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Council's Recovery and Education Trailer has more to it than meets the eye

Gladstone Regional Council has launched a Recovery and Education Trailer, designed and created with a true focus on recovery and enhancing Council's ability for fast activation to provide information and lodge enquiries following a disaster.

From the outside it appears to be just a regular enclosed box trailer with Gladstone Regional Council branding, but once its awnings are lifted there are plenty of features on the inside that will come in handy should disaster strike any township or community within the Gladstone Region.

Gladstone Region Deputy Mayor Kahn Goodluck said the trailer would activate during and following disaster events.

"The trailer's purpose is to support response and recovery objectives, to provide important information to the community and to act as a hub for connection between Council and community members," Councillor Goodluck said.

"It is designed to be functional in remote parts of our region to ensure our high-risk areas have equal access to disaster information and education."

Cr Goodluck said the educational aspect of the trailer was just as important as its disaster recovery features.

"Community education is a key component of disaster preparedness – when communities are better educated, they have appropriate opportunity to adequately prepare for disaster events," he said.

"That's why you'll see Council's Recovery and Education Trailer out and about at different community events, starting with its inaugural appearance at the Mt Larcom Show on 19-20 June."

Visit <http://regionwatch.gladstone.qld.gov.au> to accessing reliable, up-to-date and vital information during emergencies and disasters.

The RegionWatch platform also allows residents to register for warnings.

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