

# MOMENTUM

Summer 2010



22 & 23  
JANUARY 2011



## BRING YOUR MATES TO MATELAND

Maitland City Council is excited to introduce the City's latest tourism event - **The World's Biggest Sleepover**, which is being held 22-23 January 2011. Built upon old fashioned values of family and mateship the event will involve the entire Maitland community, residents, their guests and local groups, bringing both a sense of pride and economic stimulation to the City.

The inaugural two day event will be held over the weekend of 22 - 23 January 2011 at multiple venues throughout the City of Maitland and will include a diverse range of activities and events including Maitland's first

**World Wide Fair.** With everything from family reunions and school fetes through to movie marathons, dance parties, car shows you will not want to miss the "World's Biggest Sleepover".

### How you can be involved?

There are many ways to be involved in the "World's Biggest Sleepover" simply by:

Organising a family catch up, school reunion or celebration to coincide with the "World's Biggest Sleepover" weekend  
Invite family and friends from outside the region, the state and even from overseas to stay within the Maitland area for the "World's Biggest Sleepover" weekend

- Volunteer to be a "World's Biggest Sleepover" Event Assistant
- Participate in the fantastic range of "World's Biggest Sleepover" events and activities including the World Wide Fair
- Register your friends and family to be a part of the "World's Biggest Sleepover" online at [www.worldsbiggestsleepover.com.au](http://www.worldsbiggestsleepover.com.au)

For information please contact the team at Maitland Tourism on (02) 4931 2880 or visit the website [www.worldsbiggestsleepover.com.au](http://www.worldsbiggestsleepover.com.au).

### Message from the Mayor...

Isn't it amazing how quickly Christmas seems to come around? Society moves at such a fast pace and most of us are just so busy that the year just seems to fly by. That's a really good reason to make use of the festive season to relax, reflect and get ready for that all too soon return to normal lives.

If you are travelling over the holiday season, please remember to take care on the roads. If you are spending the holidays in Maitland, don't miss the free community events including the New Years Eve celebrations on Maitland Heritage Mall, the Worlds Biggest Sleepover 22 & 23 January and of course the Australia Day celebrations on January 26 in Maitland Park which will include a free BBQ breakfast from 8am.

On behalf of my fellow Councillors, General Manager David Evans and all the staff of Maitland City Council, I thank you for your ongoing support this year and wish you a very Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous 2011.

*Peter Blackmore, Mayor*



# DRAFT MAITLAND LOCAL ENVIRONMENT PLAN 2011



## What is the draft Maitland LEP 2011?

The Draft Maitland LEP 2011 is a set of maps and a written document which describes a variety of land use guidelines and development standards for each piece of land in the Maitland Local Government Area.

The main function of the LEP is to:

- Apply a land use zone to each piece of land in the Maitland area. An example is the R1 Residential Zone.
- Provide a list of development activities that are allowed or not allowed in each land use zone. This is the Land Use Table.
- Provide specific land use and development restrictions in areas affected by special issues such as heritage or flooding.
- Provide specific standards relating to detailed building controls such as building heights and floor space ratios.
- Provide definitions of all the types of land uses, development activities and other planning terms that are included in the LEP.

Maitland City Council (MCC) has prepared the Draft Maitland Local Environmental Plan (LEP) 2011 as Council's primary land use planning tool. As part of the finalisation process for the draft plan, Council is required to publicly exhibit the draft plan and seek community comment.

MCC will be encouraging community involvement in the public exhibition process of the Draft Maitland LEP 2011 by providing information on the complex planning process in a clear and informative manner.

The Draft Maitland LEP 2011 is being publicly exhibited until Monday 20th December 2010. This will provide you as a resident, community group, business owner, land owner or interested person the opportunity to have your say on the proposed land use zones and provisions within the draft plan.

## Why has Council prepared a new LEP?

The NSW Government has prepared a Standard LEP template to provide consistency in planning terminology and structure across the state. The Standard LEP instrument provides a template format which all Council's are required to use as in the preparation of a new principal LEP.

It has been 17 years since the current Maitland LEP 1993 came into force. Therefore, it is appropriate to replace the Maitland LEP 1993 with a new planning tool which reflects the policy position of Council but is updated with current terminology, has legal clarity and is a more orderly document to manage land use outcomes in Maitland.

## Draft Maitland Development Control Plan (DCP) 2011

As part of the preparation of the Draft Maitland LEP 2011, Council has revised the Maitland Citywide Development Control Plan (DCP). The revised Draft Maitland DCP 2011 will be exhibited to the Maitland community with the Draft Maitland LEP 2011.

For more information on the Draft Maitland LEP 2011, please visit Council's website or contact a member of Council's City Strategy Team via phone **(02) 49349732** or email **maitlandlep2011@maitland.nsw.gov.au**.

# WHAT DO YOU THINK?

An exciting new plan for creating the ideal future for the City of Maitland has been released for community input from now through until mid January 2011.

The plan has evolved from extensive community consultation, designed to uncover the greatest challenges and biggest opportunities present in our city – one of the fastest growing inland cities in Australia – as well as ideas for creating the best possible future.

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## *'Maitland 2021' - A 10 year plan*

Maitland 2021 is presented under five themes:

- Proud place, great lifestyle
- Our places and spaces
- Our natural environment
- A prosperous and vibrant city
- Connected and collaborative community leaders.

Within each theme, a number of outcomes are posed as 'what our community would like' for the future. An example of some of the draft outcomes include:

- 'all residents are able to move around our City in safety and with ease – on foot, bicycle, car, bus or train',
- 'our local rivers and floodplains are enhanced, utilised and valued' and
- 'Central Maitland is the vibrant heart of our City, engendering a strong sense of pride within the community.'

## *What's 'Maitland 2021' aiming to do?*

- Uncover what our community values
- Identify and explore the key challenges and opportunities
- Agree on the big picture outcomes we would like to see realised
- Establish strategies for moving in the right direction
- Identify who can help
- Look at potential ways to assess whether we are on track
- Establish ways for the community to continue to be involved in the future of the City
- Ensure Council responds to local community needs and aspirations.

## *What happens once the plan is final?*

Once 'Maitland 2021' is agreed, Council will establish exactly what it will do to help reach community outcomes. Council's own four year Delivery Program and annual

Operational Plan will be linked to Maitland 2021.

Through our community consultation, Council has listened to a range of issues and priorities, many falling within Council's area of responsibility. Not unexpectedly, there has been no indication or suggestion that Council's current range of services or levels of service should be reduced.

The challenge for us as a community is to not only agree on priorities, but also agree on how these might be delivered and understand the implications. Consequences may range from a change to service levels (for example, reduced or extended opening hours at Council facilities) or a change to the service delivery model (for example, moving toward more on-line services); or introducing a whole new service or facility (for example a year round aquatic centre).

These issues will be further explored during our community engagement processes for the development of Council's four year Delivery Program, flowing from the agreed community priorities in 'Maitland 2021'.

Check out the plan at [www.maitland2021.com.au](http://www.maitland2021.com.au) and contribute to the discussion forum where you can share your views on the plan and the best ideas for the city.



*Four-year-old, Kobe helps plan the ideal Maitland for kids.*

# FOR THE DIARY...

## *New Years Eve on the River* - 31 December 2010

The City of Maitland will celebrate New Years Eve in style again this year with the return of the Riverbank fireworks at 9pm and midnight, 31 Decemeber 2010. Maitland City Council will be hosting New Year's Eve to bring in a happy and safe 2011 for the local Maitland community!

## *Summer Night Flicks* - from Friday 7 January 2011

Read the book, now see the movie! Maitland City Library announces a summer film festival to be held on Friday evenings at Maitland Gaol throughout January 2011.

Get 'Off the Planet' and watch the stars under the stars from Friday 7 January and indulge your love of literature through the magic of movies. Check-out [www.maitland.nsw.gov.au/library](http://www.maitland.nsw.gov.au/library) for which films will be showing!

## *World's Biggest Sleepover* - 22 / 23 January 2011

A weekend packed with activities and events making it the perfect weekend to experience Maitland. The entire community can join in the festivities, staying with friends, relatives or utilising one of the fantastic range of accommodation options available in the region.

## *World Wide Fair* - 22 January 2011

As a key feature of the World's Biggest Sleepover, the inaugural World Wide Fair will be held from 10am-6pm at the No. 1 Sportsground in Maitland. Visitors to the World Wide Fair will in just one short day travel from Australia to Africa, Asia to America and everywhere in between. Visit [www.worldsbiggestsleepover.com.au](http://www.worldsbiggestsleepover.com.au) for more information.

## *Australia Day in Maitland Park* - 26 January 2011

The day will kick off at 8am with a free breakfast followed by entertainment by Maitland City Pipes and Drums and Maitland City Brass Band as well as Luke O'Shea & The Medicine Wheel. Various singers and poets will also perform before and after the official ceremony which begins at 10.30am. Adults and children will be kept amused by displays, competitions and a wide variety of rides and entertainment. There will also be free entry into Maitland Pool.

## CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY- 6 MARCH 2011

Clean Up Australia Day will be held on Sunday March 6, 2011. Whether you're a group, or an individual the day provides the opportunity for you to clean up your local piece of the environment.

To register a site visit [www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au](http://www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au). For further information contact Council on 49349833.

## SERVICES OVER CHRISTMAS

Administration Building	Closes at 1 pm on Friday, 24 December, 2011. Will reopen on Tuesday, 4 January 2011.
Libraries	All branches close at 1 pm on Friday, 24 December 2010. Will reopen on Tuesday, 4 January 2011.
Visitor Information Centre	Closes 3pm on Friday, 24 December, 2010. Reopens Boxing Day, Sunday, 26 December, 2010 from 9 am to 5 pm. Opened every day between Christmas and New Year from 9 am to 5 pm, except on New Year's Day, when opening hours will be 11 am to 3 pm.
Maitland Regional Art Gallery	Closes 1 pm on Friday, 24 December 2010. Opened every day as usual between Christmas and New Year from 10 am to 5 pm except closed Mondays, Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.
Waste Disposal Depot	Closed Christmas Day only.
Swimming Pools	Closed Christmas Day. Open every other day.
Maitland Gaol	Closes 1 pm on Friday, 24 December, 2010. Open for tours every day between Christmas and New Year from 10 am to 4 pm, except Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.
Maitland City Centre Office	Closes at 5 pm on Friday, 24 December, 2010. Reopens on Tuesday, 4 January 2011.

**Please note that Garbage Collection times may vary so please place your bin out the night before your scheduled collection.**

