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REVISED COFFS HARBOUR LOCAL GROWTH MANAGEMENT STRATEGY – DRAFT RURAL LANDS CHAPTER

Council is currently reviewing and updating its Local Growth Management Strategy. The revised Strategy will guide how and where growth will occur in Coffs Harbour over the next 20 years.

The growth strategy will comprise a number of Chapters relating to various land uses such as rural, residential, and employment.

As part of the first stage of this review a new rural lands chapter has been prepared to sit within the Strategy.

Draft Chapter 5 – Rural Lands of the Coffs Harbour Local Growth Management Strategy is now available for public comment from 12 December 2018 to close of business on 28 February 2019.

The Draft Rural Lands Chapter of the Strategy outlines a range of actions to manage land use conflicts, and preserve the distinctive character and values of our rural areas.

Please note that this exhibition is only for draft Chapter 5. The advertisement on Wednesday 9 January included incorrect information.

You can make your voice heard by going to Council's Have Your Say Page <https://haveyoursay.coffsharbour.nsw.gov.au/> where you can find out more about of the draft strategy and make an online submission. Written submissions can also be sent to Coffs Harbour City Council, Locked Bag 155, Coffs Harbour NSW 2450.

@REQUEST FOR TENDER

RFT-1072-TO: SAWTELL BMX CLUB LED TRACK LIGHTING

Tenders are invited from suitably qualified & experienced contractors for the Design, Supply and Installation of LED Track Lighting at Sawtell BMX Club Hulberts Road Toormina NSW 2452.

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 to Andrew Gray (02) 6648-4429 or via the Tenderlink online forum.

Submission of the Tender is electronic, via Tenderlink, labelled 'RFT-1072-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 February 2019.

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.



Driving on Beaches – Have Your Say

Public safety, recreational fishing and environmental protection are behind a new draft policy proposing changes to where people can drive on local beaches – and the community is being urged to have its say via an **online survey which is open until Thursday, February 28, 2019.**

“Beaches are highly valued by both the local community of Coffs Harbour and the many visitors to our region,” said Mick Raby, Council's Director Sustainable Infrastructure. “They are a significant driver of tourism for the region and support a wide range of recreational activities, including fishing. At the same time, beaches and their dunes are also vital ecological habitats to a variety of native flora and fauna, as well as offering protection from coastal erosion processes.”

“There are long-held concerns by many members of the community in regards to the environmental impacts of 4WDs on beaches – from damage to dunal vegetation and the impacts on minute organisms in the sand, little tern colonies, turtles and shore birds, as well as safety concerns for other beach users as our coastal suburb populations grow. This has resulted in community requests to review the beaches where vehicle access is currently permitted under the old 1996 policy, to reduce the potential for environmental damage.”

“We believe this draft Policy represents a balanced approach that allows the 4WD and fishing community to continue to enjoy these natural assets, while protecting the safety of other beach users and the sensitive and dynamic beach environment. I'd urge everyone to take a look and give us your thoughts.”

The changes proposed from the old 1996 policy are:

- **Boambee Beach** – reduce area to exclude the mouth of the Boambee Creek estuary to reduce conflict with dog off leash, family usage and environmental sensitivity.
- **Hearnes Lake Beach** – removed due to environmental sensitivity. North of Hearnes Lake Road to Wills Creek comprises a nesting area for the endangered little terns and also has NPWS records of sea turtles nesting (Green and Loggerhead turtles). Along with the dogs off leash usage and urban growth close to this beach, there will be an increase in recreational use. The adopted Hearnes Lake Estuary Management Plan recommends that the current vehicle access point is closed due to the need to cross the Lake entrance channel to gain access to the beach.
- **Darkum Beach** – removed due to limited vehicle accessibility. Assessment indicates that due to the topographic constraints no sustainable, practical access can be maintained.

- **Woolgoolga Back Beach** – The allowable area has been limited to north of the access point to keep vehicles away from the Creek entrance. This is in response to the Willis Creek Estuary Coastal Zone Management Plan which notes that the Willis Creek entrance may move to the north as a result of coastal processes responding to sea level rise and other climate change impacts. This may be reviewed in the future as these processes impact further on the existing car park, 4WD access to the beach and associated infrastructure.

- **Arrawarra Beach** – Arrawarra Headland to Arrawarra Creek entrance deleted to reflect Solitary Island Marine Park (SIMP) provisions and competing uses. Current SIMP maps indicate that Arrawarra Beach is vehicle prohibited, other than for the launching and retrieving boats. It is considered that the high number of recreational users, boat launching, and associated parking of vehicles and trailers make this location unsuitable for continued recreational 4WD use. The recommendation is to align with the SIMP prohibition in this instance.

- **Corindi/Pipeclay** – modified to exclude the area north of the existing vehicle access point off Ocean Street due to increased risk of conflict between recreational beach users on foot and vehicles.

- **Station Creek Beach via access through Yuraygir National Park and North Beach, part of Bongil Bongil National Park, are now included within Council's draft Policy. Users already require a NPWS Parks Pass to access this beach and associated compliance with National Parks regulations.**

A trial restriction is currently in place along a section of Arrawarra Beach to Pipeclay Beach, Corindi, until March 1 2019 due to public safety concerns during the busy summer period.

There has already been extensive consultation with key user groups, including fishing and 4WD clubs and professional fishermen and now the wider community is being urged to have their say via the survey at <https://haveyoursay.coffsharbour.nsw.gov.au/beach-vehicle-access>



Photo credit: Rob Cleary.

Storytime and the Ten Minutes a Day literacy workshops at our local libraries have proved so popular with parents that Council has now brought in a new, monthly Baby Rhyme Time for the under 2s.

These free sessions will be held at 11am on the second Friday of each month at the Harry Bailey Memorial Library in Coff's Street starting from February 8 2019. There's no need to book, just come along and join in the rhymes, song, dance and books fun.

“The feedback we've had for a long time from parents and carers who want to do the Ten Minutes a Day (TMD) workshops is that a drop-in version would be appreciated as it's tricky to schedule and attend the four consecutive sessions

of TMD,” said Catherine Turner, Council's Library Operations and Programs Coordinator. “So I'm sure Baby Rhyme Time will be really popular.”

The sessions will be led by Council's established Storytime team and the resources used will be available for borrowing.

