

# Inspiring all abilities

Local parent Summer Wallbank's determination to find the best support for her son Archer, who has complex medical needs, highlights the importance of community resources.

Inspired by Summer's story and many others, Noosa Council is hosting the THRIVE All Abilities Expo on Tuesday, June 25, from 1pm to 3pm at Noosa Leisure Centre.

"I'm looking forward to seeing what complex supports are available. Archer relies on a ventilator at night-time for life support, so it's important to get an emergency plan based on his medical needs," Summer said.

This free event connects individuals of all abilities, families, and caregivers with local disability services, networks, and programs to support well-being and resilience. Attendees can learn about emergency planning, mental health, nutrition, and available support services while enjoying live music, giveaways, free afternoon tea, yoga, and sensory crafts. We also have an Auslan Interpreter from Deaf Connect available for all talks.' For more information, visit

Council's website - noosa.qld.

gov.au.

Fun loving and energetic Archer



#### Final days to have your say on amendments

Noosa Council is seeking to improve housing choice and diversity through a suite of planning scheme amendments, now open for public consultation.

The proposed amendments to Noosa Plan 2020 aim to enhance economic development and tighten controls on short-term accommodation in medium and high-density residential zones and key centre zones to prioritise permanent residents.

Some Tourist Accommodation zone areas in Noosaville, Noosa Heads and Sunshine Beach are also proposed for rezoning to prioritise permanent residents and provide for a broader range of local business uses.

The proposed amendments will help Council to implement key recommendations of both the Noosa Housing Strategy – developed with input from the community in 2022 – and the Short-term Accommodation

Monitoring Report 2022.

You can talk to a strategic planner outside Harvest Fresh, Cooroy on Friday, June 21, 9am-12pm.

Find all details including factsheets, FAQs, maps, and 3D fly-through imagery, available at yoursay.noosa.qld.gov.au.

Electronic copies of the amendments can also be

viewed at Council's offices and Noosaville and Coorov libraries.

Submissions on the amendments can be made until Sunday, July 14 via yoursay.noosa.qld.gov.au, by email to NP2020amendments@noosa.qld.gov.au, or by post to Noosa Plan 2020, PO Box 141, Tewantin Qld 4565. Submissions must include the submitter's name and address.

### Have a say on foreshore plan



The draft plan and online survey are available at yoursay.noosa.qld.gov.au before July 7.

Council's new Infrastructure Master Plan provides a visionary blueprint for renewing Noosaville's popular foreshore.

It focuses on amenity and ageing infrastructure upgrades, promising improved parks, BBQ areas, shelters, pathways, and toilets. Retention of shade trees, enhanced landscaping and increased shading will create

a greener and more inviting environment for everyone.

The Master Plan outlines the foreshore's 20-plus-year direction. Delivering it will require funding, further design studies and approvals before any on-site construction can begin. Future site works will be carefully staged and coordinated to ensure minimal disruption.

Shaun Walsh said the plan would maintain the foreshore parkland's beauty, safety, efficiency, and resilience.

"An Infrastructure Master Plan is essential to ensure our community's infrastructure including pathways, playgrounds, furniture, shelters, carparks and landscaping is of a good quality, safe, efficient, and resilient, as well as support our ability to secure state and federal grant funding.

"The plan addresses ageing facilities, accommodates community growth, protects cultural heritage, and prepares for climate change impacts such as heatwaves, flooding, sea level rise, and storm tides."

Strategically planning these upgrades will ensure informed decisions, resourcing, and create sustainable solutions that enhance the foreshore's beauty and usability. The draft master plan, shaped by input from over 430 locals, is ready for further comment at yoursay.noosa.qld. gov.au before July 7.

"We are eager to hear residents' feedback to ensure the plan reflects our collective vision."

#### In Brief



## Gardens wedding chapel reopens

The Noosa Botanic Gardens Wedding Chapel has been beautifully renewed and is now open for ceremonies.

After serving as a wedding destination for over 20 years, the chapel now features a new courtyard pavement, a wedding gazebo, and an arbour walk in eight hectares of native and exotic plants, home to diverse wildlife. To book this enchanting location, visit noosa.qld.gov.au.

### Get ready for school holiday fun

#### There's something for everyone to enjoy over the break.

School holidays are packed with activities across Council facilities.

Noosa Regional Gallery hosts Imaginate, a biennial children's exhibition featuring Pip and Pop's enchanting world. Brooke Bowtell from the Gallery encourages visitors to explore Sunshine Daydream, offering creation stations and interactive experiences. "Enter the magical world of Sunshine Daydream where you will find yourself amidst a fairytale landscape.

Unleash your creativity at one of the exciting creation stations and enjoy making playful puppets, 3D sculptures, and colourful flowers. Visit the interactive video room and play a game of bowling!"

The J presents musicals like The SpongeBob SquarePants Musical and The Wizard of Oz. The Noosa Aquatic Centre offers intensive swim lessons, while Noosa Leisure Centre has basketball and kids' step classes.

And for those seeking creative outlets, the libraries have it covered. Build mini beast hotels, craft silly sock puppets, experiment with Cricut, or design your own headdress inspired by ancient civilisations.

Don't forget to capture your

creations at the themed picture booth! Search 'school holidays' at noosa.qld.gov.au for a full list of activities.



Imaginate 2024 installation by Pip & Pop.

# Skate and Clay holiday Fun

The Skate and Clay into Resilience workshops at Apex Skate Park in Cooroy, on Friday, July 5, offer a unique school holiday experience for youth.

This free event runs from 10am to 3pm, featuring creative and sporty activities designed to build resilience and new skills, with a free sausage sizzle from 12pm to 2pm.

Artist Tess Miller will be running the Clay Club - a time to relax and create magic. And Chiggy's Skateboarding sessions will provide opportunities to learn new skills and apply them to life.

For more information visit noosa. qld.gov.au