

## Valuing Lifestyle

**Our vision is for a region that celebrates our vibrant lifestyle.**

A place where:

- A preserved and well maintained natural environment can be enjoyed by residents and visitors as part of our unique lifestyle.
- People can travel easily around the region using different modes of transportation.
- Residents and visitors can participate in diverse community events, recreation and cultural opportunities.







### Seaside Village a Healthy Waterways Standout

The Redcliffe Seaside Village Rejuvenation project was a standout finalist at the 2012 Healthy Waterways Awards.

The awards acknowledged council's work to protect the health of our local waterways and recognised the calibre of water-saving features in the Redcliffe Seaside Village rejuvenation including:

- Water tanks to capture storm water run-off, supplying nearby buildings and plants.
- Bio-retention basins along Redcliffe Parade and Sutton Street to harvest and treat surface water run-off from footpaths and roadways. Water captured in the basins is piped to water tanks located in the foreshore parklands at Charlsh Park.
- Plant species were selected for their ability to thrive in local environmental conditions.
- More than 130 new trees were planted, as well as ground cover plants and grasses selected for their ability to thrive near the beach and roads.

This innovative design has reduced the impact of run-off on Moreton Bay and reduced maintenance and watering needs of plants in the Seaside Village precinct.

### Environmental initiatives

Plan, monitor, report and educate on environmental and conservation outcomes.

#### Highlights

- \$4.3 million was spent on environmental initiatives
- 6,000 plants were planted and more than 12,900 square metres of weeds cleared as council unleashed the Green Army on Mungarra Reserve, Petrie. The 17 week project will help to ensure the reserve continues to provide a safe vegetation corridor for local wildlife
- Council preserved more than 600 metres of tree corridor along Dip Road at Camp Mountain. The trail is popular with bush walkers, mountain bikers and horse riders
- Council supports 43 bushcare groups in the Moreton Bay Region. The groups revegetate and maintain 42 sites, removing weeds and planting more than 29,000 native trees
- Residents near urban bushland parks assisted council in maintaining wildlife habitat by removing weeds and planting native plants. There are currently 74 residents involved in the BushPark Neighbours program, planting more than 1,460 trees each year in local wildlife corridors
- 6,700 trees were planted for National Tree Day. 130 volunteers helped plant 2,000 trees at Nairn Road Park and 90 volunteers helped regenerate endangered rainforest on the banks of the Upper South Pine River
- 22 volunteers planted more than 7,170 plants along riverbank between Cash Crossing, Albany Creek and Church Road at Eatons Hill. Since 2001 the South Pine River Warriors Group has established more than 118,540 native plants across 74 hectares of bushland
- 164 residents participated in the Koala Survey Day, October, 2011
- \$30,000 over three years was committed towards field trials of a koala *Chlamydia* vaccine conducted by the Queensland University of Technology
- Over 2,000 koala habitat trees were planted in council parks across the region
- Council received a \$92,000 contribution from the State Government for koala habitat restoration works at the new Whiteside Road Park Koala Nature Refuge
- Council launched a campaign to raise awareness of the region's koala breeding season. Electronic signs were used in Mango Hill, Dakabin, Petrie, Joyner, Strathpine and Warner to display the message: Koala area: slow down







### Highlights (cont)

- Council's environmental education centres – CREEC, Osprey House and Kumbartcho Sanctuary – hosted 29 Living with the Environment workshops. Topics included growing native plants, energy efficiency, caring for koalas, weed identification and attracted more than 1,000 participants
- Osprey House celebrated World Wetlands Day in February, 2012. More than 260 people learned about migratory wader birds which visit the region from places like Siberia and Alaska
- Council hosted environment activities during National Youth Week, 2012. More than 50 young people took part in canoeing at Osprey House
- Residents were encouraged to flick the switch on appliances and lights for Earth Hour 2012. The Caboolture Regional Environmental Education Centre hosted a night of wildlife spotting in conjunction with the event
- 138 environment education programs were delivered to 58 schools and around 3,760 students covering topics including energy efficiency and biodiversity
- 90 schools registered with council's free online Living Smart program, promoting what they can do to reduce their impact on the environment
- Council hosted a *Living with the Environment* event at the Clontarf State High School Eco Centre in May, 2012. The discussion provided information to students about the health of the region's waterways and the things we can do to improve them
- The 2011 Don Perrin Bursary recipient and University of Queensland Environmental Management student, Jackie Hines, completed an industry placement, learning more about council's environmental conservation activities
- Council's \$2,000 Don Perrin Bursary is designed to help a local student undertaking tertiary study in a field like science, marine science, environmental management, environmental health and environmental education
- More than 28 properties signed up to the Land for Wildlife program. Council provided advice and assistance towards the management of more than 3,000 hectares of retained habitat and 500 hectares of habitat under restoration on private land
- More than 34 residents signed up to council's Backyards for Wildlife program helping to preserve wildlife corridors in urban areas
- Weed control and revegetation activities were conducted on more than 929 hectares of wildlife habitat throughout 226 local parks
- Weed awareness and information kits were distributed to interested landholders and made available on council's website
- Two private landholders signed Voluntary Conservation Agreements with council to protect their properties in perpetuity. Council has 13 Voluntary Conservation Agreements protecting more than 173 hectares of land
- 33 Voluntary Conservation Program Grants were approved for private landholders undertaking conservation projects such as revegetation, weed control and waterway rehabilitation
- A rare, yellow-flowering native shrub *Sophora fraseri* listed as vulnerable under the *Queensland Nature Conservation Act 1992* was given a fighting chance through a Voluntary Conservation Agreement with council
- Council released its priority species list, which details plants and animals of significance to the region. The report will help develop future environmental programs and planning



### Council cleans up with recycling award

Moreton Bay Regional Council scored top honours at the 2012 Keep Australia Beautiful Queensland Sustainable Cities Awards.

Council's innovative and practical waste education program for schools won the Community Action and Partnership title.

The free resource education program was rolled out to 26 early learning centres, primary and senior schools in the Moreton Bay Region, providing tips on how to be waste wise. The initiative included information and advice on recycling, composting, litter management and waste auditing.

It helped to encourage positive waste practices among students with participating venues boosting their recycling by up to 38 per cent.



### Waste Collection, reduction and recycling

The collection and disposal of waste and, programs and strategies to reduce and recycle waste.

#### Highlights

- More than \$29.9 million was spent on waste management in the Moreton Bay Region
- 141,000 properties were provided with kerbside waste and recycling collection services
- 145,000 general waste wheelie bins were collected each week
- 71,000 recycling waste wheelie bins were collected each week
- Around 42 per cent of waste in the Moreton Bay Region was recycled and diverted from landfill
- Council cut greenhouse gas emissions, with the Landfill Gas Management Project extracting more than 8.5 million cubic metres of gas from landfill sites at Dakabin, Caboolture and Bunya. This equates to a reduction of 52,000 tonnes of carbon emissions which is equivalent to removing 7,500 vehicles off local roads
- Council continued to investigate the viability of converting gas extracted from council's waste facilities into green energy
- Council's recovery program continued to recycle kerbside recyclables, green waste, timber, clean fill, metal, concrete, e-waste, tyres, wet cell batteries, household chemicals, used chemical drums, oil and gas bottles
- Clean Up Australia Day was a major success with more than 10,000 volunteers across 134 sites removing 150 cubic metres of rubbish. Common items recovered included computer parts, plastic bottles, beer kegs and bicycles
- More than 5,000 tonnes of mulch was provided to residents free of charge
- More than one million items were purchased from treasure markets at Caboolture and Dakabin with around 130,000 people visiting the markets
- Council continued to supply recycling bins at major events and festivals
- More than 6,000 children became expert recyclers with council donating 36 compost bins, 45 worm farms, 100 recycling crates and 35 organic caddys to local schools and early learning centres
- Six waste facility tours were conducted for local students, lifting the lid on what happens to their trash
- Council hosted National Recycling Week during November, 2011
- More than 100 residents learned more about recycling, taking part in council's annual Trash to Treasure Tour. The program explored council's waste management facilities and treasure markets
- Students from six local schools modelled their own trash inspired fashion creations on the runway as part of council's Waste Education Program. Students from North Lakes College and Strathpine State School were awarded \$500 for school environmental initiatives





### Redcliffe's Coming of Age

A \$24.2 million once-in-a-generation overhaul of Redcliffe's iconic Seaside Village was officially unveiled on November 27, 2011 and it has been warmly received by residents, visitors and local businesses.

Council's Redcliffe Seaside Village Rejuvenation Project has transformed the popular precinct into a modern, vibrant and pedestrian friendly place and it is hoped it will help kick-start new private investment in the area.

The rejuvenation has taken advantage of the village's biggest asset – its unrivalled water frontage while also retaining the historical features that make it a special destination.

It involved reconstructing Redcliffe Parade and Sutton Street to maximise the precinct's relationship with Moreton Bay.

Footpaths have been widened to create a European style boulevard, while timber viewing decks make it even easier to enjoy Redcliffe's breath taking views.

Shared pedestrian zones were installed to improve connectivity between businesses, the waterfront and local parkland.

Redcliffe's proud Anzac history was recognised with an upgrade to Anzac Place, while Charlsh Park and the iconic jetty bathing pavilion at the foot of the Redcliffe Jetty were also improved.

The project also included the undergrounding of powerlines in Sutton Street, a new bus interchange, end of trip facilities for cyclists and water sensitive urban design to capture storm water runoff to be reused in the new waterfront parklands.

The project received an Award for Excellence in the 2012 Planning Institute Awards for the category of "Great Places". Readers of The Courier-Mail voted the Redcliffe Seaside Village Rejuvenation Project the best recently planned place, street or neighbourhood in Queensland.

### Roads and transport

Roads and other transport infrastructure across the region.

#### Highlights

- \$107.5 million on the maintenance and improvement of road and transport infrastructure including disaster recovery works
- \$25 million was spent on road rehabilitation
- Delivered more than 150 roads projects during 2011/12
- Maintained more than 3,420 kilometres of sealed road and 290 kilometres of unsealed road in the Moreton Bay Region
- 62 per cent of the region's road network is urban, while 38 per cent are rural roads
- Council maintained 347 bridges
- Work began on the delivery of council's \$105 million investment in the \$1.15 billion Moreton Bay Rail Link, from Petrie to Kippa-Ring. Council's contribution will include new bridges over the planned rail corridor at Dohles Rocks Road and Goodfellows Road, Kallangur, and at Kinsellas Road East, Mango Hill
- Council's \$16.5 million Dakabin Link Road Project was officially named 'Plantation Road'. It will connect the suburbs of North Lakes and Dakabin, featuring two-lanes with bicycle and pedestrian pathways, and the capacity to expand to four lanes in the future. The project includes a significant upgrade to the intersection of Alma and Old Gympie Roads. Ultimately the road will connect to North Lakes with the completion of a bridge over the Bruce Highway constructed by Stocklands
- Construction began on the \$21 million Francis Road overpass project in March, 2012
- Council reopened the flood damaged Gap Road at Booroboo. Repair work cost \$1.2 million
- Major repair work to a 1.5 kilometre section of Bellthorpe Range Road began in November 2011. The recovery project is jointly funded by the Queensland and Australian governments through the Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements. Repair work is expected to make the road more resilient to extreme weather events and includes slope stabilisation measures with the installation of several thousand metres of stepped gabion structures, new drainage and the repaving of the road surface. The road is expected to be re-opened to traffic by late 2012, weather permitting



\$21 million Francis Road overpass at Lawnton





### Highlights (cont)

- Council welcomed the State Government's tender of contract to construct the new northbound AJ Wyllie Bridge in February, 2012. The state-controlled bridge has been out of action for more than a year following structural damage caused during the 2011 January flood event
- \$1.2million was invested upgrading 560 metres of Patricks Road, Arana Hills, reconstructing the road pavement, improving line marking and traffic lights at the intersection of Dawson Parade
- \$850,000 was spent repairing flood damage at Meldale Road, Meldale and improving roads including Duke Street, Bullock Creek Road, Meldale Road and Way Street
- Finishing touches were made to the \$3.5 million upgrade to the Uhlmann Road and Buckley Road intersection at Burpengary
- The Klingner Road bridge over Walkers Creek at Kippa-Ring was officially renamed as the Des Webb Bridge. Des Webb was a local icon who made a significant contribution to the Redcliffe sporting community
- Car parking at Jamieson Park, Scarborough was given an \$86,000 boost
- Council resurfaced Youngs Crossing Road at Petrie in April, 2012 to repair damage caused by water releases from North Pine Dam. Work also extended the left turn lane from Youngs Crossing Road onto Dayboro Road to improve traffic flow through the intersection.
- New shared traffic zones were introduced to Redcliffe's Seaside Village precinct. The wider, boulevard style footpaths along Redcliffe Parade and Sutton Street give right of way to pedestrians
- Although Translink is responsible for bus services, council upgraded 200 bus stops. There are more than 1200 bus stops used by scheduled bus services throughout the Moreton Bay Region
- Council undertook safety audits along 22 kilometres of roads, carrying out improvements where necessary
- Traffic signal timing was improved to reduce congestion and increase traffic flow along Station Road at Burpengary, Old North Road and Youngs Crossing Road at Bray Park and Dohles Rocks Road at Murrumba Downs
- To improve traffic flow and provide better access for emergency vehicles, council upgraded traffic lights at the intersection of Discovery Drive and Endeavour Boulevard, North Lakes
- Pedestrian signals were upgraded along Sparkes Road, Bray Park
- Council installed turn arrows and improved traffic signals at the North Lakes Drive and Lakefield Drive intersection







### Wetlands a healthy boost for waterways

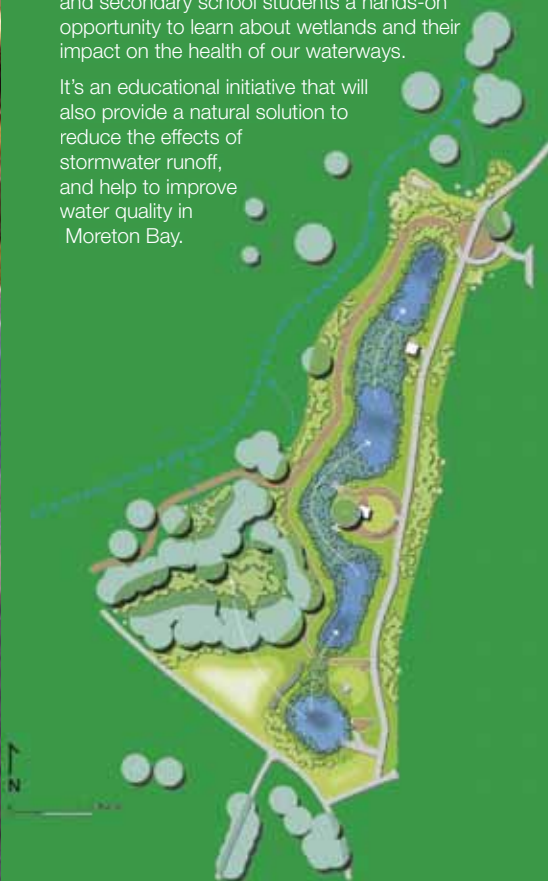
Work began in 2012 on an \$800,000 manmade outdoor stormwater treatment facility at Glenmay Court, Morayfield.

Glenmay Wetlands will incorporate best practice and innovative design to deliver a natural solution to improve the quality of stormwater before it reaches local waterways.

The project will divert water from underground stormwater drains through a new wetland system, which will act as a natural filter removing rubbish, sediment particles and nutrients from stormwater.

The wetlands will also provide an outdoor water quality educational facility, giving local primary and secondary school students a hands-on opportunity to learn about wetlands and their impact on the health of our waterways.

It's an educational initiative that will also provide a natural solution to reduce the effects of stormwater runoff, and help to improve water quality in Moreton Bay.



### Stormwater infrastructure

Drainage and other stormwater infrastructure across the region.

#### Highlights

- \$9.5 million was invested improving stormwater infrastructure
- Council maintained more than 2,390 kilometres of stormwater infrastructure
- Council was recognised as a leader in Excellence in Strategic Planning at the 2011 Stormwater Industry Awards
- Council tackled localised flooding in Everton Hills with a \$280,000 upgrade to stormwater infrastructure at Pettys Road and Parkleigh Street. Works involved increasing the size of existing stormwater pipes, improving drainage during high rainfall events
- Examined the possible effects of storm tide inundation on the region, providing a better understanding of the possible impacts of storm events and cyclones
- Work begun on a major \$900,000 flood mitigation and bridge upgrade to William Street Bridge, Dayboro
- \$300,000 was spent on flood mitigation in Narangba and Burpengary to reduce risks to properties affected by flooding in January, 2011
- Planning for \$1 million of culvert and causeway upgrades to reduce the number of roads affected by closures during significant flood events
- Detailed flood mapping was carried out across the region's 2,035 square kilometres. Data will improve flood information available to the community and help plan for future flood mitigation works
- Additional flood warning gauges were installed to give more accurate and timely information to residents
- Upgraded council's Flood Check Property Report system to include improved flood information
- Completed a preliminary assessment of 265 council owned and managed lakes. Work will look to improve water quality management and reduce the risk of future algal blooms





### Sharing knowledge for healthier waterways

Council partnered on research and monitoring projects to access the latest science and research and give a boost to the long-term health and quality of the Moreton Bay Region's waterways.

The Caboolture River was a focus during the 2011/12 year, as council partnered with Southern Cross University (SCU), Lismore and the University of Western Australia, Perth on work that would provide new insights and a best practice approach to managing the precious river system.

The project, part of the Caboolture River Recovery Plan, pin-pointed sources of nutrients from throughout the Caboolture River catchment. Innovative research methods were used to trace nutrients found in the estuary back to where they came from within the Caboolture River catchment, and link them to a particular land use.

These insights contributed to modelling which gives council the ability to plan sustainable development without compromising the river's health. The understanding gained from the project also helps to plan and prioritise future investment in stormwater infrastructure.

The project was one of national significance and innovation, with SCU's Centre for Coastal Biogeochemistry the only institution in Australia with the technical means to undertake this type of research.

### Waterways and coastal facilities

Waterways and coastal facilities across the region.

#### Highlights

- \$5.5 million was spent on waterways and coastal facilities
- Council maintained over 40 boat ramps
- The region is home to three public jetties at Redcliffe, Woody Point and Bongaree
- Over 300 kilometres of freshwater and estuarine streams were monitored for their ecological health
- Work begun on protecting more than 165 metres of coastline at Scotts Point, Margate from foreshore erosion. Council will spend \$2.5 million constructing a seawall and replenishing 6,000 cubic metres of sand along Margate Beach
- Completed the \$800,000 Anzac Place seawall, protecting coastal foreshore north of the Redcliffe Jetty
- 5,000 cubic metres of sand was used during nourishment works along Queens Beach South at Redcliffe
- 75,000 cubic metres of sand fortified Woorim Beach at Bribie Island, between Eighth Avenue and the Boyd Street car park, against natural coastal erosion
- Reconstruction begun in May 2012 on the Gayundah Seawall at Woody Point. The seawall provides vital erosion protection for local cliffs and a popular foreshore recreational trail for residents
- An electric aeration system successfully stabilised the health of Beachmere Lake. Nearly \$300,000 was also spent on upgrading the lagoon bank retaining wall
- 4,500 cubic metres of sand was dredged from the Redcliffe Jetty, maintaining access to the popular facility for private boats and commercial vessels
- Council maintained three major canal systems at Bribie Gardens, Pacific Harbour and Newport
- Boaties using the Bribie Gardens canal entrance were urged to exercise extreme caution due to a sand bar that had formed across the canal entrance. Council sought approval from the state government to dredge the sand bar in July, 2012
- 33,000 cubic metres of sand was dredged from the Newport Canals Estate





### Doors open to landmark community facilities

The Moreton Bay Region celebrated the opening of two major community facilities in 2011.

The \$17 million world-class Queensland State Equestrian Centre (QSEC) opened in September, 2011.

More than 3,050 tonnes of reinforcing and flexible steel, 5,500 cubic metres of concrete and 3,500 m<sup>2</sup> of block work were used to transform the old landfill site to deliver an equestrian infrastructure showcase.

At the heart of QSEC's 30 hectare site is the main 80 metre x 40 metre indoor arena with an arched steel roof, seating for 3,200 equestrian spectators, and judges' and commentators' rooms.

The centre features warm up areas, four all-weather sand dressage arenas, 154 stables, eight wash bays, 48 camp sites with power and water, 2 training rooms and bar facilities.

The Australian Government contributed \$5.275 million and the Queensland Government \$1.76 million towards the construction of the Queensland State Equestrian Centre.

Caboolture's new education and cultural heart was unveiled in 2011 with council's new \$26.2 million Caboolture Hub opening its doors on December 9.

The facility is home to the Moreton Bay Region's 5,000m<sup>2</sup> library, art gallery with artists studios, learning precinct and a flexible floor plan for conferences and other business events.

It's one of the biggest facilities of its kind in Queensland boasting more than 580 tonnes of steel and 4,200 cubic metres of concrete, which is designed to capitalise on the region's views of the Glasshouse Mountains.

It also takes advantage of natural light and maximises energy efficiency to keep running costs low.

The Caboolture Hub was recognised as the Building of the Year at the 2012 Sunshine Coast Regional Architecture Awards, and won the F.D.G. Stanley Award for Public Architecture at the 2012 Queensland Architecture Awards. This award is the highest architecture award possible for Public Architecture in Queensland.

### Community facilities

Community meeting spaces and other public facilities.

### Highlights

- More than \$5.7 million was spent on community facilities
- Council managed more than 250 leasing agreements with more than 215 community organisations
- Council managed more than 140 facilities, which are leased back to the community
- Council-managed community venues were occupied for more than 15,260 hours
- A \$3 million funding agreement with the Australian Government was announced for a new Young People's Space for North Lakes. Council discussed its ideas for the facility with more than 160 young people. The outcome will be incorporated in stage one of The Corso – North Lakes new library, young people's space, civic and commercial complex
- The former Redcliffe Bowls Club in Irene Street, Redcliffe was renovated for a new life as the local headquarters for not-for-profit community groups
- \$20,000 was committed to a feasibility study and concept plans for a new community centre for The Hills District
- Bramble Bay Bowls club was granted a new lease by council; the popular facility has occupied the site since 1948
- 4,341 people attended programs hosted at the Morayfield Park Leisure Centre
- 331,351 residents visited council swimming pools across the region
- 443,981 bookings were placed in council's swimming pool programs
- Over 120,000 people visited Settlement Cove Lagoon at Redcliffe
- QSEC received 160 individual horse-riding bookings
- QSEC's outdoor dressage arena hosted 55 events and the main arena hosted 36 events including one dog agility competition
- QSEC hosted four state championships – RDA State Championships, Dressage State Championships, Reining State Championship and Riding Pony State Show





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### The Caboolture Hub features:

#### The Learning and Business Centre

- Conference and seminar rooms which can seat up to 200.
- Computer training rooms
- Business meeting rooms
- The boardroom
- Four creative studios and a studio workshop
- A recording studio, for non-commercial standard recording and sound mixing
- The Vault – a performance area that seats up to 40

#### The Terrace

An open-air under-cover function area for up to 50.

#### The Hub Shop

#### The Caboolture Library

- Resources and collections areas
- A children's area
- Teen Zone
- Infotainment lounge area
- Public computers
- Meeting rooms
- Study spaces
- Welcoming Place with Indigenous focus.
- Family and Local History room

#### Caboolture Regional Gallery

- Main gallery
- Community gallery
- Long gallery
- Digital gallery



## Recreation and Culture

### Highlights (cont)

- The Caboolture Hub has been a hit becoming one of the region's most popular community venues, with more than 188,000 visits since December 2011
- Caboolture Library recorded 129,898 visitors – an increase of 19 per cent on last financial year
- The Caboolture Regional Art Gallery recorded one of the highest visitation figures of any regional gallery in Queensland with 15,208 visitors in its first six months
- The Business and Learning centre received more than 823 bookings for meeting rooms from local community and commercial organisations, averaging 8,000 people per month
- The Caboolture Hub is expected to welcome more than 320,000 people by the end of 2012
- The Caboolture Hub features four art studio spaces, which are part of Council's Cultural Strategy, creating a launch pad for local artists and giving them exposure to the local community
- Council provided a guided tour of the new Caboolture Hub to more than 2,430 students (prep to year 10)
- Council launched the Hunt the Hub competition in December, 2011, giving 239 young people a chance to check out the Caboolture Hub's new library, art gallery and conference centre





### Rock n' Roll at Caboolture's new art gallery

150 Rolling Stone magazines dating back to 1972, along with 87 photos of some of music's biggest names featured in a Rock n' Roll showcase at Caboolture's new regional art gallery.

It was part of Tony Mott's *"Rock n Roll Photography is the new Trainspotting"* exhibition, which coincided with *"Rolling Stone: The Covers 1972-2010 an artisan travelling exhibition in partnership with Rolling Stone Australia"*.

Shots of the Divinyls dating back to 1984 along with those of Queen, David Bowie, The Go Betweens, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Tina Turner, Jimmy Barnes and Mick Jagger lined the walls of the gallery.

The exhibits by two of the biggest names in the music business gave residents the chance to relive their teenage years and some of their favourite concerts.

The exhibition was unveiled at the new Caboolture Regional Art Gallery, which was officially opened with the Caboolture Hub in December 2011.

The AAA-rated art gallery has been designed to meet international quality standards to present a dynamic exhibition program.

It is the first of its kind in Caboolture featuring large, flexible spaces for major and travelling exhibitions; digital media capabilities for modern art, film and animation; as well as display areas for photography and 3D works. The gallery also boasts strong local representation with dedicated exhibition space for Moreton Bay Region artists.

With its impressive design, the Caboolture Regional Art Gallery sets a new standard in regional art gallery displays across Queensland and Australia.

### Cultural services

Cultural venues, art, culture and heritage development activities.

### Highlights

- Council's art gallery and museum network presented 64 exhibitions, 366 workshops and presentations attracting more than 81,670 people
- The Moreton Bay Region Art Collection grew to 965 pieces
- Regular updates about council's cultural and creative venues were sent to more than 1,200 residents via the Arts Mail e-Newsletter
- The region's finest aspiring young artists were recognised at the Moreton Bay Youth Art Awards
- Council paid tribute to the Royal Australian Navy's centenary year in a footpath and streetscape at Anzac Ave and Narangba Road, Kallangur. The memorial features a symbolic gathering of 10, two metre tall service personnel, and artwork by students from Dakabin State High School. The collection of sailors, pilots, nurses and divers stands guard over the existing Anzac Avenue Naval memorial and each represents a decade of Royal Australian Navy service



#### Redcliffe Art Gallery

- Almost 28,000 people took part in 21 exhibitions, 63 public programs and daily children's activity stations
- The gallery curated exhibition, Insight – Hermannsburg Potters, toured six regional venues throughout Australia. It was made possible with the donation of 37 Hermannsburg pots by indigenous artists from the Northern Territory
- 100 families and more than 200 children became members of the inaugural Redcliffe City Art Gallery Creative Kids Club, taking part in regular gallery activities

#### Redcliffe Museum

- Redcliffe Museum saw a 13.4 per cent increase in school visits
- Public programs were expanded, boosting visitation at the museum by 8.5 per cent
- The Fun in the Sun exhibition was a major hit incorporating the Scarborough Fair Merry – Go – Round, attracting over 3,700 visitors

#### Pine Rivers Heritage Museum

- The How to make a Monster exhibition attracted more than 4,500 visitors and was the biggest exhibition of the year at the Pine Rivers Heritage Museum
- The number of school groups attending grew by 43 per cent and by more than 150 per cent compared to the 2009/10/11 financial years
- Refurbishments to temporary exhibition space, installation of shade sails, and creation of a room to support conservation work were all part of the facility improvements

#### Pine Rivers Art Gallery

- The gallery exhibited the work of more than 500 local artists, with 163 public programs and 19 exhibitions held during 2011/12
- More than 14,700 people visited the art gallery
- Feature exhibitions included the Moreton Bay Art Awards and Moreton Bay Youth Art Awards which showcased the works of 611 artists, with 428 local to the Moreton Bay Region





### Highlights (cont)

#### Caboolture Regional Art Gallery

- The Caboolture Regional Art Gallery opened on 8 December 2011, attracting 3,015 visitors in its first month
- Since opening, the art gallery has exhibited work from more than 40 state, regional, university and private collections
- In just six months more than 15,200 people visited, with more than 44 public programs, daily children's activity stations, and artist talks hosted at the venue
- The Caboolture Hub's community access gallery hosted eight month-long exhibitions showcasing the work of local artists

#### Bribie Island Seaside Museum

- 6,180 people visited The Mixed Bag exhibition which included talks on the social history of lollies in Australia and a range of interactive activities
- The Letters Home Exhibition provided an insight into Queensland's history from the back of a postcard
- Bribie Island Seaside Museum attracted around 4,500 visitors to its bi-monthly exhibitions and seminars, workshops and activities

#### Redcliffe Cultural Centre

- More than 100 shows, 200 performances and 75 films were showcased in the Matthew Flinders Theatre. Sell-out shows included Erth's Dinosaur Petting Zoo, Men in Pink Tights and Shaolin Kung Fu
- Hosted 12 popular exhibitions in the main foyer
- Council upgraded meeting room facilities, which were regularly booked by local community groups
- Groups and local schools including the Redcliffe Musical Theatre, SQUIDS, U3A, Moreton Bay Symphony Orchestra, St Pauls School and Grace Lutheran College regularly hired the centre's theatre

#### Caboolture Hub

- The Muso of the Month program was rolled out in 2012, showcasing talented local musicians in the Caboolture Hub's intimate performance arena, The Vault. Participating musos got more than just a space to play, they were given a business strategy, marketing plan, media release, promotional banner, professional photography shoot, access to the recording studio and DVD of their performance at the Caboolture Hub
- The Hub hosted 62 adults and teenagers for photography workshops
- 'Create an App' and Adobe Photoshop were popular workshops, with strong community participation







### Region celebrates signature projects

Council unveiled the brand new \$17 million world-class Queensland State Equestrian Centre at Caboolture with a star-studded stampede on 3 September, 2011.

The grand opening was marked in style with country music glamour couple Laurel Edwards and Troy Cassar-Daley hosting a fantastic afternoon of free entertainment which also included Australia's master horseman, Guy McLean.

Since opening, more than 60 events have been hosted at the venue, including international, national and state equestrian events.

Thousands of people also celebrated the official opening of council's major projects – the Caboolture Hub and Redcliffe Seaside Village Rejuvenation Project.

3,500 people had the opportunity to explore Caboolture's new state of the art community facility at the annual Christmas under the Stars event, which included carols, fireworks and a visit from Santa.

Meanwhile, thousands flocked to the Peninsula to witness the transformation of Redcliffe's iconic Seaside Village Precinct, and to soak up the carnival atmosphere of one of Queensland's favourite weekend destinations.

Visitors browsed the markets, relaxed on the new decks and parks with stunning Moreton Bay views, sampled the numerous culinary delights on offer and topped it off with something cool that's never been done at Redcliffe before – ice skating on the beach.

The celebrations, held 27 November 2011, included beach activities, jetty markets, live entertainment, rides and water amusements, and artworks positioned throughout the seaside precinct.



### Events

Corporate events in partnership with the community.

### Highlights

- \$3 million was spent on events
- Council's events generated a multi-million dollar boost for local businesses, with the Urban Country Music Festival and Celebrate Redcliffe Festival generating \$20 million and \$10 million respectively
- More than 140,000 people attended council's signature festivals – Pine Rivers Festival, Festival of Sails, Urban Country Music Festival and Celebrate Redcliffe Festival
- 356 residents generously donated their time to volunteer at council events
- Redcliffe's Festival of Sails on Good Friday recorded a bumper crowd of around 50,000 people. Spectators enjoyed the action of the 64th Brisbane to Gladstone Yacht race and a host of seaside celebrations featuring a sky diving Easter Bunny, stage entertainment, kids workshops and food and craft markets
- Themed activities, workshops, displays and performances were held across the Moreton Bay Region during National Youth Week in April, 2012. More than 800 young people took part in the 2012 program, which included a special exhibition on the challenges and achievements of young people affected by mental health issues
- Rock n' Roll royalty and vintage cars were among the many attractions at the 2012 Pine Rivers Festival in May. More than 30,000 people attended 10 events held during the festival including The Hills Carnivale and Dayboro Day celebrations. A highlight included Rodz Rock n' Roll, which saw 8,000 people bop to the familiar beats of Australian 60s supergroup – The Delltones
- Splendour in the Grass was held at Woodford's Woodfordia venue from 29 to 31 July, 2011 for the second consecutive year. With acts including Coldplay, Kanye West, Jane's Addiction, The Hives and Pulp – one of Australia's premier music festivals attracted more than 32,000 people, injecting an estimated \$18 million into the local economy
- Talented singer-songwriter and 2010 Independent Male Vocalist of the Year, Luke O'Shea, was named the 2012 Urban Country Music Festival ambassador
- 30,000 day visitors flocked to Caboolture for the 2012 Urban Country Music Festival. Residents and visitors enjoyed plenty of free entertainment as well as the chance to experience some of the hottest names in Australian country music in concert including Lee Kernaghan, Shannon Noll, Troy Cassar-Daley and Beccy Cole
- 1,099 people from 62 different countries pledged their commitment to Australia. Council hosted more than 13 citizenship ceremonies including a major service on Australia Day
- Chaplaincy Support Breakfasts were held at Kallangur, Morayfield and Redcliffe raising \$49,000 for chaplains in 56 schools across the region. The charity breakfasts included presentations by Heather Foord and Shane Webcke
- Caboolture's Family Fun Day rocked Centenary Lakes, with 12,000 people attending





### More than just books

Caboolture Library celebrated the opening of its new home at Moreton Bay Regional Council's \$25million Caboolture Hub in December, 2011.

Since opening its doors in 1956, Caboolture Library has transformed from the confines of an old council chamber to a new 3,000 square metre 21st century library and learning experience.

Figures show that more than 3,000 people visit the library each week and membership has risen above 26,000. The local collection has also expanded from 5,000 books to more than 79,000 resources including magazines, books, eBooks, CDs and DVDs.

Meanwhile, it was full speed ahead for The Corso at North Lakes with construction set to start on council's new library, young people's space, civic and commercial complex in the 2012/13 financial year.

Located on the corner of Endeavour Boulevard and The Corso, it will provide a modern and vibrant civic and commercial complex in the heart of one of Australia's fastest growing communities.

Once complete, The Corso will boast basement car parking, a public library, new community centre, administration space and three floors dedicated to commercial offices. It is also expected to be one of Queensland's first Green Star accredited public buildings.

The Corso at North Lakes has been made possible with \$3 million from the Federal Government for the new Young People's space and an additional \$8 million in RDAF funding.



### Libraries

Library services and programs.

### Highlights

- \$19.3 million was spent on Moreton Bay Region Libraries
- Almost 1.5 million visits to council's libraries, with members borrowing more than 3.425 million items
- The State Library of Queensland contributed more than \$1.5 million in grant funding towards expanding council's library collection
- Customer self-service options were expanded allowing staff to focus on engaging with customers
- Collection security was enhanced to better protect library resources
- Council's library website received more than 6.3 million hits
- More than 224,292 residents visited the Moreton Bay Region Libraries Facebook Page, for information on events and activities
- Over 92,000 residents participated in one or more of the 4,600 activities offered by council's libraries
- Services were assisted by more than 300 dedicated library volunteers
- The new Caboolture Library recorded a 10 per cent increase in visitors on last financial year
- Bribie Island Library's outdoor space was upgraded, creating a more inviting, secure and attractive place for visitors
- Young People's spaces in Albany Creek and Arana Hills Libraries were improved
- Council's book club service hosted 133 clubs across the region
- Libraries hosted 56 author talks and discussions with popular speakers including Peter Carnavas, Hugh Lunn, Emily Rodda, John Flanagan and John Birmingham. 2,450 people attended these events
- Children's Book Week attracted more than 3,500 children to local libraries with activities and storytelling by Daryll Bellingham and Noel Stallard
- 1,100 young people, aged 17 years and under, read for 16,000 hours and wrote 2,000 book reviews as part of the 2011/12 Summer Reading Club
- Former NRL player, literacy advocate and Queensland Australian of the Year 2012 nominee, Preston Campbell, kicked off Moreton Bay Region's National Year of Reading celebrations in February, 2012
- Moreton Bay Region Libraries recorded the highest participation rates in Queensland with over 360 people taking part in Looking @2.0 online learning activities
- Computer and technology classes hosted by libraries were attended by more than 2,800 residents
- The annual Mash It Up Short Film Festival attracted more than 45 entries from 100 local young people aged 12 to 25 years. 338 people took part in free film, animation and acting workshops with 370 people attending the film festival night in April, 2012
- Libraries provided a range of heritage and local history events, attracting more than 845 residents
- 30 multicultural and Indigenous outreach activities were conducted involving more than 1,800 people. Programs included Refugee Week activities, Welcoming Place events and exhibitions
- Library services were delivered to 893 residents living with mobility restrictions and who were physically unable to visit one of the region's 13 libraries
- Council's Mobile Library added Toorbul and Donnybrook to its fortnightly timetable, delivering 6,000 books, DVDs, CDs and magazines to residents in these communities
- A generator was installed in the Mobile Library providing flexibility to stop at locations without power
- Library book sales organised by Friends of the Library groups raised over \$6,700 towards future library projects
- 300 boxes of brand new books were among the thousands of items that moved into the new library at the Caboolture Hub
- Moreton Bay residents donated 677 books and \$1,164 in coin donations to the annual Christmas Wishing Well Books for Kids Appeal
- School holiday programs offered over 200 workshops and activities attracting 4,250 young people aged 17 years and under
- Launched in February 2012, ReadUp, encouraged over 3,700 children aged eight years and under to visit their local library





### Colourful new play equipment for Leslie Patrick Park

Moreton Bay Regional Council introduced a colourful kaleidoscope of improvements to Leslie Patrick Park at Arana Hills.

Families, mothers groups, mums and dads have warmly embraced the new-look park and it received the thumbs up from the experts – the kids.

The playground area was relocated to the north of the park making better use of the natural shade provided by fig trees.

Bright, vivid colours were used to bring the children's space to life with new play equipment including swings, spinning tops, diggers, climbing frames, and slides.

The upgrade also included new fencing, landscaped gardens and pathways, village green 'kick-about' turf; picnic and adult seating areas. Carpark and pathway lighting was also installed.

Significant drainage work was also carried out to help reduce the impact of wet weather on the playground, grassed areas and surrounding parkland.

The park's green open spaces and soft white sand make it a wonderful place for families and playgroups to enjoy a day at the park.

### Parks

Opportunities for leisure activities through the provision of open space, parks and reserves.

### Highlights

- \$37.5 million was spent on parks in the Moreton Bay Region
- 40 local parks were upgraded in 2011/12
- The region is home to 4,035 hectares of environmental reserve
- Council maintained and mowed more than 3,918 hectares of land across 1,709 parks in the Moreton Bay Region.
- 4,740 park inspections were completed, ensuring over 500 playgrounds were safe for the region's youngest residents
- Council cleaned and maintained more than 240 public amenity blocks
- \$400,000 was spent improving paths, lighting, car parking and installing shelters along Marine Parade, Bellara
- \$350,000 was invested in a major upgrade to Symphony Crescent's Burpengary Greenlinks Recreational Area. The project revitalised the open space corridor, providing residents with new shelters, a large playground and half basketball court
- Council completed a \$1 million upgrade to playground equipment, car parking, and picnic areas in Scarborough Beach Park and Endeavour Park at Scarborough
- Council undertook consultation and master planning for the sustainable development of 3 kilometres of foreshore parks between Clontarf and Woody Point over the next 20 years
- Parkland at 54 Clementine Street, Bellmere, was renamed after Mr Bryce Hausmann, a Caboolture hero who rescued a toddler from a railway bridge almost 20 years ago. Mr Hausmann passed away in October 2009
- Council endorsed planning for an Avenue of Honour in the Samford Parklands, along Mt Samson Road, as a fitting tribute to the men and women involved in Australia's armed forces
- 1,075 free trees were provided to local community organisations and schools
- Council endorsed a master plan for Langdon Park at Margate. The plan highlighted an upgrade to the athletics track, relocation of the shot put and new tartan run-ups for javelin and high jump
- The master plan for Progress Park in Deception Bay was endorsed
- Council unveiled a new Welcome to Redcliffe Peninsula sign, extending a warm welcome to residents and visitors arriving in the Moreton Bay Region along the Houghton Highway Bridge at Clontarf. The 24 tonne land mark was constructed using recycled timber from the Hornibrook Bridge.
- Planning was completed for the first stage of a new five kilometre recreational trail through Brian Burke Reserve, Samford Valley
- \$345,000 was spent improving power supply and lighting at the Woodford Showgrounds
- A large picnic area was installed at Osprey House, Griffin allowing large groups to gather for outdoor environmental education presentations





## Kicking goals for grassroots sport

The Moreton Bay Central Sports Complex Australian Rules precinct is part of Moreton Bay Regional Council's commitment to local sporting infrastructure – a great way to grow the game in Queensland and inspire the high-flying stars of the future.

When complete, the \$16 million precinct will be home to the Caboolture junior and senior Australian Rules clubs.

The new state-of-the-art facility will include two new Australian Rules fields and space for a third in the future, clubhouse with a clubroom, offices, kitchen, change rooms, toilets, first aid rooms and store rooms.

An entrance road will lead into a car park for 147 vehicle and motorcycle bays as well as a bus drop off and parking area.

The site will be extensively landscaped including bio-retention basins to facilitate stormwater cleansing before entering into the creek.

The Moreton Bay Regional Sports Complex will be an exciting drawcard for state league games to be held in the region, pre-season games, promotional and football development activities.

The project is on schedule for high-flying juniors and seniors to be booting goals through the sticks at Burpengary by mid-2013.

Sporting clubs and residents also had a say on a new draft master plan for Moreton Bay Central Sports Complex during consultation in April, 2012. Council revisited the original master plan to develop a layout that would better cater for future facilities including soccer and hockey.

It's part of a plan to make the Burpengary facility one of Queensland's premier grassroots sporting destinations.



## Sport and recreation

Sport and recreation programs, activities and facilities.

### Highlights

- \$12.1 million was spent on sport and recreation
- More than 300 residents at Brendale, Caboolture and Redcliffe took up the challenge to get in shape and lead a healthier and more active lifestyle with council and the Australian Government's Healthy Eating Activity and Lifestyle Program
- Council unveiled the second \$550,000 stage of the Samford Parklands sports facility featuring new senior and junior soccer fields, two practice areas, lighting and the restoration of the site's historic Cash family home into a club house
- Detailed plans for a \$3.1 million redevelopment of Caboolture's Centenary Lakes Netball Precinct were unveiled in June, 2012. The proposed redevelopment will include 14 new competition standard hard courts with lighting and six new grass courts
- Consultation with residents and sports groups was carried out at the South Pine Sports Complex to understand the community's needs over the next 30 years
- Work finished on a new \$315,000 building at the South Pine Sporting Complex, Brendale
- Completed construction on two new soccer fields and a car parking facility at South Pine Sports Complex, Brendale, costing \$3.9 million
- Construction kicked off on a new, modern clubhouse at Ray Frawley Fields, replacing temporary accommodation used by the Redcliffe Rugby Union Club
- Access was improved at Caboolture Rugby League with a \$215,000 upgrade
- The \$3 million council and State Government funded Redcliffe Tennis Centre won an award for excellence at the Master Builders 2011 Brisbane Housing and Construction Awards
- Contributed \$27,000 towards an upgrade to lighting and playing fields at the Deception Bay Soccer Club
- Assisted the Caboolture Clay Target Club and Sporting Shooters Association Australia with a successful grant application for the construction of new shooting ranges at their Uhlmann Road facility
- Planning was completed for a new soccer field development at the Narangba Sports Reserve
- The master plan for the Beachmere Sports Complex was endorsed, enabling planning for future improvements to the facility







### Highlights (cont)

- Council endorsed a long term master plan to expand James Drysdale Reserve by up to 48 hectares onto neighbouring landfills. It included expansion of existing sport and recreation activities plus the creation of a new rock climbing precinct and mountain biking connections to Bunyaville State Forest as more land becomes available
- 200 residents took part in Heartmoves classes
- 1,400 children aged two to 12 years took part in council's free Active Kids holiday activity sessions
- During school holidays hundreds of teenagers ditched the couch for SHAFT's adrenaline packed and arty activities. More than 40 subsidised activities were offered including a Hollywood stunt academy, glow in the dark mini golf and mini Olympics
- 855 residents booked their spot for Older and Bolder, with 180 activities encouraging residents over 50 to stay healthy and active
- Council put the spring back in the step of more than 300 residents, helping them to get in shape for summer. The free Spring In Your Step program offered activities including zumba, circuit training, pilates, outdoor fitness training and tai chi
- 560 parents and children took part in council's Outdoor Adventure Families program with orienteering, archery, fishing and bike riding. The program helps build participation in grass roots sports with local clubs hosting many of the activities
- More than 1,450 residents took part in council's heart-pumping physical activity programs, Adventure Women and Adrenaline for Men
- Primary schools from Burpengary to Elimbah and Mount Mee were invited to join in the 30 minute School Fitness Challenge for the chance to win \$500
- Council hosted free community breakfasts to celebrate National Ride to Work Day

