



News from your Local Councillor

Cr Murray Elliott

Dear resident of Division 7

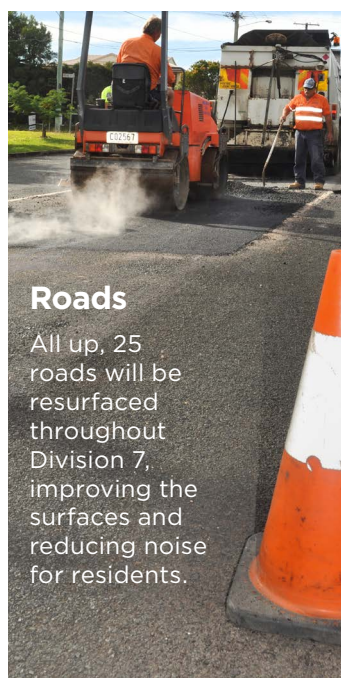
Council's Budget for Division 7 will deliver a range of new infrastructure and upgrades to our part of the Redlands. Here's a brief look at what will be achieved for residents:

Parks boost

About \$4 million will be spent over the next four years on new park infrastructure, including play equipment, pathways, seating and toilets.

This coming year O'Gorman Street Park at Alexandra Hills will be refurbished. Park upgrades are scheduled for Burwood Road, Dave Parr, Hanover Drive, Heffernan Road and Wimborne Road parks in the following years. Smaller projects will include providing new seating on our main walkways, as funds permit.

I recently toured parks in the region and can report that the range of new play equipment is quite amazing. Pictured is an example of the type of play areas I would like to see in our division in the future. There has never been a more exciting time to live in Division 7 with what will happen in this term of Council.



Roads

All up, 25 roads will be resurfaced throughout Division 7, improving the surfaces and reducing noise for residents.



IndigiScapes upgrade

Council has set aside \$156,000 for the initial start on an exciting new upgrade for Redlands IndigiScapes Centre at Capalaba. The project will be completed during this Council term and is budgeted to cost \$3.2 million. In my next newsletter I will be able to give you the detail of this exciting project.

Street tree planting

\$100,000 has been set aside for plantings across the division to improve our road vistas. Council will be writing to land owners seeking their support for this great initiative.



No need for speed

I remind residents that the sole responsibility of enforcing speeding laws on all roads rests with police.

Only continued writing and calls to police on 3433 3333 will provide the resources we need "on the ground". There is simply no other way to achieve this police presence.

Residents also have a responsibility to their neighbourhoods in monitoring their own speeds when driving and encouraging others to do so as well. It all helps to ensure a safer environment in which to live.



ON TRACK: I was pleased to join with neighbouring Councillors recently to celebrate the opening of new Redland Track Park trail head additions. The new trail heads provide shelter, bike racks, bike repair stations, maps and information, water and a place to meet.

City Plan 2016

Council has commenced its review of the 6000 submissions on the draft City Plan and there are many more workshops to come. We have only touched the surface and this process will take a while.



New development in Division 7

The new \$3.5 million Smart Tots Childcare Centre (pictured) has been completed at the Alexandra Hills Shopping Centre and is open for business.

The building of this 95-child place centre has given the local economy a great boost through its construction and will provide many sustainable jobs.

Call in for a chat

I am at the Alexandra Hills Shopping Centre every second Saturday from 9am-midday to discuss your concerns and what's happening throughout Division 7.

Thank you to all the residents who have contacted me over the past few months with regard to local issues in the area.

Kind regards,

Cr Murray Elliott

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