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**West End
Community
Workshop
Saturday 28th
March 2 - 4 pm
at South Club
House, Davies
Park West End**

**Free Movie in
The Park
'GET SMART'
This Saturday
March 14
6.30pm
'The Common'
Cambridge St.,
Coorparoo**

**Free Women's
Safety
Seminars**

**Tuesday 24 March
12.30pm
Kurilpa Hall 174
Boundary St, West
End**

**Monday 30 March
6.30pm
Wednesday 27 April
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East Brisbane Bowls
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Mowbray Park
Cnr Lytton Rd &
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East Brisbane.**

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The Lord Mayor announces 25,000 new residents for West End

Cr Helen Abrahams is holding a community workshop on **Saturday 28th March, 2 - 4 pm at Souths Club House, Davies Park** so you can have a say on the number of new residents to your suburb and where they should be located.

The Lord Mayor has made his announcement. He will be squeezing 25,000 additional people into West End irrespective of his Neighbourhood Plan that is half completed.

There are only 6,000 people living in West End. The Lord Mayor's announcement will more



Is this the Lord Mayor's vision for West End?

than quadruple the population of West End.

Clearly the Lord Mayor has no intention of listening to local residents. He has made up his mind and is riding roughshod over the wishes of the local community.

"This huge influx of people will mean skyscrapers along the Brisbane River in West End. Is this what you want? Come to the workshop and have your say!

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Women's Safety Seminars

Brisbane City Council will be holding free women's safety seminars in March and April.

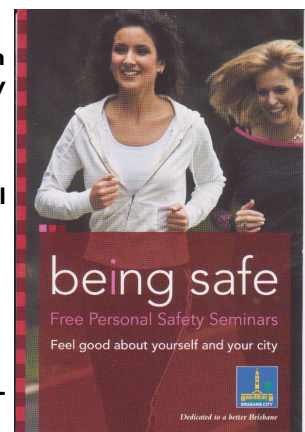
I encourage women to take advantage of these free seminars. I certainly feel more aware and confident about my personal safety having attended one of these seminars.

There are many things that a woman can do to discourage a possible assailant, and prevent themselves from becoming a victim of crime.

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Phone 3403 8888 for booking into seminars.



Free Movie in the Park this Saturday!



Get the family together and bring your own chairs and rugs for an enjoyable evening under the stars.

The Coorparoo Secondary College presents a free movie in the park this Saturday night March 14.

The movie featured is the hilarious family film **Get Smart**.

The movie will be held at 'The Common', Cambridge Street Coorparoo.

The movie starts at 6.30 pm and food and drinks will be available from 6pm.

Chose from BBQ sausages, chicken Kebabs, soft Drinks, juices, bottled water and tea and coffee.

This movie in the park is proudly brought to you by myself, as The Gabba Ward Councillor, The Lord Mayor's Suburban initiative fund and Coorparoo College.

Great Day for International Students

On 22nd March, Council held an International Students Welcome Event at City Hall.

1,500 students attended the "expo-like" event. Stalls distributing information included the Department of Immigration, U of Q, Griffith University, QUT and tourist ventures such as Lone Pine Sanctuary and Tangalooma Island Resort .

It was a great day with students everywhere and lots of conversations with students asking questions.

International students contribute \$1.3 billion to the SE Economy

Cr Abrahams offering kangaroo sausage from Tukka restaurant to international students



Councillor Abrahams and volunteers at Boundary Street on 'Clean Up Australia Day' 2009.

Councillor Abrahams, assisted by local traders, staff of West End Community House and South Brisbane Rotaract, collected 12 bags of litter from Boundary and Russell Streets West End., during 'Clean Up Australia Day'.

Clean Up Boundary Street

Cigarette butts were a major problem as they alone filled three large bags. Dropped cigarette butts not only make the streets unsightly, they also end up in our waterways harming marine life.

Councillor Abrahams has asked council to install five butt bins in the areas where most butts were found. This should make it easier for smokers to do the right thing, and put their butts in a bin instead of tossing them in the street. Following 'Clean Up Australia Day, council officers will be in

the area issuing warnings or fines to anyone caught littering.

If you think "It's just one lolly wrapper" or "It's just one cigarette butt," please take note of the following statistics:

- An estimated 7 billion cigarette butts end up in Australian waterways, streets, and parklands each year.
- 80 million plastic bags are dumped in Australia each year, creating serious threats to our precious marine life.
- Recyclable material makes up almost 80% of total household waste in Australia.