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COUNCIL MEETING DATES FOR APRIL, MAY & JUNE 2018

Thursday	26 April	5.00pm	- Ordinary
Thursday	10 May	5.00pm	- Public Forum - Residents are invited to address Councillors. Please apply to the Mayor's Office by 7 May 2018 - Ordinary
Thursday	24 May	5.00pm	- Ordinary
Thursday	14 June	5.00pm	- Public Forum - Residents are invited to address Councillors. Please apply to the Mayor's Office by 11 June 2018 - Ordinary
Thursday	28 June	5.00pm	- Ordinary

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Timber Jetty Undergoes Refurb

A major programme of repair and refurbishment has begun on the historic jetty to give the structure some much-needed TLC.

"The jetty is a grand old icon and, although it has aged well, it suffers from the daily effects of sun, sea and surf," said Mick Raby, Council's Director Sustainable Infrastructure.

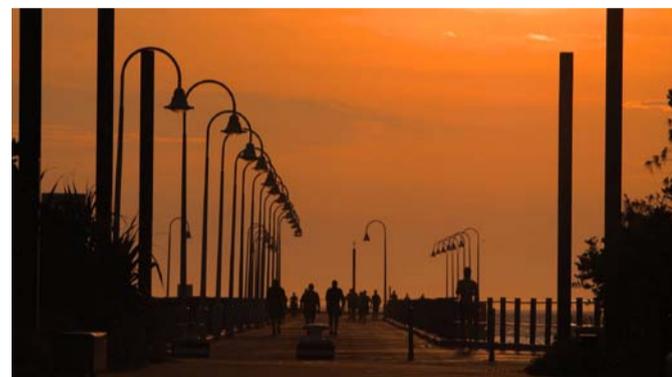
"We undertake regular maintenance of the structure, but this time we're replacing major girders and piles, as well as parts of the main deck, so it's going to be a pretty big facelift."

The works are expected to take six months to complete, but will be finished ahead of the summer holiday season.

The jetty will remain open during the repairs with access

via a boardwalk attached to the side of the structure. There will also be some restrictions on swimming at the worksite in the interests of public safety.

Works include the replacement of girders and 40 piles and restoration of sections of the timber deck.



Get Connected with My Community Directory

An innovative, community-focused new online space – My Community Directory – will be launched by Council on May 1 to provide a place for the community to connect, share local events and happenings and list local services and organisations.

"During the MyCoffs Community Strategic Plan consultation, it became clear that people were very keen to have an online platform that would better connect the community and provide support to help community groups thrive and share events," said Enzo Accadia, Council's Section Leader Community Programs.

For some years, Council has been supporting the CoffsConnect website - <http://coffsconnect.com.au> - where local groups and services could list events and promote themselves.

CoffsConnect will be decommissioned on April 30. Groups listed on that site have been contacted and invited to become part of My Community Directory -

https://www.mycommunitydirectory.com.au/New_South_Wales/Coffs_Harbour

"It's important that everyone that had a listing on CoffsConnect, switches over to the new platform so that they don't miss out," added Mr Accadia.

"My Community Directory will provide easy access to up-to-date information regarding the vast number of local organisations in our area. It is a simple and secure community directory for organisations to manage and update their own information.

"It is also linked to My Community Diary, which is an online diary of community and service organisation events. To list an event, members must be linked to a member organisation."

My Community Directory is also available as an app for mobile devices.

Anyone using the My Community Directory also has access to a support team, online, by phone, or via email.

History Mysteries

Thank you to everyone who got in touch with the Museum staff on the various 'History Mysteries' we shared earlier this year.

We received some very valuable information in response which has helped add to our

knowledge of local history.

To find out more, why not pop into Coffs Harbour Regional Museum at 215, Harbour Drive.



Stories on the day-to-day life of the old Courthouse and Police Station – now the Coffs Harbour Regional Museum – was among the information sought. Photo of Coffs Harbour Courthouse and Police Station around 1925 by Peter Jensen.

Work Begins on Final Coffs Creek Flood Basin

Construction of the fourth and final flood detention basin planned for the Coffs Creek catchment will begin at Upper Shephards Lane on Tuesday, May 1, weather permitting.

"The four major detention basins are key components of Council's Flood Mitigation Programme," said Coffs Harbour Mayor, Councillor Denise Knight.

"Everyone knows that Coffs Harbour has a unique and beautiful landscape, but unfortunately, the very geographical features that make this such a wonderful place to live – the hills around us, the creeks and waterways – also make us vulnerable to flood events.

"Since the floods of 2009, Council has worked very hard to try to reduce the impact of future flooding on the community and our economy. As well as the four detention basins, we have put in place an early warning system on waterways that is directly linked to the SES and Bureau of Meteorology.

"Plus we've made improvements to the northern tributaries of Coffs Creek and flow paths in the CBD. In addition, we have

looked at what we can do from a planning point of view to reduce the potential for damage to businesses and homes from flooding.

"I'm very glad to say that, so far, all that work has significantly helped reduce the effects of flooding in and around Coffs Creek.

"But flooding is – by its very nature – unpredictable and each flood is different.

"The basins can't solve the problem alone, but they will help reduce downstream flood levels in a 100-year event – so that people and their property are as safe as they can be."

Construction of the Upper Shephards Lane detention basin is expected to take around six months. During that time, access to the work site will be via Pearce Drive. Residents and motorists in the vicinity of the works should be aware that there will be increased works traffic movements from time to time in Pearce Drive, Griffith Avenue and Donn Paterson Drive. Council will try to keep disruption to a minimum.



Bakers Road Detention Basin was the first and largest flood detention basin to be built in the Coffs Creek catchment. Since then two more have been constructed at Bennetts Road and Spagnolos Road.