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Council Catch Up

G'day from the Mayor's desk

36 days to go until Christmas – wow! The year has flown by with plenty of Covid-19 turmoil still.

We have had success with a lot of big grants recently. The Deputy Prime Minister Barnaby Joyce and Senator Susan McDonald announced the Building Better Regions grant, Cloncurry secured \$5.06 million to go toward the Perkins Street Housing Project. This is an amazing outcome and I am very pleased that the hard work has paid off. This project will see new houses constructed, bringing new families to town and setting the benchmark for other areas. This is one of the biggest grants any rural Council in the country has been awarded in this round of the grant.

Another recent success for the Council was securing \$400,000 to build selling pens at the saleyards. This infrastructure will allow bull sales to be held again and create even more activity around town.

Planning for the walking track to the dam is progressing and a number of people met one Saturday morning to walk the route and give their feedback. Stage 1 of the project, the shared walking-cycling track on Daintree Street, is forecast to be built by June 2022. The section of the shared walking-cycling track to the dam, Stage 2, will be completed by September 2022. We are happy to receive \$250,000 from Department of Transport and Main Roads from their Principal Cycle Network for the section of the shared path to the dam on Daintree Street, between Sheaffe and Isley Streets.

This year's seniors garden competition was another success. The Grand Champion was Helen Monize, who also took out first place in the Owned Category. Mary Harrison won first prize in the Rented Category. Congratulations to everyone for your pride and hard work.

One of the most serious issues we must face soon will be the potential of Covid-19 in Queensland, following the opening of the State's border. The impacts are going to be large and varied. The Premier and Chief Health Officer are imposing mandatory health orders. They will include not being able to enter a range of venues including pubs and cafes if you are not vaccinated. Go and get vaccinated to avoid being impacted by the border opening and subsequent new health rules. There are plenty of vaccination clinics around town, so do your part to keep the community safe.

Finally, congratulations to all the Year 12 students who are just about to finish school...forever! All the best with your future endeavours.

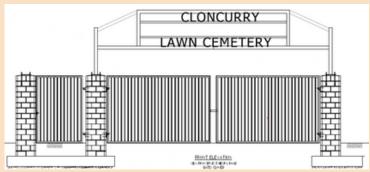
Cheers, Mayor Greg Campbell



Council Projects

Lawn Cemetery Upgrade

The Lawn Cemetery Upgrade is taking shape with many of the key elements on track to be completed before Christmas. The three new Gazebos are nearing completion, adding to the recently completed Memorial Wall and the addition of seating, which will enhance this important facility. Construction of the new entrance will commence on 22 November 2021 and a temporary entrance will be created while these works are in progress. Once the irrigation and structural improvements are in place, Council will finish the project off by resurfacing the existing internal roads.



Concept drawing of Entrance Gates & Archway



A new Gazebo under construction.

Main Well Replacement

The aim of the project is to provide an alternative reliable source of water that will improve our water security into the future. To achieve this Council has installed a number of new, large diameter, production bores to provide an alternative source of water to supply Cloncurry. The designs are currently being finalised for the interconnecting water pipework and electrical services and Council is planning on releasing the tender for these works before Christmas.

2020 Flood Restoration Program

Works to restore the damage to Council's Eastern Drainage infrastructure has been completed. Funded by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority's "Disaster Relief Funding Arrangements" the damage to this important piece of drainage infrastructure has been restored and is ready to mitigate flooding during the next severe weather event.

Entrance Signage

The eastern and western entrances to Cloncurry will be upgraded with new signage. A "Hollywood" style signage option has been selected for the eastern entry. Council has gone to the open market for design and construction of this sign and this Tender will close in December 2021 (information on this Tender can be found on Council's website).



Hollywood Style Concept Drawing

Other Projects Underway

Council has a range of other projects planned and underway. Some of the more notable ones are:

- Upgrade to Sir Hudson Fysh Drive from Alice Street to Carl Katter Bridge
- Sealing of the Access Road to Dajarra Airstrip (works commencing mid November 2021).
- · Path to Chinaman Creek Dam
- Chinaman Creek Dam Master Plan
- Scarr Street Redevelopment
- Curry Kids Learning Centre Expansion
- Coppermine Creek Bridge Replacement

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Seniors Month

Seniors Month was a great success this year. Council hosted a lovely morning tea that was enjoyed by around 60 local senior residents.

The Stuart McIntosh Memorial Seniors Garden competition saw beautiful gardens many wowed the judges.





Time to get your dog registered!

If you have a dog living in the designated town area, this is your reminder to check their registration is up to date. Puppies from 12 weeks of age must be registered, and registration is annual.

Coming into the wet season, there is likely to be more storms which often result in lots of lost, scared dogs. Having your dog registered with the Council and microchipped can help speed up the process of returning lost dogs to their owners.

The QR code will take you straight to our website with plenty of information about animal management. Look out for your furry friends and register them with the Council today!











Council meeting and Christmas party in Dajarra

Cloncurry Shire Council and Councillors recently celebrated Christmas in Dajarra. It was a wonderful opportunity to share a BBQ dinner with a visit from Santa. The Council gifted a community softball kit to the children and families of Dajarra.





Bob McDonald Library

Opening hours over the Christmas break

Monday 20.12.21 9am - 1:30pm Tuesday 21.12.21 9am - 1:30pm Wednesday 22.12.21 9am - 1:30pm Thursday 23.12.21 9am - 1:30pm

Wednesday 29.12.21 9am - 1:30pm Thursday 30.12.21 9am - 1:30pm

> The library will return to normal operating hours on Tuesday 04.01.2022





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Categories

Best Decorated Home
Best Decorated Business
Best Rural Decorated Mailbox

- 🔰 \$1,000 worth of buy local gift cards to be won
- 🧗 Entries are open now and will close on Monday 29 November
- 🧗 Judging will take place on Wednesday 1 December
- Winners will be announced at the Cloncurry Community Christmas Party on Friday 3 December 2021

For competition T&Cs and more information cloncurry.qld.gov.au/christmas-festival





FRIDAY 3 DECEMBER 6:00PM



FLORENCE CLARK PARK

Join us for an evening of Christmas fun with live Christmas carols, a visit from Santa and free BBQ dinner.



For more information www.cloncurry.qld.gov.au/christmas-festival



FRIDAY 3 DECEMBER - 5PM TO 8PM SATURDAY 4 DECEMBER - 9AM TO 1PM

Stall registrations at www.cloncurry.qld.gov.au/christmasmarkets

For more information please contact Council's Community Activities Officer,

Celene Franklin on 07 4742 4100 or council@cloncurry.qld.gov.au

