Community Hub now OPEN





The Hervey Bay Community Hub is now open at 23 Main Street, Pialba.

The new facility brings together the two-level Hervey Bay Library, Council Customer Service Centre, community meeting and event spaces in one central location.

More than three-quarters of the building is dedicated to community use, with modern spaces for reading, study, events, digital access, programs and creative activities.

Residents can also visit the Hub to pay bills, make enquiries, lodge applications and access a range of Council services.

The Hub includes the new Council Chambers and Disaster Resilience Centre, which will support Council decision-making and provide a central location for agencies to plan and coordinate before and during emergencies.



Coming up at the Hub

Lines in the Sand Festival **13–15 November**
The Fraser Coast's annual readers and writers festival returns with three days of free author talks, workshops and creative activities at Maryborough Library and, for the first time, hosted at the new Hervey Bay Library. Bookings are required for sessions.

First Council meeting **18 November**
The first Ordinary Council Meeting in the new Council Chambers on Level 2 of the Community Hub will be held at **10am on Wednesday 18 November**.



For more information, visit
frasercoast.qld.gov.au/communityhub



Thinoomba Road bridge (before upgrade)

Upgrades for **rural bridges**

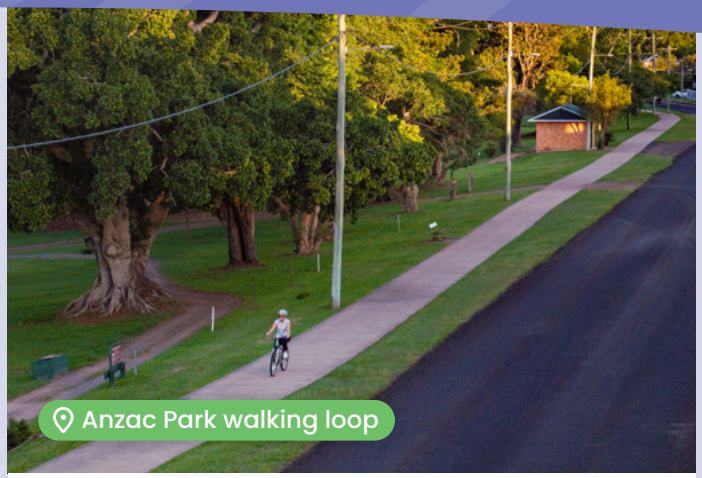
Work is underway on a $5.5 million investment to replace ageing timber bridges on Thinoomba and Yerra roads with new concrete structures.

The Thinoomba Road bridge over Myrtle Creek will be replaced with a new 17-metre single-lane concrete bridge, while the Yerra Road crossing over Eighteen Mile Creek will become a 20-metre, two-lane bridge.

The existing bridges will remain open during construction to help maintain access for residents, rural properties and freight.

Both projects are expected to be completed in the first half of 2027, weather permitting.

The Yerra Road project includes $3 million from the Australian Government's Roads to Recovery Program.



Anzac Park walking loop

Anzac Park **walking loop lights up**

The second and final stage of the $2.7 million Anzac Park walking loop lighting upgrade is underway in Maryborough.

The project will install 95 new light poles and lights, along with new and upgraded Ergon street lighting, around the popular walking loop adjoining Anzac Park and the Maryborough Golf Course. Stage 2 extends lighting along Queen, Cheapside and Alice streets and Lions Drive, while lights will also be installed on infrastructure constructed during the first stage along Neptune Street and part of Queen Street.

The project is expected to be completed in December 2026, weather and construction conditions permitting, and is funded through the Queensland Government's Works for Queensland program.

Fraser Coast 2026 **Ability Award winners**

Congratulations to all the nominees and recipients of the 2026 Fraser Coast Ability Awards!

The awards recognise the achievements, leadership and talents of people with disability and the organisations helping create a more inclusive Fraser Coast.





2026 RECIPIENTS:

Community Changemaker – **Yolande Bromet**

Excellence in Innovation – **My Hero Disability Services**
Highly commended – **Brain Net**

Outstanding Inclusive Initiative – **Hervey Bay Dingoes Wheelchair Basketball Club Inc**
Highly commended – **My Hero Disability Services**

Sports and Recreation – **Lachlan Kavanagh**

Arts and Culture – **Teigan Johnson**

Ted Weber Individual Achievement – **Rhys Wood**

For more information, visit:
frasercoast.qld.gov.au/fraser-coast-ability-awards







Border Collies take top spot!

Border Collies have taken the crown as the Fraser Coast's most popular registered dog breed.

Council's 2025/26 figures show 1,724 Border Collies registered across the region, ahead of Staffordshire Terriers with 1,574 and Maltese with 1,198.

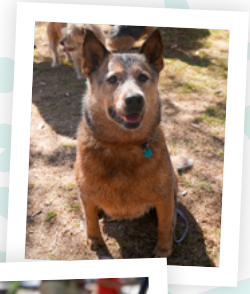
Kelpies and Cattle Dogs round out the top five, while Dachshunds have climbed into the Top 10 this year, replacing Chihuahuas.

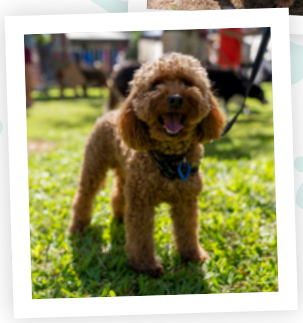
A total of 25,987 dogs were registered across the Fraser Coast during 2025/26.

Dog registration renewals for 2026/27 were due by 31 October. If you haven't renewed your dog's registration, or need to update your details, contact Council's Customer Service team on **1300 79 49 29** or visit **frasercoast.qld.gov.au/animal-registration**

Fraser Coast **top 10 dog breeds**

BORDER COLLIE	1724
STAFFORDSHIRE TERRIER	1574
MALTESE	1198
KELPIE	1144
CATTLE DOG	914
LABRADOR	902
JACK RUSSELL TERRIER	890
CAVOODLE	876
GERMAN SHEPHERD	723
DACHSHUND	670

















Customer Service

Hervey Bay
23 Main Street, Pialba, Qld, 4655
Hours of operation: **9am to 4.30pm**

NEW OPENING HOURS!

Maryborough
211-213 Adelaide Street, Maryborough, Qld, 4650
Hours of operation: **9am to 4.30pm**

Tiaro Library
Lot 1 Forgan Terrace, Tiaro, Qld, 4650
Hours of operation: 8.30am to 4.30pm (Mon – Fri)

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