

Councillor News - Cr Donna Gates - Division 1

STANMORE ROAD STAGE 5

Residents of Yatala, Luscombe and Cedar Creek will be pleased to know that Stage 5 works for the upgrade of Stanmore Road will soon commence. The work (valued at approximately \$14m) on Stanmore Road from Enkleman Road to Peachey Road, will start with tree clearing and the relocation of underground services. The road will be dropped significantly and will be duplicated to connect with Stages 2 and 4. The designs show that there will be a designated right turn lane into Enkleman from Stanmore Road – something that has been of concern to residents for some time. Design work also includes a centre median – and there will no longer be a right turn opportunity for traffic exiting Enkleman Road. At completion, motorists will need to turn left and travel to the Peachey Road roundabout in order to travel west. Once the actual road work commences, it is expected to take about 15 months to deliver, however the road will remain open at all times, albeit with diversions to allow for construction.



SEQ REGIONAL PLAN

The State Government has released its plan for the future of the region for the next 25 years when the south east region is projected to be home to 5.3 million people. There had been much speculation about whether the Government would support a transition from cane lands to other land uses in Northern Gold Coast and indeed whether the urban footprint (which defines where residential development can occur) would be retained. The Government waited for the release of Census data to reconfirm its planning for 60% consolidation (redevelopment of existing properties within the urban footprint) and 40% expansion – (new development of previously undeveloped land within the urban footprint). For the Gold Coast specifically, it envisages 80% consolidation and 20% expansion. It's interesting that the SEQ population growth between 2011 and 2016 was 15% higher than predicted, but dwellings growth 5% lower. Projections to 2041 put the Gold Coast population at 928,000 – up from the 2016 Census figure of 576,900. The Government is introducing an expert panel to examine housing supply to ensure that housing needs keep pace with growth.

NORTHERN GOLD COAST SPORTS AND COMMUNITY PRECINCT

The State Government visited the Gold Coast in August for a Cabinet Meeting and to consult with residents of the city. The visit provided an opportunity for strong representation regarding issues of concern (mainly the upgrade of the M1 on and off ramps at Exit 41, 45 and 38) but also in regard to Government funding support for our \$56m major sports and community precinct, design of which is already underway. The Mayor and I met with the Minister, Hon Mick de Brenni MP, highlighting the potential doubling of population over the next 20 years and the need to address the sporting and recreational needs of residents. We hope to have the opportunity to show the Minister the land and plans in order to reinforce the funding request to ensure delivery at the earliest opportunity.

BUS STOP UPGRADES 2017-18

Various bus stops across Division 1 will be upgraded this financial year.

Bus Stop Location	Works
Opposite 11 Brygon Creek Road Upper Coomera	Reconstruct hardstand with barrier kerb and linemarking
17, 18 Doolan Street Ormeau	Reconstruct hardstand with barrier kerb and linemarking
77, 78 Doolan Street Ormeau	Reconstruct hardstand with barrier kerb and linemarking
Mirambeena Drive at Ormeau State School Ormeau	Upgrade new shelter. Reconstruct hardstand with barrier kerb and linemarking.
Opposite 180 Pascoe Road Ormeau	Upgrade seating. Reconstruct hardstand with barrier kerb and linemarking
Opposite 78 Peachey Road Ormeau	Upgrade seating. Reconstruct hardstand with barrier kerb and linemarking
31 Rockwood Drive Ormeau	Upgrade seating. Reconstruct hardstand with barrier kerb and linemarking
Roe Street Approaching Principal CI Upper Coomera	Reconstruct hardstand with barrier kerb and linemarking

ORMEAU PROGRESS ASSOCIATION CALL FOR NEW MEMBERS

The Ormeau Progress meets on the second Monday of every month (6.30pm) at the old Ormeau School, Corner Tillyroen and Macreadie Road at Ormeau. Come along and hear of news in the area – meet some very new residents and some of our long time community heroes. For further information phone Judy Hendrixx on 55466300.

CONTACT ME:

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