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Cook Shire Council Gives Locals a Fair Go

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Cook Shire Council is dedicated to providing locals a fair go with on-going employment opportunities, and recruitment statistics compiled recently showed some outstanding results.

Council's CEO Ms Linda Cardew said that, "Of the 27 staff employed by Council since July 2018, I am delighted that 23 of those people have been locals." Council employs staff on their merits and local people from around Cooktown have been engaged in positions across a variety of professions, including finance, procurement, IT, biosecurity, water and wastewater, lifeguarding, parks and gardens, community development, arts and Work Health and Safety.

"Local people have been employed at a range of levels of seniority, from trainee positions to managerial level," said Ms Cardew. "We are committed to fostering productive partnerships with our Indigenous communities and are particularly pleased to have recently appointed locals from Hope Vale to an Indigenous Partnerships Officer role and an Indigenous Project Officer role," Ms Cardew added.

Council is currently recruiting highly motivated and community-minded candidates to be part of its Events team for the upcoming Cooktown Expo 2020. Council's 2020 Projector Director Ms Merryn Hughes said, "This is an exciting opportunity to be part of a landmark event and in the lead up to the Expo, Council will need to call on people to work on a casual basis to support the development, production and delivery of the event." For further information about these opportunities go to Council's website www.cook.qld.gov.au.

For more information about recruitment, contact Ms Cardew via email to mail@cook.qld.gov.au or phone on 4069 5444.

For more information about the Cooktown Expo 2020 employment opportunities, contact Ms Hughes via email to mail@cook.qld.gov.au or phone on 4069 5444.

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