

News from your Local Councillor

Cr Paul Gleeson



FILM NIGHTS: With the new giant inflatable movie screen at Capalaba Warriors Rugby League Club.

Capalaba on the big screen

Capalaba schools and sporting clubs now have access to a giant inflatable outdoor movie screen courtesy of Council's Community Infrastructure Fund for our division.

At 6m high and 8m wide, the screen made its debut during the recent State of Origin series at a fundraiser for Capalaba Warriors Rugby League Football Club. The \$35,000 mobile screen will also be available for use by local schools and other sporting clubs for community events and fundraisers.

As the weather warms, I am looking at presenting free family friendly movie nights at Capalaba Regional Park.

I hope to get sponsorship to cover costs, as I believe it is important these movie events should be free for all. Council officers used the Origin event to get an understanding of the set-up and pull-down requirements of the inflatable screen, what resources are needed and the potential costs involved.

Council will develop an operational guideline and booking system for the big screen.

I will keep you posted on the timing of local movie nights in the park.

Supporting great work in our 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 Capalaba Football Club and Playgroup Queensland.

These grants will support the growth of these great organisations which do so much to engage and support local families.

Redland City Council also supports community projects from cultural events to wildlife programs though 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.



Don't forget your shopping bags

Following the state-wide single-use plastic bag ban, we are all starting to form new habits ... albeit after quite a few trips back to the car in many cases!

Although not of Council's making, the fewer plastic bags in the mix, the better

it is for our recycling efforts. One common and persistent misconception is that it's OK to put your household recycling into plastic bags before they go into your yellow-topped wheelie bin for recycling. Not only is it not OK, when truck loads are too contaminated with soft plastics, it can actually result in the whole lot going directly to landfill.

Soft plastics - which also include items such as chip packets and cling wrap - jam the machinery in the processing plant where our recyclables are sent for remanufacturing into new packaging.

So please help keep contamination of our household recycling loads low by keeping soft plastics out. To keep recycling viable and cost-effective for ratepayers, Council is aiming to reduce our city's recycling contamination rate from 7 percent on average down to 5 percent by the end of this financial year. But we can't do it without your help, so for guidance on what to do with different waste types, visit Council's online A-Z of waste and recycling at www.redland.qld.gov.au/waste



There continues to be problems in our area with people ignoring Council's dog laws.

Anyone who is caught letting their dog off the leash in public faces a \$261 fine.

Reports of dog attacks are also treated with the highest priority. If your dog attacks or frightens people or other animals, your dog may be declared a menacing or dangerous dog, and you may also face prosecution.

Council proactively patrols the division to ensure compliance with its local laws and State legislation, as well as responding to complaints from residents.

Patrols are also increased in response to complaints of dog owners ignoring the requirement to keep their pet

on a leash at all times in public, unless in a designated offleash area

Residents who are concerned about straying dogs or those left to roam can report it to Council on 3829 8999.

There are currently 22 fully fenced dog off leash areas across the Redlands and another nine unfenced or partially fenced areas for owners to exercise their dogs. You can find full details on Council's website at **www.redland.qld.gov.au** by searching for dog parks.

New city 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.



Graffiti gone

Help us manage graffiti by notifying Council as quickly as possible. Download the handy VandalTrak app or visit **www.vandaltrak.com.au** to report graffiti at the click of a button. You also can call or text Graffiti Stop on 1300 472 334 or email **graffiti@redland.qld.gov.au**.

Wild encounters

To report sick or injured wildlife, call Redlands 24-hour Wildlife Rescue on 3833 4031.



Keep in touch

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

Please feel free to 'Like' my page at 'Paul Gleeson (Councillor Div 9-Redlands)' and be part of the conversation.

It's a great way to keep up to date with what's happening in our division.

