

NEWS from your Local Councillor



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Dear resident

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Thank you to all who have been the eyes and the ears for Division Nine. Your assistance, suggestions and advice are appreciated and valued. I encourage residents to contact me at any time with queries or assistance about any local issues.

Public transport/Eastern Busway

Traffic congestion in Capalaba has continued to grow at a faster rate than the delivery of infrastructure by the state government. At a function that I attended, Deputy Premier Paul Lucas suggested that residents of Redland City were not too concerned about the public transport issue as they had not made a lot of noise over the proposed Eastern Busway to Capalaba. In order to make our voices heard, I have lodged an e-petition and encourage you to sign this and pass on the link <http://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/view/EPetitions%5FQLD/> to those who are tired of having no alternative but to sit through the bottleneck of traffic in and out of Capalaba. I will also be collecting signatures at my Meet the Councillor dates on next page. Please call if you have any questions.

Redland's Antique Fayre

The Rotary Club of Capalaba is inviting all residents to attend the Fayre at Cleveland AVEO on Saturday 1 August between 9am and 4pm at 148 Smith Street, Cleveland. All funds raised go to Australian Rotary Health, Redlands District Committee on the aging, the Donald Simpson Centre and Redland's youth programs.

- Free entry and \$5 per item appraisals
- Art, craft and antique stalls
- Sausage sizzle and refreshments

For more information, phone 3488 9403 or www.redlandsantiquefayre.org

RedFest - Redland Spring Festival

A Celebration of Music, Art, Food and Community on beautiful Moreton Bay. Cleveland Showgrounds, 4 - 6 September, 2009. For one affordable entry fee, the festival will feature The Drifters, Mental As Anything, Scared Weird Little Guys, The Black Sorrows and much more. Book online early and save. For more information – www.redfest.com.au or call 3286 4858. *Don't forget to join Redfest for their famous Strawberry Eating Contest heats at Capalaba Park Shopping Centre on Saturday 5 August between 11am and 1pm.*

Capalaba Regional Park upgrade

The final plans have been released for Redland's first All Abilities Playground at the Capalaba Regional Park. Stage 3 and 4 will include a musical forest, giant climbing nets, a wheelchair-accessible Liberty Swing, a flying fox with harness and sand play areas. These new facilities will be purpose-built to cater for people with disabilities. Construction on these stages involves a partnership with Boystown to provide skills for Redlands young people. Completion is expected by the end of the year.

Cat registration

From 1 July 2009, the state government has introduced legislation that requires all councils to have mandatory cat registration. Council has decided to phase in this process over the next year, so that residents can save money through early registration. Registration is free for a year if you register before 31 December 2009. For further information, visit our website or call Animal Management 3829 8665.

Community grants program

Redland City Council provides financial assistance to support local community organisations to undertake projects that will benefit the Redlands community. These grants cover arts and cultural heritage, environment, community development, enterprise development, sport and recreation. All grants are made on a one-off basis. For more information, please contact me or visit our website <http://www.redland.qld.gov.au/Residents/CommunityGrants> for applications and guidelines.

Capalaba Youth Enterprise facility

Redland City Council was successful in its bid for \$500,000 from the federal government to target youth crime and improve youth facilities and engagement with a dedicated youth space and community partnership. This facility will be located in Council-owned premises in Dollery Street, Capalaba.

The Capalaba Youth Space project will partner with an existing community group to deliver a range of new services as well as boosting existing ones, and is being funded under the 'Safer Suburbs Plan', which provides for 12-month programs focused on crime reduction.

RECENT COUNCIL APPROVALS AND CURRENT APPLICATIONS

Address	Detail	Application Number	Status
54-58 Mt Cotton Road, Capalaba	273 units	MC011449	Being assessed
194 – 299 Old Cleveland Road, Capalaba	Tavern (Coco's)	MC011565	Being assessed
260 Old Cleveland Road East, Capalaba	Aged care facility	MC011764	Being assessed

For more information on the above applications, go to:
<http://pdonline.redland.qld.gov.au>

Need help with job applications?

Free service from Redlands Community Centre in Lorraine Street Capalaba - every Wednesday between 9am and 12pm. Phone: 3245 2117.

MEET YOUR COUNCILLOR

For your convenience, I have arranged to be at accessible locations in Capalaba so that you can share your concerns and opinions with me. Eastern Busway petition will be available for signing at these times also. Please note the following dates and venue:

Capalaba Park Shopping Centre (near Michel's Patisserie)

6 August 11.00pm – 12pm (Thurs)

8 August 1.00pm – 2pm (Sat)

20 August 11.00pm – 12pm (Thurs)

Celebrate the great work of Rotary Club of Capalaba at The Rocks Crossing Q150 Celebration on 13 September in John Fredericks Park near Capalaba Greyhounds.



John Fredericks Park



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