

News from our neighbourhood What's happening in Division 2

Dear resident

Firstly, can I say a big thank you to all those people who supported me at the last election.

Considering there was a major mood for change, I am quite proud to be one of just a few Councillors still standing. I can assure you that my motivation to see the area advance is still strong and I will be as available as ever.

Much has happened since my last newsletter. A new Council has been formed with a new Mayor. The seven new Councillors have had to find their feet quickly to deliver a budget. Council's financial position has again been evaluated by the Queensland Treasury Corporation and been given a 'thumbs up'.

The budget has been delivered and the next financial year will see a focus on finding efficiencies and reviewing non-core services. In Cleveland, rate increases have been smaller than in other parts of the city because of State Government property valuations. Raby Bay residents will have noticed a decrease in their rates bill due to a combination of the valuation changes and the impact of the 'convergence' policy.

Another outcome for the community is the Council purchase of the second CSIRO property at Toondah Harbour. In the medium to long term, it will increase the planning options available for redevelopment of that

area. The returning water business has been accommodated in this office space and commercial tenants are signed up for other areas of the facility.

The completion of the playground and barbeque facilities at Cleveland Point has been a pleasing milestone. The work on the outer part of the ring road should be finished soon.

The Cleveland CBD will see a Mater/ UQ nurse training facility that will bring further people and opportunity to the area. The 'Cleveland Buzz' project held in June was fantastic for everyone who participated. Keep your eyes out for similar experiences if you missed out last time.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I am often at the Cleveland Markets with my 'mobile office' banner, so please stop and have a chat.

Warm regards

Cr Craig Ogilvie

Division 2 - Mainland

Upcoming projects

William Street, Cleveland Public Ramp

A new public boat ramp built south of the existing one. Car and trailer parking will be extended to allow smooth traffic flow between the boat ramps and parking areas.

\$650,000

Cleveland Point Reserve Regional Park

Construction of footpath around the inside of seawall with new planting and seating.

\$430,000

Carpark lighting installed at Old School House Gallery, Cleveland

\$57,400

Raby Bay Esplanade Park

Community consultation and initial design for uture improvements to the park.

\$40,000

