

Councillor Margie Ryder

KEEPING YOU UPDATED

A message from Margie

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 underway are shaping our city, such as the North Queensland Stadium, which is on target to be completed 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.

Cr Margie Ryder

A new water treatment plant for Paluma



Paluma residents and visitors can now enjoy a drink of water straight from the tap thanks to a new \$550,000 compact water treatment plant provided by Townsville City Council.

Engineering and technology company CRS Water worked with Council staff to complete the project and provide quality drinking water to 75 homes in Paluma.

Not only has the boil water notice been lifted, the quality of the water at Paluma now exceeds the guideline water standards. I fought for the upgrades in the Paluma Water Treatment Plant, and I'm pleased we have been able to deliver this important election commitment.



Record number of apprentices and trainees

It was great to meet many of this year's group of 100 apprentices back in February – the highest intake in Council's history. The new employees are being trained on the front-line as part of Council's goal to increase on-the-ground staff.

Our new employees come from a variety of backgrounds, including young and mature age people, the long-term unemployed, people with a disability, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. For more information on apprenticeships and traineeships with Council, visit our Careers at Council page on Council's website.

JOB\$ FOR LOCAL\$

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

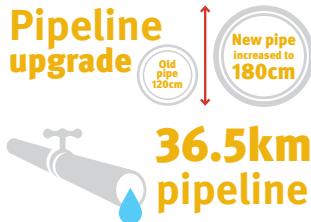
The pipeline is one of the biggest infrastructure projects in Townsville in a generation. Council staff have made sure we have got the best product to ensure the pipeline delivers long-term water security for our community.



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 CITY COUNCIL

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.

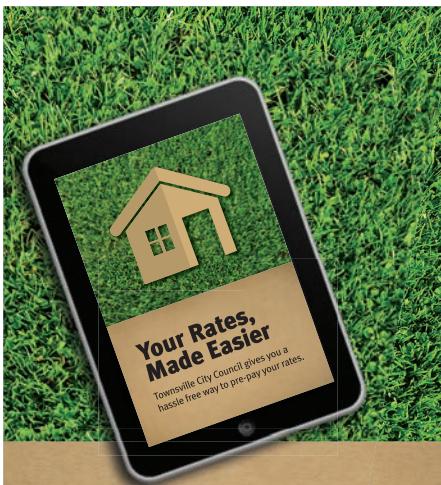
Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk said battery technology was a natural extension of Queensland's transition to being a renewable energy powerhouse. "Queensland has long been the powerhouse of Australia," the Premier said. "Now as we move towards our 50% renewable energy target, storage solutions are a vital 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 Bohle plains and picked up 45.94 tonnes in total. We still have a few zones to go, so check out the other commencement dates in our division below:

- Zone 17 commences 23 July
- Zone 18 commences 6 August
- Zone 21 commences 17 September
- Zone 23 commences 15 October
- Zone 25 commences 12 November

To find out your zone, visit the Kerbside Collection page on Council's website and enter your address.

EACH HOME ALLOWED:



2M² (8 WHEELIE BINS)



WHAT'S ON TOWNSVILLE



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



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Priority projects for our community

For the past three months, I have been collecting feedback from the communities across Division one. During this time, I met with over 150 residents at community meetings in Rangewood, Bluewater, Mutarnee, Paluma, Toomulla, Balgal Beach, Saunders Beach and Rollingstone to develop a priority list of projects for our community.

My proposed project list includes:

- Senior's exercise equipment
- Sealed roads
- Playground equipment
- Shade structures
- Irrigation systems for parks and gardens
- Top soil on parks
- BBQs
- Lighting

I am now working hard to lobby for funding and doing whatever it takes to deliver these projects. I will keep you updated with the progress I make.

Responsible pet ownership

Pets can make a great addition to our lives, but it's important to remember that we are responsible for our pet's actions. With 500 dog attacks in Townsville over the past year, we need to ensure the safety of our residents through responsible pet ownership.

If you own a dog, you should:

- Ensure your dog cannot escape from your yard. 90 percent of dog attacks are committed by wandering dogs
- Always supervise children around dogs – particularly if a dog is sleeping, feeding or recovering from injury or illness
- Ensure your dog is registered with Council
- Train your dog.

Dog attacks should be immediately reported to Council by phoning 13 48 10. This number should also be used for afterhours attacks.

For more information, check out Townsville.qld.gov.au

**5 STEPS FOR
SAFE PETS**

For more information, visit Council's website.

1) FENCE YOUR YARD, AND SHUT THE GATE
2) DESEX YOUR PET, AND VACCINATE
3) USE A SHORT LEASH, WHILST WALKING YOUR PET
4) DON'T FEED THE WILDLIFE, OR LEAVE OUT YOUR SCRAPS!
5) MAKE SURE YOU REPORT ALL WILD DOG ATTACKS!

Road trip with the Mayor

I clock up a lot of kilometres around Division one, and it was great to have the Mayor join me recently to visit camping grounds at Bluewater, Saunders Beach, Toomulla, Rollingstone, Balgal Beach and Paluma.



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