



Speech By  
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**MEMBER FOR MOGGILL**

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

### **Moggill Electorate**

 **Dr ROWAN** (Moggill—LNP) (7.25 pm): Mr Deputy Speaker, 2023 has been another great year for our local community groups, sporting organisations, schools, P&Cs and not for profits in the electorate of Moggill. As their local elected representative in the Queensland state parliament, it is a privilege to be their strong local voice and help secure vital funding and infrastructure on their behalf.

Having secured last year over \$25.5 million for new classrooms at Kenmore South State School, as well as over \$18.8 million for Kenmore State High School, including funding to finally commence planning and provide for their much needed new school hall, this year I was delighted that an additional \$11 million for state schools across the electorate of Moggill was allocated in the 2023-24 Queensland state budget. This includes more than \$6.5 million for additional specialist classrooms at Kenmore State High School, over \$2.3 million for additional classrooms and an updated outdoor interactive learning area for Moggill State School, as well as almost \$300,000 for Kenmore State School for a new outdoor learning area. Our community, environmental, sporting and not-for-profit organisations in the electorate of Moggill are the backbone of our great community and they absolutely deserve every extra assistance and an ongoing financial investment.

I want to again acknowledge and congratulate the many groups across the electorate of Moggill which were successful in obtaining grant funding this year. This included: the Cubberla-Witton Catchments Network to purchase equipment; the Moggill Football Club, which received almost \$24,000 to purchase new portable goals; the Karana Downs and Surrounds Community Garden Hub, which were recently successful in obtaining \$35,000 to upgrade their garden hub; Kenmore Little Athletics, which received over \$23,000 for athletic equipment; and the Moggill Historical Society, which successfully obtained over \$8,000 to complete important surveying work.

The electorate of Moggill is fortunate to contain a rich and diverse array of native fauna and flora and to be serviced by many dedicated environmental, nature refuge, conservation and creek catchment groups which are committed to preserving and enhancing our local environment. To that end, I wish to also congratulate and acknowledge the Feathertail Nature Refuge and Smith's Rainforest Nature Refuge, both in Upper Brookfield, which were this year successful via the nature refuge grants program. I am also delighted to have helped support a number of small businesses and social enterprises in the electorate of Moggill this year, with more than \$81,000 being delivered to support these businesses increase their core skills, adopt best practices and deliver on important social endeavours.

This is just a small example of what has been achieved this year and another example of what can be delivered when you have a strong local voice in the Queensland parliament solely committed to delivering for the community. There is so much more to do and I will not stop fighting until all local residents, schools and community organisations in the electorate of Moggill get the additional vital infrastructure and ongoing funding that all local residents deserve.