

Next Public Meeting
6PM, 30th September
2024.
Venue: Bellvista
Meeting Place



Bellvista & Bells Reach Community Association



The Connector

August 2024

for the Bellvista & Bells Reach Community Association

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Welcome to the **August 2024 Edition** of the "Connector" your local community newsletter. To all new residents and businesses, so great to have you with us.

This newsletter is produced 6 times per year and currently delivered to 2400 homes in Bellvista, Bells Reach and Arbour. We also have available an online copy on our website "bellvista.com.au" under "Newsletters" and we post each edition on our Facebook site.

Meet Your Local Candidates

Community Meet & Greet Event

We also wish to take this opportunity to remind Residents that the **Old Election in on Saturday the 26/10/24** and BeCA will be conducting a **"Meet the Candidates"** event on the 30/9/24 at 6pm- venue Bellvista Meeting Place. This event will enable residents to hear from the candidates for "Caloundra" and ask questions about resident important issues. Come along and take part and bring a friend or neighbour. We thank the Candidates for their support of our

organisation. See articles by 2 of the candidates in this edition of the "Connector".

Latest news for our readers- Bellvista Boulevard crossing and signage concerns and Roundabout visibility -our new Councillor Jenny Broderick has been a great support to BeCA with our requests for action...

Latest update from Council- SCC update late July on the progress of the safety and signage audit that BeCA requested. Councils Transport Capital Works department have submitted a blackspot application for the raised zebra crossing at the southern leg of the roundabout. The submission was based on a safe systems assessment of the current pedestrian movements across the Bellvista Blvd. Once council have received the response council will then proceed with the upgrades and signage.

The gardens in the roundabout will be replaced to allow the Council to plant grass or ground cover. The process will commence the 1st week of August weather permitting. This when completed will give motorists and pedestrians better visibility.

Rain gardens - the Council are aware there's more Bios within this area that require infill planting and have flagged them for future works. Due to the large number of Bios and gardens across the coast that require extra plants, they can only rectify a select amount, spread over each sector, each financial year. **Latest Update** - Plants arrived in the Council Nursery. Contractors started planting in the Caloundra West area near Arbour. Jobs have also been scheduled for Bio coring and minor excavating works to remove excess sediment build up and help with drainage.

Youth unruly behaviour in our local parks and especially around Canavan Gracie Park lake, BeCA made an approach to the Caloundra Police, and they advised that are aware of the residents' concerns on social media. Recommended concerned residents (**report and keep reporting**) through Police Link and Crimestoppers (which can be done anonymously). The police need the public support to follow through on incidences. Our resident's welfare and our local wildlife should be protected.



Bus Fares reduced to 50c per trip for 6 months from 5/8/24.

It is important that these services be supported during the 6 months period and onwards. Some readers may remember in 2019, BeCA together with Jason Hunt now the Caloundra MP lobbied to have cancelled services reinstated.

This was achieved and services recommenced in February 2020. A recent June article in the Sunshine Coast news stated our services, along with others on the Sunshine Coast are not being well supported.

We don't want to see the services in the future cut back or worse cancelled.

Therefore, we ask where possible, please endeavour to support our fellow residents who rely on these bus services for transport by utilising the bus services when convenient.

Feedback on the services would be gratefully received by the BeCA Committee so we can share with the necessary authorities. Send to Secretary@bellvista.com.au

New Housing Development. 105 Old Caloundra Road.

In July one of the lanes on Bellvista Boulevard was closed to allow the developers to complete some operational work – earthworks etc.

BeCA enquired as to their future and when completion of such work is expected. We were advised that there may be further closures for retainment works in about 6 – 7 weeks' time, however, that has not been determined as yet.

The work being carried out on Bellvista Boulevard section is for Tunnel boring for sewer work.

All development works are programmed to be finished by October 2024. BeCA requested advance notice of any lane closures so we can communicate to residents.



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Kendall Morton LNP Candidate

As a former teacher, business

owner, and mum-of-four, I have had the great privilege to work and raise my family in Caloundra for almost 20 years and love where we live.

I have spent the whole year door knocking and calling people in this community to make sure *my* priorities are *your* priorities.

What I have heard, time and time again; people are sick of traffic congestion, youth crime, cost-of-living and nothing being done about it. Caloundra deserves better and I can promise you I am here to fight to ensure Caloundra doesn't continue to miss out.

It's a great honour to be part of an exceptional team statewide and your vote in October will give the LNP a chance to show how we will work harder for Queenslanders. investment in our area. We've been short-changed by Labor for far too long.

I have grave concerns about the rail ending in Caloundra. This would be a disaster for the traffic congestion that is already unmanageable. The LNP has committed to taking the rail through to Maroochydoore.

As always, please feel free to contact me on caloundra@lnp.org.au or 0457 582 875.



Jason Hunt MP Caloundra

As I reflect on my first term, I can say that is truly an honour to represent the hometown that I grew up in. This is why I'm so proud of what we have achieved in just four short years – not only have I delivered every election promise from the 2020 election, but we've gone beyond.

We've delivered two brand new schools, delivered a Hall for Caloundra State School, and completed upgrades in every State School across the electorate.

We've also delivered new Police, Fire and Ambulance Stations for Aura, ten new Police for the Caloundra station, a police helicopter, ANPR Cameras, a Mobile Police Beat and locked in a new PCYC for Aura.

We've delivered the Mighty Bells Creek Arterial Road connecting Aura to the Bruce, the Ridgewood Road and Peachester Road Lights, upgrades for the Steve Irwin Way, a new bus line for Nirimba, and locked in stage one of the Direct Sunshine Coast Rail Project.

On top of all this, myself and my staff have worked incredibly hard in the office to help our local Community Groups, Sports Clubs, Small Businesses and charities with whatever they need – it's been a pleasure to meet the wonderful people who work incredibly hard for this community.

It's also been a pleasure to help our local constituents where we can, from homelessness to Health enquiries, to folks who just need a bit of help connecting with State Government services.

I'm proud to be a part of a Government that delivers for the Caloundra electorate and I can't wait to continue this important work in 2025 and beyond.

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Caloundra West Success



and What's Happening in Our Market...

At Team Tav, we're thrilled to share some exciting updates from Caloundra West. Our recent sales have not only brought joy to new homeowners but also set new benchmarks in the local market.

We recently sold 16 Montserrat Crescent, a much-loved home that had seen better days. With dedicated efforts to modernise and refresh the property, including tenant relocation and strategic renovations, we achieved an impressive sale price of \$950,000. This result exceeded expectations and set a new standard for similar properties in the area.

Another standout was the sale of 33 Sapphire Crescent. This property, in need of significant updates, was transformed through targeted renovations. The result?

A quick sale at a price that far surpassed the owner's expectations. This success story highlights our commitment to maximising property potential and delivering outstanding results.

In broader market news, Caloundra West is currently experiencing a median house price of \$755,000, reflecting a 3.4% growth over the past year. With 125 homes sold in the last 12 months and 1410 active buyers, the demand remains strong. The average time on the market is just 25 days, underscoring the dynamic nature of our local real estate scene.

Scan the QR Code to Explore the Heartwarming Stories Behind These Local Homes.

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Team Tav were absolutely brilliant in helping me sell, they were patient but persistent when things needed doing! He made me promises & delivered on every one. His recommendations for work to complete were spot on & I really appreciated his fast communication, & brilliant contractors who helped so effortlessly. I couldn't ask for more.

Seller | 18 Aqua Circuit, Caloundra West



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