



News from your Local Councillor

Cr Paul Gollé

Dear residents of Division 3

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for placing your faith in me and allowing me the privilege of serving you as your new Councillor in Division 3.

For those who may not have had the opportunity to meet me during the election campaign, I would like to introduce myself.

I am a father of four children, widowed in 2010, and I am a veteran, having served our country on operations with the Australian Army.

I have made it my business to combine both education and practical experience into my working life, having worked in the Australian Defence Force, the corporate private sector and as a specialist private sector consultant to the United States Government.

I can assure you the hard work has begun, having already attended numerous workshops and meetings on how we can best serve you, the community.

As your new Councillor, I feel it is imperative to establish clear and transparent lines of communication so that together, as a community, we can move forward with a positive view to create the best possible outcomes for the City.

My contact details are listed here and the Mayor's door and mine are always open.

Council is all about service and I am available to answer your concerns or connect you with a Council officer.

Council general meetings are open to you every two weeks from 9.30am and, should you have any issues, I urge you to take the opportunity to address your Council either publicly or just attend in the public gallery.

Many residents from Division 3 have met with me and presented their concerns and wishes for the area.

With that also comes the responsibility of letting you know what can be controlled by Council

and where our powers are limited by State Government legislation.

It is time to establish true and factual communication, backed by strong representation from an impartial advocate - and that's my role.

The privilege to serve you comes with a responsibility of ensuring that your voice is heard and, above all else, you are respected and treated professionally.

I look forward to the challenges and the opportunities that lay ahead and I know that together we can continue to make the Redlands great.

Respectfully,

Cr Paul Gollé
Division 3

Join us at our next general meeting

You are most welcome to join us at our next general meetings on Wednesday 8 June and Wednesday 22 June.

You will find our meeting schedule at www.redland.qld.gov.au under "About Council". Click on "Council Meetings" for the dates, minutes and agendas.

Your new representatives - back, from left: Cr Paul Gleeson, Cr Peter Mitchell, Cr Paul Bishop, Cr Murray Elliott, Cr Lance Hewlett, myself and Cr Mark Edwards. Front, from left: Cr Tracey Huges, Deputy Mayor Wendy Boglary, Mayor Karen Williams and Cr Julie Talty.





Getting the DV message across

Council is throwing its support behind WAVSS Across the Redlands, the first domestic violence support service to operate in the Redlands for 20 years.

The not-for-profit organisation, which launched its Redlands operations last September, offers free information, support and counselling, predominantly for women and children experiencing domestic and family violence.

To coincide with Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month in May, signs were posted on Council bus shelters, waste collection trucks and other vehicles to send a clear message that domestic and family violence will not be tolerated.

As an organisation, we've also introduced a 10-day leave allowance for Council staff members who might be affected by domestic violence.

On behalf of WAVSS, we're also including a bumper sticker with this newsletter, to help kick off their "Non-violence is contagious ... give it to your friends!" campaign.



For information or to seek support, visit www.wavss.org.

The service offers a range of support, including free information, court support, counselling, crisis response and perpetrator intervention programs.

Out and about



OPEN SPACES: Thornlands' William Stewart Park, left, has had a welcome makeover. I am talking with residents about the need for more open spaces for recreational use, so let me know your views. I also had the pleasure of recently joining with "neighbour" Cr Lance Hewlett of Division 4, right, to unveil the plaque at the opening of the Erapah Rainforest to Creek Walk. This great project was completed thanks to a Redland City Council conservation grant.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: It was great to share in the 50th birthday celebrations of the Redland City Lions Club at Cleveland with Council colleague Cr Lance Hewlett and local Lions.



NOW WE'RE COOKIN': Whipping up a storm on the barbecue at Victoria Point State Primary School's boaties market. The next boaties market will be on Sunday, 9 October.

COMMUNITY: Getting into the ANZAC spirit at Faith Lutheran College. Our local schools' respect for the ANZAC traditions and genuine interest was heart-warming.



Wildlife volunteers needed

The Redlands' after-hours wildlife ambulance service, co-ordinated by Council, is always seeking volunteers to rescue and transport sick and injured wildlife. Inductions are held as required, so please contact 3824 8611 or email lisa.bailey@redland.qld.gov.au if you can help or would like more information.

