



Andrew Fraser MP with Climate Smart ambassador "No-One," promoting the ClimateSmart Home Service at Toowong.

No-one wants to waste energy

The Climate Smart Home Service is a Bligh Government initiative to help residents save energy, save money and save emissions.

For \$50, a licensed electrician will conduct a home energy audit and provide a wireless energy monitor to help the whole household keep a watchful eye on energy use. It's a great deal!

For more information or to book a service, please call 13 20 40 or visit www.andrewfrasermp.com

Grants lift local clubs' dampened spirits

The Karalee Country Club – one of Bardon's best kept secrets – and the popular Bardon Bowls Club have both been hit by recent floods, twice.

Just after commencing the massive clean up from last November's storms, the two local clubs were inundated again in May.

Funding of more than \$67,000 was able to be provided to the two groups to assist with the clean-up bill.

"These are great local clubs and the devastation of recent flooding came as a double-whammy," said Andrew Fraser.

"These funds are about supporting those groups that support the local community."

SOWN Signposts their success

Save our Waterways Now (SOWN) have been working on the restoration of Ithaca Creek for many years now.

"I've supported SOWN's Ithaca Intact project with funding and, when I get the chance, by joining in their work," said Andrew Fraser.

The work in restoring the health of the banks through native planting was tested by the storm surges in the last 12 months.

"The creek didn't escape the damage but without the work of SOWN and their volunteers it would have been much, much worse."

With part of their recent funding, SOWN recently installed a community information sign at the Lugg Street bridge site, one of their early sites for restoration.

For more information on SOWN visit: www.saveourwaterwaysnow.com.au



The recently installed community information sign at the Lugg Street bridge site.



From the desktop of Andrew Fraser

How we build a sustainable future is the big question before us right now.

We need to cater for our growing city – with upgrades to roads, public transport and pedestrian and cyclist infrastructure.

With the Toowong bridge now opened, the upgrade to the Coro Drive bikeway underway, and the plans in place for an upgrade to MacGregor Terrace at Bardon we are meeting that challenge locally.

Construction of new classrooms for the local baby boom is underway at Ithaca Creek State School, with plans now locked in for Milton State School next.

The new Climate Smart Home Service helps meet the challenge of dealing with climate change at an individual level.

Governments around the world have been trying to re-create growth in the last 12 months – what we really need is sustainable growth.

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MacGregor Terrace Upgrade Plan Finalised

The long-term plan for a future upgrade of the notorious MacGregor Terrace junction in Bardon has been released.

After extensive community consultation, the blueprint for a future upgrade includes additional capacity at the top of Coopers Camp Road and also includes a proposal for car parking to be shifted from on-street to the vacant lot on the corner of Simpsons Road and Northam Avenue.

The adopted option would also upgrade pedestrian crossings and provide a signalised intersection at Latrobe Terrace. The final option does not impact on the heritage listed Fairy House or result in resumptions on other homes.

For a copy of the plan, visit: www.andrewfrasermp.com

"The planning option has also been designed to get the balance right between congestion-busting and local amenity for Bardon shopping area," State Member for Mount Coot-tha Andrew Fraser said.

"It is important to stress this planning study was necessary to plan for the long-term future of the corridor. Nearly everyone has a view about this intersection. The views of residents who live near the intersection and those that travel through, along with the views of cyclists and local shopkeepers don't all perfectly align.

"The end result reflects the benefit of consultation: suggestions and feedback improved the end result," Andrew said.

New Cycling Infrastructure open

Local residents and Bicycle Queensland joined in a community celebration at the official opening of the new \$10 million pedestrian and cycling crossing at the Toowong Roundabout.

"The official opening was a community event because it was the support of the community that enabled me to secure the bridge," local MP, Andrew Fraser said.

"The next instalment, the Stage One upgrade of the Bicentennial Bikeway along Coronation Drive is under way.

The Bligh Government has provided \$1.4 million towards this project which we are delivering in co-operation with the Brisbane City Council.

"Cycling infrastructure is a great investment – it pays dividends in reducing congestion, reducing emissions and promoting healthy living."



Andrew Fraser with Bicycle Queensland's Ben Wilson and Jane Clarke and Bardon Scout Jacob Newport at the opening of Toowong Pedestrian-Cycle Crossing.

"This is about co-operating with other levels of government, and making a sound investment in the future and doing all the construction at once and getting bang for our bucks."

Local schools building on success

Local schools have been benefiting from investments in education by both the Rudd and Bligh Governments.



"Congratulations to Rainworth on their outstanding result in literacy and numeracy testing: the number 1 state school in Queensland," said Andrew Fraser, pictured opening the Rainworth Rainbow Carnival.

"I have always been a big supporter of local schools," said Andrew Fraser.

Mr Fraser recently inspected the newly constructed new classroom block at the growing Ithaca Creek State School.

"There is a baby boom in our suburbs and we are building to cater for growth in enrolments."

At Milton State School, the Bligh Government will invest up to a further \$1.5 million in additional funds to build more classrooms for future years as part of the new learning centre being built by the Rudd Government's schools stimulus investment.



Bardon Community Carols Sunday 6 December from 6pm Bowman Park, Bardon Free community event

