

What's Happening in Division 1

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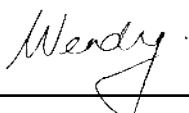
Hello Everyone!

This newsletter is to inform and empower the vibrant and active communities of Wellington Point and Ormiston.

My **Link2** is all about the community and you. I am aiming to encourage you to participate in what is a fantastic area to work, live and play. I aim to inspire you to think and act locally to protect the lifestyle we value by empowering you to be a voice within our community. I believe we can achieve this by connecting with each other through ideas and information.

I look forward to linking you with what's happening in both the community and council.

Sincerely,



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Council's financial position is again confirmed as sound.

In May, a QTC Audit reconfirmed the City's sound financial position.

There have been some exciting developments in council with the return of revenue from water being \$18 million more than first conservatively estimated. This has made rate relief possible this year after years of lower water revenue - this was a very welcoming budget relief. Further good news is June's review of our 2010 Financial strategy from Queensland Treasury that states Council is in a strong financial position to move forward, and up there with the best in Queensland. Robust financial position, increase in revenue plus continuing with the 2010 Core Business and Service level Review (now called "Back to Basics") all puts council in a very good position to deliver effectively and efficiently to the community.

Full budget details can be found on the council's website at this link:

[http://www.redland.qld.gov.au/SiteCollectionDocuments/Budget/2012 Operational Plan and Budget Book.pdf](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au/SiteCollectionDocuments/Budget/2012%20Operational%20Plan%20and%20Budget%20Book.pdf)

I enjoy the financial side of Council as I believe this is the foundation for our sustainability and ability to deliver, that all decisions are based on best possible community outcomes with responsible financial management.

Telstra tower at EGW Woods

MCU012650: TELSTRA TOWER EGW WOODS SPORTSFIELD - Community Consultation

After the Community consultation meeting, arranged so residents had the chance to discuss the above application I drove the Telstra representatives around Wellington Point. Various suggested sites were visited and discussed. I stressed the beauty and character of Wellington Point and asked that all alternative sites and concerns to be considered. I also requested that a new three week consultation period be issued at the appropriate time, though submissions already received will still be valid.

They have since relodged the application and council officers after reviewing have today sent me this update.

MCU012650: TELSTRA TOWER EGW WOODS SPORTSFIELD - Update as at 28 August

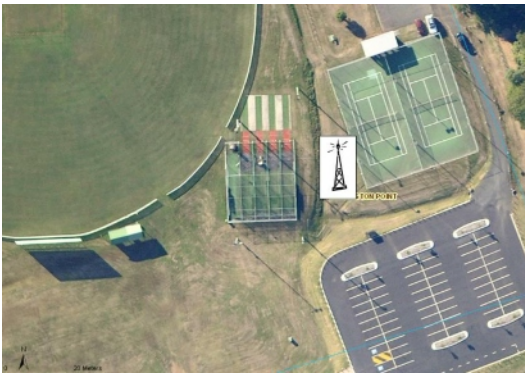
Working for you.....

Council issued a Not Properly Made notice dated 20/08/2012. This letter advised that the application restarts at the IDAS application Stage and requests an additional assessment fee and mandatory parts of IDAS Form 5 (plans and statement against the RPS etc). The applicant has until approximately 14/09/2012 to respond (20 business days). Once properly made we will issue the acknowledgement notice and information request as necessary. It will be some weeks (or perhaps months) yet until public notification.

MCU012650: TELSTRA TOWER EGW WOODS SPORTSFIELD- Update as at 21 September

Telstra are reconsidering service options for this locality and have changed their application.

Council issued a Not Properly Made notice on 20 August as the changed application requires further fees and information. The due date for the applicant to respond to the Not Properly Made notice is 15 October.



Telstra and Urbis are investigating a new location for the facility (near the cricket nets).

Progress on the application can be followed via PD Online:

<http://pdonline.redland.qld.gov.au/modules/applicationmaster/default.aspx?page=wrapper&key=762996>

I am continuing to support the community's position on the Telstra Tower. I have a meeting arranged with officers to reiterate and attempt to reinforce that view. I will arrange another community meeting when I have definite plans of the position to present to you.

Wellington Point Reserve Parking

19th September 2012-09-25 Trial parking at Wellington Point Reserve

A motion was passed at the General meeting to instigate a trial of 12 shared trailer parking spaces at the Reserve at Wellington Point. The demand for parking spaces at the point has escalated over the past few years with limited foreshore access and the number of various user groups increasing. With an extra 1.4 million people expected in SEQ in the next twenty years this problem will continue to grow.

There is no easy solution and I have been advocating for a commonsense approach. When the weather is not suitable for boating other users are allowed to park in these areas. Unfortunately one persons commonsense is different to another and the weather can change drastically in a few hours.

I asked for the trial to be deferred until all aspects had been investigated...monitoring, times, number of users etc however this was not supported.

I am happy though that a trial for two unloading parking bays was included. This will allow maximum use of two spaces for all users. Day tripper to unpack family members and the esky or the wind surfers to unload their boards. This will relieve some of the pressure on very busy days.

At this stage I have not been advised of commencement dates etc but when I have this information I will update my web site. For further information on this trial please click on the link.

see website for details: <http://wendyboglary.com.au/parking-at-wellington-point-reserve-update/>

Hilliards's Creek Crossing

The Moreton Bay Cycleway – Hilliards Creek Crossing is a project that will complete a missing link in the regionally significant Moreton Bay Cycleway (MBC). The proposed link will provide a dedicated shared-use path that will improve Council's local and trunk cycling and pedestrian network in the Wellington Point / Ormiston area.

The alignment through to Gloucester Street crosses Hilliard Creek at the narrowest point via conservation land that forms part of the Hilliard's Creek Wetland. It will considerably enhance the local cycling and pedestrian network. The alignment provides connectivity to the local park area on the western side of the creek and improves access to Wellington Point for residents in Ormiston.

The project was successful in receiving funding of up to 50% (\$1,185,797) from the Department of Transport and Main Roads through the South East Queensland Cycle Network Program. The funding was provided on the proposed crossing point and linkage to Gloucester Street.

Clearing of the land has commenced while the final design of the cycleway/pathway is being finished. Through the permit process, significant trees were identified and the design was adjusted where applicable. Once clearing is complete geotechnical investigations will be conducted, these are required for the finalisation of the design of the project.



Once design is completed and approved there will be a tender process for actual construction. Once I have a copy of the design I will circulate to residents.

Weather permitting construction could possibly commence in early 2013. These are provisional timeframes yet to be confirmed.

This cycleway forms a vital link in the Moreton Bay cycleway which runs from Bribie Island to Redland Bay but closer to home it will link Wellington Point via Ormiston to Cleveland.

As the stages progress I will endeavour to keep everyone updated via my website www.wendyboglary.com.au

Road Surfacing through Wellington Point Village

I am as frustrated as anyone with the constant road cracking and refilling of potholes through the Village. I have lobbied Council for roadwork in the area and am pleased to announce work is soon to commence.

This will be in three separate job numbers covering –

- Main Road from Aspley to Birkdale Road. Full road reseal – kerb to kerb;
- Main Road from Birkdale Road to house no. 340/342. Partial road reseal – traffic lanes plus approx 1.0m;
- Waterloo Street from Main Road to Wellesley Street.

There is no intention to alter or interfere with the existing calming devices, pavers or crossing.

I have consulted with the Wellington Point Traders regarding the best times for this to occur to minimise disruption.

Update:-

- As council is getting a geo tech in to ensure the soil etc is all investigated to hopefully prevent future cracking there is a delay in the tender process.

Starkey Street Crossing

Update :-

- Starkey Street - still waiting on delivery time of the culverts

Unfortunately, I still have no visibility to times for either project.

Ormiston State School Roadworks

I welcome the road works that have just commenced in front of Ormiston State School, Gordon street, Ormiston. Great for the works to be done over the school holidays but I thank those that are still inconvenienced due to the works. The families will come back to school with the reoccurring pot holes etc are fixed up and ready for the last term of School.

Museum Extensions

I am proud to be the council Representative for Redlands Museum. We my love of history being involved with Ormiston house "Friends of Ormiston House" and a member of the museum I take a keen interest.

I was so pleased to attend the turning of the soil at the Museum as this signified the beginning of the works for the new extensions to our Museum...what a great moment. It is with great delight I will follow the progress of the works and offer support where ever possible.

Well done to those who kindly donated to this project and to all the volunteers for their dedication to this project...this is what has made it possible and the rest of the City is grateful...on with the works!!!

Wellington Point Rotary Butt-free Project

On the 8th July Wellington Point Rotary had another "clean-up" day at the Wellington Point Reserve. Together with Keep Australia Beautiful we have formed an Adopt a Point Program with the Club cleaning up the Point at least 4 times a year. We concentrate on cigarette butts as being close to the waterways these gross pollutants enter our beautiful Bay and take years to break down. It was after learning the following information I discussed the concern at the Wellington Pint Reserve and together we approached the Rotary Club who saw the difference they could make to their local environment.

Facts:-

- Littered butts leach toxic emissions (such as cadmium, lead and arsenic and zinc) into water and soil as they decompose, contributing to soil and water pollution and impacting wildlife habitat.
- Butts are made of cellulose acetate, a synthetic fibre derived from wood pulp. They may look like cotton, but are actually made of plastic filaments.
- Estimates on the biodegradability of cigarette butts hugely varied. Some organisations state they take up to 15 years to break down, while research by the filter manufacturers themselves find that cigarette butts take the following length of time to biodegrade:
 - 1-2 months in aerobic (with air) conditions
 - 6-9 months in anaerobic (without air) conditions
 - 12 months in fresh water
 - 36 months or longer in sea-water.
 - It is estimated that around one in ten cigarette butts ends up in rivers, bays and waterways.
 - Cigarette filters have been found in the stomachs of fish, birds, sea turtles and other marine creatures.



Celebrations of Kindilan

On the 5th July I was invited to join in the celebrations of Kindilan with staff, volunteers and some very happy girls who were presently out there at a camp. Kindilan to thousands is family, with a strong heart that extends across the seas. Many friendships have been forged beneath those trees. Kindilan embraces over 14,000 guests per year. Is recognised as one of Australia's Top 30 camps for schools and is one of only two accredited campsites in Qld. Kindilan has one of only 12 international Lead trainers in the world for the ICDC..and offers much more. I was proud to be there to help celebrate their 60th birthday and proud that this wonderful centre is in the Redlands...here nature presents the young and old with something much greater than themselves and the benefits and learning that happens here is amazing. Congratulations to the staff and team of Kindilan, you can be assured of my on going support.



Points to Peak Festival

The Peaks to Points Festival (P2P) started in 2008 as a biennial Festival extending from Flinders Peak (the Peaks) in the west to Moreton Bay, Wellington Point (the Points) in the east, across the Ipswich, Brisbane, Logan and Redland local government areas.

This year was another great success, and participants were pleased with the crowds and the organisation.

Care of our environment along this water catchment area is vital for the health of our beautiful Moreton Bay. This Festival celebrates the work that is being done and its importance.



22nd June RYDA Driver Awareness Program

I attended a Rotary Youth Driver Awareness program at Chandler. Redland City Council had given Wellington Point Rotary a grant to assist in delivering the day to our local high school, Wellington Point High. Students had lecturers on various driver safety aspects and also had an extremely powerful delivery on the time needed to stop a car by a demonstration and a dummy. The time I listened and watched I was very impressed with the overall delivery and message and would recommend any school given the opportunity of their students attending the day it is well worth it.

Last weekend, Rotary manned the water station for the Redlands Classic Ride. This year, one of the beneficiaries was **Wellington Point Respite Centre**.

Thank you to all concerned.



Ferrari day out - Ormiston House

On the 29th July these beautiful machines poised elegantly over the front lawns of Ormiston House. It was a perfect day and the cars and their owners looked majestic with the house as their backdrop. Ormiston House is host to many such day and all details of events can be found on their web site : <http://ormistonhouse.org.au/>



Ormiston House 150th Anniversary Gala

Mark out the 30th September which is when we are holding our Gala afternoon concert to celebrate our 150th anniversary. It will be a wonderful afternoon. Members of Wellington Point Rotary worked last weekend making sure that the grounds were up to scratch – thanks to everyone who attended.



National Tree Day ...

...on the 29th July was supported by a couple of hundred people at Montgomery Park Wellington Point. I thoroughly enjoyed the morning knowing we were leaving a legacy for future generations. Families, sporting Clubs, Scouts all came along to make the morning very successful and the trees were planted with a sausage sizzle for everybody!



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Ormiston State School Reunion

Sunday 23/9 past students gathered at Cleveland Gardens for an afternoon of fun, laughter and STORIES.

We all had a great time and I learnt a lot about “years ago”. It was the 140th celebration, and we are already discussing next year's event. If anyone has stories and photos that they would like to share, please let me know.



TAngler Bins

I am currently working with Debra Henry from Ocean Watch to install TAngler Bins at Wellington Point for the disposal of old fishing tackle. We have trialled a bin a few years ago but unfortunately people tried to put cans etc in the bins and left rubbish lying around it. We are discussing placing the bins closer to the de-rigging area this time so it is obvious it is to assist fishing people and to be part of a program to "Keep the Bay Clean".

Once the trial has been completed the use of the bins will hopefully be expanded. If anyone has some suggestions to positions I would appreciate a quick email.

Tourism

I would really like to see tourism get a blast.

We have the most liveable and enjoyable place to visit yet our Redlands assets are not marketed. To attract the outside dollar into our City should be easy with our Bush, Bay and Beach yet our tourism industry is not where I would like to see it be. Tourism take advantage of what the City already has with our beautiful natural environment. Where else within 30 minutes from a capital City and international airport can you surf, whale watch, dive, fish, bush walk, bike ride or visit an Island? In Redlands we can actually see wild life and visit friendly Villages. We are so fortunate as we have a unique City with so many assets.

I would like to encourage organisations and individuals to submit innovative, future-focused tourism proposals that will assist this sector reach our goal. What ideas are there for increasing expenditure from our day, overnight, week end visitors to our City. When you have visitors what do they like to see or what would they do? What would you like to do in your leisure time?

Ideas could include cooperative marketing, product development, market intelligence or trade events....I would love to see an area to accommodate the grey nomads???

I would really like to start a healthy discussion on tourism and how we can achieve to reach the optimal potential of Redlands beautiful natural assets.

Redlands is unique..we have it all...let's get the message out.

Upcoming Community Events

30 th September	Gala Concert at Ormiston House
5 th October	Cancer Council Fundraiser
13 th October	Pink Ribbon Day – Ribbons and Rose Wellington Point Hotel (Phone 3207 2511)
30 th November	Wellington Point Christmas Carols
2 nd December	Wellington Point Street Fair