



Division 4 News

Cr Laurie Koranski



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Connecting our community

One of the best ways to discover Logan's hidden gems is by exploring the city's trail network.

The Logan Village to Yarrabilba Rail Trail, river link and Neumann Park in Yarrabilba are the latest additions to Council's pathway network providing better connections for the Division 4 community.

City Lifestyle Chair and Division 4 Councillor Laurie Koranski said the new trails provided opportunities for walkers, joggers, hikers and cyclists to enjoy the great outdoors.

'Whether you are visiting the caves in Neumann Park, drinking in the views from the river link or cycling the rail trail, there are so many points of interest for residents to discover,' Cr Koranski said.

'These trails have been so well received; residents are asking Council what's next to further expand the network.'

Cr Koranski said Waterford, Buccan and Bethania residents had not been overlooked, with Council

attracting \$200,000 from the Queensland Government to conduct a rail trail feasibility study.

The study, now complete, focused on 10.5 km of the disused rail corridor connecting Bethania station to Logan Village.

With independent consultants determining the project feasible, Council is now exploring funding opportunities through the state and federal governments to progress the project to detailed design and construction.

Cr Koranski confirmed Council was committed to community consultation.

'I'm looking forward to hearing our community's thoughts—both their great ideas and concerns, should this project proceed,' Cr Koranski said.

The \$2.6 million Logan Village to Yarrabilba Rail Trail project was a joint initiative of Logan City Council and the Queensland Government and included \$2 million in funding from the Queensland Government's Unite and Recover Community Stimulus program.

(Left to right) Grace Connolly, Charlotte Hartley, Councillor Laurie Koranski, Zephaniah Hartley and Rose Connolly



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Division 4

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Councillor update

Welcome to our new Division 4 newsletter.

Firstly, I'd like to say a huge thank you to all the Logan legends who rolled up their sleeves during the recent flood crisis. We have a community spirit here in Logan second to none. From the essential workers doing their best to keep our supermarket shelves stocked, to the countless individuals who reached out to check in on their neighbours—thank you.

I'd also like to acknowledge the hard work of the Logan Village and Cedar Creek/Wolffdene Rural Fire Brigades, SES teams, Cedar Creek Hall, Logan Village Community Centre, Logan Village Lions, Dunamis Church Yarrabilba and mud army volunteers for their community outreach throughout the crisis. Thanks also must go to the Whitehouse of Waterford and Windaroo Lakes Golf Club clean-up crews, who, as always, were there to answer the call.

It is a great privilege to represent our community in Council, but I am never prouder to be your area Councillor than in times of trouble when I see firsthand the strength and resilience of our people.

I hope you enjoy this first edition of our newsletter. As always, I am keen to hear your ideas on how we can make Division 4 an even greater place to live. The new turning lane at Opal Gardens and CCTV cameras for Logan Village, Waterford and Windaroo are examples of projects coming to life because of residents reaching out to me with their thoughts.

Should you have ideas or concerns you'd like to share, I'd love to hear from you. Please email me at lauriekoranski@logan.qld.gov.au

For a further snapshot from across the Division, visit ourlogan.com.au/category/council/division-4



Sharon Hamilton and Linda Casbolt from Woodlands Neighbourhood Watch with Councillor Koranski.

Eye on Waterford, Windaroo, Logan Village and Yarrabilba

Logan City Council, in partnership with the Queensland Police Service, is keeping a watchful eye on Division 4 with the installation of new CCTV cameras.

The latest locations to benefit from cameras include:

- High Rd and Easterly St in Waterford
- Waterford District Park
- Carl Heck Bvd and Beaudesert-Beenleigh Rd in Windaroo (with the support of neighbouring Councillors Karen Murphy and Tony Hall)
- Geoff Philp Dr and Stockleigh Rd in Logan Village (with the support of neighbouring Councillor Scott Bannan)
- Yarrabilba Dr.

Councillor Laurie Koranski said the installation of new CCTV safety cameras was an important initiative that aimed to capture and deter crime in our neighbourhoods.

'When I was first elected in 2016, there were no CCTV cameras or flood cameras in Division 4,' she said.

'I made it my mission to work with Council officers, Queensland Police, Neighbourhood Watch and residents to bring the latest CCTV technology to our area.

'Now there are 19 CCTV and 5 flood camera locations in our division with plans for further expansion,' Cr Koranski said.

The Logan Safety Camera Program monitors more than 1,000 cameras in public locations and Council facilities across the city.

For more information on the Logan Safety Camera Program or Council's approach to community safety and crime prevention, visit logan.qld.gov.au/safety.

Mayor's message



As recovery operations swing into gear across the City of Logan, Council has made a commitment to implement a Flood Recovery Financial Assistance Package to support impacted residents and businesses.

These floods were the worst the City of Logan has seen since 1974. We are still counting the

number of properties impacted but anticipate it could be up to 300 properties that have been inundated by floodwater.

Had the rain not stopped on that last Sunday night in February, we know things could have been a lot worse. Predictions suggested the flood levels in the Logan

River could have been up to 3 metres higher than what we ultimately experienced.

We're still working through the financial and long-term impacts on our city - but this isn't just about numbers, it's about our people.

I've said it before, and I'll say it again – the people are what make our city great.

To our community, 'Logan Legend' volunteers, SES, community agencies and our Councillors and Council staff – thank you for your tireless efforts and going above and beyond during the flood emergency.

Our thoughts are also with our fellow South East Queensland and northern New South Wales councils who have also experienced some of the worst floods ever seen.

Take care and stay safe.

Mayor Darren Power
City of Logan

The word on the street

The installation of a turning lane into Opal Garden's Over 50's Lifestyle Resort in Logan Village is among a number of road infrastructure improvement projects planned or under way in Division 4.

With design works to the entrance of Opal Gardens already under way, construction is expected to start in the third quarter of the year.

Councillor Laurie Koranski said news of the proposed upgrade had been met with enthusiasm from residents.

'It has been a hard slog to get this project over the line,' she said.

'As this upgrade did not align with any of Council's works programs, Division 4 Local Infrastructure Program funding has been set aside over consecutive years to get this job done.

'I thank Opal Gardens residents for their ongoing patience,' Cr Koranski said.

The upgrade aims to provide increased protection to residents and visitors turning into the resort and will include road resurfacing, kerb and channel replacement, footpath realignment and line marking.

Cr Koranski said further proposed road infrastructure improvement projects for the division include:

- **Reconstruction works** at Stegemann Rd and Hideaway Lane at Buccan
- **road widening, drainage, and parking improvements** along High Rd, Easterly St and Old Logan Village Rd at Waterford. (This project is to be jointly funded by Council and the Australian Government's Urban Congestion Fund.)

All works are pending project approvals.

Family-friendly makeover for local parks

New facilities and play equipment are being delivered across a range of parks in Division 4.

Activity Park in Windaroo is the latest to receive a makeover with a new picnic setting, sand softfall, playground equipment, rubbish bin, fresh signage and a lick of paint on the posts supporting the shade structure.

Councillor Laurie Koranski said this project, due to start mid-year, was being funded through Division 4's Local Infrastructure Program budget and asset replacement.

'Residents tell me they love our local parks, playgrounds and picnic areas,' she said.

'I want to make sure these assets meet our community's expectations now and into the future.

'Most of these improvements are the result of residents sharing with me their thoughts on how we can make our awesome local parks even better.'

Other recent park improvements completed in Division 4 include Outlook Drive and Boulevard Park in Waterford and Willman Park in Belivah.

Works planned for Crossing Park in Waterford and Thwaites Reserve in Bannockburn will start soon.

LEGEND

- 01 New sand softfall playground and equipment with concrete edge
- 02 New picnic setting
- 03 New bin
- 04 New park sign
- 05 Shade sail upgrade (post repainting)
- 06 New seating
- 07 New shelters

EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE

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| • Adventure play unit | • Shelter |
| • Digger | • Seat |
| • Swings | • Picnic setting |





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We're building a new planning scheme for Logan - our "book of rules" to guide growth in the city and shape our future.

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FLOOD RECOVERY

Have you or someone you know been affected by the severe wet weather event? You may be eligible for support.

The Queensland Government has sent up the Community Recovery Grants Portal. The portal allows people to apply for financial assistance and support services. You can also call the Community Recovery Hotline for help to complete applications for financial assistance and support services over the phone.

W: communityrecovery.qld.gov.au
P: 1800 173 349

Council's recovery hubs

In-person support is available from recovery hubs operating in Beenleigh, Jimboomba and Kingston. Talk to community recovery workers, receive referrals for community organisations and other government agencies, and apply for grants. Council also has refuges across the City of Logan, where you can drop-in for a chat.

W: logan.qld.gov.au/emergency-evacuation-council-closures

Are you still flood inundated?

Visit: logan.qld.gov.au/flood-impacts

- Council grants for organisations to help flood-impacted residents: logan.qld.gov.au/cdf
- Australian Government support: tinyurl.com/2dnhyn8p
- Sport and Recreation Disaster Recovery Program: tinyurl.com/5n7b9whr
- RACQ Foundation Community Grants: tinyurl.com/mujn6epf

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