



# Division 2 News

## Cr Teresa Lane



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# Our community at its BEST

The team from BEST Disability Support put their investigative journalism skills to the test during a recent visit to Logan City Council's Animal Management Centre (AMC) in Kingston.

The Slacks Creek and Greenbank organisation allows young people with disabilities to flourish in our community by doing, learning, listening and participating in a range of activities including BEST Weekly News (BWN).

The BWN team includes Brandon, Coden, Liam, Connor, Sam and James.

The film crew plan, script, film and edit

all their own footage, which is shared to their social media channels.

During their visit to the AMC, I was interviewed by BWN's Lead Investigator Brandon about liveability and safety in our city for everyone, including people with disability.

It was a great interview with loads of wonderful questions asked on a wide range of issues.

The BWN team members also got to see the wonderful new facilities at the AMC while meeting some of the animals ready for adoption.

The visit came about after BEST

approached Council earlier this year proposing a partnership project.

They wanted to do videos that helped explain the role Council plays in community, while also using the media exposure to help break down the stigma some have around people living with disability.

I'm glad that the AMC in Division 2 was chosen to kick-off this exciting program.

To catch up on the work being done by these local journos from BEST, scan the QR code.



Cr Teresa Lane and Council staff welcome members of the BEST Disability Support Group to the new upgraded Animal Management Centre at Kingston.



Cr Lane being interviewed by Brandon from the BEST Weekly News Team.

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# 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

<p><b>Blue tongue lizard</b></p> <p>Blue-tongue lizards are quite adaptable and can often be found in suburban gardens. They help control pests like snails and insects.</p> <p>They are not venomous. When scared, they may open their mouth wide, stick out their blue tongue and hiss.</p>		<p><b>Brushtail possum</b></p> <p>Brushtail possums are nocturnal, meaning they are active at night. They spend their days sleeping in tree hollows, or other dark, sheltered spots.</p> <p>They use a range of vocalisations to communicate, including hisses, grunts, and screeches. These sounds are often heard during the night, especially during the mating season.</p>		<p><b>Rainbow lorikeet</b></p> <p>Rainbow lorikeets mate for life. They nest in tree hollows, and the female incubates the eggs while both parents take care of the young.</p> <p>They play a crucial role in pollinating many native plants as they move from flower to flower in search of nectar.</p>		<p><b>Eastern water dragon</b></p> <p>Eastern water dragons often bask on rocks or branches near water to regulate their body temperatures. When threatened, they can drop from their basking spot into the water to escape.</p> <p>They are not venomous. They are great for pest control as they eat insects and small mammals as well as fruits, flowers and berries.</p>	
<p><b>Northern brown bandicoot</b></p> <p>Northern brown bandicoots are solitary and nocturnal. They shelter during the day in nests made from ground litter or tree trunks.</p> <p>Their diet includes insects, spiders, earthworms, tubers, underground fungi, seeds, and fruits. They use their front paws to dig for food, creating characteristic conical-shaped holes.</p>		<p><b>Green tree frog</b></p> <p>Green tree frogs are typically bright green but can change colour to brown depending on temperature and environment.</p> <p>They have partially webbed feet with toes that look like suction pads, helping them stick to trees.</p> <p>Their diet includes insects, spiders, and even small mammals and reptiles like microbats and lizards.</p>		<p><b>Masked lapwing (plover)</b></p> <p>Masked lapwings are known for their defence of their nesting sites. They will dive at intruders, but they rarely make contact. Their nests are simple scrapes in the ground and can be found in unusual sites, such as school playing fields, rooftops, and even busy urban grassed areas.</p> <p>Their diet mainly consists of insects, larvae, and earthworms.</p>		<p><b>Noisy miner</b></p> <p>Noisy miners are very vocal and social birds. They have a wide range of calls and are often heard before they are seen.</p> <p>Noisy miners feed on nectar, fruits, and insects. Occasionally, they will eat small reptiles and amphibians. They forage both in trees and on the ground.</p>	
<p><b>Eastern brown snake</b></p> <p>The eastern brown snake's colour can vary widely. They can be pale brown, dark brown, orange, or even almost black.</p> <p>They are the <b>second-most venomous terrestrial snake in the world</b>. They generally avoid human contact and will only attack if provoked.</p> <p>They play a crucial role in controlling rodent populations.</p>		<p><b>Eastern water skink</b></p> <p>Eastern water skinks are highly adaptable and can thrive in urban gardens, where they help control pest populations.</p> <p>They are not venomous. They are often seen basking on rocks or logs near water. They mostly feed on aquatic insects like water beetles, as well as spiders, snails, smaller lizards, and cockroaches.</p>		<p><b>Coastal carpet python</b></p> <p>Coastal carpet pythons have a highly variable colouration, ranging from olive to black with intricate patterns of white, cream, and gold.</p> <p>They are not venomous. Their diet includes rodents, birds, lizards and marsupials.</p>		<p><b>Common keelback snake</b></p> <p>Common keelback snakes are excellent swimmers and can often be seen in or near water.</p> <p>They are not venomous. Keelbacks primarily feed on small vertebrates such as frogs, tadpoles, and lizards. Keelbacks are one of the few native species that can eat cane toads without being harmed.</p>	

The new guide that helps Division 2 residents identify creatures in their backyards.

## What native animals hide in our area?

Have you ever lifted a palm frond and jumped a foot high wondering if the reptile you've just uncovered is venomous?

Ever thought of how their presence in your yard can help keep certain pests away?

I recently asked Council officers to do up a sheet for local residents that's a quick and easy guide to help you identify a species and work out if it's venomous or not.

It also provides tips on how to

improve the local habitat and the benefits of having that critter in your backyard.

The guide is part of a larger work by our Environment team that offers advice to residents about Wildlife Community Partnerships and activities and how to create native-friendly yards and gardens, all free of charge.

To find out more information, or to get one of our Enviro guide sheets, please get in touch with me at [teresalane@logan.qld.gov.au](mailto:teresalane@logan.qld.gov.au)

## Skates up in Kingston

Residents were invited recently to have their say on proposed road safety treatments in local neighbourhoods and the option for a small skate park in Kingston.

It was a great turnout with many people showing up to have their say on improvements they believe are needed and options put

forward for some local skateboard and scooter ramps.

I received some great feedback and will now take this back to the appropriate people within Council.

Residents getting involved like this is what makes Division 2 a great place to live, work and relax in!



One of the options being explored for new skate ramps in Kingston.

# Wilbur Street Youth Centre a game changer

Local teens can look forward to being welcomed into the Wilbur Street Youth Centre by the start of the new year.

Expressions of Interest have been called for organisations to operate this fabulous new Logan City Council facility in Logan Central, right next door to the library.

Once a suitable operator is identified and secured, the fully-staffed centre will open as a venue where local kids will have a safe space to get together, laugh, create and obtain wrap-around support for whatever is going on in their lives.

There will definitely be something for everyone.

We've activated the centre into distinct areas, one of which is a terrific commercial-grade kitchen where young people can learn about food handling, budgeting meals, cooking classes and take-home food services for anyone doing it tough.

There's also art and creative spaces, a studio and rehearsal room for dance and music, along with podcasting and other entertainment opportunities for budding performers.

The gaming room, quiet room and general meeting space will be a great feature of the building where students from surrounding schools are all welcome.

The awesome indoor sports courts mean rain, hail or shine, kids can be active indoors during school holidays and after school, in an affordable and fun way.



Cr Lane and Federal Treasurer and Member for Rankin, Jim Chalmers, have fun shooting baskets at the new Wilbur Street Youth Centre.

I have no doubt the Wilbur Street Youth Centre in the heart of Division 2 will set the standard for how other councils across Australia want their youth spaces to run.

## Key dates on our calendar

With so many fabulous events already held at the KBF Cultural Precinct this year, there's still more on offer there, and around Division 2, as summer approaches.

### Tuesday, 29 October:

LACOTA Seniors celebration, contact 3290 0088

### Sunday, 20 October:

Croydon Road precinct re-opens from 5 am as the Global Food Market returns to its traditional location

### Tuesday, 31 October:

Light of the World – family friendly Halloween event at KBF, from 3 pm

### Monday, 11 November:

Remembrance Day services

### Friday, 15 November:

Milky Way Markets at the KBF Precinct from 5 pm

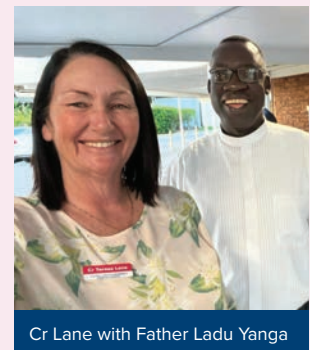
## St Paul's Mass for 'new' arrival

I enjoyed joining other civic leaders recently at the Installation Mass of Father Ladu Yanga at St Paul's Parish in Woodridge.

The ceremony was presided over by Archbishop Mark Coleridge almost a year after Father Ladu's welcome posting to our little corner of the world.

The Installation Mass was a wonderful representation of the many cultures and religions that are located in Division 2.

On behalf of all Division 2 residents, I wish Fr Ladu patience, warmth and a hand in friendship as he navigates the personalities that make up our wonderful community!



Cr Lane with Father Ladu Yanga



CITY OF LOGAN  
**CHRISTMAS**  
*Carols*

**SAVE THE DATE**

Saturday 7 December 2024  
 3 pm – 8:30 pm

Kingston Butter Factory Cultural Precinct

**FREE EVENT**




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