




Speech By
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Bayside Community Fund

 **Ms PEASE** (Lytton—ALP) (6.22 pm): I am so proud to represent the electorate of Lytton. I am really proud of our wonderful community members who support each other, from our youth to our elderly. It is a vibrant and engaged community. We look after each other and we take care of each other each and every day, from sport for little kids to music classes and dancing for the elderly. I am really proud to know so many of these people and engage with them. Like the member for Redlands, I acknowledge the great volunteers who work in my electorate. I am proud of the great volunteers who work in my electorate each and every day. They come out and support each other no matter what it is. We have a great Meals on Wheels. I acknowledge Ken Edwards, who has just retired after too many years to count, for his dedication to Meals on Wheels.

I would particularly like to talk about an exciting new initiative that we have created in the bayside. We have created the Bayside Community Fund. This fund will be a lasting legacy that members of our community can donate into. It is managed by the Queensland Community Foundation, an organisation set up by the late Brian Grenham, a good friend of mine, and the Hon. Mike Ahern who was a former premier of Queensland. This fund creates in-perpetuity funding. Funds are invested through the QIC and reinvested back into the sub-fund, which is what I am creating.

We have put together a steering committee to create the Bayside Community Fund. With like-minded community members, we are gathering together and engaging with the community to seek donations towards our Bayside Community Fund so that we can support the vast range of organisations in our community which give back so much to our community to make it the beautiful, vibrant place that it is. I am tremendously proud to be part of the Bayside Community Fund and proud of the people who have joined with me to make this a possibility in my community.

Yesterday the Bayside Community Fund had its launch here at Parliament House with the Hon. Leanne Enoch and the Hon. Margaret McMurdo who is the chair of the QCF. We will be hosting an event on Friday night at the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron to officially launch our Bayside Community Fund. I am really proud of my community.