



Councillor Kurt Rehbein

KEEPING YOU UPDATED

A message from Kurt

It's so rewarding to represent such a great division and spend time with the people in it, ensuring it continues to improve. This newsletter includes local updates as well as news from across the whole of Townsville, but you can always find out more about our projects and events by visiting Council's website.

We've seen some great changes to Townsville this year, including the new Townsville sign and street art installations. These are really putting our city on the map as a tourism destination. Council has secured \$23.2 million of the next round of Works for Queensland funding. This will provide the means to further develop and improve our infrastructure.

Looking to the future, key projects are shaping the future of our city, such as the North Queensland Stadium, which is on target to be built in time for the 2020 NRL Season.

I'm looking forward to continuing to work with you to promote our division and ensure it gets the representation it deserves.

Cn Kurt Rehbein

Heatley Park upgrade



Exciting news for Heatley! Thanks to the Queensland Government Works for Queensland (W4Q) initiative, I have been able to secure funding for the long awaited upgrade to Heatley Park.

The comprehensive works will commence soon and include the establishment of new:

- Pathways
- Shelters
- Dog off-leash areas
- Footbridges
- Irrigation and
- Softscape.

Heatley deserves a first class district park and it's great to see we're able to deliver something the whole community can enjoy!



Listening in at the customer service centre

Sitting in with the call centre staff to hear concerns and the types of issues that our community call up about on a day-to-day basis is a really rewarding experience. I loved meeting the customer service staff, who are a fantastic bunch of people!

I'll be doing more of this, so make sure you call in! Check out my Facebook page to find out when I'm on the phones.

JOBS FOR LOCALS

Update on our water security solution

Townsville's three-point water security solution is underway. The tender has been awarded for the manufacture of the water pipeline, and Council is currently inviting tenders for civil works along the 36.5km of the new pipeline corridor.

Council has awarded the pipe tender to Iplex Pipelines. This milestone will create more than 50 new direct and indirect jobs in advanced manufacturing for Townsville.

As a result, Iplex Pipelines have re-opened a local manufacturing facility to ensure sustainable jobs for locals. The fittings for the pipeline will be made locally, and with manufacturing re-starting here there will be other pipe products made in Townsville and potentially sold all over the country and the world.

Delivering long term water security is a top priority, made possible by the \$225 million Queensland Government contribution towards Council's three-point water security solution:

- Oversize pipeline
- Water reuse plan
- Community transition package

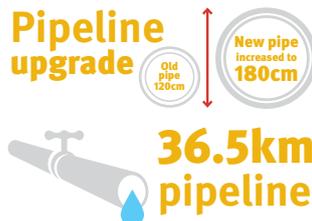
The pipeline is one of the biggest infrastructure projects in Townsville in a generation. Council staff have made sure we have got the best product to ensure the pipeline delivers long-term water security for our community.



COUNCIL AWARDS PIPE TENDER TO IPLEX

\$225 million Qld Government investment in three point water security solution:

1. **Oversize pipeline**
2. **Water reuse plan**
3. **Community transition package**



Creation of ongoing local jobs in advanced manufacturing



19 mths to go

Final countdown is on

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Townsville's battery plant powers ahead

Townsville City Council and Imperium3 signed a high-level agreement to progress a lithium ion battery plant in Townsville. The battery plant will create up to 1000 direct jobs and position Townsville as a global leader in advanced manufacturing.

Mayor Jenny Hill said signing the agreement between Council and Imperium3 was the next crucial step to establishing the battery plant in Townsville. "This battery plant has the potential to transform Townsville and charge the city's economy for decades to come," Cr Hill said.

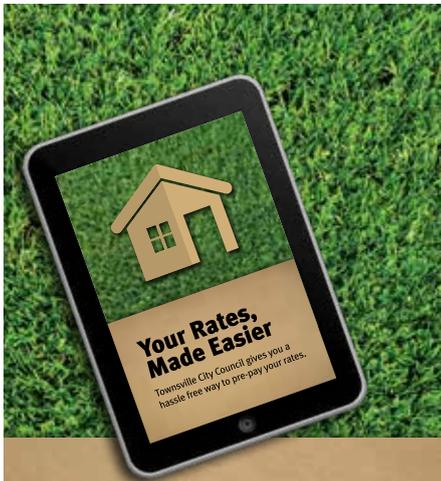
Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk said battery technology was a natural extension of Queensland's transition to being a renewable energy powerhouse. "Queensland has long been the powerhouse of Australia," the Premier said. "Now as we move towards our 50% renewable energy target, storage solutions are a vital part of enhancing our natural strengths in renewable generation."

"Storage is fundamental to making renewable energy reliable, and that's why my Government has already committed more than \$3 million towards accessing the feasibility of this project."



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Kerbside collection going strong

Council's kerbside collection crews have passed more than 34,900 homes and collected 1,423 tonnes of hard waste on their route around the city.

The average home leaves out 96kg of waste, and regular items being thrown out include barbecues, bikes and fridges.

The service allows residents to leave up to two cubic metres of hard waste, or approximately eight wheelie bins, out the front of their home for free collection. This includes items such as white goods, furniture and televisions. However some items will not be collected such as green waste, building products, liquids including paints, car parts, tyres, gas bottles, glass and hazardous materials such as asbestos.

The city has been split into 25 zones, and zones 1 – 15 have now been completed. Residents are informed when their zone collection is approaching through a notice in their mail box, as well as general reminders through media outlets.

Our kerbside collection teams have been through our division and picked up a total of 488.55 tonnes! It's great to see our residents taking up this new initiative.

EACH HOME ALLOWED:



WHAT'S ON TOWNSVILLE

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SENIORS' WEEK

LIFESTYLE EXPO

Tuesday 21 August, 10am to 1pm
Townsville Stadium

LUNCHEON

Thursday 23 and Friday 24 August
10:30am to 1:30pm, Townsville Stadium



RICHARD DUNLOP: A NORTHERN SURVEY

29 July to 9 September, daily from 10am
Perc Tucker Regional Gallery

► Credit: Richard Dunlop The Cure [detail] 2008,
Mixed media on cotton rag, 200 x 100 cm framed



AUSTRALIAN FESTIVAL OF CHAMBER MUSIC

27 July to 5 August, Various Times
Townsville Civic Theatre



Councillor mobile office in the park

I hold a regular mobile office stall in various parks, and recently I was at Mountview Park in Kirwan.

It was a beautiful day and there were a number of residents who dropped in to say hi, share their suggestions and ask questions.

Mobile offices are a great way to come and ask me questions or tell me your concerns. No booking necessary, feel free to just stop by and have a chat if you see me.

Mountview park is a popular park for families with pathways through the parkland for riding bikes, scooters and skateboards, so be sure go to and check it out if you haven't already.

Keep an eye out on my Facebook page for upcoming mobile offices.



Supporting our community

Food Relief NQ is a not-for-profit organisation which supplies affordable and necessary food products to local community groups and welfare organisations on a membership basis.

Food Relief NQ is the North's own charity, with 100% of food and funds going straight back into the North Queensland Community. So, how can you help? There are four ways to support Food Relief NQ:

- Funds
- Services
- Food donations
- Volunteering

For more information, visit the Food Relief NQ website at foodreliefnq.org.au or phone (07) 4774 7620.

If you or someone you know needs support, please contact one of the local welfare groups.



Queen's Scout Award

It was great to be invited to attend the presentation of the Queen's Scout Award to Ryan Harton at the Kirwan Scout Group ceremony.

The Queen's Scout Award is the highest youth award achievable in the Scouting movement in the Commonwealth.

Congratulations to the Kirwan Scout Group, as well as Ryan and his family.

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