



Community News

Brought to you by Cr Jodie Shipway, Division 4



Creating a resilient city

Resilience starts with the community and once again City of Moreton Bay banded together to show its spirit in the face of a potential natural disaster.

While Tropical Cyclone Alfred didn't quite hit with the gusto that was initially forecast, we still received over 300 requests for fallen trees, there were 62,000 properties affected by power outages, over 120 roads were flooded, and 1,800 tasks were recorded with the Moreton Bay SES Unit.

It took a major effort from residents, emergency responders and Council staff working together to get the city ready to face the cyclone and then back on its feet as soon as possible.

Our Local Disaster Coordination Centre worked day and night to manage the preparation and response, while providing key information to the public and emergency services. Part of that included the distribution of over 3,000 tonnes of sand and over 300,000 sandbags in three days,

which is three times the amount we had ever gone through for a single weather event. We applaud everyone for their preparation, patience and understanding through such a stressful time.

Our City Flood Database and flood mapping was updated in late February, and was critical to accurately predict potential flooding around the city and send real-time messages through our MoretonAlert system.

Look out for our 'Know Your Risk' campaign, so you can understand your risk to floods, and update your emergency plans to prepare for the next flood event.

We'll be rolling out a number of projects and initiatives, all outlined in our Environment and Sustainability Strategy, over the coming years to continually build on our city's resilience to all natural hazards.



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THE LIVING CITY UPDATE With Mayor Peter Flannery

It's in times of disaster that you really understand just how resilient and supportive our community is. Tropical Cyclone Alfred tested us, but our community spirit shone through. Thank you to all of you, our residents, who worked alongside our emergency responders and the Council team to ready the city for the cyclone, and then again in the aftermath.

It was timely that our City Flood Database and flood mapping had only recently been updated, ensuring a more accurate response to potential flooding risk. This new flood mapping also means residents themselves can more easily access, and better understand, their own flood risk. Be sure to download your Flood Check Property Report and familiarise yourself with the Moreton Bay Flood Viewer.

We're also continuing to advocate to other levels of government for funding to support our city's growth, liveability, sustainability and resilience. As part of this, we're seeking \$30 million to build a new Local Disaster Coordination Centre in Petrie, which will better support first responders and communication during emergencies. You can read more about our priorities at moretonbay.qld.gov.au/matters

Know your risk

Know your flood risk

New flood mapping is now available, using updated data and technology for greater accuracy. Some areas now show higher or lower risk. Check your Flood Check Property Report and explore the Moreton Bay Flood Viewer to understand your risk.

moretonbay.qld.gov.au/knowyourrisk

Keep your pet's details up to date

Have you moved house in the past year? Has your cat or dog recently been desexed or microchipped or sadly passed away? Keeping your pet's registration details up to date ensures we maintain accurate records and helps us reunite you with your furry friend if they go missing.

Update your pet's details today at

moretonbay.qld.gov.au/animals

GO like a PRO!

Residential properties with a land size smaller than 300 or larger than 2,000 square metres can now apply to opt in to the GO service. Additional GO bins can also be requested. Remember, only garden organics material is accepted in your GO bin. Please ensure no contamination of any kind is disposed into your bin. For more info or to apply visit moretonbay.qld.gov.au/GO

Hints to keep your bin as fresh as possible

- Line your bin with leaves or sticks first and add lawn clippings last.
- Put your bin out for collection every fortnight. This reduces odour!
- Mow your lawn as close to bin collection day as possible.



This initiative is supported by the Queensland Government's Recycling and Jobs Fund





DIVISION 4 UPDATE

With Cr Jodie Shipway

Welcome to our 2nd edition for 2025.

In my previous newsletter, there were some detailed articles explaining infrastructure and development. It is also important that Council continue to support our local business community, giving opportunities for residents to work within our local area. One way we are helping small businesses is through our 'Business Boost Initiative'.

In our last budget, City of Moreton Bay announced \$1 million in funding for small businesses and the local rural and agribusiness sectors. This funding is on top of the generous contributions available under Council's business support initiatives.

With this, Council has developed its City of Moreton Bay Business Boost initiative. The initiative, which includes 5 major projects, is designed to drive economic growth in City of Moreton Bay. It will focus on agritourism capability, ecotourism certification, food/ coffee service, retail leasing, and small business tax governance. The initiative will engage around 500 businesses through targeted workshops, specialised training by industry experts, and mentoring aimed at fostering growth, boosting capability, and ensuring long-term sustainability.

Follow this link for more information and to register:

moretonbay.qld.gov.au/Business-Boost-Initiative

It is important to also continue providing free and low-cost events across our city. You will see on the back page of this newsletter an advertisement for our next movie night in North Lakes on the 17 May 2025 (featuring the movie 'IF'). I am also excited to announce that on Sunday 3 August we will be hosting 'Sips n Sounds' at Lakeside Crescent Park, Mango Hill. Many of you will remember the very successful 'Jazz n Shiraz' event we have previously held in this location, this time we are mixing up the music genre and offering something a little different. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Regarding Council projects, there are two that are frequently asked about: the Henry Road footpath in Griffin and the Lamington Road intersection in Mango Hill. I can confirm that the Henry Road footpath should have started by the time you receive this newsletter as all environmental approvals are finally through. Regarding Lamington Road, the major hold up has been the drilling under Anzac Avenue from the Telcos and third-party contractors. I am pleased to report that at the time of writing this newsletter, the project is back on track with works expected to be finished by mid-2025 (weather permitting). I will also advertise these updates on my Facebook page in the local community groups.

As always, please email or call my office if you have any questions, we are here to help.

Stay safe and until next time...

Jodie

Capestone Lake pedestrian ramp, Mango Hill

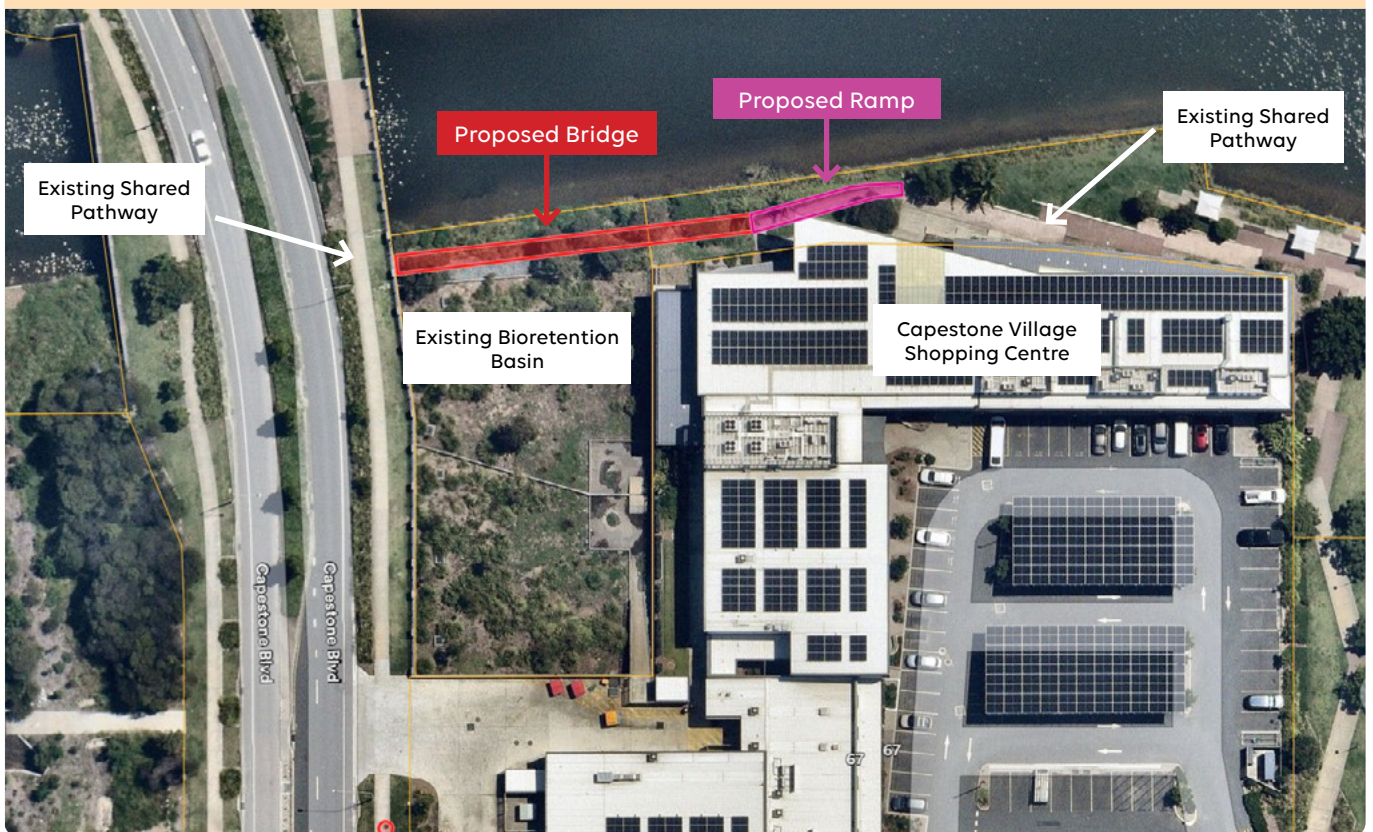
I am pleased to advise that construction is expected to start in May for the new *Disability Discrimination Act* compliant pedestrian ramp and bridge at the south-western side of Capestone Lake, Mango Hill, adjacent to Capestone Village Shopping Centre.

The project scope includes the detailed engineering design of the ramp and bridge between Capestone Boulevard and the existing pathway on the northern side of the shopping village, and including lighting, landscaping, offset planting and wayfinding signage.

The objective of the project is to provide a full off-road loop of Capestone Lake for pedestrians and cyclists without the need to travel around the shopping village.

This project originated as a direct result of resident requests as the Capestone Lake pathway loop is used for recreation by many, including children and families.

Concerns have been raised that the existing loop takes users around the Capestone Village Shopping Precinct, creating conflict between users and large vehicles entering the servicing area. So, this project will not only provide much improvement to the lakeside walk, but also address major safety improvements.



Volunteer with Council

Becoming a volunteer is a great way to meet new people, learn new skills, gain valuable job experience, and make a difference in City of Moreton Bay. We have a range of volunteer opportunities available to choose from to suit your lifestyle. Opportunities include getting involved in our Bushcare program, or helping as a grounds or engagement volunteer at our Environment Centres.

To find out more information on how you can get involved, visit moretonbay.qld.gov.au/Council/Volunteers



Easier way to recycle

City of Moreton Bay is leading the way with Queensland's largest 'pilot' installation of a new bin innovation, with 6 retrofitted bins to be installed around Lake Eden in North Lakes.

In partnership with Container Exchange, the not-for-profit that runs Containers for Change, 64 Container Exchange Points have been retrofitted to bins across public spaces in Moreton Bay.

The new collection points are a safe and efficient resource for community members to

dispose of and collect empty drink containers. Users are encouraged to place empty glasses, plastic bottles and aluminium drink cans into the designated slots, instead of littering or putting them in a landfill bin.

This allows for users to collect empty bottles from the stations in a safe way and collect the 10-cent refund at one of Moreton Bay's Container Return Points.

These stations are a great opportunity for you to make a difference and keep bottles out of landfill.



Top tips for responsible pet ownership

Cats and dogs bring joy and companionship, but they also require care and commitment. Here's what you need to know to be a responsible pet owner:

- **Register your pet:** All cats and dogs must be registered within 14 days of moving to City of Moreton Bay or by 12 weeks of age.
- **Microchipping:** In Queensland, cats and dogs aged between 8 and 12 weeks must be microchipped as required by the *Animal Management Act 2008*.
- **Identification tags:** Under Council's Animal Management Local Law 2023, pet owners are responsible for supplying and ensuring their animal wears an identification tag displaying current contact details whenever they leave their registered property.
- **Keep details up-to-date:** Update your animal's registration and microchipping details online so they can be easily reunited with your family if they go missing.
- **Desex your pet:** Desexing is recommended to prevent unwanted litters. Council offers discounted registration for desexed pets.
- **Public spaces:** Keep your dog on leash in public places (unless in one of our dog off-leash areas) and pick up after your pet.

For more information on how to be the best pet parent in Moreton Bay, make sure to visit moretonbay.qld.gov.au/animals



Movie in the Park

Movie in the Park North Lakes is a free family-friendly outdoor event featuring the family movie 'IF' on an outdoor screen, food trucks, and kids' activities.

Saturday 17 May | 5 pm to 8 pm

Town Common, North Lakes

**[moretonbay.qld.gov.au/
community-events-calendar](http://moretonbay.qld.gov.au/community-events-calendar)**

WHAT'S ON

Anywhere Festival

The fifth annual Anywhere Festival Moreton Bay will be taking over the nooks and crannies of City of Moreton Bay in May.

8 - 25 May 2025

Various locations

**[moretonbay.qld.gov.au/
Anywhere-Festival](http://moretonbay.qld.gov.au/Anywhere-Festival)**



How to DJ: Beginner introduction

Have you always wanted to learn to DJ but never known how to start or who to ask?

Pick up the basics in this beginners' workshop with QUIVR DJ School, including beat matching, song transitions, loops and basic effects.

**Saturday 17 May
Redcliffe Library**

**Saturday 24 May
North Lakes Library**

**[moretonbay.qld.gov.au/
libraries](http://moretonbay.qld.gov.au/libraries)**

Make Music Month

Each June, we turn up the volume at our galleries, museums, libraries and beyond with a month-long music trail. Enjoy free events, live performances, jam sessions, workshops, and more, as we put music on the map in Moreton Bay!

1 - 30 June | Various locations

**[moretonbay.link/
makemusicmonth](http://moretonbay.link/makemusicmonth)**

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1 - 30 June 2025

Moreton Bay PrideFest

Celebrate love, diversity, and inclusion at Moreton Bay PrideFest, a vibrant festival featuring live entertainment, dazzling performances, and family-friendly fun!

Saturday 14 June | 1 pm to 9 pm

Pine Rivers Park, Strathpine

TICKETS ON SALE NOW

**[visitmoretonbayregion.com.au/
pridefest](http://visitmoretonbayregion.com.au/pridefest)**



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