Last week it was great to recognise the completion of the Agricultural Landscape Rehabilitation Scheme (ALRS) for the Flowerdale Inglis River Group. For the ALRS project, Council worked with 14 landholders across the lower Inglis and Flowerdale rivers to rehabilitate the landscape following the June 2016 floods. The work that’s been undertaken has seen more than 10,000 new seedlings planted, 7,000 tonnes of rock placed and 2.65km of fencing installed. That’s a lot of rocks! I’d like to give a special mention to Council’s project officer Barbara Alsop, who has done a fantastic job working with landowners, volunteers, suppliers, Cradle Coast NRM and NRM North to oversee the works. This will certainly improve our waterways and increase our readiness for floods in the future. Top job to all involved.

The 2018 Local Government Elections are fast approaching and the Council has some useful information available to anyone who is thinking of standing. The Council’s website and Facebook page includes information and links on how to nominate for the election and what you need to know to become a Councillor. I’d encourage anyone who is thinking of standing to have a look at the website or contact Council for further information. The election will be held in October, with nominations closing on the 25th of September.

In recent weeks I’ve mentioned the installation of the new Inglis River Pedestrian Bridge and am pleased to report these works are almost complete. You may have noticed the bridge going up last week and now there is just a little more work required to connect it to the walking track. I’d expect to see this happen in the coming weeks.