

council update

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GATEWAY TO THE CAPE INFORMATION

Council will be holding community information sessions on the Gateway to the Cape centre.

The tourist information centre at Lakeland will include a purpose built traveller information centre, rest stop and sculpture park.

The project budget is \$1.28 million, with \$998,000 funded by the Queensland Government's Building our Regions program and the remainder funded by Council. Proudly funded by the Queensland Government in association with Cook Shire Council.

The meetings will be held on 9 July at 11.30am, at Cooktown PCYC Events Centre and 5pm at the Lakeland Hall. Council representatives and Councillors will be present at both meetings.

RSVP to the RASN Officer by email to mail@cook.qld.gov.au or phone on 4082 0500.

EARLY BIN REMINDER

Our new waste collection contractor started on 1 July. Your bin collection day will stay the same, but your pickup time may change. Please put your bin

out by 6am on pickup day to ensure it doesn't get missed.

RAILWAY AVENUE CLOSED FOR WORKS

Railway Avenue East will be closed from 6 July for approximately four weeks while sealing works are underway.

Access to properties in the works area will be maintained. Please obey traffic signage and use alternative routes during this time. Thank you for your patience while we upgrade your road network.

COUNCIL IS RECRUITING NOW

Council is seeking an experienced Civil Construction Ganger, as well as an Animal Management Officer and Senior Digital Marketing and Communications Officer.

Applications for the Ganger position close on 12 July, while the Animal Management and Communications positions close on 20 July.

Apply via Council's website.

COUNCIL 2020-21 BUDGET ADOPTED

Council's 2020-21 Budget was adopted at a special meeting on 25 June.

The budget documents, as well as fees and charges, rates information and a budget snapshot, are available on Council's website.

COOK SHIRE ENTRY RESTRICTIONS UPDATE

Cook Shire and most other Cape York shires opened to visitors from Queensland at midday on Friday 3 July.

Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council and Torres Shire will keep their borders closed until midday Friday 10 July.

Please note, travellers will not be able to access the Tip of Cape York until after 10 July as non-residents are unable to cross the Jardine River ferry and enter the Northern Peninsula Area.

LAURA AND LAKELAND WASTE STATION TRIAL

Council will not be manning the Laura and Lakeland waste transfer stations on a trial basis for three months, starting from 1 July. The trial will test if the stations can be left unmanned without creating environmental non-compliance concerns.

When using the transfer stations, please remember:

- to follow signage when disposing of waste; and
- do not dispose of general waste in the scrap metal, green waste or bulk waste areas.

For more information on waste services, visit our website.

GRANT INFORMATION SESSIONS AVAILABLE

Want to find out what funding is available to help boost your business resiliency? Council's Senior Grants Officer is available for group and one-on-one sessions to help guide Cook Shire business owners through the range of funding available.

For more information or to book, contact the Grants team by email to mail@cook.qld.gov.au or phone on 4082 0500.

This initiative is delivered in partnership with Cook Shire Council and the Cooktown Chamber of Commerce and Tourism.

WALKING TRAIL UPGRADE STARTED

The Quarry Track and Finch Bay to Botanic Gardens sections of the Scenic Rim Walking Trail will be closed for upgrade works from Monday, 6 July.

The works are expected to be completed in two weeks, weather dependent. Thank you for your patience while we upgrade your trail network.

This project is jointly funded by the Commonwealth and Queensland Governments under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA).



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