

# **Councillor Report**

## **16<sup>th</sup> February 2010**

### **1.0 Gail Sellers**

#### **1.1 Community Garden**

Following this item being listed on the Visioning Website, Davina Illing convened a meeting at the Gladstone Library Meeting Room. There were 12 people in attendance and there were 6 apologies which is a wonderful response taking into consideration the rainy weather. The meeting was well facilitated with 3 guest speakers – Cas Jones from Conservation Volunteers, Suzie Lawler from The Community Hub and Brent Braddick from the Tondoon Botanic Gardens. Possible sites were presented and evaluated; a proposed structure for the managing the garden was discussed; as well as funding needs and avenues. It was decided to advance this proposal fairly quickly to make full use of the 2010 growing season and another meeting is to be convened on the 16<sup>th</sup> February.

#### **1.2 Gladstone Eisteddfod**

I attended the Annual General Meeting of the Gladstone Eisteddfod Assoc. Inc and would like to recognise the dedicated team of people who give of their time each year to plan and present the annual Eisteddfod. 2009 was the 21<sup>st</sup> year that Boyne Smelters have been the principal sponsor. 2010 will be the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Eisteddfod held here in Gladstone. There are exciting events planned including the return of Moira McCormick as Speech and Drama Adjudicator and Dale Pengelly as the Dance Adjudicator. Dr Robert Keen will be the Instrumental and Music Adjudicator. Carmel Standley was elected as President, Tony Zussino as Treasurer and Ryan Carter as Secretary and all positions were filled. The Speech and Drama and Instrumental and Music sections will run from 25<sup>th</sup> August to the 5<sup>th</sup> September and Dance from the 19<sup>th</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup> September.

#### **1.3 Pinjarra WA Delegation**

The Gladstone Region is welcoming visitors from Roebourn Shire and Port Hedland areas. The visitors will be given a tour of the Gladstone region and will receive presentation on: Gladstone Regional Economic Development Strategy, Our Place Our Plan and the Social Infrastructure strategic Plan. They will also tour the Process Engineering and Light Metals Centre of Excellence and the Port. Also, there will be a tour of the Gladstone State Development Area.