

# COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



65 Goldring Street, Richmond QLD 4822

Monday - Friday 8.20AM—5:00PM CLOSED SATURDAY, SUNDAY & PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

## AUSTRALIA DAY 2024

Thank you to the Bush Sprints Committee for hosting another successful Australia Day. Thank you to the Community for supporting this event every year.

Council would like to extend a huge congratulations to all our nominees and award winners.

**Citizen of the Year**

Sherreen Johnston

**Community Spirit**

Michelle Anstis

**Sports Person**

Andrew Doyle

**Sports Achievement Award**

Jacinta Buick

**Community Event**

Combined Services Fete

**Decorate you Gate**

1st Place : Hazelwood

2nd Place : Clareborough

3rd Place: Riverdale

**Mayoral Christmas Lights Competition**

Residential 1st Place : Kerri McMunn

Residential 2nd Place : Ben and Jayne Smith

Residential 3rd Place : Jodie Fox

Business 1st Place : Federal Palace Hotel

Business 2nd Place : Moselle Meats

Business 3rd Place : North West Hardware



# COMMUNITY INFORMATION

## CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

### OPPORTUNITIES

- Qualified Casual Aged Carer
- Qualified Casual Aged Carer All-rounder
- Qualified Diesel Fitter

Full position descriptions are available on Council's website:

[www.richmond.qld.gov.au/employment-opportunities](http://www.richmond.qld.gov.au/employment-opportunities)

## THE CAREER EXPO 2024

This is a reminder for local businesses to participate in the inaugural Career Expo to be held June 20, 2024. The Career Expo is multi-faceted, providing businesses with the opportunity to showcase your business, share with participants the many and varied careers paths that our Shire has available whilst also providing a platform for sharing the opportunities for employment in future years.

To express your interest in participating and supporting our community, please contact Director of Community Services & Development Angela Henry at [angelah@richmond.qld.gov.au](mailto:angelah@richmond.qld.gov.au) so a space can be reserved for you. Please lodge your Expression of Interest by **March 1, 2024.**

### Event Details

**Date:** Thursday 20th June 2024

**Venue:** Richmond Shire Council Civic Centre

**Audience:** Richmond Shire Community, School Students & School Leavers

**Costs:** Stall sites are free to participants, a table will be provided to support displays.

## REFUSE TIP HOURS

7am to 6pm Everyday except Wednesday's and Public Holidays

Wednesday 7.30am to 3pm

Gates are locked outside of these hours.

## LIBRARY HOURS

Monday 12 Noon - 4pm

Tuesday 12 Noon - 4pm

Wednesday 9am - 1pm

Thursday 12 Noon - 4pm

Friday 12 Noon - 4pm

## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST THE MOBILE JEWELLERY TUTOR WORKSHOP TOUR 2024

Festival Class Option 1: Ring Silver sterling ring \$100pp (2 hours)

Festival Class: Option 2 & 3 : Earrings & Pendant Earrings \$50 or pendant \$75pp (2hours) Both earrings & pendant \$75pp (4 hours)

Beginners Class: Combo class \$250 pp ( 8 hours)

Intermediate Class: Bezel set ring or pendant \$250 pp ( 8 hours, divided over 2 days)

**Council are seeking expressions of interest from the community to participate in The Mobile Jewellery Tutor Workshop Tour in 2024.**

**Please email [angelah@richmond.qld.gov.au](mailto:angelah@richmond.qld.gov.au) your name, contact details and preferred option from above by **Thursday 8 February****

## SWIMMING POOL HOURS

**Monday to Friday**

6:00 AM - 9:00 AM & 2:30 PM - 6:30 PM

**Saturday & Sunday**

8:00 AM - 11:00 AM & 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

# PUBLIC NOTICES

## FIRST HOME BUYER RATES SUBSIDY

Available to those who are building their first home/ relocating their first home or purchasing their first established home within the Richmond or Maxwelton townships.

Subsidy to be 3 years free general rates.

Subsidy can only be claimed on the provision of supporting documentation stating first home owners i.e. Statutory Declaration.

This subsidy only applies to purchases from May 2010.

**For any enquiries please contact the Rates Officer via phone (07) 4719 3377 or email [rates@richmond.qld.gov.au](mailto:rates@richmond.qld.gov.au)**

## WET ROAD CONDITIONS

Council would like to remind landholders and members of the public to refrain from moving cattle and machinery on the Richmond Shire Roads whilst they are wet.

**Council current road condition reports are available on the website:**

**[www.richmond.qld.gov.au/council/road-conditions](http://www.richmond.qld.gov.au/council/road-conditions)**

## NOTICE OF 2024 MEETING DATES



Council discussed meeting dates for 2024 at the ordinary meeting on Tuesday 10 October 2023 and the following resolution transpired:

20 February  
12 March  
16 April  
23 April (Pre-Budget)  
21 May  
28 May (Pre-Budget)  
18 June  
25 June (Budget)  
16 July  
20 August  
10 September  
15 October  
19 November  
10 December

### **RESOLUTION 20231010.9**

It was moved Cr Johnston seconded Cr Fox and carried that 2024 Council Meeting dates be adopted as presented.

This is in accordance with the Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 277 (1).

## OUR COUNCILLORS

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# The Queensland Plan

## A 30-year vision for Queensland



### Queensland Plan Ambassadors Council meeting communiqué

13 December 2023

The Queensland Plan Ambassadors Council (the Council) held its fourth and final meeting of 2024 in Brisbane on 13 December 2023. The Council welcomed Ambassadors who had travelled from across Queensland and those participating virtually. The focus of this meeting was the *Queensland Plan's* foundation areas of 'Health and wellbeing' and 'Community', with particular emphasis on Youth.

#### The Queensland Plan foundation area – Health and wellbeing

Dr Robyn Littlewood, Chief Executive Officer, Health and Wellbeing Queensland presented on the work of her area.

Dr Littlewood spoke about how Health and Wellbeing Queensland is working on creating a generational shift to improve health and wellbeing for all Queenslanders. Working across sector, community and government. Members were given an overview of Health and Wellbeing Queensland's current key projects and programs of work including Making Healthy: Happen A draft strategy for preventing obesity in Queensland, Gather and Grow, Pick of the Crop and Podsquad.

#### The Queensland Plan foundation area – Community

Sarah Mitchell, Director, Department of Environment and Science provided Ambassadors with an overview of how the Office for Youth was working to re-frame engagement with young people to ensure it is genuine youth led co-design. The Office for Youth created two Youth Strategy Engagement Groups, consisting of a diverse group of people aged 12 to 25 including representation from CALD communities, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, people with disability, LGBTQI+ communities, young people who have experienced homelessness and young people who have experienced domestic and family violence. The Office for Youth have undertaken extensive consultation, in collaboration with the Youth Strategy Engagement Groups, which will be used by the department to inform the Youth Strategy which is expected to be released next year.

Hayes Butler-Dupuy and Kaira Kapur, Youth Strategy Engagement Group Representatives, spoke about experiences as members of the group. They highlighted the importance of civic education and engagement with young, especially as many young people are systematically disengaged from government and policy development.

Kaira and Hayes discussed with Ambassadors the need for government to reach out and approach young people in places which are appropriate and culturally safe. They noted the opportunities to more broadly provide opportunities for young people, including for example those who apply but are not engaged in the opportunities provided through youth parliament.

Joe Mikaele Ah-Kuoi, Co-founder and Director, Strive Lane provided a presentation on his organisation Strive Lane which he co-founded with his wife. As an educator and youth worker with over 20 years of experience, his business aims to fill a gap within the education system, focusing on leadership skills.

Mr Ah-Kuoi also spoke about his proposal to help respond to the pressing issue of escalating youth incarceration and reoffending rates in Queensland by providing safe, nonjudgmental educational, employment, and leadership training opportunities for young people.

### [Next steps and outcomes](#)

The Council used this meeting to reflect on the past year and plan for 2024.

They noted the value of being able to attend meetings in the regions, with the opportunity to hear about each community and learn about local and place-based initiatives allowing members to better understand and appreciate the diversity of our state.

A forward work plan for the next year will be developed to help guide meeting agendas for 2024.

### [Next meeting](#)

The Council will hold its next meeting in Brisbane on 26 March 2024.

**If you have any queries, please contact Ambassador Council member Patsy Fox on 0409 266 162.**

## **Richmond Community Advisory Network (CAN)**

### **Richmond Multi Purpose Health Service**

The purpose of the CAN is to enable healthcare consumers of Richmond to participate in the evaluation of the health services provided by the Townsville Hospital and Health Service and to make recommendations on improvements to those services.

#### **CAN Members:**

Jo McClymont - Chair

Tanya Sinden - Vice Chair

Patsy-Ann Fox

Megan Carrigan

Elizabeth Mayo

Alison Pauli

Renee Backer

Emily Naclerio

Ann-Maree Doyle

Rachel McCosker

Emily Mackenzie

Judy Brown - Director of Nursing RMPHS

Richmond Police representative

Patsy-Ann Fox is our representative on the Consumer Advisory Council which meets in Townsville with other consumer representatives on a quarterly basis.

This group works with the health service to improve the care provided to patients, families, and the community.

**Further information: Phone Patsy 0409266162**