



News from your Local Councillor

Cr Peter Mitchell

Dear resident

A development application has been lodged for a mixed-use development comprising aged-care accommodation and commercial, retail and community facilities at 4-10 Doig Street, Cleveland.

The proposed development will provide five levels of aged-care accommodation for the Redlands ageing population, as well as 186 basement and ground-level car parks, and 2993sq m ground floor retail, medical and lifestyle amenities.

Ours is the fastest ageing community in South-East Queensland with Census data predicting there will be 52,748 people aged 65 and above in the city by 2031, making facilities such as this a necessity.

Lodged by aged-care provider Vacenti, the application is for a development which meets the needs of the community, creates local jobs and helps to revitalise the Cleveland CBD.

The facility is expected to provide employment for about 110 aged-care



professionals and 50 retail staff, and will have a significant spin-off for other businesses in the area.

The site will continue to be used as a carpark for at least another 12 to 18 months while the plans are finalised and necessary approvals obtained.

Vacenti was awarded bed licences for the proposed development in the last Aged Care Approvals Round by the Commonwealth Government Department of Health in May

last year. Plans for the aged-care suites include hotel-style service designed to suit the safety, comfort, privacy and independence needs of residents, along with 24-hour qualified nursing care and on-site health and wellbeing services.

Council transferred the site to the Redland Investment Corporation in 2013 and it is facilitating the sale to Vacenti under plans to revitalise the CBD.

Addressing Cleveland parking and transport

Council is continuing to work on complementary strategies aimed at addressing parking and transport issues in the Cleveland CBD.

One is an overarching city-wide strategy that will guide the direction and timing for future transport projects across the Redlands. The second is specifically aimed at improving the accessibility and walkability of the Cleveland centre. This has already involved early

consultation, including workshops and a survey of what the community values most in our CBD.

Community input is essential for Council to get this right and, as such, residents and business owners are invited to make submissions to help inform these strategies.

Broader community engagement will begin on the Redlands Transport Strategy once a draft has been compiled and endorsed by Council.

Redlands Coast in the spotlight

Our part of the world was on show recently when the Intrust Super Cup came to Dunwich on Straddie. The televised Indigenous recognition game was part of a great event sponsored by Redland City Council in partnership with the Deadly Choices organisation, which spreads an excellent message relating to good healthy choices at this alcohol-free game. It was a pleasure to meet Deadly



Choices ambassadors and Queensland legends Steve Renouf and Petero Civoniceva. Local tourism and business benefited from the event, with Quandamooka hospitality and culture front and centre.



Artist's impression of a new 3.5ha South Bank-style foreshore parkland area, including a lagoon pool and water play area proposed for inclusion in Walker Group's Toondah Harbour Priority Development Area project. Image courtesy of Walker Group.

Toondah Harbour project to proceed to next stage

The Federal Government recently announced that the proposed Toondah Harbour Priority Development Area development is a "Controlled Action", allowing the project to proceed to the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) phase.

This decision follows the unveiling of Walker Group's updated proposed masterplan for the project, which incorporates a number of new initiatives and takes in feedback from leading environmental and wetland experts, the public and Federal Government. Walker Group lodged a new referral with the Federal Government to incorporate the new initiatives in early June 2018.

The Federal Government's decision to declare the proposed project a "Controlled Action" is an important milestone. It also is an important step for the community and the beginning of a process that will include ongoing community engagement and consultation by Walker Group.

The EIS phase will take approximately 12 to 18 months and will address all potential social, economic and environmental impacts of the proposed development during its construction and operational phases. Environmental, construction and traffic impact management plans will be developed as part of this process.

For further information please visit www.toondah-harbour.com.au.

Supporting community

I am pleased to be able to assist a range of worthy local groups through my Councillor Small Grants program.

These grants are a small way that I can recognise and help the great work being done for fellow residents by members of sporting, youth, cultural and not-for-profit groups.

As local Councillor I get to see first hand the extent of the work that is done every day in our community and I regularly hear how much it is valued by residents.

Recently I have been able to help the Redlands Museum, Cleveland Thornlands Cricket Club, Yurrara Youth Art Society, RATS Cycling, Bayside Outrigging Canoe Club and our Volunteer Marine Rescue crews.

These grants support the growth of these great local clubs and community organisations which do so much to promote local wellbeing.

Redland City Council also supports community projects from cultural events to wildlife programs through its annual community grants program and I urge anyone with an initiative that clearly benefits our community to apply.

For eligibility criteria and to learn more about how to apply for grants or sponsorship, visit www.redland.qld.gov.au/Grants email grants@redland.qld.gov.au or call 3829 8999.

New community space

A historic building will soon become available for use by local community organisations.

It's the old Station Masters Cottage which was gifted to Council by the Redlands RSL last year and relocated to Linear Park at 120 Little Shore Street Cleveland.

Council will make the cottage available as a community facility and is now seeking expressions of interest from community organisations which might want to share it.

The closing date for submissions is Wednesday, 10 October. If your organisation might be interested, you will find more information under "Parks, venues and facilities" on Council's website at www.redland.qld.gov.au or you can email CommunityProjects@redland.qld.gov.au.

Catch up for a chat

I am always keen to hear your ideas and discuss your concerns, so please stop for a chat if you see me at my regular "pop up" consultations in Cleveland.

I am also available by phone and email seven days, so don't hesitate to get in touch.

I will vary the times and days to reach as many people as possible, so keep an eye on [@councillorpetermitchell](https://www.facebook.com/councillorpetermitchell) on Facebook or call my office on 3829 8607.

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