

council update

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Council has launched a **#buylocal** campaign to support Cook Shire businesses during coronavirus. Head online to learn more!

www.cook.qld.gov.au/buylocal

COOK SHIRE ENTRY RESTRICTIONS REMAIN

Despite the easing of some restrictions by the State Government, Cook Shire remains a Designated Biosecurity Area and entry is restricted.

Applications for entry must fall into one of three categories: returning resident, essential activity or exemption. For details on applying for entry, visit our website.

Cook Shire Council and the Cook Local Disaster Management Group are working closely with State and Federal members to ease the travel restrictions to Cook Shire as soon as is safe and practical. There has been community concern that the travel restrictions will be in place until February 2021. Council has not been advised of a timeframe for the travel restrictions, and has not been advised that they will remain in place until 2021.

For details on other restrictions which have been eased in Cook Shire, visit the coronavirus page on Council's website. Please note, Cook Shire does not fall into the 'outback' category, and the eased restrictions allowed for outback areas do not apply in our shire.

RACECOURSE RECYCLING BIN MOVED

The recycling bin at the intersection of Racecourse Road and Charlotte Street has been temporarily moved while the Charlotte Street path works are underway. Please use the recycling bins on Charles Street behind the Cooktown PCYC Events Centre or Walker Street behind the Council office.

CLEAN GROWTH CHOICES UPDATE

A Council-supported program aimed at building capacity and resilience in local businesses is now entering its second phase.

Phase one of the Clean Growth Choices for Communities in Transition program developed business cases and community transition roadmaps. These are now being used to attract investment and help strengthen long-term economic resilience, which is especially important during the current COVID-19 crisis.

The program is aiming to attract investment from both the government and private sector for development in Cook Shire. For more information on the Clean Growth Choices program, visit the Sustainable Living page on Council's website.

COUNCIL RATES RELIEF

Council has introduced a package of rates relief measures to support the community during the coronavirus pandemic.

The package includes a freeze on rates interest and debt recovery action, an extension of the rates discount period, a three-month deferral of rates and charges and payment arrangements.

Contact our Rates Officer for more information.

TENDER T8919 FOR CLEANING SUPPLIES

Council is seeking submissions for the supply and delivery of cleaning supplies under a preferred supplier arrangement.

Tender T8919 closes at 2pm on Wednesday, 3 June. Visit our website to download the tender documents or contact Council's Procurement Officer for more details.

RESIDENTS URGED TO USE COVIDSAFE APP

Residents are urged to download the Federal Government's COVIDSafe app to help ensure any outbreaks can be quickly contained.

The COVIDSafe app helps find close contacts of COVID-19 cases. The app helps state and territory health officials

to quickly contact people who may have been exposed to COVID-19. The app is available for free in the Android and Apple app stores.

CAREERS WITH COUNCIL

Council is seeking people who are passionate about their work and ready to join the vibrant Council team working to support the Cook Shire and Cape York community.

We are currently recruiting for an Accounts Receivable Officer (permanent) and Customer Service Officer (for a three month fixed term contract).

Head to our website to apply - but hurry, applications close on Sunday, 24 May.

CHARLOTTE STREET PATH WORKS START

Council has started work on a section of the Charlotte Street Shared Path, from the cemetery to Racecourse Road.

The work started this week and is expected to continue for eight weeks, weather permitting. Road and path users are advised to expect changed traffic conditions, including minor delays and increased heavy vehicle traffic, while the work is ongoing.

Thank you for your patience while we improve your path network.



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