

Councillor for Division 3, which encompasses Malanda, Topaz, Tarzali, Millaa Millaa and surrounding areas. The division includes the world renowned Millaa Millaa Falls.

Councillor Bilney was recently re-elected to Council for a third term Unopposed. He also is now the Deputy Mayor of Tablelands regional Council.

Originally from regional South Australia, Councillor Bilney came to Tablelands via a work transfer and has lived in the area for 27 Years. He has a background in banking with expertise in relationship banking/lending and management.

Councillor Bilney is married to a local lady from a pioneering Tablelands family and has owned and operated a small business. Has 3 Children and 3 Grandchildren of his own and a further 3 Step children and 5 Grandchildren on his wife's side.

Councillor Bilney is committed to exceptional service delivery and believes in providing effective communication to the community. He is actively involved in community initiatives including shop local campaigns, working bees and development engagement. He is a strong advocate for improved liveability and sustainability of the wider Tablelands Region. In past times on Council, t has become a lead role in Climate related issues such as Adaption and Mitigation having recently influenced the Development of Climate Strategies and underpinned by Policies that support future actions.

Current advocacy work in the expansion of the Atherton Forest Mountain Bike Park and Rail Trail to expose Cycling to reach its true potential on the Tablelands.

### **Past Committee Representations**

- Chair of the Rocky Creek Memorial Park Advisory Committee
- Chair of the Tablelands Pest Management Advisory Committee
- Chair of the Malanda Falls Visitor Centre Gift Fund Advisory Committee
- Chair of the Natural Assets Management Advisory Committee
- Co- Chair Rivers to Reef Climate Alliance ( incorporating 4 Councils )
- FNQ Endeavour Foundation

### **Current Committee Representations**

- Chair of Cycling Advisory Committee
- Deputy Chair Local Disaster Management Group
- Committee member Atherton Forest Mountain Bike Committee
- Committee Member FNQ Mountain Bike Steering Committee
- Chair Malanda Falls Visitor Centre Gift Fund Advisory Committee
- Board member ECHO Neighbourhood House

### **Community Involvement**

- Malanda Lions Club
- Malanda Chamber of Commerce
- Millaa Millaa Lions Club
- Eacham Senior Citizens Club
- MC and judge various community events.
- Vision 4885
- Malanda Mens Shed
- ANZAC Day Commemorations