



News from your local councillor

Cr Mark Edwards

Division 5: Southern Moreton Bay Islands edition



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Dear island resident,

I would like to take this opportunity to offer you my best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

I especially hope that you all stay safe, whether you are taking a well-earned break or will be working through the holiday season.

You all deserve a pat on the back for the way you have worked with Council to keep our community safe through another challenging COVID-affected year.

During the holiday period, Council offices will close from 5pm on 24 December 2021 and will reopen on Tuesday 4 January 2022. This includes our Customer Service Centres and libraries.

If you need urgent assistance for an issue that may pose an immediate risk to Council's services and significantly impact residents' amenity or capacity to access services, then please call our main number 3829 8999 and you will be redirected as we will have crews on call.

In this newsletter you will find updates on some much anticipated local projects as well as other information I hope you will find useful.

Merry Christmas to all!


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Division 5 – Islands

New terminals taking shape

The onsite construction of the new island ferry terminals has become visible with the setting up of the contractors' area on Russell Island.

Russell is the first of the four islands to get a new terminal, with work at Macleay, Lamb and Karragarra islands planned for next year.

The SMBI ferry services will continue to operate for the entire duration of construction.

There will be some traffic and pedestrian disruption around the Russell Island construction site, as well as the temporary loss of some parking and temporary changes to the drop-off and bus shelter zones.

Commuters travelling to and from the island will be required to access the nearby temporary ferry access gangway during the works phase, which will remain in place until the new terminal is commissioned and open for public use. The transition to using the ferry access gangway is scheduled for December.

Commuters travelling to and from Macleay, Lamb and Karragarra islands will continue to board and alight ferries at the existing terminals until the construction of the new ferry terminals is complete.

The question being asked from many Russell Island residents is around what the foreshore area will look like once the ferry terminal has been completed.

The good news is that Council designers are progressing a project to redevelop the foreshore from its current configuration. The intent of the design (which is yet to be finalised) is to improve pedestrian safety, create better traffic flow, ensure better access to the bus and provide some additional parking. It's a challenge for the designers given the land constraints at that location.

Once the plans are completed and the project is financially costed, it will be included in the capital works schedule that is presented to Councillors for next year's budget deliberations. I look forward to sharing the plans when completed.

The project team will communicate any construction impacts to Macleay, Lamb or Karragarra before onsite works start.

The construction of all four ferry terminals is planned for completion by mid-2023. To stay up-to-date on key dates or for information on the project, visit Council's Your Say webpage at yoursay.redland.qld.gov.au



Karragarra Island



Lamb Island



Macleay Island



Russell Island

Community safety a priority

Redland City Council has an active working relationship with Queensland Police to help deal with issues which affect our lifestyle, such as anti-social behaviour and crime.

A clear message to come from Queensland Police is that it is important residents report state policing issues directly to the Queensland Police Service as this is the quickest way to get action and also help police to get a picture of where resources need to be directed.

So if you see or hear anti-social behaviour, you need to make a report to police.

If there is an immediate threat to your safety always call 000 if you require police, ambulance or fire crew to attend immediately. This applies to when a crime is in progress, someone is seriously injured, a life is threatened or the offender is still in the area.

Non-urgent reports relating to hooning and antisocial behaviour can be made through the Policelink service, either online at police.qld.gov.au or by calling 131 444. You also can call the dedicated hoon hotline on 13HOON (134 666).

Please provide as much information as you can about the incident, including the time and date, location, nature of the incident and, when it comes to hooning, details of all cars involved, including registration plate details if possible.

Hooning is defined as any of the following: speeding and street racing; 'donuts' and burn-outs; screeching brakes; revving of engines; skidding, drifting and fishtailing; and driving so as to cause unnecessary noise or smoke.

All of this behaviour can be dangerous and the culprits risk having their vehicles impounded. By reporting incidents, you will help police to identify and target hotspots and help make the roads safer for everyone.

Non-urgent police matters, such as a break and enter, property damage and vehicle or property theft, can be reported to police online via the Queensland Police Service website, by phoning Policelink on 131 444 (24 hours, 7 days). You can also call Crimestoppers on 1800 333 000 if you have information about a crime.

Non-police matters can be reported to Council for action on 3829 8999. These include issues such as graffiti and vandalism of Council property (which can be reported via Vandaltrak mobile app), illegal dumping and littering, abandoned vehicles and shopping trolleys, animal-related complaints, potholes and faulty street lights.

I have included a handy contact list as we enter the holiday season which is well worth putting on your fridge.

WHO TO CALL?

Urgent police matters

Call 000

Crimestoppers

1800 333 000

Non-urgent police matters

Policelink on 131 444 (24 hours, 7 days)

Your local police station:

- Capalaba Police Beat - 3433 3355
- Cleveland - 3824 9333
- Dunwich - 3409 6020
- Point Lookout Police Beat - 3050 9555
- Redland Bay - 3829 4111
- Road Policing Unit - 3433 3323
- Bayside Crime Prevention Unit - 3308 8180

Council matters

3829 8999

Other useful numbers

Family or domestic violence

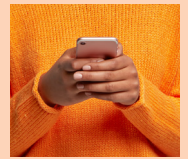
If you or your family are in immediate danger, call 000

Local support services include:

- Beyond Blue 1300 224 636
- Lifeline 13 11 14
- Mensline 1300 789 978
- Kids Helpline 1800 551 800
- DV Connect 1800 811 811

Stay informed

mypolice.qld.gov.au/bayside/



Island updates

Repairs to the damaged pile at Macleay Island's Ron Field jetty were recently completed.

Further maintenance works on the jetty will be undertaken in conjunction with the larger Southern Moreton Bay Island ferry terminals project.

Meanwhile, Council's conservation team has completed extensive fuel reduction across Russell Island in preparation for the summer season. All up there have been five burns on the island.

Welcome news for Weinam Creek

The final draft master plan for the Weinam Creek Priority Development Area (PDA) has been submitted to Economic Development Queensland (EDQ) for assessment.

The master plan was available for public comment between August and September. EDQ will now review the application and submissions made during the consultation period and make a decision on the application.

Meanwhile, Council has also welcomed the State Government's announcement of the 1.4ha parcel of land on Meissner Street, Redland Bay, as the preferred site for a planned satellite hospital.

The Meissner Street land is located within the Weinam Creek PDA.

Council, in partnership with Redland Investment Corporation, has been working with the State



Government for months on securing an appropriate site for this valuable addition to health services for our community.

It's exciting to see the State investment in Redlands Coast health and infrastructure and it will be a valuable service for residents in the southern areas of our city, especially for those on the Southern Moreton Bay Islands.

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