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COUNCIL'S BUSINESS HOURS ARE FROM 8.30AM TO 4.30PM MONDAY TO FRIDAY. THIS INFORMATION IS AUTHORISED BY STEVE MCGRATH, GENERAL MANAGER.

Council is committed to openness and transparency in its decision making processes. The Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 (GIPA) requires Council to provide public access to information held unless there are overriding public interest considerations against disclosure. Any submissions received will be made publicly available unless the writer can demonstrate that the release of part or all of the information would not be in the public interest. However, Council is obliged to release any document by court order or other specific law.

2019 / 20 ENVIRONMENTAL LEVY GRANTS PROGRAM – APPLICATIONS OPEN 27TH FEBRUARY 2019

Coffs Harbour City Council is seeking community applications for projects to be considered for funding under the 2019 / 20 Environmental Levy Grants Program. Council recognises the value and importance in providing a community based environmental program that offers and delivers opportunities to help sustain and improve the local environment.

Grants are available from \$2,000 to \$25,000 and community groups are encouraged to apply. Council is pleased to announce that the application and end to end process for applying for these grants has been simplified, to provide a more streamlined outcome for all applicants.

Application forms and further information; such as policy and guidelines are available on Council's website www.coffsharbour.nsw.gov.au/elgrants. Applications will be accepted up until **5pm Friday, 12 April 2019**. For further enquiries please contact Council's Grants Administration Officer on 6648 4278.



Are you planning to run an event on the Coffs Coast?

Coffs Harbour City Council's Event Funding Program will open at 10am, Tuesday 5 March.

Funding is available for events planned to run between July, 2019 – June, 2020.

There are two categories of funding available:

Event Seed funding

Grants of up to \$5,000: For start-up or new events running within the Coffs Harbour LGA, aimed at providing support to events in their most critical early stages.

Event Destination Marketing funding

Grants of up to \$10,000: For events targeting overnight visitation from outside the Coffs Harbour Local Government Area (LGA). This funding is designed to assist in developing a marketing campaign to drive visitation to the Coffs Coast, and the event, from outside the LGA.

To find out more and apply, visit www.coffscostevents.com.au.

Applications close at **5pm Tuesday, 26 March 2019**.

REQUEST FOR TENDER RFT-1074-TO: COFFS HARBOUR AIRPORT INDEPENDENT ADVISOR (GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT OPTION)

Tenders are invited from suitably qualified & experienced consultants for an Independent Advisor to Project Manage the Coffs Harbour Airport Governance and Management Options as outlined in RFT-1074-TO.

Tender documents can be downloaded free of charge at www.tenderlink.com/coffsharbour. For assistance in this process please contact Tenderlink Help Desk on 1800 233 533. Enquiries should be directed via the Tenderlink online forum.

Submission of the Tender is electronic, via Tenderlink, labelled 'RFT-1074-TO'. Tender submissions sent by email, post or fax will NOT be accepted.

Council's policy is the canvassing of Councillors and/or Council staff will disqualify any Tenderer.

Tenders close: **10am Wednesday, 20 March 2019**.

REQUEST FOR TENDER RFT-1038-TO: PROVISION OF AFTER HOURS MONITORING SERVICE

Tenders are invited from suitably qualified & experienced contractors to supply an After Hours Monitoring (Call Centre) Service as outlined in RFT-1038-TO.

Tender documents can be downloaded free of charge at www.tenderlink.com/coffsharbour. For assistance in this process please contact Tenderlink Help Desk on 1800 233 533. Enquiries should be directed via the Tenderlink online forum.

Submission of the Tender is electronic, via Tenderlink, labelled 'RFT-1038-TO'. Tender submissions sent by email, post or fax will NOT be accepted.

Council's policy is the canvassing of Councillors and/or Council staff will disqualify any Tenderer.

Tenders close: **10am Wednesday 27 March 2019**.

Solar Farm – Development Process Clarification

Council is receiving a great many enquiries regarding a proposed solar farm at Nana Glen and would like to clarify for the community the current status and planning process involved.

Council received a Development Application on 23 November 2018 for 'Electricity Generating Works' (Solar farm) at 54, Ferretts Road and 25, Coldwater Creek Road, Nana Glen. The proposal is for 50,000 solar panels mounted across the 72 hectare site, located on both sides of Ferretts Road. The application also includes other structures associated with the solar farm such as inverters, transformers, a transmission line, a site compound and fencing. Such a development is permitted on the site under the Infrastructure State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) 2007.

An important aspect of this application to note is that, due to the type and value of the development, it is considered 'regional development' and must therefore be finally determined by the State Government's Northern Regional Planning Panel (NRPP), not by Council.

However, although Council is not the body that will determine whether the proposal goes ahead or not, Council staff are responsible for assessing the application and preparing a report for the Planning Panel. Before it goes

to the Panel, the report will be presented to Councillors at a Council Meeting simply for their information.

The current status of this application is that Council wrote to the applicant, Rio Indygen Pty Ltd., on 13 December 2018 requesting more detailed plans of the structures to be built on site, in order to continue the assessment report. The applicant is in the process of responding to this request.

Once detailed plans are provided, Council will formally notify adjoining residents by letter, and place advertisements in the Coffs Coast Advocate and on **Council's Public Notices page** of our website, advertising the development application.

Those advertisements and letters will invite the public to consider the application and make submissions. This process cannot occur until all the appropriate plans are provided.

The time frame for the assessment of this application is expected to be lengthy due to the complexity of the issues and processes required, and because additional information has been requested.

Matters raised by the public will be considered in the assessment of the application and by the Planning Panel in their ultimate decision-making.

Water Efficiency Initiative

NOTICE TO ALL WATER USERS

PERMANENT WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES IN EFFECT SINCE 1 JULY, 2015

THIS IS A PERMANENT INITIATIVE FOR OUTDOOR WATER USE EFFICIENCY

Water restrictions apply to all consumers connected to the Coffs Harbour Local Government Area Water Supply, including Corindi Beach, Coramba and Nana Glen Town Water Supplies.

Water Restrictions apply to ALL RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES including public areas, sportsgrounds, commercial and industrial premises, hotels/motels, holiday apartments and caravan parks, schools, plant nurseries and market gardens.

Some Permanent Water Conservation Measures are:

- **Sprinklers and Fixed/Unattended Hoses banned between the hours of 9:00am to 4:00pm**
- **Building maintenance allowed with trigger nozzle hoses or pressure cleaners**
- **Hosing of driveways and paved areas banned except for health reasons, pressure cleaners allowed**

Full details of the Permanent Water Conservation Measures are available on the Coffs Harbour City Council website: www.coffsharbour.nsw.gov.au/water

Breaches of Permanent Water Conservation Measures or misuse of water could attract an on the spot fine of \$220.00 under the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.

Commercial organisations and businesses who are adversely affected should contact Council's Water Services Team on 6648 4428.

Properties that use alternate water supplies (eg bores or tanks) with NO town water top-up are to have appropriate signage, clearly visible from the street, on the property.

