



News from your Local Councillor

Cr Wendy Boglary



Hello residents of Ormiston and Wellington Point

It is scary that I am wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year already. I sincerely want to thank you for your support and energy over this past year.

Having residents text me about issues such as pot holes and fallen tree limbs provides me with extra eyes and ears in the community. Collaboration is alive and working in our area and it is this Redland community spirit that I love and which allows us to achieve for our division and city. Many projects that

I have been juggling are coming together, with either the design stage or delivery imminent.

I am excited to advise that Council is planning to reconstruct all of Starkey Street, Wellington Point, as part of the Roads to Recovery program. The existing road pavement will be replaced with full-depth asphalt, making it smoother and quieter.

Coinciding with these works will be the formalising of the carparking area on Starkey Street, in front of

Apex Park. New kerb and channel will be installed along with 13 sealed carparking bays. This will remove the dust issue and make the area safer for pedestrians, park users and motorists. I also have asked whether a bike lane can be marked for safety.

The work will be completed over the Christmas school holiday and, all up, will cost about \$1.2 million. I apologise for any inconvenience to park users during this time but it was decided it would be best to do it when traffic was reduced.

Supporting our community



INFRASTRUCTURE: Wellington Point Rotary and Allstar Netball recently opened their new sheds, which will help them to continue their great community work. Both groups were assisted with Council grants.

Addressing planning feedback a top priority

The review of submissions on the draft City Plan has been one of my highest priorities and I have listened to your valuable feedback. During workshops on the plan, changes have been made in accordance with community concerns. I will keep you up to date with developments.

With the State's draft SEQ Regional Plan now open for public comment, residents have another opportunity to have a say on the future of the region. The State Government's new regional planning framework, *ShapingSEQ*, released at the recent Local Government Association of Queensland conference, will set the scene for decades to come, identifying where future populations will be housed, where jobs will be and how our region will maintain its character. Written submissions on any aspect of the plan will



YOUR VOICE: Representing the city at the recent LGAQ conference with Cr Julie Talty, Mayor Karen Williams and Cr Tracey Huges.

be accepted until 3 March 2017. The State Government will hold two consultation sessions in the Redlands - Tuesday 29 November, 4pm-7pm, at Pacific Resort, Cleveland; and Wednesday 7 December, 10am-1pm, at Capalaba Place Hall, Noeleen Street, Capalaba. The plan is available at www.qld.gov.au/shapingseq or by calling 13 74 68.



CALL FOR ACTION: Cr Paul Bishop and myself with Local Government and Planning Minister Jackie Trad after the release of the draft SEQ Regional Plan.



Mangroves update

Recent devastation of mangroves at Wellington Point, King Island (pictured) and Redland Bay is extremely alarming.

I am currently discussing ways of educating people of the importance of mangroves, as well as encouraging locals to keep an eye out and report suspicious behaviour.

The seriousness of this issue is underscored by the fact that the maximum penalty for damaging marine plants is \$365,700.



WELL DONE: I was honoured to join with Mayor Karen Williams to congratulate the Jaipur Palace at Wellington Point, which received this year's Redland Business and Retail Award for Best Restaurant.

Shady spaces

Council will be installing shade shelters in Three Paddocks Park dog off-leash area, Thomas Street, Birkdale. You can have your say on where they should go by going to my Facebook page.

Students, markets helping our economy

To increase economic benefits to our area, I have been encouraging more visits by Japanese students, as well as building links with the Chamber of Commerce and Industry Australia Philippines. The chamber's president is a local who is happy to assist with any business or trade inquiries you may have.



Closer to home, the Wellington Point markets are now on twice a month. This has brought a new excitement to the markets, along with new stall holders.

I am also looking forward to community consultation on a new village streetscape project planned for the new year.



COMMUNITY: It was great to catch up with the energetic members of Wellington Point Bowls Club for their anniversary celebration (left), Cleveland Meals on Wheels, for which I am proud to have become patron, and Zonta (below).



Well done to our students



With the end of the year approaching I want to congratulate all school leavers and wish every one success for the future. And please be careful during your end-of-year celebrations.

I trust that you all will heed the words of the Matthew Stanley Foundation and "Walk Away Chill Out" and remember that it is cool to walk away from a dangerous situation.

The message is loud and clear on a new sign (pictured) unveiled recently outside the Alexandra Hills Hotel.

Merry Christmas

Please be advised that during January I will not be holding my usual community chats.



Take care this Christmas season and ensure that you and your family and friends take time to relax and enjoy each other's company. Don't let the rush and stress of Christmas take over but slow down and consider yourself.

Merry Christmas to everyone.

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