

News from your Local Councillor

Cr Wendy Boglary



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.

I was also priviledged to address a very moving candle-light vigil recently at which we all could reflect on the disturbing incidence of violence in our own communities.

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



CONTAGIOUS: Council is proud to support the WAVVS campaign against domestic violence in the Redlands.

Dear residents of Division 1

I am very proud to have again been given the honour of being your Divisional representative in Council.

It is a role to which I will continue to give 100 percent commitment and I will continue to deliver with open and visible accountability and integrity. Thank you for your ongoing support and for all the volunteer hours that you give to make the Redlands such a fantastic place to live.

I am also privileged to be your Deputy Mayor and look forward to being part of a collaborative Council that is united in putting good planning, ethical decision making and community values at the centre of its deliberations.

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NEW COUNCIL: Back, from left: Cr Paul Gleeson, Cr Peter Mitchell, Cr Paul Bishop, Cr Murray Elliott, Cr Lance Hewlett, Cr Paul Golle and Cr Mark Edwards. Front, from left: Cr Tracey Huges, myself, Mayor Karen Williams and Cr Julie Talty.



Catch up for a chat

I will be at Horizons from 9am-10.50am and Wellington Point Village from 11am-1pm on the first Saturday of the month; Ormiston Foodstore from 5pm-6pm on the first Thursday; and for early coffee at Tanja's from 6.30am-8am on the third Thursday. Watch my Facebook page for other chat venues.

Call for action

Your support is needed to ensure safety is a priority in the Wellington Point Village precinct.

After years of writing to State Government departments and Ministers, I am starting a petition to highlight the community support and need for safe pedestrian access in this area.

You can sign the petition from early June in various shops in the Village to send a clear message to the State Government that pedestrian safety is a priority. I believe the pedestrian crossing at the roundabout on Birkdale Road needs to be raised to ensure people can clearly see approaching traffic and also act as a traffic calmer



at the entrance to the Village. Should you wish to get involved and collect signatures please contact me.

I have recently met with designers to discuss further streetscaping of the Village to enhance our local and visitor experience. All of these improvements enhance our friendly Village atmosphere and support our local economy. Buy local!







City Plan ready for next stage

Ormiston House is a national heritage gem right here in Ormiston, with many families enjoying the unique ambience on Mother's Day recently.

It is important moving forward that we protect our various cultural and heritage sites throughout the City.

To that end, the huge task of assessing submissions on our 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.

The recommendations will be based on submissions received.

I will be holding community consultation on the proposed amendments and Council will write to each person who made a properly made submission advising of how it was dealt with.

Once the plan and any amendments are signed off by the Planning Minister, anticipated later this year, the plan will come back to Council for implementation. The result will be a team effort informed by the community.





Better roads

Council is presently working on next year's budget, including our Capital Works Program. Road safety, congestion and infrastructure are priorities. The Northern Arterial, pictured, was recently resealed and there will be more new bitumen across the division in the new financial year.



Community partnership

The \$3.27 million Horizon Foundation Community and Education Centre next to IndigiScapes will transform under-utilised Council-owned land and provide hundreds of jobs. This is one of the largest community services infrastructure projects in the Redlands and a great example of one which benefits the entire City. The site will be transformed into a vibrant community and disability services hub which will inject an estimated \$8 million into the our economy.



Improving our wetland

Since 2010, Council has been studying the waterways which flow into Wellington Point's Sovereign Lake, as well as the lake itself, in a bid to improve water quality, drainage and also for flood mitigation.

As part of this strategy, an assessment and report on options for potential modification of the Sovereign Waters Wetlands report was recently completed.

As a result, officers will be studying sediment and doing other tests before vital wetland maintenance begins in the next few months. The aim is to improve the water quality in this beautiful little wetland which attracts many water birds.

The next time you are walking along Birkdale Road, it would be well worth taking an extra 10 minutes to walk in along the little bridge and enjoy this lovely spot.



Ospreys back in pole position

Wellington Point's celebrity ospreys are settling back into their pole penthouse after a makeover by Council to provide stronger nest supports ahead of breeding season. They have become quite a local attraction.



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