



Division 3 News

Cr Mindy Russell



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Be storm prepared this summer

Severe weather is a natural part of living in the City of Logan's sub-tropical climate.

I experienced this firsthand when my own home in Slacks Creek went under during the 2022 floods.

Every year, Logan experiences severe weather and it's important for us all to take the time to prepare our families, pets and property.

The following tips offer some advice on what you can do now to help you stay safe during and after a severe weather event.

- > Download the app: lccqld.com/logan-early-warning.
- > Trim tree branches to be clear of your house and mow your grass regularly.
- > If you can do so safely, clean your roof, gutters and downpipes and check any skylights.
- > Secure outdoor items such as

- furniture, toys and equipment when a storm is approaching.
- > My personal tip is to get to know others on your street.

During the 2022 flood, my neighbours were incredible. They helped with sandbags, brought me food and coffees by boat, then they helped with the clean-up. I don't know how I would've made it through that time without them.

To be prepared for all forms of severe weather including bushfires, floods and heatwaves, prepare an emergency kit to include:

- > Bottled water (enough for 3 days per person)
- > Non-perishable food items (enough for 3 days per person) and can opener
- > First-aid kit
- > Essential medications and prescriptions

- > Baby supplies if needed
- > Torch
- > Battery operated radio with spare batteries
- > Important documents or important files on a USB
- > Toiletries and hand sanitiser
- > Extra clothes and blankets
- > Pet food if needed

For more tips on how to prepare for severe weather, go to Council's website logan.qld.gov.au and visit the Disaster Dashboard for up-to-date information.

Emergency service contacts:

- > Police, Fire, Ambulance: 000 (if it is a life-threatening emergency), otherwise call 13 14 44
- > State Emergency Service (SES): 13 25 00
- > Energex: 13 19 62
- > Queensland Health: 13 HEALTH (13 43 25 84)



Good neighbours were key in helping the post-flood clean-up.



Flooding around Cr Mindy Russell's Slacks Creek home in 2022.

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Local contacts:

Logan City Council and Logan Water (24 hrs): **3412 3412**

Animal Ambulance: **1300 264 625**

What's on? ourlogan.com.au

Mayor's message



I've got some exciting news for our city. We've just announced an amazing new project in Logan – and the Expressions of

Interest for a company to build it are officially open.

If you haven't already heard about the Logan Indoor Sports Centre, it's a multi-purpose indoor sports facility that our growing city needs, which is being built to an Olympic standard so that it can be used if needed when the Games arrive in 2032.

It's exactly what our fast-growing city needs, because facilities like this inspire young people to reach for the stars. This venue can host a range of sports, para sports and large-scale events, and host 7,000 people inside.

Three levels of government have come together to make this happen. At a cost of \$142 million dollars, it's being jointly funded by the Australian and Queensland governments, with Council providing the land.

The facility will be owned and operated by Logan City Council and is sure to become a beacon for state, national and international sports and events. It's going to be built where the old PCYC is – close to the Logan Entertainment Centre as a great addition to our fantastic events hub.

I'm grateful to local state MPs Linus Power and Cameron Dick, as well as Federal Treasurer Jim Chalmers and Minister for Infrastructure Catherine King, for coming along to the announcement in Logan Central. Hats off to them for recognising the limitless potential of Logan.

Investment like this is exactly what we need to create a brighter future for our kids. With 9 indoor courts across 2 halls, this will leave a legacy from the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games to benefit our community for decades to come.

Mayor Jon Raven
City of Logan



Cr Russell gets to know one of the cats at the redeveloped Animal Management Centre.

Do you have a forever home for a new pet?

I recently enjoyed a visit to explore Logan City Council's redeveloped Animal Management Centre (AMC) in Queens Road at Kingston.

The last time I was there was to collect Shadow, my little black cavoodle, after his desexing.

Back then, while it was a functional facility filled with highly capable staff, it couldn't be ignored that it was a collection of demountable buildings older than me.

This time, however, I was impressed to see what a transformation has occurred in the facility.

A lot of planning went into the design of the new 2.5-hectare, state-of-the-art centre which has around 100 staff.

The upgrade's focus has been on making smoother processes, leading to happier people and animals.

Part of my visit was to see the

cute kitties and to check out their new digs. I was pleased to observe calm cats, each with a space of their own.

These 'cat condos' are air-conditioned and ventilated. They are cleverly designed to be comfortable, to reduce stress and very importantly, help limit the spread of any infections and illnesses.

There's also a lovely environment where families can meet and get to know prospective pets.

In the canine section, I got to meet an energetic but sweet dog, Hero. He was enjoying a walk and learning some behavioural skills in preparation for finding a new home.

I also met a swearsy cockatoo, but he was very polite to me.

All the animals I saw get a five-star experience in the AMC, but they'd much prefer to find their forever homes in our community.

If you are looking for a new family member, visit lccqld.com/pets

What's happening in our community

New pool opening hours



The City of Logan's premier aquatic centre is right here in Division 3.

Logan North Aquatic Centre, on Sports Drive at Underwood, boasts the 50-metre heated Jodie Henry Pool, which is suitable for lap swimming, training and competition.

There's also a heated indoor pool which is the proud home of the Logan Swim School.

My favourite feature is the Water Play Splash Pad, which is loved by families. I also enjoy the cafe which is perfect for some post-swimming relaxation.

Along with many other locals, I am pleased that Logan North Aquatic Centre has extended opening hours to 5 pm on weekends to provide more time for us all to enjoy the great facilities with family and friends.

Spring and Summer opening hours:

- > Monday to Friday: 5:30 am to 7 pm
- > Saturday: 7 am to 5 pm
- > Sunday: 8 am to 5 pm

Public holiday hours:

- > Monday, 7 October (King's Birthday): 9 am to 2 pm
- > Tuesday, 24 December (Christmas Eve): 6 am to 5 pm
- > Wednesday, 25 December (Christmas Day): Closed
- > Thursday, 26 December (Boxing Day): 9 am to 5 pm
- > Wednesday, 1 January 2025 (New Year's Day): 9 am to 5 pm

Homestead Park upgrade



As a long-time resident of the area, I know those who use Homestead Park in Shailer Park have sometimes had to head home early because of a lack of toilet facilities. Not anymore!

The area's newest loos (pictured) provide a unisex ambulant cubicle and unisex disabled cubicle. The facilities are well lit and are designed to ensure cleanliness, safety, and accessibility for everyone.

They will be monitored, cleaned and inspected regularly.

The toilet block is conveniently located between the playground and the sporting facilities and is painted to reflect the area's natural surrounds and wildlife. Thank you kindly to the many residents who participated in the selection of this stunning artwork.

Help stop fire ants



Logan City Council is collaborating with Biosecurity Queensland on the Red Imported Fire Ants Treat-at-Home campaign.

If you think there might be fire ants in your yard or a neighbour's yard, a free fire ant treatment kit is now available for a limited time for City of Logan homeowners and tenants.

To learn more about fire ants, or to order your free treatment kit, go to:

- > fireants.org.au/treat/residents/free-kit
- > or call 132 268 (132 ANT)

Connecting with our Creek, naturally

The Mabel Park Waterway Naturalisation project is underway to reconnect Slacks Creek to the natural environment and the community.

This revegetation project aims to improve habitat quality for native aquatic and land species, as well as establishing community connections with the waterway.

Around 600 metres of Council-owned land, including a 200-metre concrete-lined channel will be restored to a more natural state.

Weed control will also be undertaken with native plants and habitat features added. The project is funded by Council and the Australian Government.



The concrete drain in Mabel Park which will be replaced with a natural environment.

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SAVE THE DATE

Saturday 7 December 2024
 3 pm – 8:30 pm

Kingston Butter Factory Cultural Precinct

FREE EVENT




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Never bin your batteries

When you throw your batteries in the bin, you are creating a safety risk. If they are crushed in a garbage truck, or in landfill, **IT CAN CAUSE A FIRE.**





Take your batteries to any B-cycle drop-off point or Council Recycling Facility.
lccql.com/batteries

Know it before you throw it

Don't toss them in general waste or recycling bins

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