# **Division 10 News** LOGAN Cr Miriam Stemp



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## Lighting the way for families in need

From humble beginnings 20 years ago, to now helping more than 70,000 families per year, Lighthouse Care provides support to so many families struggling with increased cost pressures and feeding their families on a tight budget.

I recently had the pleasure of joining the founders of Lighthouse Care, Debbie and Ron, to celebrate the grand opening of their newly renovated and rebranded discount grocery store in Loganholme.

Now called The Good Food Shop, Lighthouse Care will continue to offer their famous \$25 trolley and more than 800 grocery products for delivery to homes across South East Queensland.

This much needed store expansion means that Lighthouse Care can stock more essentials and help more families during challenging times.

Being a non-profit organisation, Lighthouse Care is always in need of volunteers to help make their \$25 trolleys and support the Loganholme and Hillcrest stores.

'We always need volunteers, especially on Saturdays,' Debbie says.

'When you volunteer with you us, you get more than you give, as your actions are bringing love and hope to vulnerable families.'

Lighthouse Care will celebrate its 20th anniversary this year with an exciting 'Viva Las Vegas' themed fundraiser at the Logan Entertainment Centre on 22 June, 2024.

Its annual fundraisers are always a fun night and raise funds to support vital services for the community. To find out out more visit:

lighthouse.org.au

#### Local contacts:

Logan City Council and Logan Water (24 hrs): **3412 3412** Animal Ambulance: **1300 264 625** What's on? **ourlogan.com.au** 



#### **Thank you!**

As I head into another 4 years as your local Councillor, I would like to take a moment to say thank you to everyone for your ongoing support. I will continue to work hard, listen and be your voice in Council. As always, if you ever

have any concerns or suggestions for our local community or the City of Logan, I would love to hear from you.

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# New Carbrook shelter to support all-weather learning

Carbrook Animal Assisted Learning Centre, located on the grounds of the beautiful heritage-listed Old Carbrook School, is a special assistance school for secondary students who have disengaged from mainstream schooling.

The centre provides specialised programs with a focus on student wellbeing, individualised education, transition pathways and animal assisted learning.

The flagship horse program offers a variety of learning experiences for students, comprising ground skills, horse riding and equestrian vaulting.

I first visited the school back in 2020, and over the past 4 years have seen first-hand the incredible impact the teachers, support staff and horse program have had upon the lives of their students.

The need for a shelter over the horse corral was recently

identified, due to the lack of shade and shelter from the rain. I was happy to support Council's decision to contribute \$50,000 towards the cost of a roofing structure through Division 10 Local Infrastructure Program funding.

The school also secured \$100,000 through the Gambling Community Benefit Fund, which further assisted with project costs. It is great to see the shelter completed and I am sure it will be well used by the school for many years to come.

If you would like to find out more information about the Carbrook Animal Assisted Learning Centre, the team will be hosting their annual Open Day on 17 June, 2024, from 10 am to noon.

To register or find out more, please visit the official website.

carbrookcentre.qld.edu.au

## **More upgrades for Alexander Clark Park**

When I visit Alexander Clark Park, it is always wonderful to see the park being used by so many people from the local community and visitors from afar.

From the sports courts to the bike track, flying fox, water play area and of course, 'Fluffy' the koala climber, it is great to see people of all ages enjoying all the park has to offer.

I'm excited to share that the park upgrade program is continuing with Stage 3 works already underway.

The latest project includes a sealed 35-space car park, extended pathways, a new park entry statement, additional seating and new landscaping. There are also new general and recycling rubbish bins.

Wildlife nest boxes for species endemic to the parkland area are also scheduled to be installed later in the year, along with native stingless beehives to further support local flora and fauna within the park.

#### **Planned upgrades**

In the coming years, other planned upgrades include the provision of additional shade, and improvements to enhance the playground at the lower end of the park and the dog off-leash areas.



### Mayor's message



Firstly, I'd like to say a big thank you to everyone who voted in the recent local government elections.

I feel incredibly humbled to be chosen as Mayor of the youngest, most diverse and fastest-growing city in Queensland.

If you ask me, it's also the greatest city, and I know I'm not the only one who feels that way.

Our community spirit is what sets us apart, and it is why people who live in Logan love it. Businesses are seeing our potential and more people want to make Logan their home.

My pledge to you is that I will talk up our success stories and promote our amazing community. I want to change our reputation from what it's always been, to what we know it can be. To make that happen, I will fight for our city to get the investment it needs. Recently Council announced we're trialling a new method of encouraging grass growth at one of our parks, using recycled textiles. Supporting local businesses to explore new ideas is a priority for Council, especially when those ideas help reduce waste heading to landfill or create new revenue streams.

We're also building a second Olympic-sized pool for the city due to open next year. Logan residents have told me loud and clear they want to stay active and spend time with their families – and I'm proud we are delivering that. These are just a couple of ways we are transforming Logan to better serve our growing communities.

To find out more about upcoming projects, please stay in touch with your local Councillor and me on our social media accounts, and on the Logan City Council website.

I'm looking forward to an amazing 4 years as your Mayor.

Mayor Jon Raven City of Logan







