Community spirit settles Kolora into new home

Community action drove the creation of a new facility for Kolora Aged Care in Guya and community action has helped shift the residents into their new home.

Many community members joined Council officers and Kolora staff on Saturday to help move the 20 residents, following the building’s official opening on 16 May.

“I was all hands on deck to make the transition as smooth as possible,” Council’s Service Leader, Krista Schmidt, said.

“The work by Jan Brazel and her team at Kolora then took the project through to a very successful completion.”

Roundabout roadworks

Roadworks are underway for temporary traffic diversions, as work progresses on a New England Highway roundabout near Armidale Regional Airport.

Earthworks have started on the eastern and western sides of the existing highway and the sealing of a temporary road is scheduled to begin on 4 June. Traffic will then be shifted to the eastern side of the road, allowing the start of drainage works and construction of the concrete pavement for the roundabout and road approaches. A 24-hour 40km/h zone is now in place for the site.

Kids poetry workshops

Bookings are now open for poetry writing workshops for kids being held at the Armidale and Guya libraries in June and July.

Inspiring young people and their families to write their own poems, illustrate and decorate their own poems.

Award-winning local author Sophie Masson will hold the workshops, using her new poetry book, A Boat of Stars, to inspire children aged 6 to 12.

Proposed road renaming

Pine Forest Road South

Pursuant to Section 163 of the Roads Act 1993 and Part 2 of the Roads Regulation 2008, Council proposes to officially re-name Pine Forest Road South, off Pine Forest Road North of Montes Lane.

Proposed name: Autumn Lane

Name Origin: After a pet Friesian/Angus cross steer owned since 2005, Montes Lane is named as a 4WD and is believed to be one of the biggest Megars in the council.

His owner says he is a gentle giant with a funny personality.

Cookes Road

Pursuant to Section 163 of the Roads Act 1993 and Part 2 of the Roads Regulation 2008, Council proposes to officially re-name a section of Cookes Road, off Grafton Road.

Location: This section of Cookes Road runs North off Grafton Road to the entrance of the Armidale Tourist Park.

Proposed Name: Autumn Lane

Name Origin: ‘Autumn Lane’ does not duplicate another road name within the Armidale Regional local government area and supports the beautiful Autumn trees in Armidale and at the location of the Armidale Tourist Park.

A map outlining the section of road to be re-named will be displayed at Council’s Civic Administration Buildings located at 135 Rusden Street, Armidale and 158 Bradley Street, Guyra and on Council’s website www.armidaleregional.com.au.

Written submissions, with supporting documentation, for and/or against the re-naming proposal for each road will be received until 5pm on Tuesday 26 June 2018.

Any submission received will be considered as part of a report to a future Council meeting.

Please note: if you lodge a submission, other people may have access to your submission. This may be as a result of a report to a Council meeting, or as part of an application under the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009.

For further information, contact Council’s Property Services Division (Kylee Steel) on 1300 136 833 or pavilion@armidaleregional.nsw.gov.au

Mayors’ Message

Would Tingha and the surrounding properties be best served as part of the Armidale Regional Council area or the Inverell council area?

It has been a topic of community discussion for a couple of years now and is heading towards possible formal consideration by the NSW Minister for Local Government.

As part of Armidale Regional Council’s consideration of the issue, we will be undertaking a final round of community consultation about the proposal to transfer Tingha and an identified area of surrounding land, totalling around 800 square kilometres, into the Inverell local government area.

The area incorporates the village and surrounding areas including Green Valley Farm and the Georges Creek area south and west south west of Tingha – it is a valued steers in the district of the Armidale Regional Council area. However, Tingha’s proximity to the Inverell township and the common interests it shares with that centre has prompted some suggestions it would be better included in that local government area.

Council previously consulted with the community on this topic in early 2018 and the valuable input we received on that occasion will be incorporated into the current deliberations.

A new Armidale Regional Council has been elected last since that previous round of consultation. This is an important issue for the Tingha community, and the Armidale region community as a whole, and should be considered by the new Council for possible endorsement.

This process is an opportunity to ensure all people are involved and have a say in community decision making.

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COUNCIL MEETING

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 27 June 2018 at the Guyra Council Chambers, 158 Bradley Street, from 1pm. The public are welcome to attend.

Strategies on exhibition

Council’s strategic documents that outline the projects, programs and initiatives Council will deliver over the next three years, including how Council will achieve this financially and with what resources, are now on Public Exhibition until 18 June 2018.

The Draft Delivery Program 2018-2021, Draft Operational Plan 2018-2019 and the Draft Resourcing Strategy 2018 which includes the 2018-2019 Budget are the operational documents that sustainably deliver the objectives detailed within the Community Strategic Plan 2017-2027, for the three year term of the incumbent Council.

Visit Council’s website for details.

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