

Councillor Report

1st December 2009

1.0 Gail Sellers

1.1 TWU Union

On Wednesday 18th November on behalf of Mayor Creed I met with TWU Regional Organiser Lance Wilson, Owner Driver Frank Black and the member for Gladstone Liz Cunningham. The TWU is driving a semi-trailer from Townsville to Brisbane to raise Awareness and gain support from all levels of Government for the need for Safe Rates in the Transport Industry. There have been 53 heavy vehicle fatalities on Queensland Roads this year and in 2008 there were 281 people killed.

1.2 FQ150 Celebrations Ecumenical Service

On the 19th November, Councillors Cameron, Butler and Sellers attended the Ecumenical Service held at the Star of the Sea Catholic Church. It was a celebration for the Sesqui Centenary of the Birth of Queensland.

1.3 GPC - Community Environmental Working Group

On Friday I attended the meeting of the Community Environmental Working Group. At this meeting, the steps that have been taken at Barney Point Coal Terminal were highlighted. There was also a presentation from Lee Warren from GPC and Joanna Lee from GHD on the Western Basin EIS.

1.4 Birralee Kindergarten Opening

On behalf of the Mayor I attended the official opening of the extensions to Birralee Kindergarten on Saturday 21st November. This is the first extension of the Kindergarten in over 40 years and was completed with the assistance of a grant from the Queensland Government's Gambling Community Benefit Fund. . The Member for Gladstone Liz Cunningham performed the opening.

1.5 Gladstone Genealogical Society

Lady Teviot of England, is in Australia and gave an interesting address to the members of the Genealogical Society and interested members of the public on Saturday 21st November. The first talk was on the Community Chest and Church records and the second was about researching wills and birth records.