



# News from your Local Councillor

## Cr Tracey Huges



### 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](http://www.wavss.org).

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

### Dear residents of Division 8

I would like to open my first community newsletter by thanking you for your support in electing me as your new Councillor.

It is a special privilege being chosen to promote and support your valuable contributions to Redland City.

I would also like to take this opportunity to sincerely acknowledge former Councillor Alan Beard for his contribution to the Division over many years and, on behalf of our community, wish Alan a happy future in all his adventures.

It is my aim to be your personal Council contact, someone who is accessible, keen to listen and quick to respond to your concerns and needs. After a lot of time spent

door knocking homes and meeting residents, as well as visiting schools, sporting groups and churches, it is very clear that we are a strong community with family values. It makes me excited about our future and I am determined to promote the aspirations of our Division, as well as the City.

Please feel free to contact me anytime or see me personally at my regular community sessions (see below). I am very approachable, happy to chat and I look forward to catching up soon.

*T. Huges.*

**Cr Tracey Huges**  
Division 8

#### Catch up at your local shopping centre

I will be available from 9am-11am at:

<b>June</b>	Saturday	4th	Wellington Point Horizon Shopping Centre
	Saturday	18th	Alexandra Hills Shopping Centre
<b>July</b>	Monday	11th	Coconut Coffee House, Ormiston
	Saturday	16th	Alexandra Hills Shopping Centre
	Saturday	30th	Wellington Point Horizon Shopping Centre
<b>August</b>	Saturday	13th	Alexandra Hills Shopping Centre
	Monday	29th	Coconut Coffee House, Ormiston

#### Park a shining example

The \$1 million joint Redland City Council and State Government lighting upgrade has been switched on at Judy Holt Park.

It has turned this popular recreation area, pictured, into a state-of-the-art sporting precinct as it is among the first to utilise new LED technology which not only improves the experience for both players and spectators but also cuts running costs.

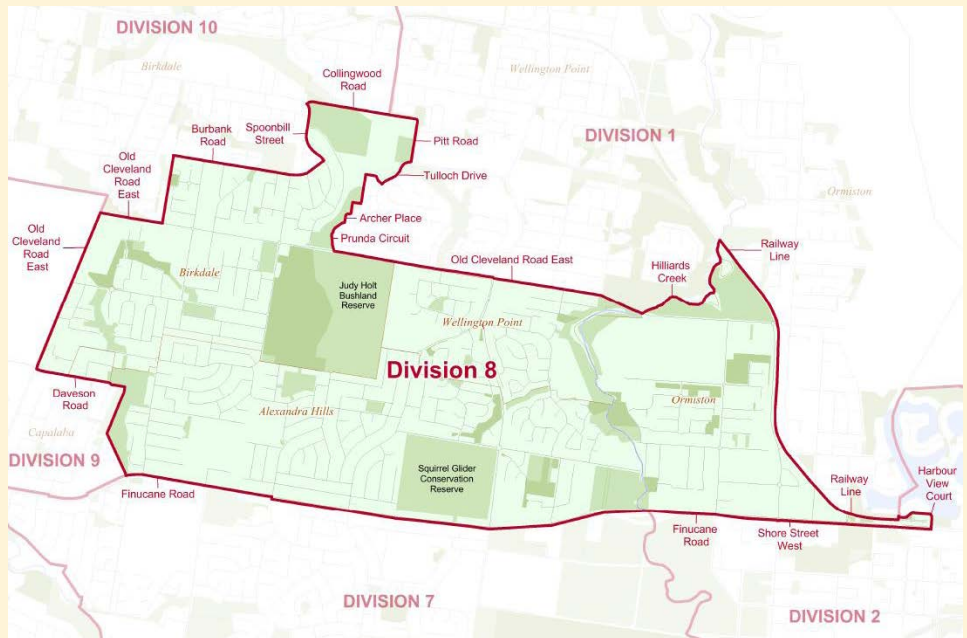
Council funded \$900,000 of the upgrade, with \$100,000 provided via a State Government Get Playing grant that was awarded to the Redlands Rugby Union and Recreation Club.





### Changes to our division's boundaries

The Electoral Commission of Queensland boundary changes that came into effect at the March local government election have extended Division 8 to include Ormiston all the way to the Cleveland Train Station. You can find out how it affects you by going to [www.ecq.qld.gov](http://www.ecq.qld.gov), then clicking on "electoral boundaries" and going to "find my electorate". From here you can click on "local area boundary maps" and open the Redlands' interactive map where you can search your address to confirm your division.



### Local roads needing resealing are in the queue

The need for resealing of streets, particularly in the longer established parts of Alexandra Hills, has been a recurrent theme during my talks with residents.

Many areas of Division 8 have roads with chip-seal surfaces that are nearing the end of their lifespans.

These roads have been scheduled for work as soon as practicable as part of the city-wide road resurfacing program. They are being assessed and inspected by Council officers and, once retopped with asphalt, they will be superior and longer lasting roads, such as those recently done in "The Gems" area off Allenby Road.

Council is now entering the third year of a 10-year program to fix a backlog of road surfaces across the City. All up this financial year, \$21 million was committed to upgrading roads, transport and footpaths across the Redlands.



APPRECIATED: Residents of Leah Court, Wellington Point, are happy that their street has now been resealed.

### City Plan update

The huge task of assessing submissions on Draft Redland City Plan is well advanced.

Council officers have been going through each of the 6190 properly made submissions, identifying and analysing the key issues raised and making recommendations based on submissions received during last year's extended 11-week consultation period.

Once these have been considered by Council, the proposed planning scheme - including any changes - will be sent to the Planning Minister for approval.

Once the plan and any amendments are signed off by the Minister, anticipated later this year, the plan will come back to Council for implementation.

The result will be a team effort that has included the community.

### Great events coming our way

The Vintage Car Club of Queensland's Concourse d'Elegance is back at Ormiston House on Sunday, 26 June. From 10am, you can inspect wonderful vintage cars in the perfect setting of the historic home on Wellington Street. Entry: adults \$5, children \$1.

St Anthony's popular Fiesta is on from 10am on Saturday, 23 July, at the school on St Anthony's Drive, Alexandra Hills, boasting plenty of entertainment and fiesta favourites.

This year's Birkdale South State School Fete kicks off at 9am on Saturday 30 July and will celebrate International Friendship Day. Come and enjoy the rides, stalls, internationally themed food stalls and a variety of performances.

Keep an eye on [quandamookafestival.com.au](http://quandamookafestival.com.au) for details of this year's Quandamooka Festival.