

Thegabba Ward

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Dear Residents

Welcome to 2010. Already there are plenty of issues happening that you might be interested in hearing about.

STOP PRESS

At the Council meeting on Tuesday 23 February 2010, the Lord Mayor and his team will approve the Eastern Corridor Neighbourhood Plan. The central change to the draft Plan is reduction in the number of properties needed to be combined to achieve maximum development and building height.

If you are interested in hearing the debate, you might wish to come to the 6th Floor, Ann Street CBD at 2.45pm. I shall come into the visitor's area so please introduce yourself to me.

FILM NIGHT @ MOWBRAY PARK

I am told it is an enjoyable film and Mowbray Park is a great venue so I hope to see you at this film night in the Park.

FREE MOVIE

In "Mowbray Park"
Lytton Road,
East Brisbane

Saturday 27 February 2010

Sausage Sizzle & Drinks available from
6pm

Movie commences at 6.45pm

BYO chair or rug and enjoy the evening!

Proudly brought to you by the The Gabba Ward
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Neighbourhood Watch.

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**BUDGET PROJECTS FOR 2010/11**

Each year Councillors are asked to nominate projects for the next year's budget. Now that I have represented your suburb for almost two years, I am aware of many projects that need funding.

For your information I have listed the broken down by suburb for your convenience.

My priorities are:

- Missing Riverwalk link between Mowbray Park and Cairns Street, Kangaroo Point
- Safe pedestrian crossing along Vulture Street, East Brisbane
- Upgrade of the traffic lights Logan Road, Buranda to improve pedestrian safety.

COORPAROO

Project Name	Description	Description of Works
Local Drainage	Robinson St	Repeated local flooding
Local Area Traffic Management	Construction of LATM Milsom St	Design completed 2008-9. Project has high priority
Construct Local Transport Networks	Intersection upgrade Stanley St East / Cavendish Rd	Upgrade to accommodate students en route to station
Concrete Footpath	Armuna St	Between Temple and Woodrow Sts
Concrete Footpath	Ripon St	Missing link requested by local resident
Concrete Footpath	Weston St	Area of high pedestrian movements as many units
Concrete Footpath	Robinson St	Adjacent sport facility; high pedestrian volumes
Concrete Footpath	Rowland St	High pedestrian volumes for sport events
Concrete Footpath	Halifax St	High pedestrian volumes for sport events
Concrete Footpath	Weston St	Between Burke and French Sts
Landscaping Median	Main Ave	Shade tree and landscaping highly desirable
Traffic Lights	Vulture/Norman	Pedestrian safety issue. Outstanding request 2009
Road Resurfacing	Robinson St	Broken down surface, high traffic volumes
Road Resurfacing	Joffre St	Condition status list
Grade Separation Railway Crossing	Cavendish Rd	Safety, congestion management
Park Acquisition	Harries Rd	Eastern Corridor Neighbourhood Plan
Skate Park	Extension to Skate Park	Regional facility proposal
Shade Structure Grant	Coorparoo Bowls Club	Previous submission unsuccessful: high need for shade
Relocation Heritage Building	East Leagues Club	Relocation and restoration of Grandstand

EAST BRISBANE

Project Name	Description	Description of Works
Traffic Study	Restore two lanes Wellington/Latrobe St	Clem 7 benefit
Construct Local Transport Networks	Intersection upgrade Latrobe/Lytton Rd	Traffic signals for slip lane. Ped safety issue
Local Access Network Improvement	Lisburn St	Traffic safety issue
Kerb and Channel	Sinclair St	Status report
Road Construction	Hilton St	Officer identified project
Road Construction	Temple St	Resident request
Road Construction	Pearson St	Resident request
Concrete Footpath	Wellington Rd	Between Lytton Rd and Thorn St - major pedestrian path
Road Resurfacing	Burlington St	Mowbray St to Heath St; condition status
Road Resurfacing	Sinclair St	Patchy surface high traffic volumes
Road Resurfacing	Elfin St	Broken down surface, high traffic volumes
Road Resurfacing	Gresham St	Resident request. Outstanding request 2009

KANGAROO POINT

Project Name	Description	Description of Works
Sea and River Walls	Stairs for River Access	Access to beach on eastern side of Cpt Burke Park
Wharves, Jetties Pontoons	Hoist for disabled canoeists	Demand for this service

Providing Cycle Infrastructure	RiverWalk Mowbray Park to Cairns St	Missing link - a combination of on land and boardwalk
Providing Cycle Infrastructure	Robinson Park to Lower Riverside Dve	No safe access from East Brisbane to Lower Riverside Dr
Local Area Traffic Management	Design & Construction LATM Princess St	Baines St LATM means shift of problem to parallel St
Local Area Traffic Management	Design & Construction LATM O'Connell St	Development Contribution priority
Local Area Traffic Management	Design & Construction LATM MacDonald St	Development Contribution priority
Concrete Footpath	Holman St	Worn path in Cpt Burke Park
Concrete Footpath	Thorn St	Wellington St intersection - badly eroded
Concrete Footpath	Thorn St	Northern side between Wellington and Park Ave severely eroded
Concrete Footpath	Thorn St	Adjacent Castlebar St, needs widening
Landscaping Embankment	Lower River Terrace	Overgrown with weed trees; residents request
Rock Wall Embankment	Castlebar St	Resident request for improved maintenance
Rock Wall Embankment	Lower River Terrace	High Resident demand for restoring pathway & stairs to River Tce
Traffic Lights	Slip lane lights Lytton Rd/Latrobe St	Safety issue. Outstanding request 2009
Road Resurfacing	Rosina St	Resident request
Road Resurfacing	Waimley St	Road surface broken up on southern side
Ferry Infrastructure	Thornton St	No CityCat service to Kangaroo Point. Community request
Park Upgrade	Mowbray Park	BBQs, Playground and plantings all need upgrade
Park Improvement	Kangaroo Point Cliffs	Wheelchair abseiling
Park Improvement	Kangaroo Point Cliffs	Hoist for disabled canoeists
Park Improvement	Kangaroo Point Cliffs	Extend rock climbing facility
Park Improvement	Kangaroo Point Cliffs	Refurbishment heritage stairs between St Mary's and Riverlife
Park Improvement	C T White Park	Refurbishment of toilets
Community Participation Opportunities	Hoist for disabled canoeists	Demand for this service
Community Participation Opportunities	Wheelchair Abseiling	Demand for this activity
Litter Prevention	Extend litter prevention project West End & Kangaroo Point	Serious problem increasing in severity

WOOLLOONGABBA

Project Name	Description	Description of Works
Construct Local Transport Networks	Widening New Bridge Norman Creek	Pedestrian/Cycle/Vehicle Link to Buranda Bus and Rail stations
Park Acquisition	Carl St	Eastern Corridor Neighbourhood Plan
Community Bushland Reg	Community garden Rotary Park	Private land abutting park, property owner has given consent
Major Drainage	Woolloongabba Stormwater Upgrade	Ongoing capital improvement project triggered by development
Providing Cycle Infrastructure	Copenhagen Bike Lane, Stanley St	Cyclists currently use footpath - major safety issue
Providing Cycle Infrastructure	Bikepath Missing link	Preston St to Deshon St
Concrete Footpath	Atherton St	Between # 12 to Leonard St
Road Resurfacing	Balaclava St	Very poor condition, high use, impact of development in area
Road Resurfacing	Heaslop St	Disrepair due to heavy vehicles NSBT
Park Improvement	Rotary Park	Lighting of pathway
Community Market/Event	Jurgens St urban space	Maximise use of new urban space
Urban Renewal	Logan Centre Improvement	Replacement and increased planting shade trees
Major Works Program	Woolloongabba Sewer Upgrade	Continue capital project
Providing Cycle Infrastructure	Preston St to Deshon St	Missing Link - resident request

PARKING METERS

The **parking inspectors** are out with a vengeance. In the past, they would be seen infrequently in the residential streets. This is no longer the case and you can see them **daily issuing parking tickets**. Please take care when parking in your street. **The Lord Mayor in banking on \$11.6 million revenue this financial year from parking fines and parking meter charges**



The charges have jumped 250% to \$2.50 per hour. Some of the traps around the meters include:

- The near parking station might be across the road but if you use it, you will get a fine. The parking station has to be on your side of the street
- If the meter is not working you may still get a fine – it happened to residents in West End

If you have any problems, please let me know so that I can assist in any way that I can.

STOP PRESS

A resident has had their parking fines waived on two occasions. If you are a resident within The Gabba Traffic area and have received a parking fine during an event at The Gabba, please contact my office as I might be able to assist you fight the fine.

Parking Permits

In case you live in the The Gabba Traffic Area or the Brisbane City Traffic Area and have not yet caught up with the new Residential Parking Permit system, I will give you an update.

Your 2009 parking permit including visitor parking permit is still valid. It will remain valid until you receive a sticker permit to attach to your windscreen.

Council officers are assessing street by street, house by house, the number of permits required for each household. You will be issued what Council considers necessary not simply a duplication of your current number of permits.

Please contact me if you have any problems regarding the number of permits issued.

No visitor permits will be issued. Instead if you have visitors who are parking on the street, you have to forewarn Council so they can issue specific, time limited permits.

Will this work? It will certainly be a challenge for Council's administration. I hope you do not have too many friends who drop in suddenly when there is a game at The Gabba.

Woolloongabba North Neighbourhood Plan

Council is preparing a plan to identify sites for high rise development in part of Kangaroo Point specifically the streets between Vulture Street, the SE Freeway, Shafston Avenue and Manila Street.

I held a meeting in the park two weeks ago so local residents could let a resident representative on the Community Planning Team know what they thought.

I am holding another meeting tomorrow – **Saturday 20th February, in Raymond Park near Baines Street pathway entrance at 3.30 pm.** If you are

interested to hear issues being discussed or wish to let me know what you think please feel free to come.

I have been asked to hold an evening meeting at which residents can explore the issues in more detail. If you are interested in attending please let me know.

Flash Flooding

Many people whose vehicles or properties were flooded during the amazingly heavy storm on Tuesday have contacted me. I shall forward all reports of flooding onto the Lord Mayor so he is aware of where stormwater drainage improvements are needed in The Gabba Ward.

If your street was affected, I would appreciate it if you could let me know including which properties by email thegabba.ward@ecn.net.au. It is important to 'catch' this information and feed it into future budget submissions.



Sunday 7 March 2010

Clean Up Australia remains Australia's largest community event, it is fun, easy and anyone and everyone can get involved in. 2010 marks the 20th Anniversary of Clean Up Australia Day and I would like to encourage and inspire all residents to "think green" and help out by donating a few hours on Sunday 7 March, to keeping our neighbourhoods clean.

Clean Up Australia has made a huge difference since the first event in 1990. Just last year 2 million pieces of rubbish were picked up. That's pretty amazing.

THE GABBA WARD SITES	SUBURB
Kangaroo Cliffs & Riverside Reserve	South Brisbane
Orleigh St Park	West End
Mary Immaculate Primary	Annerley
Brisbane State High School	South Brisbane
Buranda	Woolloongabba
Coorparoo Creek	Coorparoo
Moorhen Flats	Woolloongabba
West End - Orleigh Park	West End
School Grounds	West End
Kangaroo Point Cliffs	Kangaroo Point