



Community Noticeboard

Fortnightly Publication - Wednesday 5th March 2008

...The latest Council News, Community Events, Job Vacancies, Tenders...

COMING UP

7th March - Invitation by the RSL to attend informal forum for Council candidates
10th March 2008 - Views required on Cooktown Wharf - Concrete or Timber?
15th March 2008 - Local Government Election Polling Day - See info below

COUNCIL NEEDS YOUR VIEWS ON THE COOKTOWN WHARF TIMBER OR CONCRETE PLANKS?

The Cooktown Wharf is in need of urgent repairs. Council is considering whether to replace the timber planks or install concrete planks.

Council would like to hear from the community their views on this matter prior to the next Council meeting that is being held on 10th/11th March 2008.

Feedback is welcomed in relation to maintenance issues, commercial operations, tourism impact, community use and the aesthetic character of the existing wharf.

An engineering report on this matter has been submitted to Council at the February 2008 meeting and can be viewed online at www.cook.qld.gov.au in the Council Agenda section.

For further information contact either Tony Lickiss, Manager Engineering Services or Sian Nivison, Community Services Manager on 4069 5444.

ROUNABOUT/ROADWORKS POSTPONED

Council wishes to inform the community that it has postponed the roadworks planned for early April.

The roadworks planned were the construction of a roundabout at the Charlotte Street, Boundary Street and Harrigan Street intersection in Cooktown.

For further information please contact Council's Manager of Engineering, Tony Lickiss on 4069 5444.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION POLLING DAY

Residents will be receiving polling ballot papers in their post boxes shortly.

Residents are advised that voting is compulsory and ballot papers and voter declaration need to be returned in the replied paid envelope or placed in the ballot box at the Cook Shire Administration Centre, 10 Furneaux Street, Cooktown by 15th March 2008.

Voter's declarations are separated from ballot papers before counting of votes to ensure voter confidentiality is maintained.

INVITATION BY THE RSL TO ATTEND AN INFORMAL FORUM FOR COUNCIL CANDIDATES

An informal open forum for council candidates and the public will be held from 7pm at RSL Memorial Club this Friday, 7th March. Come along to ask questions or put a name to a face.

RATES NOTICES

Cook Shire Council's first rate notices for 2008 will be issued on 17th March 2008 with the discount closing date being 17th April 2008.

For any further information please contact Council's Rates Officer, Gisela Whithear on 4069 5444.

OVERGROWN ALLOTMENTS

A survey of overgrown allotments is currently being conducted and a notice to comply will be sent to those owners who have overgrown allotments.

Owners who receive a notice will have 21 days to comply. If this notice is ignored, Council will then send in a contractor to slash or clean up the property and the owner will then be invoiced for costs (including administration costs).

Please note poisoning of road side verges is not a suitable method of controlling roadside vegetation. If you have considered this action please consult Council's Manager of Engineering Services, Tony Lickiss on 4069 5444.

POSITIONS VACANT

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

- **Truck Driver** (HRM30/0708) - Closes 14th March 2008

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. Information kits are available by contacting: 4069 5444 or via email: mmulhall@cook.qld.gov.au or downloaded from www.cooktowns.com Cook Shire Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

EASTER CLOSURES

Cook Shire Council Administration Centre, Depot, Libraries will be closed for the Easter Holidays from Good Friday 21st March and will reopen on Tuesday 25th March.

The Community Swimming Pool will be closed Good Friday, Easter Saturday and Easter Monday but will be open Easter Sunday from 1pm to 6pm.

For after hour emergencies please phone Water on 4069 5595 or Managers on 4069 5533.

REDUCE WASTE THROUGH COMPOSTING

Each year over 3,000m³ of potentially compostable waste is discarded into the Shire's landfills.

To assist residents in utilising their compostable waste, Council is offering a limited number of "Compost Starter Kits" at the subsidised price of \$23.10.

The pack includes a 210litre Compost bin, 8litre Max Air bin and 1 roll of 25 biodegradable liner bags.

For further information contact Council's Environmental Health Officer, Shiels Barra on 4069 5444.

TENDERS AND QUOTES

- **Cook Shire Council seeks tenders for the supply of a Motor Grader (Tender No. T24)**

Tender Closes 2pm 10th March 2008

- **Cook Shire Council seeks tenders for the disposal of a Used Motor Grader (Tender No. T25)**

Tender Closes 2pm 10th March 2008

- **Cook Shire Council Seeks Tenders for a Reporting Officer Undertaking Duties and Maintenance at the Coen Aerodrome (Tender No. T22)**

Tender Closes 2pm 1st April 2008

Tender Documents are available by contacting Council's Procurement Officer on 4069 5444, or by downloading from www.cooktowns.com (See Council, Tenders), email procurement@cook.qld.gov.au or by writing to PO Box 3 Cooktown QLD 4895.

COMMUNITY SWIMMING POOL SUMMER HOURS

Opening Hours:

6.00am to 7.30 am Monday to Friday
1.00pm to 6.00pm Monday to Sunday

Aqua Aerobic Classes:

5.30pm to 6.30pm Wednesday

12.00pm to 1.00pm Saturday

Bookings Essential Ph: 4069 6928

(minimum of 5 for class to go ahead)

NOTICE OF MEETING

AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF COOK

will be held on Monday, Tuesday, 10th and 11th March 2008 at the Administration Building, 10 Furneaux Street, Cooktown

9.00 am Monday
1.00pm Ordinary Meeting commences - open to public.

Recommencement

9.00am Tuesday - open to public

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 Sunday

Aqua Aerobics: Wednesday 5.30pm - 6.30pm
Saturday 12.00noon - 1pm

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

2.00pm to 5.30pm Thursday

9.00am to 1.00pm Saturday

Coen Library: 10.00am to 12.00noon Thursday

4.00pm to 6.00pm Thursday

Lakeland Library: 3.00pm to 7.00pm Wednesday

Laura Library: 11.30am to 3.30pm Wednesday

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