

**Mayoral Statement**  
**21<sup>st</sup> June 2011**

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June saw the introduction of seven day trading to the Gladstone Region. There has been a call for this, from newer residents who have always had seven day trading and also from our local shift workers.

I was at Coles on Sunday morning for the commencement and there appeared to be a steady stream of shoppers. Time will tell if Sunday Trade in Gladstone will address the leakage to the Rockhampton Shopping Centres.

A new shopping era is certainly upon us.