

Division 2 News

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Community consultations produce great results

Over the past 4 months, community consultations have been held to discuss Local Infrastructure Program (LIP) spending on park improvements, community safety, sports facilities and road safety projects.

As always, I appreciated the support of local residents and am pleased conversations have added value to the ideas put forward. Working together, we have achieved some great outcomes over the last few months for our local area including:

- > new dog off leash agility equipment in Bega Park, Springvale Park and Turnock Park
- > new basketball key court and volleyball court at Parkdale Park
- > new soccer goals Samba Park
- > new seating at Springvale Park, Bega Park, Logan Gardens and Parkdale Park

- > speed platforms or chicanes installed in Velorum Drive, Ashvale Street and Poplar Avenue
- > kitchen upgrade at Logan City Netball is complete and contractors will commence work on Gould Adams Multihub kitchen soon
- > roof solar systems have been installed at almost every council facility in Division 2 since 2020, reducing the electricity costs for groups and sporting clubs
- > pricing on 4 new CCTV cameras. Council has introduced new CCTV camera installation processes, ensuring the network can continue to perform in line with industry standards and legislation. This includes ongoing quoting for 4 new CCTV cameras in Underwood.

I look forward to having a chat with you at one of the Division 2 mobile offices or community consultations. You can find more information on my Facebook page.



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Volunteers are valued

I wanted to say a big thank you to all of the wonderful volunteers and participants who organise or come along to local activities each and every week in our local area.

Division 2 provides locals and people from around the city with great and friendly services every week. These include swimming for health at 5.30 am each weekday at Gould Adams Pool, Garden Club meetings, bellydancing, indoor bowls and craft at Logan Area Committee on the Ageing, health and wellbeing classes and talks at Amuptees and Families Support Group, and Marvellous Mature Women and other activities at the Library.

Our Meals on Wheels food prep team are the best and drivers provide home services and friendship to people who can't provide for themselves short term

If you want to volunteer, attend an event or be more active in the community please get in touch with me on 0499 995 411.



Listening, learning and delivering

Many Division 2 facilities are reaching half a century in age and, like most 50-year-olds, they still have their original fittings, which are starting to look a bit tired and worn in. For me, this term has been about repairing older infrastructure and replacing worn out parts of our community facilities to ensure they last another 50 years.

In Division 2, we identified the priorities early on in 2020 and it was all about safety and accessibility.

Leaking roofs have been replaced in the Logan Central Community Centre and new electrical safety systems installed where needed. Assets have been removed from sale and repurposed for community use. Community buildings and halls have been updated with solar power to reduce running costs and make the facilities more user friendly with ambulant toilets.

Our parks have had some wonderful improvements with new play areas, additional swings and carousels, new mural and hard surface play areas. As funds allow across the division, we are installing accessible parks with seating suited to the elderly, pathways that connect to allow wheelchair and scooter users greater access, and swings that allow children with mobility issues greater opportunities to play with their friends rather than sitting on the sidelines watching.

We have a new pump track and gold star park at Eridani Avenue, which was built with fun and accessibility in mind and carousels are being installed in some of the smaller parks like Mikaga, Yugumbri and Parkdale.

We are working on plans for a new skate area for Kingston, more courts to play on in Underwood, affordable lighting for parks and installing fun dog agility activities and nesting boxes for native friends.

I am proud we have achieved these things together and look forward to delivering more services!





A lifetime of giving

Pam and Les Marshall have been a part of Logan City Cricket Club since it opened in 1976 and for the past 2 decades have had the responsibility of running the club, keeping the pitch up to standard, weekly mowing, and aerating and maintaining the field.

Now in their 70s, the couple, who are facing some serious health challenges, have hung up the stumps for good after efforts to get players registered under the club failed.

In October I planned to move a motion to honour the massive volunteering efforts of Pam and Les by naming 2 playing fields at Gould Adams Park to Marshall Fields to recognise decades of giving to Division 2.

Wilbur Street Youth Hub construction starts

Construction has started on the Wilbur Street Youth Hub with an expected opening date of mid-2024.

Despite Council owning the building, in which Logan Central Library is also housed, for many years, the section of the building being used for the hub has been vacant for a long time. There are considerable building modifications required before a full fit-out for the youth hub can occur.

A dedicated youth space was on many parents' wishlist for the local area and I am proud that 3 levels of government have worked together to fund it and make it happen. With an investment of \$2.02 million of Queensland Government funding from South East Queensland Community Stimulus Program, an Australian Government grant of \$840,000 from "Investing in our Communities", as well as \$2.2 million funding from Council, we are creating a dream come true for local teens.

The hub will have planned and casual activities including an art and craft space, rehearsal studio, indoor sports including basketball and volleyball, a games/IT area, First Nations space, industrial kitchen, hang out space, a quiet room for young people with sensory challenges, showers and laundry space for kids doing it tough — and all areas will be disability accessible.

We are still working on the mechanics of who runs the centre. One possibility being considered is Council retaining control, with youth workers employed to run the hub. The outcome depends on community feedback.

Mayor's message



The City of Logan is growing faster than ever before.

As a Council, we have a vision for our city to be a well-planned, connected, and beautiful place to live. We want to make sure there are good things for everyone – like a great lifestyle, opportunities to

invest, and jobs for all.

We welcome growth; however, we also need to be responsible with our finances. In a time when cost of living is high and there is a housing shortage, finding the right balance is important. We face challenges in building important things like bridges and roads because there are limits on how much we can charge people.

As a Council, we are also working to attract new businesses and industries to the region, which will create more job opportunities and stimulate economic growth.

We also need help from the Queensland Government to make sure our city has all the things it needs. We've worked hard with other local governments to ensure the Queensland Government's South East Queensland Regional Plan addresses the concerns we have for our city.

This plan says that more than 600,000 people will live in Logan by 2046. We have consistently met all housing targets set by the Queensland Government. However, we have a responsibility to current residents and ratepayers to not overcommit our limited financial resources towards unnecessary spending, so growth must be well planned.

It is important that local and state governments can work together to achieve the best outcomes for our growing region, in a way that respects both state interests and the needs and ambitions of local communities and governments.

I have no doubt the young families who value Logan's affordability and quality lifestyles will benefit.

Mayor Darren Power City of Logan



Cr Lane (far right) looking at plans for Wilbur Street Youth Hub with Federal Treasurer and Member for Rankin Jim Chalmers, Mayor Darren Power, and State Treasurer and Member for Woodridge Cameron Dick.







