



Community News

Brought to you by Cr Yvonne Barlow, Division 7



Dolphins players Josh Kerr and Oryn Keeley are ready to tackle disaster preparedness.

Moreton Bay and the Dolphins are no strangers to tough opposition!

Protect your family and property from severe weather this summer by being disaster ready

Be prepared and tackle safety head-on by following these simple tips:

- Develop a household emergency plan by identifying and practising evacuation routes, establishing communication strategies, and designating meeting points. Ensure your entire household understands their roles during an emergency.
- Create and regularly update an emergency supply kit with essentials like water, non-perishable food, medications, important documents, and first aid supplies, including items for any pets.
- Stay informed about severe weather through the city's Disaster Dashboard, which provides emergency news, power outages, road conditions, weather warnings, sandbag stations, and flood gauges.
- Subscribe to MoretonAlert for alerts straight to your phone and email.
- Secure your home by trimming trees, clearing gutters, securing loose items, and knowing how to shut off utilities.

Visit disaster.moretonbay.qld.gov.au and get disaster ready!



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THE LIVING CITY UPDATE With Mayor Peter Flannery

2024 has been a year of progress and achievement for our city.

Council has worked hard to deliver essential services and programs and will strengthen these efforts in 2025.

We proudly continue to balance our economic growth with enhanced environmental sustainability and community wellbeing.

This year's highlights include:

- Introducing our new Garden Organics (GO) kerbside service
- Developing Waraba as Queensland's newest Priority Development Area
- Securing City Deal funding for five transformative city projects
- Adopting the Better Housing Amendment for improved planning outcomes
- Announcing our very own Olympic venue, the Moreton Bay Indoor Sports Centre at The Mill.

As the end of year approaches, I encourage everyone to shop local and support our businesses, and to enjoy one of our signature Christmas Carol events happening across the city.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Councillors, volunteers, Council staff and you, our residents, for working together to make City of Moreton Bay such an incredible place to live, work, and play.

I hope you and your family have a restful and safe break over the Christmas period and here's to health and happiness in 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P Flannery'.



All systems GO: new garden organics collection service launches soon!

Over 120,000 lime green-lidded garden organics (GO) bins are now being delivered to eligible residents across our city, and we're just weeks away from the official launch of our GO collection service!

From 2 December, the GO service will make it easier than ever to dispose of garden waste like grass clippings, branches, weeds and leaves. Your fortnightly GO collection will happen on the same day as your general waste bin, but on the alternate week to your recycling bin.

Why is the new service important? Garden organic waste currently makes up 23% of what we throw in our general waste bins. When this waste ends up in landfill, it generates harmful greenhouse gases. By placing it in your GO bin instead, it will be transformed into nutrient-rich compost, benefiting both the environment and our community.

Contaminants reduce the quality of the compost produced, so it's important to only place materials that grow in your garden into your new bin. Never bag your garden organic waste or put other items like plant pots or potting mix in your GO bin.

Find out more and discover how to GO like a pro by visiting moretonbay.qld.gov.au/GO

This initiative received funding from the Queensland Government's Recycling and Jobs Fund.

Go paperless! Receive your rates and reminders via email

It's easy, convenient and better for the environment. A \$2.50 paper notice fee will apply to all quarterly rate notices received by post from 1 January 2025. Excludes property owners receiving a pension/self-funded retiree concession. To sign up to receive your rate notices by email visit moretonbay.qld.gov.au/eRates

Citizenship ceremony

Congratulations to our 850 newest Australian citizens who attended the two citizenship ceremonies at Morayfield on Monday 29 July. We had representatives attend from all three levels of government and I love seeing the excited faces of these newest citizens as they recite the pledge of allegiance to our great country of Australia.



Pine Rivers Kindergarten open day

Congratulations to the team at Pine Rivers Kindergarten in Harding Street, Kallangur for a fabulous open day. I love this kindy. I've had a very long association here as my own daughter and son attended this kindy 45 years ago. It's been wonderful for children throughout the years.



Pine Rivers Orchid Society

Congratulations to Eddie and the Pine Rivers Orchid Society Spring Show organisers for a wonderful display of orchids and other species in September. It's an honour to officially open these events.



Christmas closures

City of Moreton Bay's administration and customer service centres will close from 12 pm Tuesday 24 December 2024, reopening at 8:30 am Thursday 2 January 2025. Council's Call Centre will continue to respond to emergency matters on (07) 3205 0555. Household waste collection services will operate as normal. For a full list of closures and operating hours please visit:

moretonbay.qld.gov.au/closures



DIVISION 7 UPDATE

With Cr Yvonne Barlow

Hi everyone, this will be our last newsletter for 2024.

What a busy yet productive year it has been. Division 7 has seen so many projects completed that will enhance our community and lifestyle of our residents. There are many more projects still to be started. Get ready for our impressive light display along Anzac Avenue and there will be lots more in 2025.

If you're out enjoying our wonderful community over the holidays don't forget to download Council's Snap Send Solve app so you can report any issues that you may see in your travels. This will assist Council with having them attended to in a timely manner.

Speaking of the holidays, make sure you save the date for the Murrumba Christmas Spectacular to be held on 7 December at Ogg Rd, Murrumba Downs. Be sure to invite your friends and family as it will be a cracker event!

Merry Christmas everyone!

Yvonne



Tree planting in Penson Park

Congratulations to the huge team of volunteers who planted 1,500 trees at Penson Park in July for National Tree Day. They did all the hard work while I was involved in Pooches in the Park which was also at Penson Park, Kallangur that day. Thank you for all your hard work!

Griffin Crest - Beverley Court Park playground update

Construction commenced in August at Beverley Court Park for the playground upgrade. The upgrade will include, a new picnic shelter, bench seats, and a BBQ area. As well as additional playground equipment, swing set, wheelchair carousel, obstacle course, new shade sails, soft fall areas, new pathways, new basketball key, tree planting and landscaping. Site perimeter fencing has been installed surrounding the construction zone with established site facilities, temporary toilets and container for storage. Stay tuned for updates.



Pooches in the Park

We had a fabulous Pooches in the Park event on 28 July at Penson Park, Kallangur. Hundreds of our furry friends and their owners turned up for this hilarious event. Thank you to 'Cooper' the dog who led our Walking the Dog puppy parade at the end of this very special day. Thank you to the Kallangur Lions for hosting the fundraising breakfast.



Educators' Day at North Pine Christian College

Wednesday 4 September was Early Childhood Educators' Day. An opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the invaluable role of early childhood educators and teachers across Queensland. Thank you, North Pine Christian College, for inviting me to share in your celebration.



Anahata Café - mobile office

My first mobile office at Anahata Cafe in Kallangur (cnr Anzac Ave & Cecily St) was a success. I was so impressed with their community spirit and would thoroughly recommend the service. We had a good roll up of residents who would agree how special the visit was. Thank you, Bel, for a lovely afternoon.





Artist's impression

Moreton Bay Indoor Sports Centre

The Moreton Bay Indoor Sports Centre was recently announced to play a larger role in the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Located at The Mill Precinct in Petrie, the centre will have 12 multi-use courts and capacity for 10,000 spectators including temporary warm-up areas.

The centre can be used for a range of sports including basketball, netball, volleyball, futsal, handball, wheelchair rugby, sitting volleyball, wheelchair basketball, badminton, fencing, table tennis, taekwondo and gymnastics.

The new venue will be funded by the Australian and Queensland Governments under the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games Intergovernmental Agreement.

City of Moreton Bay is providing the land and supporting associated precinct works and connections at the site at The Mill Precinct, Petrie, an area identified for growth and community benefit.

The centre will be purpose designed to meet local community participation needs first and foremost, before being converted to Games competition venue mode, and then returned to the community with lasting benefits.

Construction is expected to begin early 2026, with the centre intended to be operational from 2028.



Air Force Cadets Annual Parade Shapcott Base Rothwell

It was a real pleasure to attend the Annual Parade of TG04 Annual Air Force Cadets at Shapcott Base in Griffin Way, Rothwell on Saturday 7 September. Cadets from Squadrons 212, 224, 226 and 234 put on a fabulous display of precision marching. It was an honour for Mayor Peter Flannery, Councillor Sandra Ruck and I to attend and witness these wonderful young men and women perform their drill skills to the large group of spectators and family. Well done.



Murrumba Christmas Spectacular

Bring your little elves along for this very merry event that offers an array of exciting activities for everyone. Featuring food trucks, stage entertainment, kids activities, fireworks and of course Christmas carols, you're sure to get into the Christmas spirit. Plus don't miss a visit from Santa!

Saturday 7 December | 4 pm - 8 pm
John Oxley Reserve, Murrumba Downs
moretonbay.qld.gov.au/community-events-calendar

WHAT'S ON

Christmas in Moreton Bay

Celebrate the festive season with joyful carols, fireworks, family fun and of course, a visit from Santa!

From 4 pm to 8 pm, experience the holiday cheer at one of five free events across Moreton Bay.

- North Lakes - 30 Nov
- Caboolture - 1 Dec
- Murrumba Downs - 7 Dec
- Redcliffe - 8 Dec
- Pine Rivers - 15 Dec



Australia Day in Moreton Bay

Make this Australia Day an absolute ripper!

On Sunday 26 January, enjoy a relaxing day at Music in the Park at Scarborough or Bribie Island. Featuring live performances, food trucks and great vibes.

Bribie Island, 1 pm to 5 pm
Scarborough, 1 pm to 6 pm

For more details on community events visit moretonbay.qld.gov.au/community-events-calendar



Aussie Arvo is back for 2025

Join us for an afternoon of Aussie fun! Enjoy free entry, free rides, music, fireworks, and exciting competitions. Indulge in \$2 sausage sizzles, popcorn, fairy floss, and sideshow games. Don't miss out on this fantastic day for the whole family!

Sunday 26 January | 2 pm - 7 pm
Lawnton Aquatic Centre



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