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Still singing strong – Gladstone Region won't be beaten

As the Gladstone Region enters another storm season, residents will continue to sing our anthem loud and clear – we are one community that won't be beaten by cyclones or floods.

Gladstone Region Mayor Matt Burnett said the [Bunker Down Gladstone Region community video](#) is a catchy way to spread the message about being prepared this storm season.

"If everyone prepares for severe weather, when it hits, our community will come out stronger than ever before; that's the song's main message," Councillor Burnett said.

"The video proved to be hugely popular last year, which really showed we have a region that understands the importance of prepaing for the storm season."

Council also recently launched RegionWatch, an online platform for the community during the storm season, providing crucial, accurate and timely updates during emergencies or disaster.

Deputy Mayor Chris Trevor said the system brings all road condition information, relating to Council and State roads into one place, reducing community confusion.

"In an emergency, time is precious and reliable information is crucial," Cr Trevor said.

"You can now quickly find the information you need on the RegionWatch dashboard.

"I urge you to visit the RegionWatch dashboard and familiarise yourself with all the services available on the site, to help you and your family prepare this storm season.

"Please remember that community safety is everyone's responsibility and we must each ensure we and our loved ones are prepared and informed if an emergency strikes."

Councillor Trevor said the platform was heavily utilised during the recent CQ Bushfires.

Residents can find advice on preparing for the storm season on Council's website at www.gladstone.qld.gov.au/emergencies or at www.getreadyqld.gov.au

"You can also sign up to the Early Warning Network (EWN) to receive alerts for severe weather advice," Cr Trevor said.

The RegionWatch Dashboard and Bunker Down video were both funded by the State Government's Get Ready Program.