Working and learning together to build stronger communities from the inside out.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTION PLAN 2019-2020
THIS IS A TWO YEAR PLAN TO GUIDE THE PRIORITIES AND ACTIVITIES OF LOGAN CITY COUNCIL’S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.

COUNCIL’S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IS A TEAM OF EXPERIENCED, PASSIONATE AND TALENTED COMMUNITY PROFESSIONALS WHO PLAY AN ESSENTIAL ROLE IN INFLUENCING THE WAY COUNCIL OPERATES WITHIN AND FOR THE COMMUNITY. WE DO THIS BY FACILITATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE COMMUNITY TO BE EMPOWERED, CONNECTED AND ACTIVE IN THE LIFE OF THE CITY.

WE CONNECT PEOPLE AND ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO SHARE AND LEARN TOGETHER

WE ENGAGE ALONGSIDE ORGANISATIONS TO STRENGTHEN THEIR COMMUNITY CAPACITY

WE BELIEVE THAT THE ONLY PEOPLE WHO CAN BUILD COMMUNITY ARE THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE AS PART OF THE COMMUNITY

WE LEAD COLLABORATIVELY TO MAKE LASTING CHANGE IN OUR COMMUNITY
WHAT WE DO

COUNCIL-WIDE INITIATIVES
WE INITIATE, PLAN, DEVELOP, PARTICIPATE IN AND COORDINATE ORGANISATION-WIDE INITIATIVES AND ACTION PLANS TO ENSURE THAT COUNCIL IS ACCESSIBLE AND RESPONSIVE TO LOGAN’S DIVERSE COMMUNITY.

STRENGTHS BASED APPROACH
WE CONNECT AND BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH RESIDENTS AND ORGANISATIONS TO IDENTIFY STRENGTHS, RESOURCES AND SHARED PRIORITIES THAT BUILD COMMUNITY.

CONNECTING COMMUNITY
WE PROMOTE AND SUPPORT A VIBRANT NETWORK OF NEIGHBOURHOOD AND COMMUNITY CENTRES TO CONNECT AND ENGAGE PEOPLE IN COMMUNITY LIFE.

CAPACITY BUILDING
WE COORDINATE FUNDING TO COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS FOR PROJECTS THAT ENGAGE PEOPLE IN BEING ACTIVE, INCREASE SOCIAL COHESION, BUILD SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE AND STRENGTHEN PARTNERSHIPS.

STRATEGIC ADVICE
WE RESEARCH AND KEEP ABREAST OF SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY TRENDS, INITIATIVES AND PRIORITIES IN ORDER TO PROVIDE STRATEGIC CONNECTIONS, ADVICE AND INFORMATION TO BOTH INTERNAL AND COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS.

ACTIVE AND HEALTHY PROGRAMS
WE OFFER HUNDREDS OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR RESIDENTS TO ENGAGE WITH REGULAR, FREE AND LOW COST ACTIVITIES.
OUR ACTION PLAN

WE DEVELOPED THIS PLAN FOR

OUR TEAM
* TO GUIDE PRIORITIES AND OUTCOMES
* TO BE A SOURCE OF INSPIRATION AND PRIDE

OUR COLLEAGUES
* TO SHARE WHAT WE DO AND HOW
* TO INCREASE AWARENESS ABOUT THE COMMUNITY

OUR COMMUNITY
* TO EXPLAIN OUR ROLE IN COUNCIL
* TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND CELEBRATE OUR COMMUNITY
Over a period of six months, we spoke with hundreds of people, groups, organisations and networks across our community to have conversations about:

- What’s strong
- What people want
- How we can get there
- What is our role

These conversations and workshops helped us learn more about the strengths and aspirations of the community and gave us insight into where to focus our resources and energy as a team.

Our action plan includes insights from our community conversations, priorities to guide our work over the next two years and stories about some of the great things we've already achieved in partnership with the community.
More than 10,000 people in Logan are Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander.

Our First Community

We uphold Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as Australia’s first peoples, and work collaboratively to support reconciliation and closing the gap between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous Australians.

Our Community

What’s Strong

Sense of pride! Logan’s Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community are proud of their culture and heritage, share a sense of solidarity and connection.

Creative and talented! The community is alive with gifted artists, musicians, story tellers, teachers, community workers, linguists, leaders and entrepreneurs.

Opportunities to connect! There is a growing number of social activities and events that support connection with culture, history and mob in Logan.

Commitment to reconciliation! Many organisations in Logan have adopted Reconciliation Action Plans and are committed to taking action to improve outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

What People Want

- A cohesive and inclusive community that is consulted widely, frequently and where required on all matters directly relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

- A community that understands, appreciates and respects the role that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have as our nation’s first peoples.

- A community that wants to learn about the history, connection to Country, language, culture and the importance of improving outcomes for future generations.

- An enabled Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community with access to equal employment, health, education and economic opportunity.

- Governments and organisations have an appreciation for and receptive to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural systems, which are different to Australian business systems.
Our work

Priorities

- Coordinate Council’s Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan 2019-2020 to ensure that Council is progressing reconciliation in a practical and meaningful way.

- Work collaboratively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and groups to connect with funding opportunities, events and initiatives that progress their aspirations and showcase the skills, abilities and culture of the community.

- Work in partnership with internal and community stakeholders to establish an appropriate and inclusive engagement forum between Council and Logan’s Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

- Identify, encourage and promote opportunities for greater social interaction between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and non-Indigenous Australians.

Our stories

Creative Reconciliation in Logan

We worked in partnership with local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders, staff and organisations as well as several local schools to deliver a 2018 National Reconciliation Week event. The event explored traditional storytelling, food, dance, music and artwork to showcase the shared history of Australia’s First Peoples and the wider community.

The project also engaged over 500 students in a colouring competition, with six students receiving original artworks by Aboriginal artist Stevie O’Chin as prizes on the day. The strong collaboration between Council and community was essential to the success of this event. This included enabling Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to shape the event, and control how their stories, culture and aspirations were shared with the broader community.
OUR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

With a large number of children and families in Logan, we provide direct support through programs and activities, as well as promoting purposeful collaboration within the sector.

OUR COMMUNITY

WHAT’S STRONG

Nationally recognised approach! There is strong cross-sector collaboration and a funded organisation to implement a ten year “Logan Together” movement to ensure that outcomes for Logan children aged 0-8 years are in line with state and national averages.

Diversity of activities! There are a range of activities and programs available for children throughout the city. This includes Council run programs held at Logan Libraries, venues and facilities and the KRANK School Holiday program.

Strong support for families! A range of support including family hubs, child health nurses and informal networks are available for parents and families.

WHAT PEOPLE WANT

- All children in Logan experience optimal childhood development, physical and mental health and wellbeing in a supportive and prosperous community that they feel a sense of belonging and connectedness to.
- Families of all demographics feel that they are supported and equipped to enjoy raising children with easily accessible resources.
- Activities for school aged children are relevant, diverse and respond to ongoing and emerging priorities and aspirations.
OUR WORK

PRIORITIES

• Continue to participate in Logan Together and provide a link between stakeholders and Council for collaboration and partnership.

• Engage in opportunities to better connect with and support families through a range of initiatives including National Families Week.

• Identify opportunities to support non-traditional carers of children including fathers, grandparents, kinship and foster carers.

• Work with the sector to address any potential gaps in delivery of services with a focus on children aged between 9-12 years.

• Continue to adapt and expand the KRANK School Holiday program to meet emerging needs and trends, including exploring opportunities for increasing engagement with teenagers.

• Implement an online booking system for KRANK, making activity bookings easier for community and service providers.

OUR STORIES

KRANK SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

In 2017/18 almost 5,500 young people participated in 296 activities delivered through the KRANK School Holiday program! There was good representation of both girls and boys and in one school holiday period, there were over 1,000 kids and teens on the waiting list for activities.

A special example of the impact that KRANK has on children and families is the Learn to Surf program, where children who would not usually have the means to access the beach were able to develop new skills and learn to surf. Access Community Services, who delivered the activity said “... some of the kids were lucky enough to hit the waves and learn some new skills with the Learn to Surf program.”
Our Future Leaders

We recognise the skills, interests and experience of our young people and are committed to harnessing the strengths of our future leaders through partnerships, youth leadership, engagement and supporting youth driven initiatives.

Our Community

What's Strong

Our young people! They are self-determining, autonomous, passionate, creative and optimistic leaders of the future that are environmentally aware, community minded and socially active.

Our youth services! We have an abundance of youth services available to support the health and wellbeing, life skills development and needs of young people.

Our growth areas! Between them, Yarrabilba and Greater Flagstone have the highest proportion of all age groups under 25.

Youth reference groups! Logan has an impressive 14 youth reference groups that are a vital platform for young people to have their voices heard by organisations and all levels of government.

Youth diversity! Our young people are culturally and linguistically diverse. Pacific Islander young people comprise more than 50% of the student population at a number of Logan schools.

What People Want

- A youth friendly community where young people are treated with respect and are welcomed, safe and included.

- Young people are leaders in an innovative community, who are driven and supported to fulfil their dreams, aspirations and goals, and have meaningful opportunities to collaborate and create the future that they want.

- All young people have equal opportunities to achieve optimal health and wellbeing.

- Empowered young people who are valued as experts of their own culture and whose diversity is recognised and celebrated.

- User friendly access to up to date information of available services and programs for young people.

- Positive youth role models for young people in the media, particularly social media.
OUR WORK

PRIORITIES

• Continue to partner with the Logan Youth Network to empower members to host, chair and facilitate a group that is meaningful for its members.

• Continue to support the Leaders of Logan student network to develop their ownership of the meetings and assist them to implement their projects and ideas in the community.

• Work in collaboration with young people and organisations to encourage community led place based initiatives. For example, delivering programs in Yarrabilba and where young people hang out.

• Collaborate and partner with young people, youth networks, schools, universities and local businesses to identify initiatives to support the potential for young people to achieve their aspirations.

• Support and collaborate with culturally responsive youth services and cultural leaders to respond to the diversity of young people and their unique experiences.

• Engage with a wide variety of young people including those that are disengaged, vulnerable and at risk to better understand their needs and aspirations and ensure that youth engagement projects are meaningful.

OUR STORIES

LEADERS OF LOGAN

In 2018 we worked in partnership with local schools to establish a Leaders of Logan (LOL) youth leadership development network for high school students. Over this time 171 students from 12 Logan secondary schools participated in four network meetings, where the students developed their leadership skills, collaborated with other young aspiring leaders and connected with leaders in the community and with Council.

Watch this space as LOL continue to lead the way to achieve their dreams for a city that is more accepting, embraces diversity, works together to create change, is supportive of young people experiencing homelessness and has improved access to a wide range of sports, facilities and public transport.
Our Age Friendly Community

We value the contributions and important role of seniors in our community, and have a key role in working collaboratively to support an age-friendly community.

Our Community

What’s Strong

We look out for each other! Seniors are good at looking out for each other as neighbours and friends as well as giving back to the community through volunteering.

Our age-friendly services! The number and variety of services for people of all ages has increased in Logan.

Diversity of activities! There is diversity and a large number of community activities and groups for people to participate in.

Our knowledge and experience! Our seniors community is brimming with knowledge, experience and skills and a desire to contribute and connect.

What People Want

- People of all ages are valued, respected and have freedom of choice over their movements, actions and use of services.
- People of all ages feel safe and connected in the community.
- There is fair and equitable access to services across the city for people of all ages.
- Seniors have meaningful opportunities to contribute their time, skills and experience in the community.
- Seniors are respected and acknowledged for the knowledge, skills and experience they continue to contribute to the community.
OUR WORK

PRIORITIES

• Collaborate and engage with seniors to better understand their priorities and aspirations and support them to develop and lead initiatives that are meaningful to them. This may include taking advantage of funding opportunities as they arise.

• Continue to communicate and connect community with appropriate internal and external stakeholders so that the priorities and aspirations of Logan’s seniors can be progressed.

• Identify meaningful ways to encourage participation and involvement by seniors in relevant programs, services and initiatives such as Live Well Logan, council cabs, immunisation services, community centres, community gardens, etc.

• Encourage collaboration and partnership between senior’s networks, health and respite services, retirement and aged care facilities and local businesses to further develop Logan as an age-friendly community.

• Investigate potential initiatives where our seniors can engage with young people to share their knowledge, experiences and skills.

OUR STORIES

LOGAN DEMENTIA FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

In 2017 we were approached by a local community service to support the creation of a steering committee to progress Logan as a Dementia Friendly Community. Since this time we have been actively involved in the steering committee through participation, promotion and strategic support to develop an action plan to align with the national dementia friendly communities framework.

The Dementia Friendly Community was officially launched at a tree planting ceremony in September 2018 to align with World Alzheimer’s Day. The group are planning several events and initiatives to create local awareness about the impact of dementia in the community and supporting families living with dementia.
43,000 PEOPLE IN LOGAN ARE LIVING WITH DISABILITY OR CARING FOR SOMEONE LIVING WITH DISABILITY

OUR ACCESSIBLE COMMUNITY

We uphold the rights and aspirations of people of all abilities to fulfill their life’s potential and collaborate to increase capacity for equitable access to services, facilities and initiatives for all.

OUR COMMUNITY

WHAT'S STRONG

Our resilience! People with disability and their carers are resilient and strong community members.

Our sense of community! People with disability and their carers connect and support each other and are committed to giving back to the community.

Our services! There is a large variety of organisations in Logan that provide services for people with disability and/or carers.

New opportunities! The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) aims to provide more choice and control for people with disability to access the supports and services they need to live a good life.

WHAT PEOPLE WANT

• People of all abilities and carers are respected and valued as equal members of the community.

• Services and activities are accessible and people of all abilities are able to actively participate in the life of the city.

• Facilities and venues are accessible and inclusive of people of all abilities (i.e. sensory needs, affordability, physically accessibility) and enable all people to participate in programs, events and activities held in these facilities.

• People of all abilities and carers are actively involved in the development and implementation of initiatives that empower people to access information, services and facilities across the city.

• People have more choice and control in their lives under the NDIS.
OUR WORK

PRIORITY

• Coordinate the implementation of Council’s Access and Inclusion Plan 2019 - 2022 in consultation with the community to increase participation of people of all abilities and their carers in the life of the city.

• Identify and pursue opportunities to develop mobility maps for key areas in Logan in partnership with people with lived experience.

• Deliver an annual community forum to provide an opportunity for Council and disability stakeholders to share information and collaborate to achieve mutual aspirations.

• Support and promote opportunities for connections between the broader community and people with disability and/or carers. This may include partnering with local services to apply for funding for innovative projects and activities.

• Work in partnership with the National Disability Insurance Agency, the Local Area Coordinator and NDIS service providers to monitor and progress opportunities to support the rollout of the NDIS in Logan.

OUR STORIES

ACCESS AND INCLUSION PLAN 2017–2018

From 2017 to 2018 we coordinated the delivery of Council’s first Access and Inclusion Plan. While this was a whole-of-Council initiative, our team played a key role in developing the plan, ensuring that community aspirations and priorities were reflected in the plan, facilitating an internal working group to promote cross-branch collaboration and sharing of progress and achievements.

Highlights from delivery of the plan included the upgrade of customer service centres, translating information into accessible formats (including videos, braille and screen reader accessible documents) and KRANK and Live Well Logan activities that are accessible for people of all abilities. Council’s second Access and Inclusion Plan has been prepared in partnership Council and community stakeholders, and is set to be launched in early 2019.
Our Intercultural Community

We value the wealth of talent and skill among our culturally diverse community and have a key role in working collaboratively to be a more welcoming, inclusive and supportive city.

Our Community

What’s Strong

Support within communities! People from cultural backgrounds have strong leadership and social connectedness within their communities.

Connection through faith! Religion is a shared value amongst the majority of our culturally diverse communities.

Our resourcefulness! The community is highly resourceful and business minded.

Our skills and experience! There is wealth of creativity, talent and professional skills among people from culturally diverse backgrounds.

Our food and culture! Our cultural diversity brings opportunities to experience and appreciate authentic foods and arts from around the world.

What People Want

- A community that is focused on interculturalism and is actively driving initiatives to promote and support social desegregation and social interaction.

- A thriving community that is autonomous, self-sufficient and has equal access to education, employment and social opportunities.

- An enabled community that is capable of actively and unreservedly participating in life in Australia.

- A community that honours and celebrates the rich history and diversity in our city and supports new communities as they develop and grow.

- People from culturally diverse backgrounds have equal access to education and employment opportunities.
OUR WORK

PRIORITIES

• Identify opportunities for cultural sharing and to facilitate meaningful interactions between people from culturally diverse backgrounds and the broader community.

• Implement an intercultural strategy by working collaboratively with internal and community stakeholders to identify opportunities to incorporate cultural considerations across Council services, activities and facilities.

• Work with community organisations and groups to connect people with funding opportunities.

• Continue to jointly explore opportunities to progress education and employment outcomes for Logan’s culturally diverse communities.

• Continue to actively support and enable the Community Leaders Connect forum as a platform for leaders to connect, share their experiences and knowledge and identify joint solutions to mutual priorities.

OUR STORIES

WELCOME INITIATIVES

In July 2015, we partnered with community organisations and leaders to identify opportunities to increase the sense of welcoming and social cohesion in response to emerging concerns in the community. As a result we established a local Neighbour Day campaign to encourage people to connect with their neighbours and celebrate diversity. We also established “Welcome” signage in multiple local languages at the entrance of Council’s Administration building, which is also available on stickers, desk signs, canvas boards and an event banner and has been shared widely throughout the community.

We continue to celebrate Neighbour Day annually and promote the use of welcome signage across the city.
OUR COMMUNITY

WHAT'S STRONG

Our community gardens! We have a number of community gardens in Logan that grow fresh fruit, vegetables and create a strong sense of community. Passionate gardening gurus share knowledge and skills with likeminded people, and provide active and healthy opportunities to connect and grow community.

Our health services! We have a variety of health services available to support the health and wellbeing of Logan residents.

Our programs! The Live Well Logan program delivers hundreds of free and low cost health and wellbeing activities for everyone.

Diversity of active spaces and places! There are lots of spaces across Logan where people can get active. There are over 960 recreational parks, 125 sport and recreation facilities and aquatic centres, indoor sport centres and gyms, plus over 90km of recreational trails for walking, mountain biking and/or horseback riding, 3 BMX tracks, 313 outdoor gym stations and 24 skate parks.

WHAT PEOPLE WANT

- People are engaged in active and healthy lifestyles, exercise regularly and eat well; “the fittest and healthiest city in Australia”.
- Information and clear referral pathways and support for people accessing relevant health and social services.
- People feel socially connected with their community and enjoy a good sense of mental health, wellbeing and happiness.
- A diverse and thriving network of community gardens that are active, strong welcoming and sustainable.
- Increased engagement of men, young men and boys in healthy and active lifestyles.
Our stories
TUNE OUT TO TUNE IN

In 2018, we piloted a Tune Out to Tune In project in collaboration with local service providers to support young people’s mental health and wellbeing. The aim was to equip and empower young people with resources to support healthy minds through 200 pencil cases containing items such as mindfulness colouring-in cards, a USB with valuable information and a fidget spinner.

The project was launched at two events in 2018, where 344 students at Park Ridge High School’s R U OK? Day were engaged and 200 students from Beenleigh High School attended the Healthy Minds workshop. The Wheel of Wellbeing was used to promote health and happiness, while having fun and dancing to music were the most popular activities amongst the students.

The Tune Out to Tune In project will continue to be a collaborative project with local service providers and resources can be found on Council’s website.

Our work
Priorities

• Adapt and expand the Live Well Logan program to meet emerging needs and trends, and the growing demand for more activities that are inclusive, affordable and accessible.

• In collaboration with key government and community stakeholders, identify opportunities to increase the percentage of male participants in Live Well Logan.

• Implement an online booking system for Live Well Logan, to streamline processes and capture accurate reporting data.

• Continue to support and provide networking opportunities for community garden groups to be self-sustaining and connected with each other and the wider community.

• Engage with young people, schools and community health and wellbeing services to identify opportunities to empower people to improve their mental health and wellbeing.

• Continue Tune Out to Tune In: a project developed to empower young people to improve their health and wellbeing.
34,000 PEOPLE IN LOGAN
VOLUNTEER IN THE COMMUNITY

OUR CONNECTED COMMUNITY

People in Logan represent a diversity of ages, cultures, experiences, geographical areas, values and aspirations. We connect people with each other and facilitate opportunities for people to navigate their place in the community.

OUR COMMUNITY

WHAT’S STRONG

Our community centres! Logan has 18 Council-owned community and neighbourhood centres providing hubs of local activities, services and community spaces.

Our community networks! Organisations, groups and individuals participate in at least 35 community sector networks to collaborate and share information, experiences, challenges and opportunities for the benefit of the wider community.

Our volunteers! There are lots of people who want to volunteer in the community, and a lot of organisations seeking volunteers.

Our resilience! People experiencing hardships are resilient, driven and passionate and are likely to give back to the community through acts of kindness, informal volunteering or support to family and friends.

Our services! There are over 1,400 services listed on Logan's community directory.

WHAT PEOPLE WANT

• People in Logan have opportunities to engage in the life of the city, and are connected to people, services, organisations, events and places in ways that are meaningful to them.

• Community centres are accessible, engaging, welcoming spaces.

• There are clear and user friendly connection points between potential volunteers and volunteering opportunities.

• Everyone has a safe and secure place to call home, and is able to achieve their social, emotional and physical needs.

• Community groups and organisations are able to access spaces to undertake their activities within and for the community.
Our stories

The Logan Men’s Network

In 2018 we worked in collaboration with local organisations to establish a Logan Men’s Network in response to a local community need. The group is a partnership between a diverse range of stakeholders in the community, and work collaboratively to support and develop services that will improve and enhance health for men in Logan.

Throughout the year, the group has taken off and now operate as a dynamic, purposeful and sustainable network. They have almost 40 representatives who meet regularly to discuss the important role of men, young men and boys in our families and community. They have also run activities and events for Men’s Health Week, Father’s Day and a community listening event to inform future activities!

Our work

Priorities

- Continue to work with community centres to identify opportunities to support and build their capacity to be engaging, welcoming spaces.

- Facilitate opportunities for residents to connect with each other through delivery of local strengths based neighbourhood initiatives and community conversations.

- Work in partnership with key agencies to better connect people with volunteering opportunities, including optimising online platforms and facilitating sign up days.

- Continue to engage with network groups and actively build relationships with key providers to work collaboratively, build connection and identify opportunities for community driven initiatives.

- Bring together key stakeholders to plan, collaborate and enable placed-based community development approaches across Logan.

- Work in partnership with government and community stakeholders to more effectively respond to and support people experiencing hardship and homelessness.
We are committed to working alongside the growing communities in Yarrabilba and Greater Flagstone to generate a strong and integrated community.

Our community

YARRABILBA

Upon completion in 2041, Yarrabilba will be home to approximately 45,000 people and have around 17,000 dwellings.

Population numbers have grown by almost 60% in two years (3,580 in 2016 to 6,000 in 2018).

In 2016, Yarrabilba had the highest proportion of one parent families with dependent children (aged under 15 years) in Logan.

Greater Flagstone

Upon completion in 2035, Greater Flagstone will be home to approximately 120,000 people and have around 50,000 dwellings.

Annual population increase of 4.29% per year.

In Flagstone, 55% of households were made up of couples with children in 2016, compared with 34.9% in Logan.

165,000 people will live in Yarrabilba and Greater Flagstone by 2041
Our stories

Kindness Rocks Project at Yarrabilba

In 2018 we worked alongside key stakeholders in Yarrabilba to deliver the Kindness Rocks Project. This unique community art project not only spread positivity and kindness that involved over 600 families, it also provided an opportunity where the community formed relationships with each other and the local community garden.

The project used a strengths based approach where existing assets and resources were mobilised enabling a number of groups and organisations to act collectively as co-producers of their community’s wellbeing.

Our work

Priorities

- Empower the community to develop initiatives that respond to community priorities such as support for families and young people.

- Establish and build upon existing partnerships and relationships with community members and organisations to develop trust and collaboration with Council.

- Involve residents in shaping their community and support leaders to foster positive change in their communities. For example, through community conversations.

- Focus on supporting the community facilities and places where people meet to ensure residents can actively participate and engage in their community. For example the Yarrabilba Sport and Community Hub and the Family and Community Place.
WE PROVIDE $150,000 IN COMMUNITY GRANTS EACH YEAR!

RESOURCING OUR COMMUNITY

Council’s Community Development team have developed a range of valuable resources to connect people, networks, services and opportunities throughout Logan.

OUR WORK

WHAT WE ALREADY DO

• A central directory of services! Residents are able to connect with over 1,400 programs and services listed on a Logan Community Directory to help meet their needs and aspirations.

• Community services e-newsletter! We deliver fortnightly updates connecting people and organisations to events, funding, programs and opportunities.

• A directory of networks! We maintain a directory of inter-agency networks including frequency and location of meetings, network objectives and contact details for each.

• Community grants! We provide grant opportunities to support meaningful initiatives in the community.

YOU WILL FIND FURTHER INFORMATION AND LINKS TO THESE RESOURCES ON COUNCIL’S WEBSITE AT

logan.qld.gov.au/community-support/community-development
Priorities

- Pursue opportunities and funding to deliver asset based workshops and community development seminars to empower and equip individuals, groups and organisations to drive their own initiatives.

- Continue to review, refine and tailor information platforms (web pages, directory, hard copy resources) to ensure connection points are targeted and relevant for different audiences.

- Undertake targeted engagement and promotion to increase awareness and use of the Logan Community Directory as a central online hub of information on services, programs and events.

- Identify opportunities to ensure that the Community Project Grants application process is inclusive and accessible. This may include reviewing the grant guidelines, questions, promotion and/or grant workshop process.

- Continue to coordinate grant forums, presenting information on several Council grant programs and offering opportunities to speak about project ideas with grant officers.

- Continue to collaborate with community stakeholders to support the development and promotion of important community resources such as the Logan Street Services Guide.

- Utilise the Community Services E-Newsletter to share positive stories about and from the community through a ‘community spotlight’.

- Proactively engage with our grant recipients to assist with the delivery and promotion of their initiatives, where appropriate.
WE’D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

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