

Council seeks water-saving gurus

Tweed working group to identify more ways to use less water

Council is looking for eight people with a passion for finding ways to use less water.

It has called for nominations from the public to join a Community Reference Group to help take its Water Efficiency and Demand Management program to the next level.

Since 2008, Tweed residents have reduced their water use from more than 230 litres a person per day to 180 litres a person per day by 2013 – a saving of almost 22 per cent.

Now, Council is targeting 170 litres a person per day by June next year and has called for water-saving gurus within the community to help it find the extra initiatives that will work.

“The task we would like the Community Reference Group to help us with is reviewing what we’ve done to date and identifying new initiatives that can save us an extra 10 litres a day per person,” said Water Efficiency Engineer Elizabeth Seidl.

“It’s not going to be easy to achieve these further savings as we already have made the quick wins, so we are looking for people with not only a keen interest in water efficiency but with some experience or knowledge in that area.”

The group will work within Terms of Reference provided by Council and be guided in its work by a water consultant.

“At the end of the day, we are seeking to recommend to Council evidence-based water-saving initiatives that can achieve significant water savings at a reasonable cost,” said Ms Seidl.

Council has extended the closing date for nominations to Friday 23 September.

For more information, visit www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CommunityReferenceGroup or contact Council by telephoning 6670 2400.

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