



News from your Local Councillor

Cr Paul Gollè

Dear resident

The new community park for Thornlands is one of the most exciting inclusions in Council's 2017-18 budget.

With work on the first stage expected to start early to mid-next year, \$1 million has been earmarked for the park on the corner of Waterline Boulevard and Cleveland Redland Bay Road, pictured.

The park's design is being heavily influenced by much-appreciated community feedback. According to residents, "must haves" include a natural water play area, all-abilities playground and plenty of shade, paths and tracks.

Residents have expressed an overwhelming desire for the park to be an active and green family space. The inclusion of a large-scale and exciting all-abilities playground was at the top of the community's wish list, along with plenty of shade and space where kids can have "green time, not screen time".

The aim is to create a new and stimulating playground at a scale not previously seen in the Redlands,

complete with the security of full fencing and the availability of picnic facilities, barbecues and public amenities. I will be talking with residents more about what it should include as we proceed, but it has been made clear that residents would like to see a more integrated and multi-use space in the park's "youth zone", rather than a dedicated skate or BMX park.

Also included in the budget for Division 3 are: road widening and carpark works in Doull Place; construction of the Moreton Bay Cycleway from the Waterline development to Beveridge Road

to facilitate cycling to Victoria Point; replacement of lighting at Thornlands Dance Palais; providing a cycleway on Cleveland-Redland Bay Road from Island Outlook Drive to Colthouse Drive; and playground renewal at Robert Machie Park in Panorama Drive.

Meanwhile, William Steward Park is benefitting from new pathways and lights. The new concrete footpath linking Bush Cherry Place to Redland Bay Road, Thornlands, is expected to be finished early September and will include a slab for the bus stop boarding point, pram ramps and associated works.



Something new for foodies

Residents could soon have a great new alfresco-style food market up the road at Cleveland.

Council has provided a license to operate for the innovative business, which could be up and running before the end of the year.

This innovative project has significant public support and will drive much-needed economic growth for our CBD.

Council listened to concerns that were raised and has put strict conditions in place to manage traffic and parking, noise and trading hours.



Easier access to council services

Residents now have improved access to Council services thanks to the opening of a customer service centre at Victoria Point.

The new centre at Victoria Point library, next to the shopping and dining precinct, gives residents an alternative to heading in to Cleveland to visit Council's main customer service centre branch.

The new branch offers all services, with the exception of building and development, which are only available at the main Cleveland branch because of the need to access specialist planning officers located at the Cleveland Administration building.

It is open from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays).



Out and about



CONGRATULATIONS to the Victoria Point Girl Guides on their 50th birthday.



THORNCLANDS State School's Winter Solstice Fair was a great success. I was happy to help the amazing parents on the barbecue.



CONGRATULATIONS to Sarah Elliot, a first prize winner at the Yurra Art Festival.



REPRESENTING the Redlands as the nominated delegate to the national general assembly in Canberra, where I had the opportunity to discuss local issues with Victoria Cross winner Ben Robert-Smith.

HAVING a ball at the Rotary Club of Redland Sunrise change-over luncheon. It is always wonderful having songbird neighbour and friend Bernadette Fisher sing for us. Congratulations to past president Janet Butler and to new president Allan Goodwin.



A WET afternoon consulting with the fun and friendly residents from Thornclands' Chardonnay Court.

Helping hand

Councillors have the means to provide small grants to help out community groups which are incorporated. Since being elected, I have been able to provide many local community groups, schools and other organisations with financial assistance.

I believe it is important that sporting, cultural and community organisations which cater for local needs are able to get a helping hand.

Recent recipients have have included:

Rotary Club of Redland Sunrise	\$318
Bayview State School P&C Association	\$2000
Lions Club of Thornclands	\$1070
Redlands Junior Rugby League Sports Club	\$2727
Moreton Shores Retirement Community	\$3000
Faith Lutheran College P&F Association	\$1500
Redland Bayside Masters Swimming Club	\$700
Redlands Fellowship	\$1200
Mums and Bubs	\$500
Volunteer Marine Rescue Victoria Point	\$500
Victoria Point Bowls and Recreation Club	\$500
East Coast Muscle Car Club	\$500
Yurara Arts Society	\$500
Victoria Point Girl Guides	\$300

Keep in touch

Communication is vital and you can be confident that I am keen to take your calls and listen. My door is always open.

You also can check out what's happening and keep in touch with me on Facebook.

It has been an absolute pleasure helping residents to achieve outcomes and I look forward to continuing to work for you in 2017.

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Division 3

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