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Dear residents March 2009

Thank you to all who have been the eyes and the ears for Division 9. 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.

Capalaba CBD beautification

With the assistance of Council's Parks department, I have requested a planting plan to assist with making our entry to the city more inviting. Tree plantings have already taken place on Moreton Bay Road and Dan Street with more to follow shortly.

Capalaba Master Plan – Enquiry By Design (EBD)

From the visioning sessions, several key topics emerged to inform the future vision for central Capalaba, including Capalaba as a destination, a need to improve connectivity to and within the centre, promoting diversity in built and social assets, environmentally responsive design, providing improved services and developing a central town square. The recent public display of the two draft conceptual options provided an opportunity for Council to gain valuable community feedback on these options, as well as the draft vision and planning and design principles, which have been developed by the Project Reference Group and design team through the first two EBD workshops.

Online

A project webpage on Council's website www.redland.qld.gov.au provides detailed background information and updates on the above project. You can have your say on the two draft conceptual options, draft vision and planning and design principles by filling out the online comments form. Your feedback will be considered in the third EBD workshop and will assist in drafting a detailed master plan and implementation strategy development that follows. At the third workshop, a preferred master plan concept will be developed. Once completed and adopted by Council, further opportunity for community comment will be provided. It is expected this will occur towards the middle of 2009. Please check the project webpage for updates. For further information, please contact me or visit the project webpage on Council's website.

Abandoned trolleys

Council has recently reviewed and debated its Local Law 21 (Roads). Council is proposing to strengthen this law to deal with abandoned trolleys and unregistered vehicles. The amendment to this law, if approved by the state government, will allow Council to seize and impound trolleys left unattended within road reserves and impose recovery fees on the owners. Council will then also be able to impose penalties on persons leaving them unattended. In the meantime, please continue to report abandoned trolleys to our toll free number **1800 010 335.**

REMEMBER - Upcoming new water restrictions

Redland City is now connected to the South East Queensland Water Grid through the eastern pipeline interconnector. We are now part of the regional water network and are purchasing our water from the state's bulk water authority. We are anticipating a 26 per cent increase in the price of bulk water sold to Redland City in 09/10. Redland City Council has been advised by the Queensland Water Commission (QWC) that it intends to commence non-residential medium level restrictions within Redland City from 30 March 2009, while restrictions for residential users will commence on 1 July 2009. Redland City is currently on level 2 water restrictions, sitting outside the QWC restriction area within the region while other councils in south-east Queensland are on high level water restrictions.

Residential requirements as at 1 July 2009:

- Target an average residential consumption of 200 litres per person per day
- Allows residents to hose or efficiently sprinkle in two allocated periods of 30 minutes each week
- Bucket watering on any day between 4pm and 8am
- Unrestricted bucket use for cleaning purposes
- Pool owners required to have water efficiency measures
- Residential excessive water users' program to be implemented by January 2010.

RECENT COUNCIL APPROVALS AND CURRENT APPLICATIONS

Address	Detail	Application number	Status
54-58 Mt Cotton Road Capalaba	273 units	MC011449	Being assessed
194-200 Old Cleveland Road Capalaba	Tavern application (Coco's)	MC011565	Being assessed
1 Finucane Road Capalaba	Indoor recreation facility/swim school	MC011557	Being assessed
38 School Road Capalaba	Multiple dwellings	MC011264	Being assessed

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

Capalaba Regional Park Redland City Band performances

Once again the Redland City Band will showcase our local talent at the Capalaba Regional Park between 12 noon and 1pm on the following dates (mark them in your diary):

- 19 April 12 noon, 17 May 12 noon, 21 June 12 noon
- 19 July 12 noon, 20 Sept 12 noon

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. Please note the following dates and venue:

CAPALABA PARK SHOPPING CENTRE (near Michel's Patisserie)

• 2 April 11pm – 12 noon

• 7 May 1pm – 2pm

• 21 May 11am – 12 noon

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