SURFACING OF GRAVEL AT JOE KIRWAN PARK:
The gravel in the carpark is being surfaced.

WORKS FOR QUEENSLAND PROGRESS ACROSS DIVISION 5

Surfacing of gravel at Joe Kirwan Park: 100% complete

WORKS FOR QUEENSLAND ACROSS TOWNSVILLE

Street Art Wall at Riverway: A new Street Art wall at Riverway is being constructed. The consultation process over best use of space will begin shortly.

LED Lighting in the CBD and Palmer Street: LED Lighting will create a legacy of lower power costs along Townsville’s busiest restaurant street. It will also support the city’s image during the Commonwealth Games.

Access to Ross River Dam: Access stairs to Ross River Dam are being reinstated to provide alternative public access.

Shade structures over Townsville parks: Shade structures will be established over a number of Townsville Parks to cool down the public.

Castle Hill Goat Track Upgrade:
The new walking track will be wider, with better walkability and erosion control. The track will be made wider and more durable, and steps, rock pave landings, drains, handrails, seats and lookout areas will be repaired or replaced.

Nelly Bay Walkway:
A new 3m shared path is being established from X Base to Yates St.

Edison Park Upgrade:
Edison Park is being upgraded to a District Park Standard. The upgrade includes new pathways, shelters, a dog off-leash area, footbridges and irrigation.

Refurbishment of Lake Paluma recreational facilities: The recreational facilities at Lake Paluma are being refurbished, including the camp ground and day use area facilities, interpretive signage, and a renewable power supply upgrade.

Castle Hill Cudtheringa Track:
The new walking track will be safer, with better walkability and erosion control. The track will be made wider and more durable, and steps, rock pave landings, drains, handrails, seats and lookout areas will be repaired or replaced.

Palmer Streetescape Project:
Palmer Street is being refurbished with an upgrade to footpaths, street facade and gardens.

Horseshoe Bay Toilet Upgrade:
A new toilet block will be built on the corner of Horseshoe Bay Road and Pacific Drive.

RIVERWAY SKATE PARK OUTDOOR FREE WALL
Street Art is such an important factor in creating a vibrant and lively city centre. The Riverway Skate Park Outdoor Free Wall is the second free wall created to allow local street artists to practice and showcase their work. Street art activation is happening continually, so keep your eye out for more additions and workshops.

I also encourage you to take advantage of our Street Art City Walking Trail guide which is available on council’s website, and guides you through Townsville’s growing Street Art collection.

WELCOME TO NEWS FROM DIVISION 5!
It’s great to be able to share information about our division, as well as the exciting projects that are taking place across our city.

The North Queensland Stadium construction is well underway, with the majority of trade packages currently awarded to local businesses and subcontractors.

We’re focused on securing jobs for our residents, and this year in a deal struck with Adani, we’ve invested our savings to ensure hundreds of jobs for locals, as well as a $90 million boost in annual economic activity, over 30 years.

Cyclone season is now upon us, and council is investigating ways in which our local experts, in conjunction with management groups and stakeholders, can exert greater influence on how these events are planned for and managed. Let’s all have a safe summer!

Remember, if you have any questions about our division, feel free to contact me.

Russ Cook

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR COWBOYS
Keeping in with a family tradition of mine, I was honoured to attend the Cowboys final with my son Travis in Sydney in October 2017.

As you can tell in the photo across, we were disappointed with the result but extremely proud of our Cowboys!

We are both loyal Cowboys supporters and have attended all four of the Grand Finals they have played; this of course involves the 2011 Under 20 Grand Final as well as all 3 A Grade Grand Finals.

It was also good to see our city turn out to welcome home our heroes after their Grand Final match against the Melbourne Storm.

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It’s important to prepare your home and yourselves for cyclone season. You can prepare for cyclones by:
- Finding out your emergency contacts
- Preparing your emergency kit checklist
- Preparing your home for a cyclone
- Finding out if your property is located in a storm tide evacuation zone
- Finding out what potential hazards are in your home
  - Learning about the State Emergency Service and when you should contact them
  - Know your options for shelters, evacuations and recovery by developing a Household Emergency Plan

Council’s Get Ready Guide has all the information you need to effectively prepare for a cyclone. For more information visit council’s website.

The Mayor’s Christmas Tree Appeal has been assisting thousands of local families and individuals in need for almost 25 years. In 2016, we received more than $97,000 worth of food, gifts and cash donations from the Townsville Community.

You can donate to the Mayor’s Christmas Tree Appeal at the 103 Walker Street Customer Service counter or through council’s website.

I was pleased to take part in the celebrations to recognise our city’s senior residents and the role they play in our community.

The free Seniors Luncheon was held over two days and saw more than 1,000 people joining in the festivities. In keeping with this year’s tropical theme residents were encouraged to attend in their most colourful and tropical attire.

For more information visit council’s website.

Recently I was contacted by a resident concerned about the safety of the footpath on Sandstone Drive leading to the roundabout at Golf Links.

I raised these concerns and submitted photos to council and am pleased to advise that council has replaced this section of the footpath.

When out and about if you come across something that needs fixing please let me know or email council on enquiries@townsville.qld.gov.au

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**FREE**

**HOUSEHOLD GREEN WASTE**

**FREE**

**KERBSIDE COLLECTION** free bin waste – drop off at any time of year

**FREE**

**DUMP WEEKENDS** twice a year