

## Cadet program soldiers on

THE search is on for new recruits at Southport Army Cadets.

Southport's 139 Army Cadet Unit offers those aged more than 12% a chance to gain an insight into the defence forces through its recruitment pungram. This year the program will cater for up to 80 new recruits.

"We are looking for anyone who is keen to have a go," said Captain

(AAC) Jason Taylor. "Recruite c learn a range of skills including as gation, first-oid, radio skills, drill, o emopies and murching. customs a traditions of the defence forces.

The recruitment program will revery Wednesday at Currumb Paim Banch High School for one school term. Call Captain Jason Tior on 0417 317 417 for details.

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## Eddy furious at bid to pay for' developers

chairman, Cr Eddy Serroff, has hit out at moves to save devel-opers tens of millions of dollars annually - at ratepayers' expense.

Councillors Sarroff and Peter Young say they were autounded by a proposal for a mora-tori on new infracharges placed

extraordinary informal inlks last Friday, whereby no votes were taken, councillors discussed whether a new council should consider a moratoxium on infra-structure charges in-

actuature charges in-curred by developers. Ratepayers go to the pells this Syntrday and a new council will in April pick up where the old council left off.

Rumoure have run rife that developers are investing hundreds of thousands of deliers in

council candidates in a bid to get a developer-friendly team in council.

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Cr Sarreaf said if a moratorium was implemented by the city's new council, ratepayers would be picking up the tab for tens of millions of dollars in lost contributions.

"A moratorium on charges that we have al-ready implemented and many in the industry have started to pay is ab-solutely outrageous,"

solutely ourrageous," said Cr Serroff.
"The charge, if not picked up by the industry, will be picked up by the interpayers."
Bur Mayor Gary Baildon said there was no suggestion the infrastructure charges would be dropped - nother that some charges incurred by developers had been retrospective and therefore outsis.

and recreational facilities to be reconsidered.

Developers are reportedly angry at what they say are massiveness infrastructure charges that have significantly interessed the costs of building in the city. sreased the costs of building in the city. Under Integrated Planning Act legislation, council has the ability to charge developers for a wider range of infra-structure than in the

retrospectively.

"There was never any suggestion to have a moratorium. That was a suggestion to fine the officers after concerns were raised by the Mayor and myself and address the control of the cont

other councillors on the retrospectivity of charges," said Cr Power.

Developers have reportedly held meetings with some councillors in

recent times, calling for new charges for roads, sewerage, water supply and recreational facilities

past.

Last year, council's transport manager Rod Grose warned that the shortage in lunding for

said Or Sarrolf's 'lirade was off the mark'. alone in coming years would top \$2 billion. was off the mark'.

Cr Power said the
main concern was some
developers currently in
the decision making process were being charged
retrospectively;

"There was now are."

Deputy Mayor Alan Rickard said if the Gold Coast was to maintain its

Coast was to maintain its lifestyle, it would need to finance a large smount of new, upgraded and catch-up infrastructure in the future.

"At present our developer charges are lower than those interstate and we are recognised as a low-tated cruncil in a low-mand assee with a rapidly growing pomulation." said Cr ing population," said Cr Rickard.



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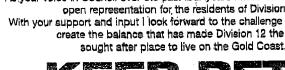
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