

COMMUNITY CLIMATE ACTION PROJECT

TOWARDS A NET ZERO MAGNETIC ISLAND

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TOP NEWS OF THE MONTH

FOCUS GROUPS ZERO WASTE STRATEGY



CLIMATE ACTION PROJECT UPDATE



Waste guru Anne Prince over one busy week conducted 9 focus groups on the Zero Waste Magnetic Island proposed strategy to 60 people, presented to 55 people at a MIRRA meeting, met with our Traditional Owners, Townsville Council, transfer station staff, Women's Shed, U3A, waste operators, the school, BioRegen project, Repair Cafe Townsville, held Visitor & residents Surveys & consulted with many other stakeholders. Townsville Council, Sealink, MIFerries, venue operators also provided them with valuable support.

**STAY TUNED FOR THE DRAFT
STRATEGY PAPER**

Want to know more ?

The island wide waste audit is here.

<https://www.micda.com.au/climate-action-news>



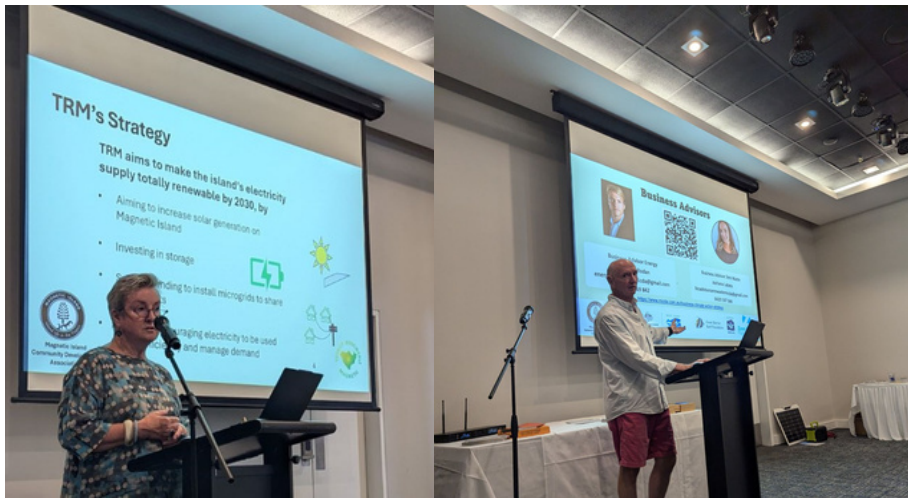
TOTALLY RENEWABLE MAGNETIC

Totally Renewable Magnetic meeting: January 2025 date to be advised.
Contact Joe Niven for more information at: totallyrenewablemagnetic@gmail.com

Visit the **TRM website**



THE ANNUAL MAGNETIC ISLAND ENERGY FORUM



THANKS to the 30 Magnetic Island residents who came to the annual Energy Forum held this year at Peppers Nelly Bay.

Presenters, Joe Niven, Julie Heath & Stephen Rodan spoke about what has TRM been doing in 2024, including an update from the Energy Business Advisor, information around the Magnetic Island Microgrid & LREZ, Cyclone Preparation & Electricity. The presentation will be on the MICDA web site soon.



Or email TRM for a copy. <https://www.micda.com.au/energy-totally-renewable-magnetic>



**THANKS TO
PEPPERS BLUE ON BLUE
FOR THEIR SUPPORT**

ENERGY BUSINESS UPDATE:



Stephen has consulted or been in contact with 42 Business to date. 15 businesses have provided detailed energy data & bills, allowing in-depth analysis & identification of energy-saving measures, with 7 in advanced stages & 4 achieving material savings. Stephen has helped businesses accessing over \$5,000 in rebates & utility credits; worked with strata-managed complexes to increase energy efficiency, improve startup procedures, advance solar installations, provide estimates, obtain quotes & reduce costs. If you would like Stephen to help with energy efficiency for your business, please call **Stephen Rodan 0458 269 842**
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ZERO WASTE MAGNETIC ISLAND

LAST ZERO WASTE meeting for 2024: 5pm Tuesday 19 November at Amaroo

Visit the [ZWMI website](#)

HAVE YOUR SAY !



Call out to all Magnetic island residents

Let's work together to help create a more sustainable island, take the short Zero Waste survey!



Survey closes 30 November 2024

This study is conducted by APC Consulting Pty Ltd, commissioned by Magnetic Island Community Development Association (MICDA), supported by Townsville Council and funded by the partnership between the Australian Government's Reef Trust and the Great Barrier Reef Foundation.

We take this opportunity to express a heartfelt "Thank You" for those who attended any of our Zero Waste Focus groups.

For those who could not make a focus group, your views are valuable ! Please take a few minutes and complete our Resident's Survey. Click on this is the link OR if you can use the QR Code.



For those who have already completed the Survey: thanks !

ZERO WASTE BUSINESS UPDATE

This month I've had interesting conversations with island restaurants and accommodation, highlighting common issues such as excess packaging from suppliers, confusion around sustainable options of food/drink containers due to greenwashing, lack of customer engagement in recycling & reuse initiatives. We are working on solutions for these issues.

One accommodation provider is saving almost 3,000 sheets of paper and 6 sets of printer cartridges each year, just by adopting our suggestion of a simple change in one of their admin processes. The estimated savings are \$727.00/year (plus electricity saved by not using the printer) and at least 134kg CO2 emissions (calculated considering only paper lifecycle; the environmental benefits are even higher when we add the ink lifecycle).

If you'd like some free advice or if you have a sustainability idea you'd like to implement on your business, please get in touch!



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