



Sustainability and Positive Impacts Report – July 2026

Port Macquarie Museum has a Sustainability Plan and actions which are regularly reviewed and updated. The Sustainability Plan was last updated in March 2026.

Environmental

Port Macquarie Museum is committed to minimising environmental impacts associated with its activities.

- Public areas of Port Macquarie Museum are fitted with motion detectors to activate lighting to reduce electricity consumption. Most light fittings have been changed to energy saving LED, and LED products are installed whenever light fittings are replaced.
- All batteries, light globes and electronic waste are collected and taken to the Port Macquarie Waste Management Facility for recycling.
- In June 2025, Port Macquarie Museum installed a 13.2kW solar panel system to reduce reliance on energy supplied from the grid and its carbon footprint.
- In April 2026 we secured funding to install a solar battery to store excess energy for use outside daylight hours. Battery installation is pending completion of repairs to the historic Store building.
- Soft plastics waste such as polymer conservation materials are collected and taken for recycling at an approved collection point, currently an in-store soft plastics recycling drop-off point at Woolworths Port Macquarie.
- All meeting papers are distributed electronically to minimise the environmental footprint and reduce printer power, paper and ink consumption.
- Recycling bins collect office paper waste for re-use and recycling.

Social Procurement

During 2025-26 we spent \$13,500 with three social benefit suppliers, all were First Nations artists.