Council is requesting suitably qualified public and community artists/crafts people to submit potential designs for either of the following:

- Painted Tiles
- Carved / Burnt / Painted Battens

Successful applicants will have their works displayed within The New Administration Centre (the Old School). Submissions are to be received no later than the 8<sup>th</sup> June 2007 at 2.00 PM. For further details and specifications (required sizes, colours, themes) please contact Council's Procurement Officer, Ellanna Gilson, or Council's Arts Culture and Events Officer, Sally Saw, on 4069 5444.

## CLEAN UP COOK SHIRE DAY

Council would like to remind everyone that Clean Up Cook Shire Day is approaching again. The event will be held on Sunday, 20th May, this year with volunteers meeting at Lions Park at 7.30am. There will be a community BBQ for volunteers after the clean up. We are especially seeking people to help with the effort at Archers Point, so if you or your community group would like to volunteer, or you have some ideas as to other areas to target please contact Councils Environmental Health Officer, Sheils Barra, on 4069 5444.

## TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION

This years Tidy Towns Competition will include Cooktown, Ayton, Rossville, Lakeland, Laura and Coen. Judging will be conducted in the Cook Shire region from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> May 2007.

## DRUM MUSTER COLLECTION ATTENTION ALL FARMERS

Cook Shire Council will be collecting empty chemical drums from farming properties in Lakeland as part of the Drum Muster program. The drums should be empty and triple washed. If you have any empty chemical drums on your property please take them to the Lakeland transfer station on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2007 between 10am and 4pm. For more information please contact Sheils Barra, Environmental Health Officer on 4069 5444.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM

The Local Government Reform agenda was announced on the 17th April by the Queensland State Government. A new website <http://www.localdemocracy.com.au> has been established providing the opportunity to access information on the issue of council amalgamations and boundary changes. The website also provides details regarding how formal submissions to the Local Government Reform Commission can be made. The State Government will only accept submissions up until the 25th May 2007.

## COMMUNITY SWIMMING POOL

The shade has been removed for the winter months and the pool is a pleasant 27 degrees. Opening hours at present are Monday to Friday 6.00am to 7.30am for lap swimming and Monday to Sunday 1.00pm to 6.00pm. Aqua-aerobic classes are held on Wednesday at 5.30pm to 6.30pm and Saturday from 11.30am to 12.30pm bookings essential.

## KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE AROUND BACKYARD POOLS AND SPAS

Drowning is the leading cause of accidental death for children under 5 years old in Queensland, with around eight toddlers drowned in swimming pools, spas and wading pools every year. Most of these tragedies are avoidable because they occur in pools with no fences, poorly maintained or unsafe fences or where the pool gate has been left open. State legislation sets out the standards for fencing pools, spas and wading pools. Basically, you must fence the perimeter of any pool, spa or wading pool to a certain standard specified in the legislation. Please contact Council's Building section on 4069 5444 for information on how to make your pool or spa lawful and safe.

## CAMPING IN COOKTOWN

With the commencement of the tourist season it is timely that Council reminds visitors to the region that under Section 22(1) of Local Law No. 22 (Caravan Parks and Camping) there is to be **no camping, except in a caravan park**. If you are found to be illegally camping within a 15km radius of Cooktown you could be fined up to \$1500.00. The Cooktown region has many caravan parks that will accommodate tourists in beautiful surroundings to enable relaxation and an enjoyable holiday. If you have any enquiries please contact Councils Environmental Health Officer, Sheils Barra, on 4069 5444.

## COUNCIL OPENING HOURS

**Main Council Administration Office:**  
8:45am to 4:45pm Monday to Friday

**Cooktown Community Pool:**  
6:00am to 7:30am Monday to Friday  
1pm – 6pm Monday to Friday  
1pm - 6pm Saturday and Sunday

## Cooktown Library:

10am to 1:15pm – 2pm to 5pm Monday to Friday  
9am to 12.30pm Saturday

## Ayton Library:

9:00am to 1.00pm Tuesday  
1.30pm to 5.30pm Thursday  
9.00am to 1.00pm Saturday

**Coen Library:** 10.00am to 2.00pm Thursday

**Lakeland Library:** 3.00pm to 7.00pm Wednesday

**Laura Library:** 11.30am to 3.30pm Wednesday

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