

### **Community News**

Brought to you by Cr Adam Hain, Division 3





# Kickstart 2025 with free fitness and fun in City of Moreton Bay!

Start the new year with energy and connection through Healthy and Active Moreton

City of Moreton Bay is offering free and low-cost wellness activities throughout the year to inspire healthier, happier lives.

With a focus on inclusivity and fun, Healthy and Active Moreton welcomes all ages, abilities, and fitness levels. From yoga and boot camps to tai chi and paddleboarding, all activities promote both physical and mental wellness while growing community spirit.

With over 100 sessions each week, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Make 2025 your healthiest year yet! Join the movement at moretonbay.link/active-lifestyles







### THE LIVING CITY UPDATE With Mayor Peter Flannery

There's so much in store for City of Moreton Bay in 2025.

This year we'll see work undertaken on significant projects across the city such as Caboolture River Road, Centenary Lakes revitalisation, The Mill Lakes Precinct, Deception Bay SES Depot and the much-anticipated construction of the new Suttons Beach Public Space Project.

Our garden organics (GO) collection service has been operational since December. A big thanks to you all for helping make our city more sustainable. This success means properties with a land size smaller than 300 square metres or larger than 2,000 square metres will be able to opt in to the service from 1 March. There are some great tips on how to use your GO bin in this edition of the newsletter.

Homelessness continues to be an issue for many in our community. Although housing and homeless are ultimately the responsibility of other levels of government, Council has stepped in to help people needing critical support. We're asking the new Queensland Government to prioritise solutions in City of Moreton Bay and will work with them to address this growing issue.

#### GO like a PRO

Summer is here, and with fastgrowing lawns and flourishing gardens, it's peak season for mowing and maintenance. During this time of year, it is especially important to understand what can and can't go into your new lime green-lidded garden organics (GO) bin.

### Yes, place these items in:

- grass clippings, weeds, plants and flowers
- tree, shrub or plant branches (cut down to fit in the bin)
- leaves and other garden trimmings.

Please remember to place all garden organic material directly into the bin without any bags or boxes.

### No, do not place these items in:

- plastic bags, general waste or food scraps
- compostable packaging and containers
- soil, potting mix, gravel, bricks, concrete or rocks
- potted plants and animal waste.

Also please ensure your GO bin weight does not exceed 40kg for collection.

By following these guidelines, you can help to minimise contamination and assist City of Moreton Bay in maintaining an efficient and effective garden organics waste management system.

What should and should not go in your garden organics bin





bags, food scraps, soil, stones and garden accessories

For more information visit moretonbay.qld.gov.au/GO



### Divisional news from your local Councillor Adam Hain

### **Caboolture River Road Upgrade**

Council has been progressing design work for this much-needed \$80 million upgrade to cater for growing and future traffic demands.

At this stage, construction of the Morayfield Road to Grant Road section

is likely to commence in 2026, with preparation for preliminary service relocations expected to commence in the second half of 2025. This project includes a commitment for funding from the Australian Government, the Queensland Government and City of Moreton Bay, and forms part of the SEQ City Deal. Full project plans are now available at **moretonbay.qld.gov.au/caboolture-river-road** 









# Caboolture Snakes Rugby League Clubhouse Upgrade

Following successful engagement with the Club committee, myself, Council and Architects, we are pleased to advise the Stage 1 building design is now finalised. We now work towards future funding to add to the \$3 million already received from the Federal Government in 2022 for Stage 1.

Council has been busy progressing the design drawings ready for construction. With the current facilities at end of life, they are a significant maintenance burden on the clubs. The new clubhouse will be a fully compliant, accessible and sustainable building that will better meet the needs of both the Snakes Senior and Junior Clubs.

The full scope of the project will improve player and official amenities, expand spectator seating and boost capacity, but it will also provide one of the most accessible sporting facilities in the State. It will include:

- commentators, scoring and filming booth
- accessible amenities and admin areas
- tiered seating
- new change rooms
- first class club room and canteen facility.

Construction of Stage 1 is currently budgeted for commencement in 2025 pending approvals and budget finalisation.

Council would like to acknowledge the support of the Federal Government for this project via the Investing in Our Communities Program.



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# Esme Avenue - Caboolture River boardwalk project

The Esme Avenue project forms part of the Centenary Lakes Activation, jointly-funded by the Federal and State Governments (\$1.8m) and City of Moreton Bay (\$1.2m), as part of the SEQ City Deal.

This \$3 million project is well underway and is expected to be completed late May, pending weather. It includes a two metre wide concrete pathway, raised pedestrian crossing, and elevated decking structures that will have seats and shelters overlooking the Caboolture River.

This much needed improvement will give Caboolture its first ever "boardwalk style" river frontage. It will also provide much needed pedestrian linkage along Esme Avenue towards Centenary Lakes.



### **Ebb Drive Park - Bellmere**

How good does this new shelter and picnic area look? A nice little local hang out spot overlooking the beautiful Caboolture River. This request came to me two years ago from an elderly gentleman whose carer would take him there for lunch, but access with his walker was difficult and there was no formal seating.

### **Dickson Road footpath**

This new \$4.73 million intersection will connect pedestrians to the Medical Centre and the local streets. The current works at the intersection on William Berry Drive include the construction of two metre wide pathways, reconfiguration of the existing zebra crossing and installation of three pedestrian refuges. It will make the connection complete all the way to Morayfield Shopping Centre.

The full William Berry Drive/Dickson Road intersection upgrade is expected to be completed mid-year, weather permitting.



### **Pumicestone Road footpath**

By the time you receive this newsletter the long-awaited footpath along Pumicestone Road connecting Halcyon Glades to Jensen Road will be hopefully completed.

This 500 metre pathway now provides a full pedestrian connection from Jensen Road to Ardrossan Road, connecting locals to Drakes and Pumicestone State School. Well, that helps the pedestrians and now to keep working on the road corridor itself!



### **Moreton Bay Lunar New Year Festival**

It is now my 9<sup>th</sup> year working with the Lunar New Year event. In what started as a small event, with about 200 people and a shoestring budget, is now one of Caboolture's premier events. If you want to talk "good vibes", this is the event that provides it. Such pride as our communities come together to celebrate the Lunar New Year. My favourite act last year was when a gentleman from the Chinese community got up and belted out "I am Australian", he had the crowd really going!

Saturday 8 February | 3 pm - 8 pm | Caboolture Town Square

For the full program visit moretonbay.qld.gov.au/community-events-calendar

### Morayfield Skate Park's next-level glow up

This legendary local spot has undergone a massive \$1.9 million transformation, creating the ultimate spot for skaters, scooter riders, and BMX enthusiasts of all ages and skill levels.

Whether you're perfecting tricks or just starting out, this space has it all! The park now boasts:

- an intermediate-level bowl
- central island
- a mini bowl and ramp connecting to a long flat street area
- street-style obstacles
- quarter pipes
- · a vert ramp with spectator seating.

There's also a large central shade shelter with plenty of seating, access paths throughout, lighting, and drinking fountains.

The park has been designed with input from our incredible local skating community, as a revamped modern and safe space.





Don't miss the official opening on Saturday 22 February from 10 am to 12 noon. It's going to be a free action-packed day featuring epic demos, live music and a free sausage sizzle.

Get all the details at moretonbay.qld.gov.au/events

### WHAT'S ON

# Caboolture Library Astronomy Club

(1st Tues of month)
Unlock the secrets of the
cosmos with the Astronomy
Club. All ages. Free.
No bookings required.

moretonbay.qld.gov.au/

## Caboolture Regional Art Gallery

Tamara Dean: Leave only footprints

Leave only footprints is the first survey of the critically acclaimed photomedia artist Tamara Dean and traverses more than 20 years of her photographic practice.

20 March - 7 June

moretonbay.qld.gov.au/ Galleries-Museums



Tamara Dean, Tumbling through the treetops, 2020, from the series High jinks in the hydrangeas, pigment ink-jet print. Museum of Australian Photography, City of Monash Collection, donated by Tamara Dean 2022. Courtesy of the artist and Michael Reid Gallery (Sydney + Berlin).



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