



A message from Cr Helen Blackburn

There is no doubt that #BRCbudget19 is kicking goals.

Council will be addressing long-standing drainage issues for residents of North Bundaberg. The major drainage project will protect dozens of properties on and around Agnes, Wolca, Perry and Gavin Streets.

Our youth have been calling for better teen play facilities in the CBD for some time. I'm delighted that Central Park, home to the skate bowl on Walla Street, will receive a \$1 million upgrade.

The existing skate bowl will be refurbished and extended and additional facilities such as shelters, seating and amenities will be added to the park.

On-road and off-road cycle facilities will be installed on Walla Street to connect the recently completed Park Street pathway to the George Street roundabout. Long term, these facilities will form part of a larger cycleway network connecting residents to the CBD.

Almost 400 metres of pathway will also be added to our existing network linking Hanbury Street, Perry Street and Hinkler Avenue.

It's pleasing to see a number of bus facilities earmarked for upgrade throughout the region including four within my division on Bourbong, Maryborough and Woongarra Streets.

We're continuing to invest in the parks and recreational spaces in Division 4 including the installation of shade sails at the new Botanic Gardens playground next month.

