

Request for Copies of Historical Photographs, Christmas in Hinchinbrook, COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic, Dutton Street Culvert Crossing

Mayor's Christmas Appeal

Reminder that Council is seeking donations for the Mayor's Christmas Appeal.

To support this Appeal, residents may deliver gifts, items of nonperishable food or monetary donations to the Hinchinbrook Shire Council Office until 5.00pm Wednesday 15 December 2021.

Request for Copies of Historical Photographs

Council is endeavouring to gain the Queensland State Governments approval to trim and clear marine vegetation from various drainage lines in the Lower Herbert/Mandam area.

The works are required to facilitate the free flow of flood waters in times of flooding to improve disaster management practices and overall economic resilience of our district.

Notwithstanding that the drains were lawfully constructed prior to any legislation requiring formal approval for works of that nature, the State Government has requested Council to provide evidence to confirm when the associated drains were first constructed and the size and scale they were constructed to.

Due to the absence of any approval requirements at the time, records of that nature are scarce. Council is hopeful that residents may be in possession of early photographs depicting clearing and construction works being undertaken at the time which would assist in the application process, particularly in the mangrove areas.

Council is seeking to attain a copy of these photographs. Council staff can assist with copying the photographs free of charge to residents.

If you have any documents that you would be willing to share, please email Council.

If you need assistance with copying any photographs, please contact Council or visit Council's Customer Service Centre.

Late Night in Hinchinbrook

Bring your family and friends and get ready for Christmas with a special Late Night Shopping in Hinchinbrook!

Stroll the main street of Ingham and support local business this festive season.

The town has come together and many of our leading local stores will be open and ready to help you find the perfect gift.

Check out some of the great local market stalls, listen to some great Christmas tunes, or grab a beverage or meal from one of our local cafes, bars or food stalls.

Date: Thursday 9 December 2021

Time: 5.00pm until 9.00pm

Where: Lannercost Street Ingham

Carols by Candlelight

Bring a rug or chair and join us at Rotary Park as we celebrate the Festive Season with an evening of Carols by Candlelight.

Date: Saturday 11 December 2021

Time: 5.30pm Kids Program
6.30pm Main Program

Where: Rotary Park Ingham

Be sure to wear your best Christmas outfit for your photo with Santa.

Santa Claus Photo Opportunity

Council in partnership with Hinchinbrook Blue Light Association will be holding Santa photos at the Hinchinbrook Shire Library.

Families can bring their children along and take their own family photos with Santa for a gold coin donation.

Santa's appearance times:

- 9.30am to 11.30am Saturday 11 December 2021;
- 9.30am to 11.30am Saturday 18 December 2021; and
- 10.30am to 11.30am Tuesday 14 December 2021.

Sixth Hinchinbrook Birdlife Art Awards People's Choice Award

Council would like to announce that the People's Choice Award for the Sixth Birdlife Art Awards goes to Isabelle Gair-Hemsley with her artwork "Family" (#44). Congratulations to Isabelle for her mixed media artwork of a family of curlews.

The Sixth Hinchinbrook Birdlife Art Awards exhibition has now closed. The Hinchinbrook Art Awards Exhibition opened on Friday 3 December 2021 in the John Coburn Gallery. The exhibition will remain on display until Sunday 30 January 2022.

December COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic

A COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic will be visiting the TYTO Conference and Events Centre:

- 10.00am to 4.00pm Thursday 9 December 2021.

People eligible for vaccination are those aged over 12 years of age.

Those people between the ages of 12 and 15 must be accompanied by a guardian.

Walk-ins welcome.

Flying Fox Management Program Update

Due to the sudden influx of Flying Foxes, Council wishes to remind residents that morning dispersal activities, including audible deterrents and the use of bird fright, will remain ongoing between 4.30am and 7.30am each morning to dissuade any animals from attempting to roost in undesirable locations.

For further clarification regarding the dispersal activities, please contact Council on 4776 4740 for the necessary assistance.

TYTO Self-contained RV Park Closed

Council would like to advise that the TYTO RV Park closed on Monday 29 November 2021 and will reopen on Tuesday 1 March 2022, weather permitting.

For further information on the TYTO RV Park, please call the Hinchinbrook Visitor Information Centre on 4776 4792.

Light Up The Tree with the Mayor Wrap-up

Families packed a picnic dinner and came down to Rotary Park on Wednesday 1 December 2021 to watch the Mayor officially light up the new Christmas tree.

The event was live streamed on Council's Facebook page for those who may have missed the event.

Join us in spreading the Christmas cheer by tagging us in your Christmas lights photo on Facebook.

Dutton Street Culvert Crossing Works

On Thursday 2 December 2021, Council held a community consultation session to provide an overview of the Dutton Street Culvert Crossing project and to address any questions or concerns the public had.

Residents are advised that Keita Services Pty Ltd commenced works on the Dutton Street Culvert Crossing project on Monday 6 December 2021.

During the duration of this project Dutton Street will be closed to traffic between Cartwright and Mcllwraith Streets. Local traffic access to these properties will be maintained.

Council would like to thank you for your cooperation and patience during this necessary phase of works.

National Recycling Week 'Best Bin' Tagging Event Wrap-up

Bin Tagging across the Shire is now complete and Council congratulates all residents with red and yellow lidded bins that met the judging criteria.

Those who qualified in the 'Best Bin' draw had the chance to win one of eight \$50 vouchers generously donated by the Lucinda Hotel. Well done to John Morley (Taylors Beach), Christine Cooper (Macknade), Angelina Fazio (Ingham), Ramon

Goitiandia (Ingham), Kevin Youd (Ingham), Maurizio Gori (Lucinda), Kerry Jenner (Forrest Beach) and Emedio Catasti (Ingham).

Congratulations to all.

Visitor Information Centre Christmas Hours

Hinchinbrook Visitor Information Centre (VIC) will be changing their operating hours from Thursday 23 December 2021 to Friday 31 December 2021.

During this time the VIC will be opened from 9.00am to 4.00pm.

On Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years Day the VIC will be closed.

Normal operating hours will resume on Sunday 2 January 2022.

Expressions of Interest for Youth Holiday Program

Council is seeking Expressions of Interest from interested community members and service providers to develop a Youth Program during the 2022 Easter School Holidays.

Applicants must be over 18 years of age, hold a current Blue Card, and be willing to be inducted into Council's Ambassador Program.

Council is also seeking volunteers to support the service provider with delivery of the program.

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To express your interest or for further information about the Youth School Holiday Program, please contact Council.

Expressions of Interest close 5.00pm Friday 17 December 2021.



Image: Sixth Hinchinbrook Birdlife Art Awards People's Choice winner "Family" by Isabelle Gair-Hemsley.

Current Procurement and Tender Opportunities

Keep up to date with opportunities available through Council by visiting the Current Procurement and Tender Opportunities page on Council's website.

Current opportunities include:

- **RF005136** - Provision of Helicopter Services for Disaster Events.

Further information is available by downloading the Tender documents, via Council's website, *Current Procurement and Tender Opportunities* page or contact Council's Procurement Coordinator on 4776 4665.

OFFICE CLOSURE

Residents are advised that all Council staffed facilities will be closed from 3.00pm Friday 10 December 2021.

Standard operating hours will resume Saturday 11 December 2021.

Council apologises for any inconvenience this may cause and looks forward to being of assistance to you outside of these times.

For urgent enquiries during this time please call Council on 4776 4600.

2022 MEETING DATES

In accordance with Section 254B of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council hereby advises of the following meeting dates for 2022 to which the public may attend.

Month	General Meeting Tuesday 8.30am
January	25
February	22
March	29
April	26
May	31
June	28
July	26
August	30
September	27
October	18
November	22
December	13

For more information about Council Meetings, visit Council's website, *Meeting and Minutes* page.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

A career with Council offers challenging and rewarding work as we strive to shape a positive future for the Hinchinbrook community.

- **Facilities Cleaner Vacancy Reference: 10671.**

Applications close midnight Wednesday 15 December 2021.

- **Expressions of Interest Civil Construction Labourers, Plant Operators and Truck Drivers. All levels of experience wanted.**

Further information is contained in the Job Application Package which can be obtained via Council's website, *Current Vacancies* page.

LATE NIGHT IN HINCHINBROOK

THURSDAY 9 DECEMBER
LANNERCOST STREET, UNTIL 9PM

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

SAT 11 DECEMBER 2021
FROM 5.30PM