



# Newsletter

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Division 14

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## August 2019

Welcome to the August edition of my monthly Councillor Newsletter for 2019. As your Councillor, I am passionate about serving the needs of residents, schools, businesses and community groups within Division 14.

My office in Tugun is open Tuesday to Friday between 8.30am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-4.30pm. Residents are invited to meet with me to discuss any community concerns, feedback or suggestions. Please contact my office on 07 5581 5275 to arrange an appointment or email me through your request to [division14@goldcoast.qld.gov.au](mailto:division14@goldcoast.qld.gov.au).

I will also be conducting the following listening posts during the month of August for residents to meet with me:

- **Coolangatta Library** – 9am-11am on **Friday 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 August**
- **Elanora Community Centre** – 9am-11am on **Thursday 1, 15 and 29 August**

To keep up to date with important Division 14 related works and events 'like' my Facebook page by visiting: <https://www.facebook.com/gailoneilldivision14/> or search @gailoneilldivision14.

## Divisional Donations Program 2019-20

**Division 14** – The funding round for the Divisional Donations Program 2019-20 opens Monday 5 August and closes Thursday 5 September and will be the only round I will be conducting this financial year.

Incorporated not-for-profit community and sporting organisations, schools and P&Cs, with the exception of Surf Lifesaving Clubs\*, are eligible to apply for funding up to \$5,000. It should be noted that any funding of \$2,000 and above will require an acquittal. Priority is given to projects that provide a benefit to the community within a single Council Division. This funding supports and stimulates minor projects, activities, administrative needs, equipment or operational functions which have a local focus and is provided from my Division 14 Local Area Works budget. Examples of projects or activities that could be funded included, but are not limited to, administrative costs, scholastic awards, costs towards end-of-year presentations, or minor equipment etc.

As in previous years, all applications are to be submitted **electronically**. For additional information, please visit: <http://www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au/community/mayoral-divisional-donations-program-3345.html>.

To lodge your application you will then need to select 'Division 14' under 'How to apply' or simply follow this link: <https://goldcoast.smartygrants.com.au/2019-20-RD1-Division14>.

**\*NB:** Surf Life Saving Clubs are ineligible to apply as the City of Gold Coast provides their parent organisation with annual funding for distribution to Surf Clubs under its umbrella.

Should you require any further assistance, please contact [divdonations@goldcoast.qld.gov.au](mailto:divdonations@goldcoast.qld.gov.au) or phone 07 5581 6461.

## Local Area Works

**'Nailing the Coast', Kirra** - Our unique sculptures on Kirra foreshore are unfortunately unable to be repaired. They were made with thin gauge steel and are corroding from the inside. These sculptures that were exhibits in Swell Festival were purchased in 2013 and installed in exactly the right place to acknowledge our beautiful Kirra coastline. The good news is they were included on Council's Asset Register and I have started the process to have them replaced. I have contacted the original artist who has assured me that he can replicate his sculpture in core steel. I'm hoping that it won't be too long before we will be enjoying the nails once again in all their glory.



Image: 'Nailing the Coast', Kirra





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**Len Wort Park** – The City has installed timber bollards beside the Wayne 'Rabbit' Bartholomew Bridge to deter vandalism underneath the bridge.



*Image: New timber bollards at Len Wort Park, Tugun*

**Road Closure, Coolangatta** – Road reseal works are ongoing at Warner Street (between Chalk Street and Scott Street) Coolangatta. A temporary full road closure is in place until Thursday 15 August (weather permitting).

### **Reservoir Supply Valve Replacement, multiple locations**

– The City will be replacing valves in the water supply network at multiple locations and the schedule of work is expected to be completed within the following timeframes:

- Reservoir CU1 in 66 Crest Drive, Currumbin – 3 week period between July 2019 to January 2020
- Reservoir CO1 in 88 Rutledge Street, Coolangatta – 6 week period between July 2019 to January 2020

During the construction stage temporary water shutdowns may be required. Advanced notice will be given to affected residents. Works will generally take place Monday to Friday between 7am and 5pm.

### **Coplick Footbridge replacement, Tallebudgera Valley**

– Works are ongoing to replace the footbridge located on Scotty Logan Lane in Tallebudgera Valley with a single span steel bridge, built at a height to ensure improved safety during the event of a flood. Working hours are Monday to Friday 7am to 5pm. Construction is expected to be completed in October 2019 (weather permitting). For more information on this project visit:

<http://www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au/tallebudgera-coplick-footbridge-replacement-works-49738.html>

### **Bilinga dune vegetation trimming and planting works**

– Beach maintenance works are ongoing along Pacific Parade, Bilinga. Vegetation clearing as part of stage one is now complete between Archer Street and Mills Street and

will continue through to Gibson Street. Stage two has commenced and will involve uplifting the tree canopy adjacent to the park, weed control, and revegetation with suitable coastal species to replace lost canopy due to vandalism. This project is due to be completed by October.

**Sewer main upgrade** - The City will be constructing a new sewer main under its infrastructure renewal program from Sewer Pump Station B20 at Gold Coast Highway, Currumbin. Construction of the 630 metres of sewer main commenced on Wednesday 19 June and is expected to be completed within eight weeks (weather permitting). Works will generally take place Monday to Friday between 7am and 5pm. It is expected that the work will be restricted to the road reserve however partial road closures may be necessary and motorists and pedestrians are urged to follow the directions of traffic control officers.

**Kirra Boardwalk renewal project** – The City of Gold Coast will soon be commencing a project to renew the iconic Kirra Boardwalk. Built in 2001, the popular wooden structure is reaching the end of its design life. The renewal project will involve a complete removal of the existing boardwalk and sub-structure, installation of concrete piers and precast architectural finished concrete deck and reinstallation of the existing handrail. This type of structure will improve the load capabilities and ensure the safety of pedestrians. The robust concrete structure will ensure the boardwalk is able to withstand the environmental impacts of the beachfront location, and provide a maximum life span of 100 years.

The renewal project is expected to commence in September 2019. Works will take place Monday to Friday from 7am to 6pm. The wooden boardwalk and adjacent footpath will be closed for up to five months. A pedestrian detour and alternative pedestrian paths will be provided along Marine Parade. Beach access from the stairs along the boardwalk will also be temporarily closed during construction. Traffic management and lane closures will be in place.

## What's on in our community

**SandTunes** – I need to advise local residents of Sandtunes, a major event being held in Coolangatta on 30 November and 1 December which was approved through Council. There may be disruption to traffic during bump-in and bump-out. As widely publicised, I am not in support of the festival and am doing my best to mitigate disruption for local residents and businesses. I will advise of information as it comes to hand and nearer to the time of the festival.

