

# **News from your local councillor** Cr Paul Gollè



**Division 3: Cleveland/Thornlands/Victoria Point** 

### Dear resident,

It's been another busy year. In fact, with COVID-19 and other challenging events locally, it has been a challenging four years, but we stood fast and held together, moving forward side by side to a positive future and that's what counts.

It has been an absolute pleasure serving you over those years.

I have met so many amazing people in our community. I have seen new life brought into the world and I have stood sombre saying goodbye for the last time to some.

I have watched our youth grow up to be amazing young adults and I have waved goodbye to some as they ventured off to the Australian Defence Force.

I've held residents close as they've shed tears and I've laughed with excited exuberance as they've celebrated life.

We are an amazing community, full of excitement and passion for life and, together, we can continue moving forward into an awesome future.

As always, where you need my assistance, I am available on email at paul.golle@redland.qld.gov.au or you can call me on 0438 117 265.

Always call OOO if there is a threat to your safety and you need police, ambulance or a fire crew to attend immediately. This applies when a crime is in progress, someone is seriously injured, a life is threatened, or the offender is still in the area.

I encourage all residents of Division 3 to please check in with friends and family to lend a hand or simply share a cuppa with a neighbour. This is especially important as we enter our peak storm and bushfire risk season.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all residents an extra-special and safe holiday season. Enjoy Christmas, celebrate family and let's lend a hand to those who may not be so fortunate.

On behalf of my family, thank you and merry Christmas.







# Major projects

The Wellington Street/Panorama Drive upgrade continues with gusto. Council contractors are working fast to complete this much needed infrastructure.



### **Community groups**

Council continues to support the Australian Army Cadets with grants and sponsorship.



#### Arts

Celebrating the arts at Yurara Art Gallery Pinklands. We have so many talented artists locally.



Environment

Managing environmental impacts within our community and advocating on behalf of residents.



# Parks and play

Continuing to deliver on parks and play areas for families.



# Youth crime

Addressing youth crime in our area, working with authorities and community groups to find solutions.



# Sports and community

Big thank you to Redlands Hockey Association Inc for inviting me down to present awards. Together with the Federal Member Henry Pike, it was great to see so many families taking part in the big day.



# Contact

I am always available, just reach out. Here are my details. I'm only a call away.



Christmas by Starlight when it was last at Redland Showgrounds in 2019.

# **Christmas back under stars**

A Christmas tradition on Redlands Coast returns to its original format and location this year.

Christmas by Starlight will be held on Saturday 16 December, from 3pm to 8.30pm, at Norm Price Park – Redland Showgrounds, Cleveland.

For the past three years, the event had been subject to restrictions brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic and had been a ticketed event held over five days at Raby Bay Harbour Park.

This year it returns to its original popular location at the showgrounds and will be free to all with no tickets required.

There will be live entertainment, free rides, Christmas merchandise stalls,



food trucks, a visit from Santa Claus and Christmas carolling.

Earlier in the month, the annual Lighting of the Christmas Tree will be held from 5pm to 8.30pm on Friday 1 December at Raby Bay Harbour Park, Cleveland. There will be free live entertainment, photos with Santa, a Christmas movie in the park, and the official lighting of the tree. It is a free event with no tickets required.

# Swing by and check out the park upgrade

Percy Ziegenfusz Park in Thornlands is undergoing a makeover.

The spruce-up of the popular park in Seqoia Street started in October and will include some fun new equipment and some fresh new landscaping.

Playground equipment being installed includes a play unit, parrot rocker,

double swing, ball maze panel, and soccer goal. It will also have a rubber and sand softfall area, sandstone seating blocks, and other landscape features such as topsoil and turf. It is hopeful that the upgrade will be finished in time for Christmas, with a completion date of 15 December, weather permitting.

# ARE YOU READY REDLANDS COAST?

#### STORM AND BUSHFIRE SEASON IS HERE

#### Take the steps now to keep you, your loved ones and your property safe.

- 1. Know the risk everyone's disaster risk is different. Find out what disasters may happen in our area and how they might affect you. Take actions to reduce your risk.
- 2. Have a plan extreme weather can happen quickly. A plan means everyone in your household knows what to do, saving precious time.
- 3. Have an emergency kit store your kit somewhere safe so you have the things you need when the weather turns bad.



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# **Closure times**

All non-essential Redland City Council services will shut from close of business on Friday 22 December 2023 and will reopen on Tuesday 2 January 2024. This includes Customer Service Centres and Council's Contact Centre.

Council's emergency service will operate during the closure period for Council-related emergencies.

For more information on operating hours, visit **redland.qld.gov.au** 

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