

# News from your Local Councillor Cr Wendy Boglary



### Hello Division 1,

It is half-way through this term and I am very satisfied and proud of what we have achieved for our division and city-wide.

My priority will always be delivering projects and infrastructure while enriching and maintaining our lifestyle.

Several projects have recently been completed and I am now currently working towards projects to increase tourism, as I believe tourism can be a vital economic boost for our area and has been largely untapped. I am excited about these upcoming projects. With our natural beauty and wildlife we are a natural destination, so let's promote it!

Besides the nut-and-bolt projects, I have kept up to date with changes made by the State Government to legislation that affects our community and have written submissions when changes would negatively affect you.

Council has also reformed many of our local policies and laws in an attempt to reduce bureaucracy and generally "make things easier". There



are challenges but I enjoy being a strong voice in these circumstances for the community. Also, with City Plan 2015 being worked on, I moved a motion to ensure a community group was formed to provide input.

A very satisfying part of the job is being able to directly, through my councillor grants, assist many local groups such as "Connect2" with a grant for their carpark to improve access for clients, Redlands Museum, Redlands Uniting Church Camera Club, U3A, Wellington Point P&C and other individuals.

The time between newsletters has been extremely constructive and if you ever want to follow what is happening just click on Facebook or my website. I also tweet and love a chai latte if you ever want to meet and have a chat.

Life is full and exciting in Division 1 so look out for what's happening next.

Talk soon,

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## **Community chats**

Every second Saturday from 9.30am to 12.30pm, Wellington Point traders and I hold a sausage sizzle to raise money for Village projects, so please come along and say hello



and support the Village! Buy local, keeps locals.

Friend me on Facebook and go to my website to keep up to date with what is happening in our division and our vibrant Redland City.

# **Supporting victims**

Recently, **Redlands Family and Domestic Violence Action Group** held a candlelight ceremony. I am proud to represent Council with the Mayor on this committee but am stressed and frustrated that service providers report that the number of

calls is increasing and there is a lack of crisis accommodation and response in our City. We will do all we can and also keep discussions current with both Federal and State representatives. If anyone - adult, child or elderly - needs assistance, please don't hesitate to call DVConnect Womensline on 1800 811 811

Do not be silent; call me if you would be more comfortable.





#### **Budget 2014-15 delivered**

We didn't agree on every aspect of the budget and the minutes of the budget meeting show how councillors voted on these matters, which were far broader than just rates increases and projects to be delivered.

On a lighter note, there are several projects in this year's budget for our division.

They include the footpath in Roberts Street which will form a vital link for the Redlands Respite Centre and Wellington Point State School, viewing platform for the Geoff Skinner Wetlands, upgrade of ramp at Wellington Point, upgrade of tennis courts at EGW Woods, the new playground at Wellington Point Reserve and completion of the Nelson Road roundabout.

Roads set for resealing under Council's priority program for 2014-15 include: Chermside Street (Roberts to Musgrave), Crossley Drive (Marlborough to No 24), Day Court (Crossley to cul-desac), Fernbourne Road (Valley to PVT), Harris Street (cul-de-sac to Fernbourne), Horton Place (Wallace to cul-de-sac),

Net rates revenue increase	5.99%
Net water revenue increase	0.62%
Headline rate increase	3.48%

Roberts Street (Main to Chermside), Turner Crescent (Crossley to Wallace), Valley Road (Main to dead end) and Wallace Street (Crossley to cul-de-sac).

Footpaths on the program include sections of Sturgeon, Gordon, Wellington and Bainbridge streets.

The Capital Works Program for 2014-15 includes improvements and new signage associated with the Moreton Bay Cycleway route between Thorneside and Wellington Point/Ormiston.



Happy to keep delivering on connections.



There were plenty of smiling faces at Cleveland Gardens Retirement Village's very enjoyable open day recently. All proceeds raised are donated to a local charity each year. Congratulations to all involved.



Wellington Point Rotary meets every Wednesday at Redlands Sporting Club from 7pm. Go to rotaryclubofwellingtonpoint.org.au. Nancy the dog and family became new members recently.





College on the recent opening o its new administration complex and redeveloped courtyard and new bandstand.

## In tune with the Redlands

I believe tourism is the way forward for Redlands.

We have so much natural beauty, unique villages and a community loaded with talent. Coming up is our Redlands Bluegrass Festival at Kindilan Convention Centre, off Redland Bay Road, from 8-10 August. It's always well worth a visit, with plenty of workshops and great entertainment.

Also, congratulations to all our community groups which promote the Redlands and show off our City as the great tourist destination that it is!

