

NEWS from your • Local Councillor

Redland Shire Council

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Dear Residents

Anzac Day

It was extremely good to see the large turnout at Anzac Day in Dunwich recently. This community punches well above its weight when it comes to community participation. The crowds seem to be increasing every year. It just goes to show that as time goes on, the contributions that have been made in wars, which enable us to enjoy the Australia that we have today, continue to be valued by the community. It is good to see.

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Cr Ogilvie addressing the crowd at Dunwich Anzac Day Service

Water

Application has been made to the Federal Government for the building of the eastern connector pipeline. Given that the results of the Water Resource Plan and Environmental Impact Statement are not yet known, you could certainly argue that this is somewhat premature. As I have said before, this is getting the cart before the horse. Nevertheless, the urgency of the south-east Queensland water supply situation means that the State Government is determined to follow this path. The building of this pipeline will be seen as a great waste of money if the scientists cannot prove that there is a capacity to take extra water from the island.

That NSI Water Action Group recently prepared a submission for the Federal Government. This submission articulately outlined the community's concerns with this proposal. It was well argued and outlined environmental, hydrological and cultural heritage concerns.





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PD Online

An exciting change for those who are trying to progress building applications or anything that is required under the planning scheme is the addition of PD Online to the Council internet site. Access to a range of documents, including the Redlands Planning Scheme and policies, applications, processes and procedures, fact sheets, user guides, forms and publications is available through the links. The history of your property's applications is also available. This should go a long way to streamlining the system so that you will be able to get a better and more efficient service.

Toolbox

A similar service has been set up for businesses that are looking to process the necessary applications in order to run a compliant business. This service should help businesses navigate the red tape and make the application process a lot easier.

Redland Communities Online

Another exciting online service has been the addition of the communities' online section of the web site. This web site makes it easier for you to find and communicate with other like-minded people in the community. Some of the categories include sport, seniors, education and the environment.

Mobile office

The last time I did this it was quite successful so on the **2 June** you will find me at:

St Marks Anglican Church, Dunwich	12.30pm - 1.30pm
Llewellyn Park, Amity	2.00pm - 3.00pm
Point Lookout Community Hall	4.30pm - 5.30pm

At Point Lookout, I will have a road engineer with me so that we can talk about the safety of the roads and what can be done.

Community Benefit Fund – BBQs and park benches

In my last newsletter, I asked for feedback as to where island residents would like to see the replacement of BBQs and the installation of park benches on the Island. To date, I have received very little feedback on this and would really appreciate your input so my Community Benefit Funding will be administered where facilities are needed. If you have a favourite spot that could do with a park bench, please let me know. Call me or drop me an email and give me your suggestions. Contact details are on this newsletter.

Feel free at anytime, to contact me on the numbers listed if you have any Council - related concerns. I also encourage you to call if you see something that requires attention. The more eyes that Council has - the better.

Until next time



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