



# Newsletter

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## October 2019

Welcome to the October 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 regularly conduct listening posts for residents to meet with me at either Coolangatta Library or Elanora Community Centre. For information regarding my listening posts during the month of October please contact my office on 07 5581 5275.

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.

## Local Area Works

**'Drive Safe' Speed Awareness** – Portable speed awareness devices are temporarily installed in streets across the city where speeding has been identified as an issue. These 'smiley face' digital signs have been shown to achieve a significant reduction in speeding.

The next round of Speed Awareness Devices will be deployed in the following streets between October 2019 and February 2020; Kent Street, Coolangatta; Monash Street, Tugun; Bienvenue Drive, Currumbin Waters; and Trees Road, Tallebudgera.

**Currumbin Valley Rural Fire Brigade** – With over 45 years protecting the Tomewin community and surrounding districts of Currumbin Valley and Tallebudgera Valley, the Tomewin Rural Fire Brigade will merge with the Currumbin Valley Rural Fire Brigade.

The recent replacement of aging fire appliances with new modern firefighting equipment will add to the enhanced capability of the fire brigade. This merger will continue to provide a local rural fire service while also assisting other rural brigades on the Gold Coast in times of need. The brigade is serviced by volunteers from the Currumbin, Tomewin and surrounding areas.

**Road reconstruction, Boundary Street** – Commencing Monday 14 October, the City will be carrying out full road reconstruction of Boundary Street (Hill Street to Ward Street) including the replacement of footpaths, vehicle crossovers, water supply infrastructure, and kerb and channel; and the removal of retaining walls and open drainage channels. Works are due to be completed February 2020 (weather permitting).



*Image: Road Reconstruction, Boundary Street*

Works are scheduled Monday to Saturday between 6am and 6pm with the exception of footpath works on the corner of Ward Street and Boundary Street which will be completed at night to minimise impact to businesses. High impact activities will be scheduled outside of school holidays and major events.

The City will work to minimise disruptions. However, local residents may notice construction noise, dust and minor traffic delays. Road closures and detours will be required and traffic management will be in place. On street parking will be restricted along Boundary Street and Ward Street during construction.

Local residents and businesses will be informed by letterbox drop. The Project Manager will door knock businesses in the area and speak with managers directly. Road users will be informed via VMS boards and project signs.

**Roughton Park improvement project** – Park renovations involving irrigation installation, re-profiling and new turf will be taking place at Roughton Park along the Kirra foreshore between 26 August to 18 October (weather permitting). The playground will be closed during this period however access to the amenities block and Oceanway path will remain open.

**Log barriers, Bilinga** – The City recently installed 50 metres of log barriers to formalise parking along Adina Avenue, Bilinga.





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**Kirra Pavilion** – Over the next few months the Kirra Pavilion will be receiving major roof renovations and repairs in preparation for new restaurant tenant PTC Catering who currently operate Edgewater Dining, Surfers Paradise.

**Kirra Boardwalk renewal project** – Works commenced in September to renew the iconic Kirra Boardwalk. 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. The robust concrete structure will improve the load capabilities and ensure the boardwalk is able to withstand the environmental impacts of the beachfront location, and provide a maximum life span of 100 years.

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. Part of the Kirra Pavilion car park is being utilised as a site compound. The road has been reduced to one lane for the contraflow of buses only. A pedestrian and cyclist detour will be provided along Marine Parade. Other vehicles will be detoured via Tweed Street. Beach access from the stairs along the boardwalk will be temporarily closed during construction. VMS boards have been deployed to advise the public of the works.

**New footpath, Carlyle Drive, Currumbin** – Residents of Carlyle Drive, Currumbin will soon receive Council notification of new footpath installation works.

**BMX jumps refurbishment, Dolan Family Park** – BMX jump refurbishment works were recently completed at Dolan Family Park, Tallebudgera. The City has also organised to have seven trees planted around the BMX jump track to provide additional shade for spectators and riders.



Image: BMX jumps refurbishment, Dolan Family Park

## What's on in our community



**Creative Life & Movies Under the Stars** – Presented by Somerset Storyfest in partnership with Tugun Community Bank Branch® and proudly supported by City of Gold Coast Division 14, Creative Life – a Tugun community event and Movies Under the Stars takes over Tugun Park on **Saturday 12 October** from 2pm.

Join us for this free family event with author readings, pop-up library, busking, poetry slam, face painting, kids potting workshops, garden walks, seedling giveaways, roving entertainment, food trucks and **Movies Under the Stars** – ‘Mary Poppins Returns’ at 6.30pm.

**Buskers by the Creek** – Division 14 is happy to support Australia’s largest busking festival again this year. Buskers by the Creek returns to Winders Park along the banks of Currumbin Creek as LOVELAND 2019 on **19 and 20 October** with over 300 performers including award winning musicians; record breaking stunts; a floating half pipe; crack up comedy; street theatre; child prodigies; puppeteering; contortion; dance; magic; circus; live art; food trucks and sidewalk sales. Entry is free but don’t forget to tip! For festival details visit: <https://www.buskersbythecreek.com.au/>.

**SandTunes** – I’m pleased to report that the promoters have listened to the serious concerns of local residents, business owners, the State Member and myself, and have decided to relocate the festival from Coolangatta Beach to the Metricon Stadium - a more appropriate location.





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**Proposed parking changes** – After a recent survey was completed in this area, a stakeholder group representing residents and businesses was convened. Below are the recommendations to come out of this workshop.

If you would like your **feedback** to be considered please email me at [division14@goldcoast.qld.gov.au](mailto:division14@goldcoast.qld.gov.au).

### Currumbin:

(It is proposed that these changes be implemented by the end of the year.)

- Formalise parking along Murraba Street with marked bays (no time limits are proposed)
- Formalise kerbside parking along Pacific Parade, adjacent to the commercial precinct, with marked bays
- Implement two hour parking on Pacific Parade, between the Currumbin Beach Vikings Surf Life Saving Club and Murraba Street
- Implement three hour parking along Pacific Parade (north) of the commercial precinct
- Implement three hour parking in the car park adjacent to the Currumbin Beach Vikings Surf Life Saving Club
- Retain unrestricted parking in the Pacific Parade carpark located near the Volunteer Marine Rescue Centre.



**Image: Proposed parking changes, Currumbin**

### Rainbow Bay:

(It is proposed that these changes be implemented by the end of the year.)

- Implement 3P (three hour) timed parking, effective Sat, Sun and Public Holidays:
  - a) Ward Street (except for additional loading zones, short term and disability parking spaces)
  - b) Marine Parade
  - c) Tweed Terrace (adjacent to Café Dbar)
  - d) Apex Park
  - e) Pat Fagan Park
- Replace the 15min parking outside The Garland (Marine Parade) with an All Vehicle Loading Zone (20min max)
- Implement 4P (four hour) timed parking in Snapper Rocks Road, effective Sat, Sun and Public Holidays
- Formalise angle parking along Boundary Street, Coolangatta (to be aligned with City Assets road upgrade works to be undertaken from October 2019)
- Implement additional short term parking along Boundary Street adjacent to the Ward Street commercial premises (e.g. loading zones, 30min and two hour timed)
- Investigate options for installing motorbike parking on Tweed Terrace (Point Danger) and Snapper Rocks Road
- Investigate installing additional bicycle racks on the corner Marine Parade and Snapper Rocks Road.



**Image: Proposed parking changes, Rainbow Bay**





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## Coolangatta:

(It is proposed that these changes be implemented by mid - 2020.)

- Implement 3P (three hour) timed parking along Marine Parade between McLean Street and Hill Street (includes changing existing 2P (two hour) timed parking to 3P (three hour))
- Implement 4P (four hour) in the Queen Elizabeth Park carpark adjacent to McDonalds
- Change timed parking restrictions in McLean and Dutton Streets from one hour to two hours
- Implement 3P (three hour) timed parking restrictions in the northern end of the Chalk Street car park
- Undertake a trial of all day metered parking in the southern Chalk Street car park (with first 30 mins free)
  - a) Hourly rate - \$1.50
  - b) Maximum daily rate - \$5.00



*Image: Proposed parking changes, Coolangatta*

