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Focus on Council in second quarterly report

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Easy to read Council statistics and a snapshot of Council's work for the quarter is now available in Council's second quarterly report.

Council's first quarterly Council in Focus report was published in October, and following positive feedback, Council adopted the second Council in Focus at last week's Council meeting, charting progress for the October to December 2019 period charted. "Council is committed to transparency in all our dealings, and providing information for the quarter in one easy to read report is one way we are improving this," Cook Shire Council Chief Executive Officer Linda Cardew said. "The report is more than just statistics - it also shares the stories behind the stats of our staff who work hard every day to make this a better place to live and shows the diverse range of services provided by Council."

Among the quarter's highlights was the Laura and Lakeland Resiliency Blitz, with Council staff and community stakeholders joining forces to improve disaster preparedness and community amenity with the help of State Government funding. Council also appointed a Community Development Officer to boost disaster recovery, installed the John Street Oval changerooms and a new walk bridge at Two Mile Creek on Charlotte Street. A record Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements program, which employed about 200 people in businesses across the Cape and contributed substantially to the regional economy, was completed in December.

Visit www.cook.qld.gov.au/council/documents/strategic to view the report online, or you can read a copy at the Cooktown or Bloomfield libraries or Council's administration office at 10 Furneaux Street.

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