



I was born and raised in Tully and in my younger days, I was lucky enough to live and work in various cities in Queensland, enjoying a career in both hairdressing and hospitality. My sense of adventure led me to living in the UK for over five years and in 1995 on my return to the Cassowary I opened my hair salon in Mission Beach which I owned and operated until I became a Councillor in 2020.

Whilst I loved owning a hair salon, the added bonus was the connectivity and community the business brought into my life.

Running for Council seemed a natural progression to the passion I hold for the region. I feel that being a Councillor is about community service and it is my way of giving back to my community.

I am proud to have also raised my two children on the Cassowary Coast. My husband works in the agriculture industry, which has afforded me a unique insight into this industry. The Cassowary Coast is a significant contributor to Australia's agricultural output with a large percentage of Australia's bananas coming from our backyard and I appreciate the importance of this industry and the role we all play.

I am the founder of a local initiative called 'The Handbag Project' which supplies handbags full of personal essential items to women's refuge organisations for victims of domestic violence. Prior to the handbag initiative I raised awareness in support of the White Ribbon campaign with a community 'White T-Shirt' walk and in 2020, I was proud to be one of 130 individuals and organisations across Queensland to be inducted into the Queensland's inaugural Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Honour Roll.

When I am looking to unwind, my favourite thing to do is to sit down and re-watch an episode of Seinfeld- would you believe I've seen every episode over a dozen times each.