



## Community News

Brought to you by Cr Jodie Shipway, Division 4



## Turning up the fun at free community events

*Free events, local  
talent and family fun  
across our vibrant city*

Moreton Bay is set to shine with a year full of colour, creativity and connection. From major festivals to neighbourhood favourites, there are more free and low-cost ways than ever to connect locally and enjoy memorable experiences close to home.

Much-loved events such as PrideFest, Hills Carnivale, Cruisin' Caboolture and Moreton Kids Festival return this year, alongside fresh experiences including Groovin' in the Green and Taste the Bay. These events bring together live music, arts, food and family fun, while supporting local talent and small businesses, and helping our city thrive.

Our cultural spaces are also buzzing throughout the year. Moreton Bay's libraries, galleries, museums, and cultural activation programs offer a variety of workshops, exhibitions, performances, and interactive experiences for all ages. Highlights this year include Make Music Month, Craftival, the Moreton Bay Art Prize, and the always surprising Anywhere Festival.

Not to be missed is Council's Phlipping the Pages Library Program, delivered in partnership with the Dolphins NRL, which builds community pride through storytelling and sport.

To find out what's on near you, visit [moretonbay.qld.gov.au/Community-Events-Calendar](https://moretonbay.qld.gov.au/Community-Events-Calendar), and subscribe to Council newsletters at [moretonbay.link/Newsletters](https://moretonbay.link/Newsletters) for the latest updates.



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## **THE LIVING CITY UPDATE With Mayor Peter Flannery**

City of Moreton Bay is becoming one of Australia's most exciting places to live, work and play, and our future is being shaped with purpose. As we continue to grow, Council is taking a proactive, long-term approach to ensure our city remains liveable, connected and thriving for generations to come.

This year, Council has made the important decision to commence the process to replace our current planning scheme to better shape the future of our city. A new planning scheme will enable us to use more contemporary approaches to planning to support current residents and future population growth and help ensure our community can continue to enjoy the Moreton Bay lifestyle we all love.

This work is about planning ahead; balancing housing, jobs, infrastructure and services, while protecting the character, environment and liveability we all value. Community and stakeholder input will be central to developing the new planning scheme, with opportunities for residents and industry to help shape how our city grows.

Alongside this long-term vision, Council continues to invest in the everyday experiences that bring our city to life. From free and low-cost live music and markets to arts programs and family-friendly events, Council is helping bring residents and the places we love together. These events and experiences also support local businesses, celebrate creativity and strengthen community pride and belonging.

Take a look at our new community events program to find an event happening near you. By planning boldly and investing in our people and our places, we're shaping a vibrant, inclusive and prosperous City of Moreton Bay today and for the future.

## **New Planning Scheme on the horizon**

City of Moreton Bay has taken its first steps towards the creation of a new planning scheme, by resolving to replace the Moreton Bay Regional Council Planning Scheme 2016.

With the changing needs of our growing city, Moreton Bay now needs a more contemporary planning framework to take us through the next chapter.

A new planning scheme will help our city harness population growth so we can continue to build a polycentric city that supports housing, jobs, infrastructure and the environment.

The current planning scheme will remain in place until a new planning scheme is approved.



## **Don't miss bin day!**

Kerbside bin collections can occur anytime between 6 am and 6 pm on your scheduled day. To avoid a missed collection, put your bins out the night before.

Once they've been emptied, please bring them back onto your property to keep footpaths clear and accessible for everyone.

**Check your bin day at  
[moretonbay.qld.gov.au/waste](https://moretonbay.qld.gov.au/waste)**

## DIVISION 4 UPDATE – With Cr Jodie Shipway

Welcome to our latest update! As the first school term of the year ends, it's a timely reminder for parents and carers on how we can all positively contribute to the busy traffic environment during school pick up and drop off times.

Many schools and residents have reported that people are arriving and congregating well before school finishes, which creates unnecessary traffic congestion on local roads. Please remember that blocking local streets, roundabouts and intersections is a matter for police enforcement, and action is being taken.

On a positive note, we're seeing more families and students choosing active transport options to travel to and from school and utilising our fantastic footpath network. We continue to fund projects that create key links to schools to improve pedestrian safety and support active travel.

If you have any council related matters you'd like to discuss, please reach out to my office to make a time or send me an email. Until next time.



*Jodie*

### Capestone Lake Pedestrian bridge

The Capestone Lake pedestrian ramp is now complete. The new DDA-compliant bridge and ramp provide a continuous, off-road loop around the lake for pedestrians and cyclists, removing the need to travel around the shopping village.

The project is complemented by new lighting, landscaping, offset planting and wayfinding signage, making the area safer and more enjoyable for everyone.

Proudly funded by the Queensland Government.



### Portable CCTV

In response to community concerns about hooning and anti-social behaviour, Council has recently installed one of our portable CCTV units along Richard Road, Mango Hill.

City of Moreton Bay was the first council to provide Vehicle of Interest alerts to the Queensland Police Service using Licence Plate Recognition technology, strengthening our partnership with police and helping to keep local streets safe.

Council takes public safety seriously, and our CCTV network plays an important role, as both a deterrent to unsafe behaviour and a valuable tool to support police in reducing crime and improving community safety.

Report all incidents of hooning to **134 666 (13HOON)** or online at **[forms.police.qld.gov.au/launch/hooning](https://forms.police.qld.gov.au/launch/hooning)**. For non-urgent matters, contact Policelink on **131 444** or online at **[police.qld.gov.au/policelink-reporting](https://police.qld.gov.au/policelink-reporting)**



## PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

### Diamond Jubilee Way, North Lakes

We're delivering a number of pedestrian safety improvements and vehicle speed control upgrades along Diamond Jubilee Way, North Lakes, at the intersections of Discovery Way, Memorial Drive and Endeavour Boulevard.



These upgrades are designed to make it safer and easier for pedestrians and road users to move through the area, supporting residents across the wider catchment.

This project is delivered in partnership with the Australian Government through the Active Transport Fund and City of Moreton Bay.

### Richard Road, Mango Hill

Council has installed new pedestrian refuge islands along Richard Road, Mango Hill, adjacent to the lakeside park, following requests and feedback from the local community.

These improvements will make it safer for pedestrians to cross the road and strengthen connections to the nearby park and lake, helping residents move around the area more safely and comfortably.



Please remember – safer roads start with all of us. Slow down, stay alert and drive with care to help keep our community safe.

## New footpath connections

We've got some great news for walkers and families in Division 4, with several new footpath connections complete, underway or in the pipeline, making getting around easier and safer.

### Mango Hill

- A new pathway along Tourmaline Circuit, connecting Opal Street through to Kinsellas Road East is now complete. This project delivers a safe, accessible and high quality walking route for the Mango Hill community, including improved connections around Mango Hill State School.
- A new pathway is also being delivered between Kinsellas Road East and Timbury Street, linking the pedestrian refuge on Kinsellas Road East with the existing pathway on Timbury Street. This all weather connection will improve safety and make walking more user friendly for local residents.

### Griffin

- The new pathway along Henry Road, from Dohles Rocks Road to the Griffin Sports Complex, is now complete and provides a fantastic link to the existing pathway network on Elizabeth Road.

### Deception Bay

- Planning is underway for a new concrete pathway at Wallaroo Circuit, connecting parkland to the existing pathway on North Ridge Circuit. The project is currently in the final stages of design, with construction expected to be completed before the end of the year.

These projects are all about improving connectivity, safety and accessibility – helping our community enjoy safer and more convenient walking options close to home.

### Friendship Park, North Lakes – New Ninja Warrior Course

Construction will soon begin on an exciting new obstacle and ninja warrior course, featuring rubber soft fall surfaces, concrete edging, clear signage and sandstone block seating. This fantastic new space will be perfect for older children and those young at heart.



### New fitness equipment

We've started installing new fitness equipment at Deception Bay North Lakes Environmental Reserve, between Anthony Court and Natalie Close, giving locals a free and fun way to stay active. It's a great space for the whole family to enjoy fitness in the fresh air.



### Fern Parade/White Ibis Drive, Griffin – Emergency access track

In response to flooding along Fern Parade, Council has completed an emergency access link to Henry Road. Designed primarily for pedestrians and cyclists, the track can also be used by emergency vehicles when Fern Parade and White Ibis Drive are flooded and closed. Flood warning signage has been installed, and the access point will only be used during rare extreme weather events.

### Moreton Connector (Mango Hill to Griffin) urban arterial planning for our growing community

Council will continue to strongly advocate for this road corridor, which we believe is essential to support and connect the growing communities of Griffin and Mango Hill.

While the State Government has announced Bruce Highway service-road upgrades between Dohles Rocks Road and Anzac Avenue, Council maintains that these works alone are not enough. We believe both the highway upgrades and the proposed Moreton Connector are needed to reduce congestion and improve access.

The Moreton Connector, by connecting Mango Hill to Griffin, would provide a vital new link to North Lakes, ease pressure on Anzac Avenue and the Bruce Highway interchange, while offering a more resilient (plus alternate) transport option for residents and businesses. Importantly, much of the corridor is already preserved as road reserve.

Securing State Government commitment to plan this road remains a key priority under Council's City of Tomorrow Advocacy Strategy, and I will continue to push for its delivery.

To learn more, visit

[moretonbay.link/city-of-tomorrow](https://moretonbay.link/city-of-tomorrow)

### Groovin' in the Green

Join us at Lakeview Park for a relaxed outdoor event celebrating live sound and creativity in a welcoming lakeside greenspace.

**Sunday 26 April | 2 pm – 6 pm**

**Lakeview Park, Mango Hill**

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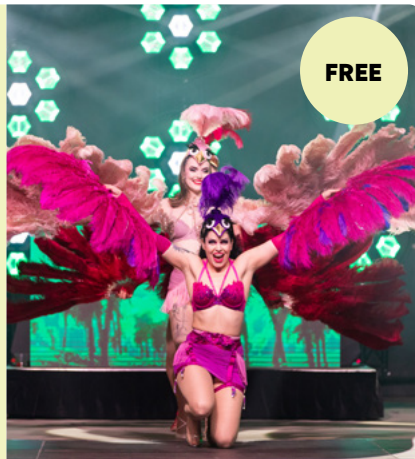
## Moreton Bay PrideFest

Celebrate love, pride and community with live music, drag performances, great food and the vibrant One Love Zone with local organisations – now a free event!

**Saturday 18 April | 10 am – 4 pm**

**Pine Rivers Park, Strathpine**

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# WHAT'S ON

## Craftival

Enjoy a day of creative fun at Craftival, returning in 2026 with stalls, demos, workshops and family-friendly activities, plus a new Youth Market space. Celebrate all things handmade, crafty and imaginative, with food trucks on site throughout the day. Free. No bookings required.

**Sat 30 May | 9 am to 2 pm**

**Redcliffe Library**

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## Make Music Month

Turn up the volume this June as galleries, museums and libraries across the city come alive with free music events. Enjoy live performances, jam sessions, workshops and more as venues transform into vibrant hubs for music lovers and makers of all ages. From rock to reggae and classical to contemporary, there's something for every taste.

**Various venues**

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make-music-month](https://moretonbay.qld.gov.au/make-music-month)

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## Hills Carnivale

Enjoy a free, fun-filled day of family activities, entertainment and delicious food in The Hills District.

**Saturday 30 May | 12 pm – 7 pm**

**George Willmore Park, Ferny Hills**

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## Moreton Kids Festival

Get ready for five worlds of fun as Pine Rivers Park transforms into a huge kids' wonderland! Enjoy hours of free entertainment, activities and adventure for little ones of all ages.

**Sunday 14 June | 8 am – 3 pm**

**Pine Rivers Park, Strathpine**

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## Anywhere Festival

Get together for low-cost, high-quality shows close to home. Performances will be held in local businesses and community halls over three thrilling weeks.

**Various Locations | 7–24 May**

**Festival Finale | Redcliffe Entertainment Centre | 24 May**

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