

We have received a positive response to our flyer drop with the number of new members continuing to increase on a daily basis and not just from those living in our area. Just shows that we have hit a nerve with our concerns.

To the wonderful YRA DISTRIBUTION OFFICER and her dedicated team – many thanks. You have and will continue to make a difference to all of us in Yatala. Now we just need to find help outside of our home base!

### **Ormeau Progress Association:**

Cavell Dorman attended the OPA meeting on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 09 representing YRA and was given the opportunity to speak at the end of the meeting, giving them an insight into what is planned for the end of Peachey Road & Stanmore Roads and stating our support to them with their issues on the Quarries in particular. We are all Neighbours so we need to support each other. Some of these industrial developments are just 1.2 km's from the first house in Ormeau, so it makes them just as close as some of us! Attendee's appeared amazed to hear about these unknown developments.

Donna Gates GCCC was also in attendance at the meeting.

### **Quarry Issues:**

Apparently the Quarry Association is currently seeking to overturn rules that will allow open slather on any future developments, regardless of EPA. The "Stop the Quarry" sub-committee of the "Ormeau Progress Association" is very concerned over this matter and rightly so. It was also stated that a number of quarries want to expand, some up to 3 times their current size.

### **Industrial Developments**

Brisbane and Southport Courts were contacted for an update on the Planning and Environment Court Appeals BD2481 of 2008 and 3523 of 2008. There are call records (all YRA) and file summaries of these two appeals, which can also be accessed on line.

The site on the Left of Peachey Road is scheduled for the Southport Court on the 20<sup>th</sup> of April 2009 but there does not seem to be any information on Darlington Park at this stage – we will continue to investigate. The GCCC website shows no change or additional information in the two development applications.

GCCC is considering developing a service centre model to increase business to the area, permitting services such as banks, cafes, food outlets, news agency, and post office to service existing industrial precincts.

### **Stanmore Road:**

Now that Stage 1 upgrades of Stanmore Road (Elderslie Rd/M1 to Darlington Drive roundabout) are nearing completion, our Stanmore Road Information Officer has been in discussions with the GCCC Transport Infrastructure Strategies Coordinator of the Engineering Assets and Planning Division.

We can report the following progress;

The upgrading of Stanmore Rd to 4 lanes will occur in 4 stages:

#### **Stage 1:**

Elderslie Rd Roundabout/M1 to Darlington Drive - Construction on this section and completion is expected towards the end of this financial year (08/09).

#### **Stage 2:**

Harts Rd to Enklemann Rd - Construction has commenced on this section and completion is expected towards the end of this financial year (08/09).

#### **Stage 3:**

Enklemann Rd to Darlington Drive - Detailed design has commenced on this section. Construction is currently viewed as a medium term priority within the City's Priority Infrastructure

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Plan (PIP). It is currently programmed to occur between 2012 - 2016. YRA has requested further information, detailed plans and an audience with GCCC planners to discuss the suggestions compiled from local residents over the past 18 months.

**Stage 4:**

Harts Rd to Beenleigh-Beaudesert Rd - No detailed design works have commenced on this section to date. Construction is viewed as a long term priority. Issues to be resolved with MR who own and manage Beenleigh-Beaudesert Rd and Logan City Council. Need for duplication will be driven by MR upgrading of Beenleigh Beaudesert Rd. This will be required when proposed residential and industrial centres develop within the Mt Lindsay / North Beaudesert Area.

**State Government Candidates:**

YRA Steering Committee Members are to meet with State Electorate Candidates, Andrea Johanson LNP and Marlee Bruinsma GREENS separately prior to election, to inform them of the issues we are facing. At the time of writing this Newsletter, Margaret Keech ALP is still to reply to a meeting date. Our next newsletter will give you the outcome of those meetings however, should you have any specific topic you need raised, please email [yra@yatala.info](mailto:yra@yatala.info) as soon as possible so we can ensure we have the issue on our agenda for these meetings.

**GCCC:**

YRA sent a letter to Donna Gates asking for an update and clarification on a number of issues we are facing. We will provide a copy of the YRA letter and her response when received.

**Other:**

YRA sent a letter of **CONGRATULATIONS** to the Staff and Students of Rivermount College to thank them for their "Clean Up our Neighbourhood" campaign as part of Clean Up Australia Day.

The YRA logo was designed by a very talented team from Design Stream. They are locals if you need graphic assistance!

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