

*Karawatha Forest Protection Society Inc.*



# *Karawatha News*



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## NEWSLETTER APRIL 2016

### DATE CLAIMER

Next Meeting of the Karawatha Forest Protection Society Inc.

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2016 ~ 7 PM

Library meeting Room, Sunnybank Hills Shopping Town

*Note: No General Meeting in April. There will be 2 Saturday Meetings held at the new Discovery Centre - dates to be advised in the May Newsletter*

## DISCOVERY CENTRE A HOLIDAY HIT

Brisbane City Council's new Karawatha Forest Discovery Centre has proved to be popular during the school holidays with 200 visiting in one day. The car park is often full. The play area has some fantastic elements including this sculptured hollow tree that children can climb on as well exploring the inside.

Centre is closed on Mondays and public holidays. Contact Council on 07 3403 8888 for Centre information.



## TRANSURBAN PRESENTATION

There was a great roll up at the last meeting where staff from Transurban gave a short presentation on the Logan Enhancement Project (LEP).

Bulimba Creek Catchment Coordinating Committee Inc. (B4C) and the Karawatha Forest Protection Society (KFPS) made a submission in regards to the scope of the project in December. Our submission focussed on the on-going cumulative impacts of road infrastructure to the State Significant Strategic "Flinders Karawatha Corridor". The primary purpose being to reduce the impacts on our fauna and biodiversity through the valuing of Natural Capital and the provision of innovative solutions - particularly Fauna Movement Solutions.

Our objectives include the following: Minimise environmental impacts to Karawatha and Drewvale Forest networks; Improve connectivity of previously separated bushlands and compromised corridors; Revegetation and Rehabilitation; Pest Control Program; and Retention of species richness.

There were a lot of questions posed from the floor after the presentation and as a result a Project Environmental Reference Group has been formed to assist Transurban Queensland, and the project environmental consultants Aurecon, to achieve enhanced environmental outcomes. The Society will advise progress in future newsletters.

You can read more about the proposed LEP here:

<http://govianetwork.com.au/projects/logan-enhancement-project/>

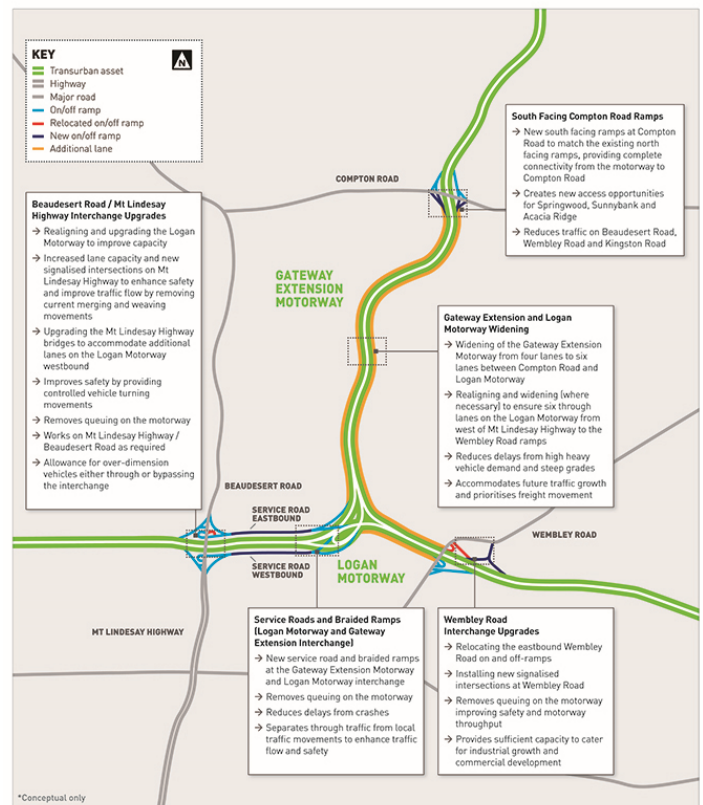
## CALAMVALE WARD

Welcome to Councillor Angela Owen Taylor, first Councillor for the new Calamvale Ward. We hope you will continue the support we have enjoyed from Brisbane City Council for our Society in the preservation and promotion of Karawatha Forest.

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## Logan Enhancement Project proposed scope



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## DATE CLAIMER

Saturday July 23, 2016 ~ 10 am

Peaks to Points Festival - Native Plants of Karawatha & the Wildlife that depend on them

A short talk at the Karawatha Forest Discovery Centre followed by a guided walk in the forest.

*More information to follow.*

*Mail out assisted by BCC Community Grant*