

Edition 2 – August 2026

Welcome to our second newsletter. NCV is growing as a place where local people can share what matters, find out what is changing across Moreton Bay, and help shape better outcomes for our communities. In each newsletter, we'll share what we're working on, where community voices are needed, and practical ways you can get involved.

President's Update

From David Grogan

I've been busy developing our online capability — not just the website, but better ways for people to share their views, see what others are saying, and help NCV turn local concerns into practical advocacy.

I attended a fantastic meeting run by the Samford Progress Association, where we discussed what matters most to local residents. There is a real opportunity for collaboration between the Association and NCV so that community priorities across the area can be heard more clearly and acted on more effectively.

Read on to see what's happening across the City of Moreton Bay — and where your ideas, experience and time can help shape what comes next.

In this edition, you can: find out how NCV is building better ways to collect community views; see where planning and development decisions need local

input; join a coffee catch-up or working group; and tell us what issues matter to you.

Board update

The Board meets every month to discuss emerging issues and organisational business. This month we focused on how to record people's views ethically and in line with our values, so that community input is treated with care and used responsibly. We also discussed insurance for our growing band of volunteers, which will help us support more community activity safely.

Around our communities

Division 10 / Hills District



Members of NCV and Hills District Futures

You might have seen some of our community and friends from Hills District Futures on the front page of the Hills Echo this month. We are collaborating to create more opportunities for people in the area to be heard. Planning issues are raising concerns, and we want to dig into them and other issues with the whole

community — including businesses, families, voluntary groups, young people, recent arrivals, our LGBTQIA+ community and others whose voices are not always heard. *Look out for further updates on how you can get involved.*

<https://hills@ncvoices.org.au>

Petrie

Have you seen what's happening at Moreton Bay Central? This is a major 460-hectare Priority Development Area anchored by UniSC

Moreton Bay, with investment

in education, health, business, housing and community infrastructure. The big question for locals is what this will mean on the ground — for traffic, public spaces, green links, services, housing choices and the character of surrounding communities. While the Priority Development Area framework is already in place, the community can still influence development applications, infrastructure priorities, transport impacts and public-space design.

NCV will be asking Council and Economic Development Queensland how community benefits will be secured beyond headline jobs — including usable public spaces, local infrastructure, environmental protections, transport management and transparent reporting on impacts as development proceeds.



New addition to The Mill Waterpark, Moreton Bay Central

What do you want NCV to ask for? Tell us what would make this development work better for local people — safer transport, better walking and cycling links, usable green space, community facilities, protection of local character, or clearer reporting on impacts.

Caboolture

Our friends at Get Around Caboolture have been busy planning events and practical ways to make Caboolture an even better place to live. Their work is a great example of local people coming together to improve streets, places and community life.

Get Around Caboolture would like to invite everyone to join them for an engaging breakfast presentation with internationally recognised urban strategist **Steven Burgess**, exploring **The Future of Moreton Bay**. Tuesday 11 August 2026, 8:15 am – 10:00 am, Caboolture Hub, Seminar Room 1

For further information and event registration, please visit:

<https://events.humanitix.com/steven-burgess-the-future-of-moreton-bay>

Redcliffe Peninsula

A growing community of concerned residents has put forward a three-point plan to take



Action Against Hooning (AAH) on the streets of Redcliffe Peninsula and beyond. Hazel Key and her team have held regular community gatherings and

arranged multiple meetings with local and Traffic Branch police, Council and State representatives.

They are currently campaigning for installation of AI assisted cameras at all intersections, closing the vehicle noise loophole and VAS cameras for residential streets. *You can support Hazel and her team by joining their **Action Against Hooning** fb page.*

Working Groups

We have several active working groups, with more planned as more volunteers get involved. Working groups are where people can explore an issue in more depth, share local knowledge, and help turn community concerns into practical action.

Our **Housing Working Group** is exploring how to support the delivery of more homes in ways that respect existing communities and the environment. Current themes include housing for older women, alternative ownership models, and the infrastructure needed to support housing in rural areas.

The **Energy Working Group** is developing practical resources to help households prepare for the end of the 50-cent feed-in tariff. We're answering common questions about solar, batteries and home energy upgrades so our community can make informed decisions and get the most from new energy technologies.

The group is also exploring EV charging infrastructure for cars and trucks, including the needs of large council fleets, and examining innovative

charging solutions for people living in apartment buildings as higher-density development expands around transport hubs.

If you have experience, questions or ideas about home energy, solar, batteries or EV charging, we'd love to hear from you. *Join the conversation and help shape practical solutions for our community.*

We are keen to expand our working groups to include a dedicated focus on sustainable local food, active transport, domestic and family violence issues, youth matters and more.

If you have an issue you're passionate about and want to find like-minded people to talk and work with, get in touch.

Events



Lively discussions over coffee at Petrie

Petrie Coffee catch-up – Striker Coffee Co, 11B Dayboro Road, every Tuesday at 9:30 am

Occasionally we swap our venue for Butcher Baker Coffee Maker, Woody Point to meet up with our Redcliffe Peninsula friends.

Email info@ncvoices.org.au to confirm the venue each week.

Samford Coffee catch-up – The Latin Shack, Mt Glorious Road, every Wednesday at 10:00 am

Hills District Coffee catch-up – Kakowan Community Facility, every Saturday at 8:30 am

Markets

We have recently taken delivery of two branded marquees. We plan to be out & about at several markets and parks across City of Moreton Bay. *We would love to have you join us to help connect with our communities.*

Get involved



Spreading the environmental message with Moreton Climate Action Now at Dayboro markets

NCV is a welcoming, growing organisation with connections to similar organisations across Queensland and beyond. If you want to make a difference locally, there are simple ways to start: come to a coffee catch-up, join a working group, share an issue that matters to your neighbourhood, or help us listen to more people. We are always looking for volunteers, and whatever your skills, we have a role for you.

Right now, our priorities include community engagement, IT capability, fundraising and communications.

Whether you can offer specialist skills or just a small amount of time, we'd love to hear from you — especially if you enjoy listening to people, connecting neighbours, or helping practical local projects get off the ground.

Influence doesn't just happen at the ballot box — it grows when communities organise, share evidence and speak up together.

Visit our website to find out what Northside Community Voices is about, complete our survey to tell us your priorities, and join as a friend so we can keep you updated about local issues, working groups and opportunities to have your say.

<https://www.ncvoices.org.au/>

You can also follow us on Facebook at

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61583684267362>

Please check in regularly to stay up to date with our latest activities. *Like and share to help us become more visible to our online community.*

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