

# General Meeting Update

## Taylor's Beach Playground Equipment

Council will proceed with the installation of new playground equipment to the value of \$20,000 at Progress Park, Taylor's Beach. Works will be undertaken in partnership with the Taylor's Beach Progress Association whom will assist with the expertise, skills, machinery and labour on the project.

## Rate Recovery

Council has resolved to commence legal action for recovery of unpaid rates dating back four years and over. Total of rates owing in that period, and for as far back as July 2014, amount to \$500,000. Council's Rate Recovery Policy is available for perusal on Council's website, *Policies and Procedures* page or a hard copy may be requested by contacting Council.

## Warrens Hill Area Water Main Extension

Following requests from many landholders in the area, Council has resolved to investigate the feasibility and costings for the provision of mains water to Warrens Hill, Danger Camp Road, Roberts and Scarrones Road areas. Similar investigation is currently being undertaken for the Orient Road area.

## Diversifying Our District – Industrial Hemp

Council will be hosting an information session on the growing of Industrial Hemp in the Herbert River District. A study recently undertaken by Council into suitable alternate crops that could be grown as part of the District Diversification Program indicated that Hemp for fibre, and a significant number of other emerging uses,

would be an innovative crop potentially suitable for rotational cropping in sugar cane fallow.

The information session to be held at the Ingham Bowls Club on Tuesday 8 October 2019 will also provide insight into the developing Australian Hemp Industry and licensing details that remain in force in Queensland.

## Road Safety

As we approach another busy long weekend on Queensland roads, I would like to remind all motorists to be extra vigilant when travelling throughout the region. Road safety is everyone's responsibility and together we must strive towards safer roads, for the benefit of our community and all road users in general.

*Ramon Jayo*  
Mayor

# DIVERSIFYING OUR DISTRICT

## INDUSTRIAL HEMP

Hinchinbrook Shire Council is pleased to invite farmers, support industries and agricultural investors to an industry presentation on an **opportunity for development of an Australian Industrial Hemp Industry in the Herbert.**

Hear from Shane Garozzo of *SativAus Group* and Tony Eyres of *Rounding Up* on how *AgriFutures* is seeding the future of Industrial Hemp – an ancient crop earmarked as having potential to exceed A\$10 million in value as an emerging food and fibre industry in Australia by 2025. The economic footprint of the hemp industry in the United States is already on track to exceed US\$1 billion before 2025.

Our Hinchinbrook region is considered by *SativAus*, as a key partner in the national *AgriFutures Industrial Hemp Project*, to have potential as a superior growing area for the crop in Australia.

The emphasis of the *AgriFutures Industrial Hemp Project* is on the development of a *National Cultivar Trial Scheme* to facilitate growth in volume and value of Australian Industrial Hemp. The project will also explore opportunities to exploit food, fibre, biofuels and extraction of chemical components from this unique crop.

**Tuesday 8 October 2019 from 5.30pm**

Ingham Bowls Club - 33 Ann Street, Ingham

Please RSVP to the Office of the Mayor and CEO on 4776 4748 by 5.00pm Friday 4 October 2019 for catering purposes.



Food



Fibre



Hurd



Extracts



# Exclusive to Seniors

Join us for this exciting three month program, aimed at improving the overall health and wellness for residents aged 60 and over.

## BOOTCAMP on Thursdays

TYTO PARKLANDS 9.00AM-10.00AM  
3 OCT | 31 OCT 2019

## Bookings are Essential

Please call 4776 4726 to secure your spot today!



## Hinchinbrook Shire Community Consultation Infrastructure and Facilities Enhancement

Hinchinbrook Shire Council is excited to be undertaking community consultation for an assessment of *Infrastructure and Facilities Enhancement* across the Shire in association with the *Works for Queensland* program.

This assessment will propose a future vision to enhance community engagement, tourism and business opportunities throughout the Shire. Considering the enhancement of existing and future community facilities, this program will celebrate both the unity and diversity of our beautiful Shire.

Initially, Council will be undertaking three workshops throughout the Shire and invite the community to contribute their ideas, desires and potential opportunities for consideration for the future of Hinchinbrook.

Community group stakeholders and the general public are encouraged to attend one of the following workshops. Discussions and purpose of the program will provide information on a broad spectrum of the *Works for Queensland* funding and other initiatives being assessed by Council.

### Workshop One

5:30pm, Wednesday 9 October 2019  
TYTO Conference and Event Centre

### Workshop Two

1.00pm, Thursday 10 October 2019  
TYTO Conference and Event Centre

### Workshop Three

5:30pm, Thursday 10 October 2019  
Halifax Hall

Following these three workshops, Council will prepare a draft *Scope of Works* for additional consultation by the community and stakeholders. This is an exciting and significant opportunity to contribute to this community discussion on the future vision of the Hinchinbrook Shire. **Please join us with ideas to share.**

For enquiries, contact the Office of the Mayor and CEO on 4776 4602.



## Mt Fox Public Community Shed Meeting

Members of the community are invited to attend a Community Shed Meeting:

**Date:** Tuesday 8 October 2019

**Time:** 3.00pm

**Venue:** Mt Fox Rural Fire Brigade Shed

This consultation offers residents the opportunity to meet with the Mayor, Councillors and a number of Executive Officers to raise matters or discuss concerns that may be occurring in the area.

This meeting is open to all members of the public, however is particularly focused on residents of the Mt Fox community.

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