



Division 12 News

Cr Karen Murphy



Exciting projects help build a bright future

Can you believe it's already been a year since the new term of Council began? Time flies quickly when there's so much happening!

We've had a whirlwind of construction work around Division 12, and it's shaping up to be another exciting and busy year ahead.

First up, a big shout out to BMD Constructions Pty Ltd, our new contractor for the Eagleby Master Drainage Project.

Stage One has been completed which has improved the capacity and resilience of the stormwater drainage network in times of heavy rain. We saw that at work in the severe weather event created by Cyclone Alfred in March.

Stage Two is now underway, with completion scheduled for the end of the year (weather permitting).

A huge 'thank you' goes out to those residents impacted by these important works for your patience during this period.

There's also great news for local sports enthusiasts.

The Eagleby Giants are now enjoying their newly upgraded and returfed football fields at Bishop Park, while Logan Lightning FC have a stunning new clubhouse at Chris Green Park at Beenleigh.

The foundations are now completed for the new Beenleigh Aquatic Centre and we're set to begin construction on a new clubhouse for Twin Rivers Mallet Club at Bedford Park in Eagleby.

There are also exciting times ahead as plans are finalised for the Beenleigh Junior Rugby Club's new clubhouse at Hammel Park, while neighbouring Beenleigh Netball will

benefit from new lighting and court resurfacing.

In a burst of creativity, we're painting the town red (so to speak) to honour our iconic Red Bridge in Logan River Parklands.

The railings of two other bridges in our parks have been painted the same 'Waratah Red' and plans are underway to see what other structures might benefit from a splash of the same paint.

I urge all residents to consider joining our new Division 12 'Snap, Send, Solve' group where you can report local community issues. More details are on Page 3 or check out my Facebook page (Cr Karen Murphy – Division 12 Logan).

If you've got some great ideas or requests, we'd love to hear from you! Simply email division12@logan.qld.gov.au or call **3412 5512**.



Cr Murphy inspects new tree plantings to stabilise the creek bank in Doug Larsen Park at Beenleigh. Bridge railings in the park have recently been painted 'Waratah Red' to match the nearby Red Bridge over Logan River.

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

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Cane Festival celebrates community and history

The Beenleigh Cane Festival Parade and Gala Ball are among the most-anticipated annual events in our city.

The Parade and Ball, proudly presented by the Rotary Club of Beenleigh, bring together locals for a fun-filled day and evening that both honour our community's rich history in the sugar cane industry.

The events also raise vital funds for local charity work.

The official charity partner of this year's Cane Festival Parade is Nightlight, a local organisation that provides support and assistance to vulnerable individuals and families in our community.



The Cane Festival Parade will be held on Saturday, 10 May, and will once again feature a vibrant display of floats, marching bands and other displays that celebrate the local heritage and our agricultural roots.

Everyone is encouraged to line the streets of the parade route through the Beenleigh city centre, cheer the

floats and enjoy the community pride on display.

The parade will once again conclude at the Beenleigh Showgrounds and will kick off an afternoon of fun and entertainment, followed by a spectacular Laser Show Finale.

The excitement continues a week later on Saturday, 17 May, with the Beenleigh Cane Festival Gala Ball.

The elegant formal evening features live music, dancing and an innovative menu showcasing local produce and flavours.

For more details on this wonderful event go to: beenleighrotary.org



Some of the fun from last year's Beenleigh Cane Festival Parade.

Dragons fired up at new river home

A new dragon boat club has been launched in the Logan River and new members are welcomed.

The Leviathan Dragons plan to set up a base near the boat ramp on the Eagleby side of the Logan River Parklands and hope to be doing training paddles twice a week from the middle of the year.

It is the first dragon boat club in Logan and the 40th registered club to date in Queensland.

Dragonboat enthusiasts are excited to have a local homebase.



'We saw Logan as an untapped market, and with the help of Cr Karen Murphy, we wanted to bring an exciting and new sport to this area,' Leviathan Dragons President and coach Teinanga Wordley says.

Teinanga says Dragon boat racing promotes fitness, teamwork and camaraderie.

The sport involves crews of up to 20 people, who form paddling pairs in a canoe-like boat typically fitted with a carved dragon head and tail.

The Leviathan Dragons welcome paddlers of all ages and abilities (including complete beginners) with a special initial focus on junior paddlers aged 14-plus, youth paddlers aged 18 to 24, and premier paddlers aged 24 to 39.

For more details email: leviathan.secretary1@gmail.com or check out their Facebook page (Leviathan Dragons Inc)

Smart art aims to deter graffiti

Art is helping to combat graffiti and make our local area brighter and neater.

The first set of murals has been completed on the Logan River bridge pylons on Blackbird Street in Beenleigh.

It is hoped these vibrant, colourful murals will discourage illegal tagging and help create a more visually appealing and welcoming public space.

Murals in other areas of the city have been an effective deterrent against graffiti with some vandals less likely to tag over finished artwork.

The response to the new murals will be closely monitored and this approach may be implemented at other key locations, turning once-vandalised locations into colourful, meaningful spaces for everyone to enjoy.



Some of the colourful murals under the Logan River bridge.

You can make a difference

I encourage Division 12 residents to join our new 'Snap, Send, Solve' squad and help make our community a better place.

Residents can use the free Snap, Send, Solve app to report local issues such as potholes, broken street lights and graffiti.

Simply snap a photo, send the report, and you help solve the problem by contributing to positive changes in our neighbourhood.

To get the app go to:
me.snapsendsolve.com



Use the code RVXKB to join the Division 12 squad.

Together, we can make a big difference in keeping our community safe and clean.

Mayor's message



I hope you had a safe and happy Easter.

As Cr Murphy wrote, it's been just over a year since your Councillors and I were elected.

It's been an incredibly busy time and the recent public holidays were a good chance to reflect on what's been achieved.

Some great news for Logan is that our new 9-court Indoor Sports Centre will start construction later this year and is due to be finished by 2028. This is a \$140m project funded jointly by the Queensland and Australian Governments and has been identified as a potential event venue at the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

We also recently completed an \$80 million upgrade of Loganlea Road.

This project, which included widening the road to 3 lanes in both directions and adding infrastructure, was funded with the support of Jim Chalmers MP as part of the 2022 Federal Election.

Council is now in the middle of finalising the upcoming budget. Your Councillors are focused on finding savings and improving efficiencies across all areas. But just like you, Council is struggling with significant increases in costs for the city – particularly fuel, electricity, insurances and construction.

We're also working on a community consultation project called Transform Logan. During my election campaign, locals said they wanted their Mayor to focus on better long-term planning and an ambitious vision for our city.

This community reference panel has 50 representatives looking at what the next 50 years looks like for Logan. They will share their ideas later in the year.

I'll share some more information on my social media soon about how you can have your say on the city's future as well.

Mayor Jon Raven
City of Logan

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