

COMMUNITY News

BOOST FOR VISITOR ECONOMY IN WOLLONDILLY

The final stage in a series of amendments to the local planning framework has now come into effect, aimed at developing the visitor experience and boosting the economy in the Wollondilly Shire.

The changes to the Wollondilly Local Environmental Plan 2011 will increase opportunities for developments related to the visitor economy, particularly on rural land, while making sure the scale is appropriate and any potential impacts are managed. The changes will remove red tape and make it easier to develop tourism offerings in Wollondilly, while also supporting local businesses and communities in their recovery from the impacts of drought, bushfires, recent flood events and the Covid-19 pandemic. Changes include:

- Expanding areas (land use zones) where certain development is permissible, such as tourist and visitor accommodation, restaurants and cafes, and recreation facilities in rural zones
- Creating a clear planning pathway for the temporary use of land for visitor economy uses, such as camping grounds, food and drink premises and markets
- Embedding tourist land uses as a core objective for relevant land use zones.

The changes are supported by local provisions so that tourist facilities in rural and natural areas are small scale and do not adversely impact on existing farms, rural uses and industries, and scenic or sensitive land.

The changes include:
CAWDOR ROAD, CAWDOR

Making SILVERDALE ROAD SAFER

\$4.9
MILLION
PROJECT

Under the Safer Roads Program through Transport for NSW our roads crew and contractors have been working hard to improve road safety on Silverdale Road between Silverdale and The Oaks. The \$4.9M project was spread over three years and will soon be completed. The work included the following:

- Upgrading the road to high friction seal at the existing bends
- Shoulder widening
- Creating clear-zone improvements
- Installation of safety barriers
- Profiling centre lines and edge lines
- Installation of guideposts, reflectors and signage at various locations along the route.



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ABOUT ALL
OUR ROADS
PROJECTS!

Message FROM THE MAYOR

G'day everyone,

While our crews continue to work hard to deliver the heavy patching program and other road repairs across our 890km road network, there are also a lot of other great things happening in the beautiful Wollondilly Shire. I'm particularly delighted to see the final stage of amendments to the local planning framework take effect, removing red tape and giving a boost to Wollondilly's tourism and the local economy.

I'll be providing monthly Mayoral messages via the Council website in the coming months, so stay tuned to find out what's happening in Wollondilly.

Matt Gould - Mayor



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MAYORAL MESSAGES
ON COUNCIL'S WEBSITE

HEALTH & WELLBEING in Wollondilly

Wollondilly Shire Council is making great strides in the health and wellbeing space, leading the way when it comes to prioritising the overall health needs of our people and integrating them into our built environment.

Wollondilly is the first Local Government Area to introduce health and wellbeing objectives into the Local Environmental Plan, the first to establish a combined Social and Health Impact Assessment Framework, and the first to formulate a health and wellbeing strategy for a Growth Area.

Wollondilly's approach to health in planning is about putting people first and recognising that health isn't just the absence of injury or illness, it's an overall state of mental, physical and social wellbeing. The Wollondilly Wellbeing Report communicates the main health and wellbeing issues for people in Wollondilly and details the work we're doing both internally and through our partnerships with South Western Sydney Local Health District, the Wollondilly Health Alliance and the Western Sydney Health Alliance.



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READ THE WOLLONDILLY
WELLBEING REPORT NOW!



ROOM HIRE AT TAHMOOR DISTRICT SPORTING COMPLEX

Did you know that our brand new and modern multipurpose building at Tahmoor District Sporting Complex has several meeting rooms and a function room available for hire on either a casual or a regular basis at affordable rates?

The facility is accessible, has off-street parking, is airconditioned and has a kitchen available for use with your booking.

Please email
tahmoorsportsgroundbookings@gmail.com



Tahmoor District Sporting Complex Multipurpose Building,
140 Thirlmere Way, Tahmoor

— COMMUNITY — GROUP TRANSPORT SUBSIDY PROGRAM

The Community Group Transport Subsidy Program, in partnership with local transport providers, aims to provide subsidised group transport hire to eligible community groups in Wollondilly.



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THE COMMUNITY GROUP
TRANSPORT SUBSIDY PROGRAM



Winter Garden PROGRAM

Over the winter months Council has carried out garden maintenance in the town centres of Appin, Thirlmere, Tahmoor, Warragamba, Menangle and The Oaks as part of our Winter Garden Program. The work included the replacement of plants in planter boxes, addition of new gardens, and tidying up and replanting in existing gardens.

We also conducted some major roadside vegetation works in Silverdale and street tree pruning in Bingara Gorge Estate, Bridgewater, Picton, The Oaks and Tahmoor, and soon will be installing new park furniture in Bargo.



CAPITAL WORKS Program

Council's Capital Works programs for Transport and Facilities & Projects is now available to view on Council's website. See what roadworks, facilities upgrades and projects have been planned across the Shire for the next four years!



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ABOUT COUNCIL'S CAPITAL
WORKS PROGRAM



WILTON TOWN CENTRE REZONING

Following the recent announcement of rezoning for the Wilton Town Centre, Council is calling on the NSW Government to honour its infrastructure commitments and prioritise the needs of the state-led Wilton Growth Area.

The Wilton Town Centre is a crucial milestone for the delivery of services and local employment for Wilton and for the broader Wollondilly Shire, with an estimated 3000 permanent jobs expected to be created.

Council is advocating for the State Government to follow through with the funding and delivery of their commitments for education, health, transport and the other essential infrastructure needed to support the Wilton Town Centre. Council will continue to work with the developer to plan and create an exemplar Town Centre that is supported with the right investment from both the developer and the State Government.



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APPROVALS FOR ROTOCTOR MASTER PLAN & WILTON SUPERMARKET

Two major development applications have recently been approved by Wollondilly Council:

- Commercial premises comprising a supermarket, 13 speciality stores and rooftop carparking, including tree removal, signage zones and associated landscaping at 30 Pembroke Parade, Wilton (DA/2022/670/1).
- A concept masterplan for the progressive redevelopment of the heritage listed creamery and rotolactor buildings to allow for their adaptive future re-use to include events, functions, dining and accommodation at 53 Rotolactor Parade, Menangle (DA/2019/296/1)
- Once completed, these projects are anticipated to provide welcome services for their communities, attract visitors and boost the local economy.

VISIT *Wollondilly*

VISITORS LOVE THE DILLY



The largest ever tourism campaign for Wollondilly, Love the Dilly has led to positive growth in visitor numbers to our region. This is welcome news following the bushfires, floods and Covid-19 lockdowns in recent years. The increase in visitors has helped support our local businesses and created awareness of our towns and villages and what they have to offer.

Made possible thanks to NSW State funding, the Love the Dilly campaign showcased the great places, people and locations that make our Shire unique, through the new Visit Wollondilly Guide, an interactive website, themed videos, driving itineraries, audio guides, promotional billboards, radio, digital and social media marketing.

Two new events were piloted; Owlween at the Australian Wildlife Sanctuary and R U O K Tradies Brekkie, with both events being held again in 2023. To top off a great campaign, Picton and surrounds received recognition for Top Tourism Town at the NSW Tourism Awards. Thank you to all who voted!

Council will continue to build on the Love the Dilly theme with its tourism marketing and looks forward to working with local businesses and attractions to help spread the message even further.





ILLUMINATE WOLLONDILLY

FESTIVAL OF ART & LIGHT



15 - 17
SEPTEMBER 2023

Picton Main Street &
Picton Botanic Gardens

ILLUMINATE IS BACK FOR 2023

Music Festival Headline Act - Southbound

Sensory Garden & Quiet Space

Lantern & Sculpture Display

Sensory Carnival Sessions

Entertainment Stage

Long Table Dinner

Light Projections

Art Exhibitions

Market Stalls

Food Court

Fireworks

Carnival



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Premier
Event
Partner



FESTIVAL SCHEDULE



FRIDAY 15 SEPTEMBER

WHAT	WHERE	TIME
The MAC Illuminate Carnival (ticketed)	Hume Oval, Picton	4pm - 9pm
Long Table Dinner (ticketed)	Avenue of Trees, Picton Botanic Gardens	6pm - 9pm
Illuminate Official Opening	Picton Botanic Gardens (main lawn area)	6pm
South 32 Art & Light Display - Lantern Parade	Picton Botanic Gardens (main lawn area)	6pm
South 32 Art & Light Display - Illuminated Sculptures & Lantern Installations	Picton Botanic Gardens (main lawn area)	5pm - 9pm
South 32 Art & Light Display - Illuminated Photo Booth	Picton Botanic Gardens (main lawn area)	5pm - 9pm
Illuminate Art Exhibition	Wollondilly Shire Hall, Picton	10am - 4pm

SATURDAY 16 SEPTEMBER

WHAT	WHERE	TIME
Main Festival Markets & Food Court	Menangle St, Picton	12pm - 9pm
Building Projections	Menangle St, Picton	6pm - 9pm
Lighting Installations	Menangle St, Picton & Picton Botanic Gardens	5pm - 9pm
South 32 Art & Light Display - Illuminated Sculptures & Lantern Installations	Picton Botanic Gardens (main lawn area)	5pm - 9pm
South 32 Art & Light Display - Illuminated Photo Booth	Picton Botanic Gardens (main lawn area)	5pm - 9pm
The MAC Sensory Carnival Session (ticketed)	Hume Oval, Picton	10.30am - 12.30pm
The MAC Illuminate Carnival (ticketed)	Hume Oval, Picton	12pm - 9pm
Governors Hill Sensory Garden	Wollondilly Children's Services Building	12pm - 9pm
Music Festival	Main Entertainment Stage, Menangle St, Picton (Mary Mackillop Lane)	12pm - 9pm
Illuminate Art Exhibition	Wollondilly Shire Hall, Picton	12pm - 9pm
Artisan Markets	Wollondilly Shire Hall, Picton	12pm - 9pm
Bendigo Bank Fireworks Spectacular	Picton Township	9pm

SUNDAY 17 SEPTEMBER

WHAT	WHERE	TIME
Swing & Jazz Afternoon	Picton Botanic Gardens	12pm - 4pm
Illuminate Art Exhibition	Wollondilly Shire Hall, Picton	10am - 3pm

TABLE LEGEND: ■ Light Events ■ Family Fun & Food ■ Art & Music

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

Premier Event Partner: South 32, Media Broadcast Sponsor: SIMEC, Illuminate Carnival Sponsor: The MAC, Sensory Garden Sponsor: Governors Hill, Fireworks Spectacular Sponsor: Bendigo Bank, General Sponsors: Wests Group Macarthur, Western Sydney International Airport, Wollondilly Support & IC Care, Multiquip Hatchery, Bingara Gorge, Friend of the Festival: Smoke N Grill



Scan the QR code for more info & tickets, or head to the [Illuminate Wollondilly Facebook Page](#) or visit our website illuminatewollondilly.com.au

WHAT'S ON IN WOLLONDILLY?

DILLY BUSINESS BREKKIE
14 September

ILLUMINATE WOLLONDILLY FESTIVAL
15 - 17 September

SPRING GARDEN COMPETITION
Entries Open 22 September

BLOOM GARDEN EXPO & PLANT FAIR
5 November

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION
Entries Open 1 - 30 November

CHRISTMAS TWILIGHT MARKETS
8 December

AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS
Nominations Open 1 August - 13 December



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WOLLONDILLY
CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Child Care VACANCIES

We currently have vacancies available at the Wollondilly Preschool and Year-Round Care service, both located in the heart of Picton!

There are also limited vacancies with our Family Day Care services in various locations across the Shire.



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Council Forums and Meetings

Community Forums and Council Meetings are usually held on the third and fourth Tuesday of each month (excluding January) at 6.30pm. Council Meetings are held in the Council Chambers in the Wollondilly Shire Hall, Picton while our Community Forums are held at various locations across the Shire. The dates and locations for upcoming meetings are:

Community Forums - 6.30pm

- Tuesday 19 September 2023
To be advised
- Tuesday 17 October 2023
Wollondilly Shire Hall
- Tuesday 21 November 2023
To be advised

Council Meetings - 6.30pm

Wollondilly Shire Hall, Picton

- Tuesday 26 September 2023
- Tuesday 24 October 2023
- Tuesday 28 November 2023

Local Planning Panel Meetings - 3.30pm

Wollondilly Shire Hall, Picton

- Thursday 7 September 2023
- Thursday 5 October 2023
- Thursday 2 November 2023

These dates are subject to change. Please check Council's website for the latest information.

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