

Mayor Angela Toppin AM, Mareeba Shire Council



In 2020, Councillor Angela Toppin was elected Mayor, Mareeba Shire Council after serving 4 years as a Councillor for the Shire. In 2024, Angela was also elected as a Member of Local Government Association of QLD Policy Executive.

Angela is currently the Chair of FNQROC (Far North Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils).

Formerly employed by Department of Education, Angela retired as Principal, Cairns State High School in 2016. Prior to this she was Principal, Malanda State High School and Mareeba State High School.

In 2023, Angela was awarded the Order of Australia for outstanding service to education, local government and community.

She was appointed to the James Cook University Council in 2018 and is a member of the Cairns and Hinterland Hospital and Health Service Community Consultation Committee.

Angela has a strong commitment to community involvement and is a member of various not for profit groups.

Angela Toppin sees herself as 'Someone who makes a difference for young people'. She continues to mentor and coach young people in leadership positions and is very passionate about expanding opportunities for students in rural and regional areas.

She is passionate about continuing her work for youth as a Councillor – *'they are the leaders of the future'* and we must invest in that future.