

Carpark Upgrade for Corinda Pool

Brisbane City Council has given the go ahead to develop plans for additional car parking in Hughes Lane to ease congestion around Corinda Memorial Pool.

Councillor for Tennyson Ward, Nicole Johnston, welcomed the decision as a win for the local community and pool managers who had been lobbying Council for over a year to improve parking availability.

"The car park caters for huge demand from pool, park and school users every day of the year. Creating additional spaces will help to ease congestion, as well as providing safe parking off Oxley Road for parents visiting this busy sporting and school precinct with their children," Councillor Johnston said.

The number of visitors to Corinda Memorial Pool has increased rapidly under the management of Craig and Lorraine Tobin from 40,000 to more than 100,000 visits per year reflecting the popularity of the pool's facilities and activities.

In addition to strong demand for pool parking, the car park is also used by local soccer and cricket clubs for training and fixtures and parents from Corinda State School.

Councillor Johnston said the parking problem had been exacerbated in mid-2009 when Brisbane City Council built a bike path through the centre of the existing car park and removed a number of both designated and informal spaces without consultation.

"A big thank you to the hundred of parents who signed the petition calling on Council to improve pool parking arrangements. After months of lobbying, it is clear that people power in the form of this petition has made all the difference," Councillor Johnston said.

Council advises that consultation will be undertaken with all stakeholders during the design phase and that funding for construction will be prioritised in a future budget.

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