

Tweed Shire Councillors and the Council have been deciding on whether or not to rip up the rails when they form the rail trail.

Initially they said they would ask for tenders to construct the trail with the rails or without.

Not sure whether they did or not.

Although the final decision has not been made they seem to be pushing for cycle trail only.

This to me is another example of the lack of consideration they give to Murwillumbah and its business community.

Short sightedness or complete indifference to Murwillumbah traders it seems.

The empty shops in the Main St are testament to the struggles businesses are experiencing. Yet the Councillors seem to be disregarding them.

Can you imagine down the track (excuse the pun) what two or three trainloads of hipster tourists from Byron Bay would put into the local community.

The tourist dollar will rejuvenate Murwillumbah if only the Councillors had some vision.

If I had a business in Murwillumbah I would be jumping up and down trying to get the trains back. Not the old type of trains but hopefully small solar trains.

Perhaps even a daily steam train from Byron which would be a great tourist attraction for the local tourist industry. The Hogwarts Express or even Thomas. Kids would love it.

There again it seems the Councillors have their own agenda and will make their decision as to what suits them.

Vision ? Don't hold your breathe.

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