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Dr ROBINSON (Oodgeroo—LNP) (7.15 pm): 2018 has been the year of the good, the bad and the ugly. In spite of the Cleveland district being ignored at times, some good things have occurred. 2018 saw many milestones reached. Star of the Sea Catholic Primary School turned 10. Ormiston College and Wellington Point State High School celebrated 30 years. The Little Nippers at Point Lookout Surf Life Saving Club turned 50. Redlands United Football Club are now 100 years and Cleveland State School celebrated 150 years. It has been a privilege to be part of these milestones in our community.

In terms of education, Cleveland District State High School's Paul Bancroft Centre will open in the new year. Beyond that, the secondary learning centre will be built. More needs to happen. Wellington Point State High School is in need of an upgrade to their hall. With regard to the Ormiston State School, I again call on the minister to rule out removing the two demountable classrooms and cutting or reducing the STEM program in any way.

In terms of North Stradbroke Island, the good people of Dunwich are fighting back against the economic uncertainty created by this government's decisions by starting their own shop local campaign for Christmas. They are encouraging people to shop local where they can. They are engaging in the Dunwich master plan and hoping that the government will listen and redevelop the harbour. With only two of the 23 projects completed so far—it is at a very slow pace—locals have welcomed the artificial reef as part of my artificial reef plan for Moreton Bay.

Sadly, though, North Stradbroke Island has been an afterthought for this government. For example, not a single container collection point was provided on the island at the opening of this program. Then there is the failure to consult on the future of Point Lookout headland—an important and iconic part of Point Lookout. Tomorrow a petition will be tabled in parliament with over 16,000 petitioners objecting to the way this has been handled. Add to that Labor's rail fail on the Cleveland line, now dubbed the misery line. As the local member I was certainly relieved that the Remembrance Day troop train actually made it.

In terms of health and the Redland Hospital, it has been great to be involved with the hospital and to deliver on many fronts, but sadly there has been no hospital upgrade, no intensive care unit, no ED expansion, ED waiting times are atrocious and blowing out, \$40 million has been cut by the government and the minister was caught out trying to cut palliative care beds from the hospital. Last week the minister claimed that he is providing an eight-bed intensive care unit. Time will tell if it is real or just rebadging existing beds. I will continue to fight in 2019 to hold this government accountable for everything and to get our fair share for the Redlands.