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**Discretionary services under review**

- Tourism services and tourism promotion
- Economic services and economic development or promotion services
- Natural resource management services
- Community development service
- Youth services
- Ageing and access services
- Safe communities services
- Library facilities and services
- Community centres
- Sponsored events and festivals
- Community care services not funded by other levels of government
- Public halls
- Under-utilised, unique or unusual sporting facilities
- Aquatic facilities
- Under-utilised public amenities
- Ullmar pool at end of current contract
- South Grafton saleyards
- Mobile library services
- Grafton regional gallery
- Grafton airport operation and/or ownership
- Cemeteries
- Quarries
- Environmental sustainability services
- Under-utilised caravan parks and camping facilities

**Want to know more?**

For more information, visit www.clarenceconversations.com.au/roadstosustainability or ring us on 6643 0200. While you’re there, fill in the online survey.

**Information stalls will be at:**

- Grafton Shoppingworld, 10:00am - noon, Thursday, August 20.
- River Street, Maclean (outside Maclean Variety Meats), 10:00am - noon on Friday, August 21.
- Yamba Shopping Fair, 10:00am - noon, Monday, August 24.

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<td>Swim Loops Pty Ltd</td>
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<td>R J Atchison</td>
<td>Lot 1 DP 382448, 2626 Sherwood Creek Road, GLENEAGLE NSW 2450</td>
<td>CV LEP 2011 RU2 Rural Landscape</td>
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The Development Applications may be inspected at the Council’s customer service centres*, during office hours. Submissions will close 4.30pm, September 4, 2015.

Please note if Council invites you to make a submission, any submission you make, including any personal information in it, may be made publicly available and may be included in Council’s business paper and on its website. If you do not wish your submission to be made publicly available you must provide Council with written reasons.

If you are lodging a submission and if you have made a political donation or gift within the past two years, you must declare details of that donation/gift at the time your submission is made. Should you make a political donation or gift after the lodgement of the application to which you are a submitter, you must provide details of the donation/gift within seven days. A disclosure statement is available from Council’s customer service centres* or may be downloaded from www.clarence.nsw.gov.au

If you have any submissions you wish to make regarding any proposed development please do so in writing, addressed to the General Manager, during the exhibition period.

### LOCAL HERITAGE GRANTS 2015 -16 - CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Council invites owners of heritage items in Copmanhurst, Nymboida, Glenreagh and Ullmarra rural areas to make applications under the Local Heritage Places Fund. Priority will be given to heritage items but applications will also be considered in relation to historic properties in the Conservation Areas or items of potential heritage value. Grants are available for restoration, reinstatement of missing elements and conservation of original fabric. Grants are not available for new work such as extensions, kitchens, footpaths, etc. Grants will be determined by the Heritage Advisory Committee. Council also offers a free heritage advisory service on proposed maintenance, restoration, and new work. Applications forms and a brochure are available at Council’s customer service centres* or can be downloaded from www.clarence.nsw.gov.au For further details contact Deborah Wray on 6643 0271 on a Monday, Wednesday or Thursday. Grant applications close at 4.30pm, Friday, September 4, 2015. Applications must be fully completed and include two quotes. Late applications will not be accepted.

### EXHIBITION OF PLANNING PROPOSAL – CAMBRIDGE STREET, SOUTH GRAFTON

Comment is invited on a Planning Proposal (REZ2014/0003) to rezone Lots 2981, 2982 and 2983 DP 733046, 165 - 169 Cambridge Street, South Grafton from B1 Neighbourhood Centre to R1 General Residential to permit the residential development of the land. The Planning Proposal and accompanying documentation can be inspected at Council’s customer service centres* or at www.clarence.nsw.gov.au Comments should be in writing to the General Manager, Clarence Valley Council, Locked Bag 23, Grafton, NSW 2460 or by email: council@clarence.nsw.gov.au Clearly marked “Planning Proposal, 165 - 169 Cambridge Street, South Grafton”. Submissions close 4.30pm, Monday, September 7, 2015. For further information contact Terry Dwyer on 6643 0243.

### ANNUAL BINDII AND BROADLEAF WEED CONTROL PROGRAM

Residents and visitors are notified herbicide spraying of footpaths, parks and reserves and caravan parks in the Clarence Valley Council area for bindii and other broadleaf weeds starts on August 24. The program is expected to continue for four weeks depending on weather conditions. For further information contact the Noxious Weeds Office on 6641 7244

### ATTACHMENT K (3)

Have your say on sustainability measures

Clarence Valley residents are being reminded to make their views known about measures to improve the Council’s long-term financial sustainability. Ratepayers should have received background information and a survey form in the mail, but other residents are also encouraged to have their say. Background information and a survey form is available at www.clarenceconversations.com.au/roadstosustainability For those who don’t have internet access, copies of the survey forms and accompanying information are available at Council’s customer service centres*. Information sessions will be held between 5.30pm and 6.30pm at the Grafton Community and Function Centre on Tuesday, August 25, and the Maclean Civic Hall on Wednesday, August 26. Survey forms and other comments must be lodged by 4pm, September 25.

### NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT CONSENT

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 101 of the Environment Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 and Clause 124 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulations 2000 that Consent has been granted to the following developments.

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