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2024 Community Partnership Funding Program

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Community Partnership Funding Program

History

- Inaugural program commenced 2010/2011

Program

- Up to 3 years of funding contributed towards operational costs
- Well established community organisations
- Providing facilities or services that:
 - support delivery of Council's priorities
 - demonstrate broad community benefit

Context

- Existing partnerships ended 30 June 2024
- Program Review completed January 2024

Community Partnership Funding Program Review

Review findings included ...

- Very high level of satisfaction with the program
- Delivering on stated aims across all categories
- Building capacity of community organisations to deliver broad range of services and facilities
- Strengthens connection between Council and community
- Funding amounts had fallen behind actual costs

Review recommendations included

- Continue using the current funding model - commence a new three-year cycle
- Update guidelines to recognise recent Regional Economic Development Strategy 2013-2033 Refresh
- Increase 2024/25 budget to allow new partners to join and increase allocations for renewing
- Annual CPI increase from year 2 cycle

2024 Community Partnership Funding Program

2024 Round

- First year of new 3 year cycle
- New partners seeking to join the program
- Renewing of existing partnerships
- Multi-year funding - 2024/25, 2025/26, and 2026/27

Promotion and support

- Promoted internally & externally
- Officers provided assistance during expression of interest & application period

Applications

- Expressions of interest period commenced 15 April
- Applications closed 10 June
- Received 144 proposals requesting total of \$1,443,707

Assessment Outcomes

Category	Applications received	Funding requested	Proposals recommended	Funding recommended (GST exc.)	% Applicants recommended
Community Development	11	\$223,200	11	\$160,500	100%
Community Facilities	91	\$759,309	91	\$603,809	100%
Community Safety	5	\$103,878	5	\$103,878	100%
Cultural Heritage	14	\$125,420	14	\$118,717	100%
Economic Development	23	\$231,900	23	\$186,000	100%
Total	144	\$1,443,707	144	\$1,172,904	

Budget Implications

FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
Community Grants & Partnerships budget			
1st year	\$1,034,187		
2nd year		\$1,025,737 plus annual CPI	
3rd year			\$990,737 plus annual CPI+CPI
Heritage Levy budget			
1st year	\$118,707		
2nd year		\$118,707 plus annual CPI	
3rd year			\$118,707 plus annual CPI+CPI
Animal Management Restricted Cash budget			
1st year	\$20,000		
2nd year		\$20,000 plus annual CPI	
3rd year			\$20,000 plus annual CPI+CPI
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$1,172,904	\$1,164,454	\$1,129,454

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Environment Levy Partnerships Funding Program 2024

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Environment Levy Partnerships 2024

Environment Levy Partnerships program:

- Up to three-year funding towards operational expenses
- Not-for-profit community organisations
- Contribute to the enhancement and protection of the Sunshine Coast environment.
- Fully funded by Environment Levy
- Program managed by Environmental Operations and administered by Community Connections & Partnerships



Environment Levy Partnerships 2024

Application/Acquittal Process:

- Expression of interest
- Discussion with applicant
- Submission of application
- Panel assessment
- Manager review
- Endorsement by Council
- Acquittal process - data to quantify benefits to Council and broader community

22 applications have been recommended with a total value of \$635,500

19 previous partners, 3 new partners



Overview of Partnerships

- 19 previous partners
 - Catchment care groups
 - Conservation/Community groups
 - Community native plant nurseries
 - Wildlife rescue & rehabilitation groups
- 3 new groups
 - Wildlife SEQ
 - Rotary Club of Nambour
 - Coolum Native Community Nursery
- In 2021/22, partner groups contributed
 - 4416 volunteers
 - 362,062 volunteer hours = \$15.7M (in-kind)



Environmental Benefits

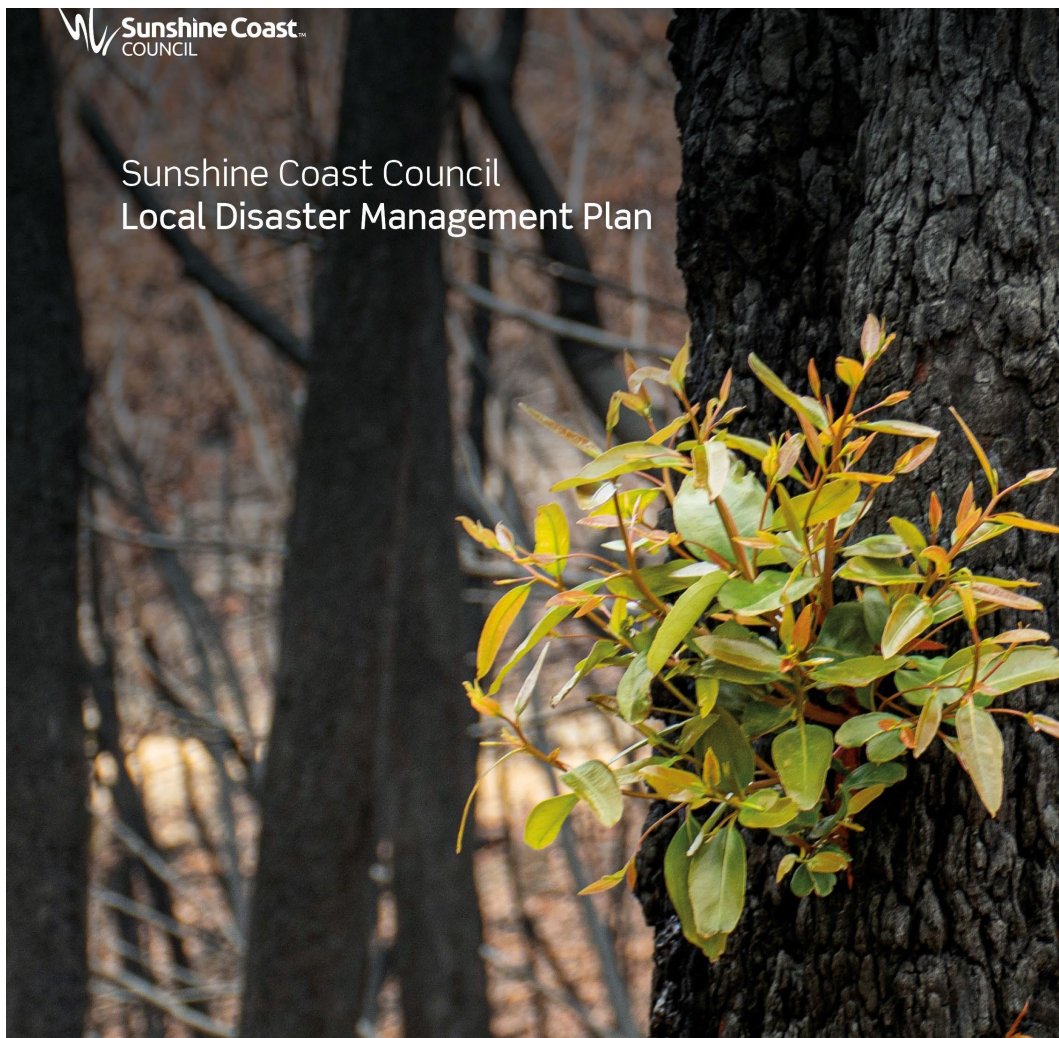
- Over last 3 years, 4 community nurseries supplied 84,457 native plants to 350+ Land for Wildlife landholders.
- GMAN manage a koala food plantation under a MOU with Parks & Gardens providing foliage to 7 wildlife carer & rehabilitation groups/individuals.
- Australia Zoo Wildlife Hospital treated 9514 animals in 2022/23, 51% from the Sunshine Coast LGA.
- In 2022/23, Coolum District Coast Care Group had 8 active Bushcare groups removing 988 bags of weeds and planting over 1500 native plants.



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LOCAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT PLAN (LDMP)

Update to the LDMP

Presented by:
Jason Membrey



Introduction

Disaster Management – Legislative Compliance



Local Government is required to hold a Disaster Management Plan to comply with the QLD Disaster Management Act 2003 s57.



Purpose: The Local Disaster Management Plan is produced by local government, however, is a regional plan empowering and guiding partner agencies in their capacity hazard lead or response authorities.

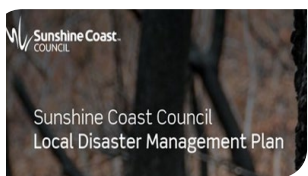


Aim: the aim of this review is to align the plan to legislative and structural reform that has occurred within the Queensland Disaster Management Arrangements (QDMA) and the Sunshine Coast Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG) structure.



Local Disaster Management Plan

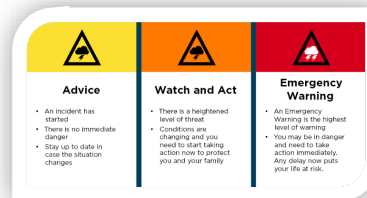
History of the Plan 2023-2027



23/08/2023

LDMG

Annual Exercise LDMP was validated along with Local Disaster Coordination Centre functions



01/11/2023

LGAQ

2024 Council Elections
New LDMG Chair and Deputy Chair

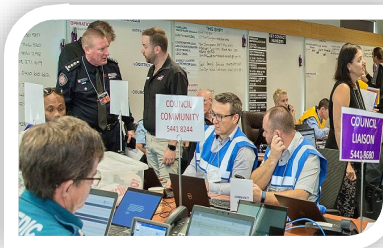


02/05/2024

LDMP

Local Disaster Management Plan adopted the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 24th August 2023

28/09/2023 & 08/08/2024



AWS

Introduction of the new Australian Warning System.

16/03/2024



Qld Reform

New laws to deliver Queensland's largest disaster, emergency and fire services reforms



Consultation

- A consultation process was undertaken to ensure key stakeholders were provided the opportunity to review the revised LDMP and to provide feedback.
- Communicate changes to the:
 - The Local Disaster Management Group meeting on 26 June 2024





Disaster Management

Officer Recommendation

It is recommended that Council:

- (a) receive and note the report titled "Local Disaster Management Plan"
- (b) adopt the Sunshine Coast Council Local Disaster Management Plan August 2024 Edition (Appendix A) and
- (c) note that the Sunshine Coast Council Local Disaster Management Plan August 2024 edition supersedes the Sunshine Coast Council Local Disaster Management Plan 2023-2027.

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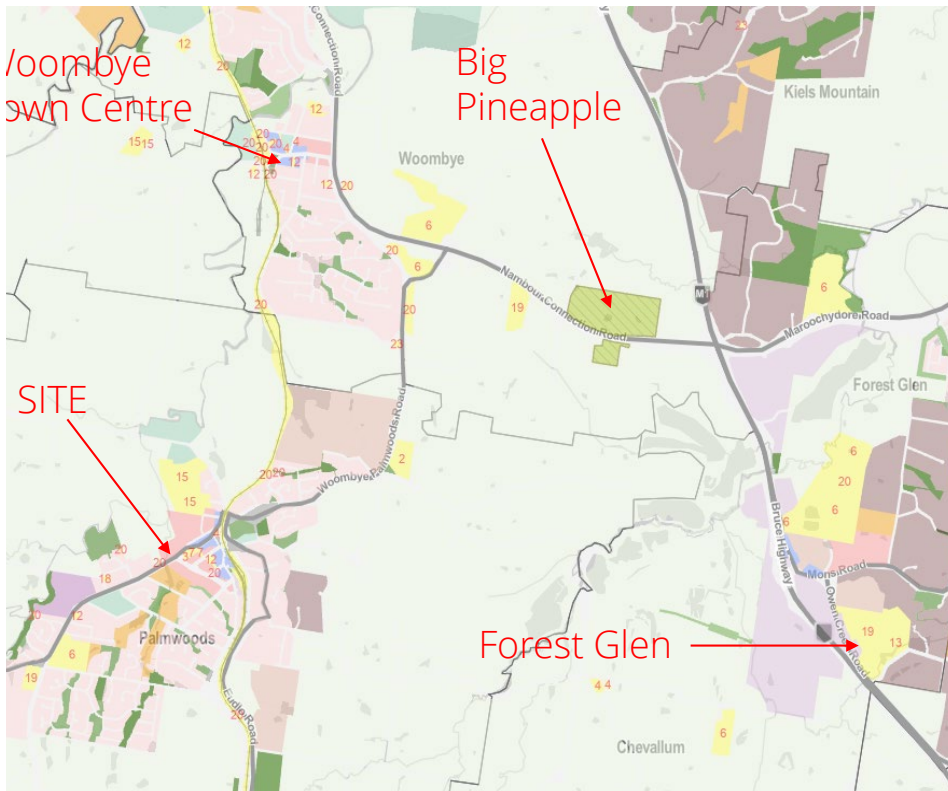
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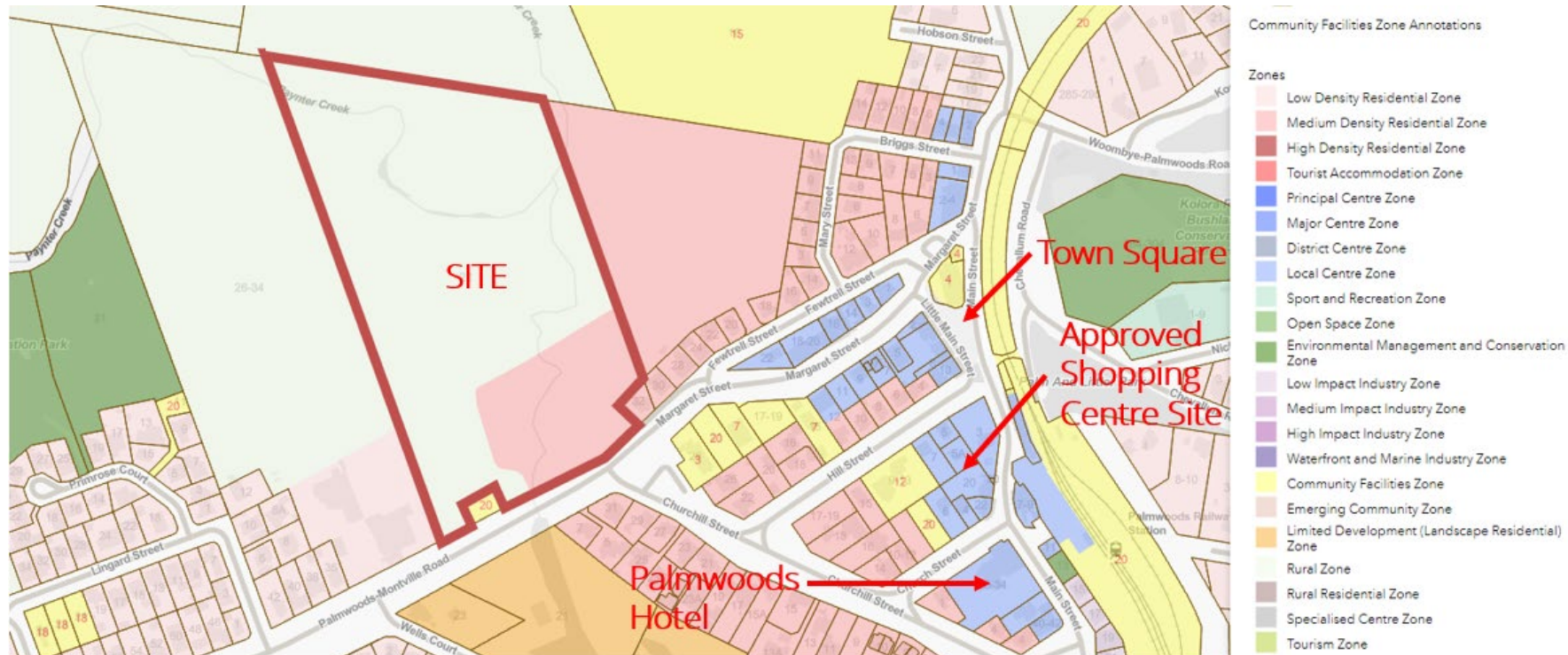
22 Palmwoods-Montville Rd, Palmwoods

- Development Permit for a Material Change of Use (Shopping Centre – Full Line Supermarket)
- Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (1 lot into 2 lots)

Aerial – Context and Site



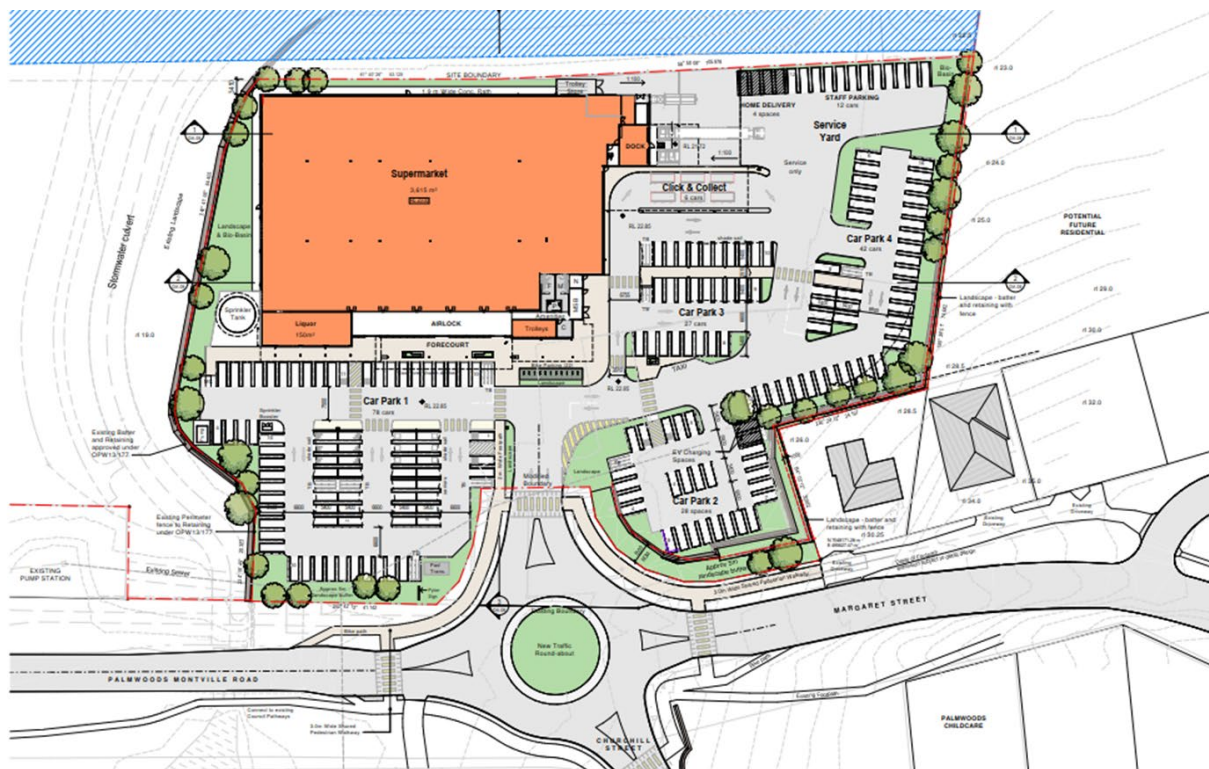
Zoning – Medium Density Residential & Rural



Proposal – Full Line Supermarket

Combined development application for the following development aspects:

- Development Permit for Material Change of Use of Premises to establish a Shopping Centre (Full Line Supermarket), and
- Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (1 Lot into 2 Lots and New Road)



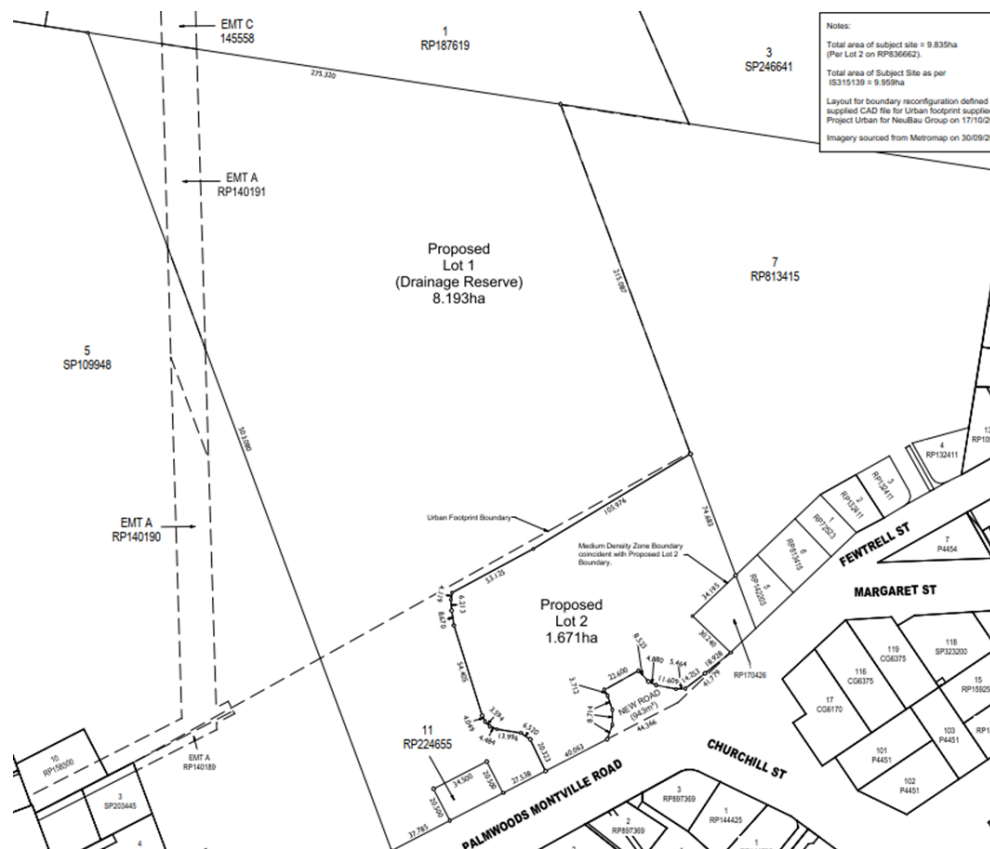
Proposal – Full Line Supermarket Elevations



Proposal – Full Line Supermarket 3D Perspectives



Proposal – Reconfiguring a Lot (1 into 2 lots)

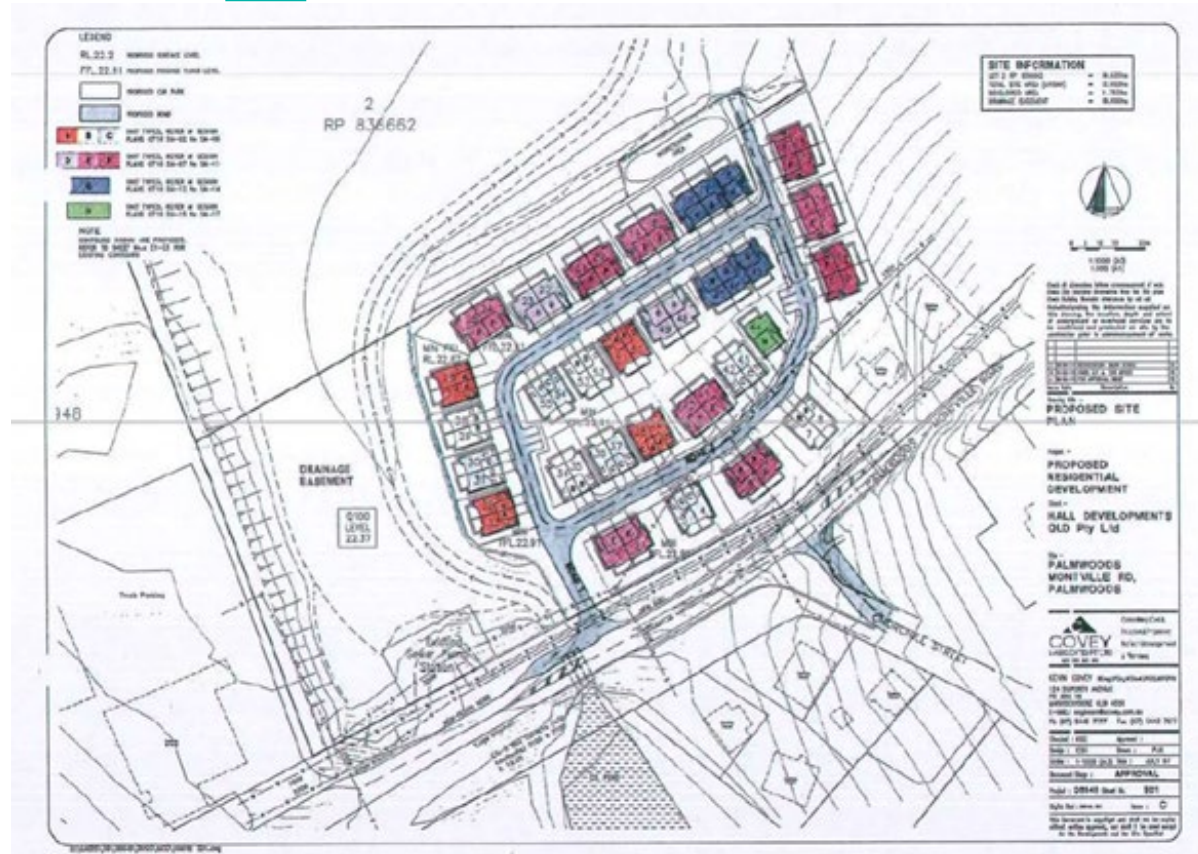


Existing Multi Unit Dwelling Approval

Development Permit was issued in September 2011 from a Planning and Environment Court appeal, for a Material Change of Use to establish 55 multiple dwelling units and related Operational Work, over the southern part of the site.

Both approvals are current until 25 October 2024.

Earthworks have been carried out on this site in accordance with the approved Operational Work.



Public Notification – 234 submissions (192 properly made)

SUPPORT – 224 submissions (185 properly made) Key Issues Raised in Submissions in Support of the Development

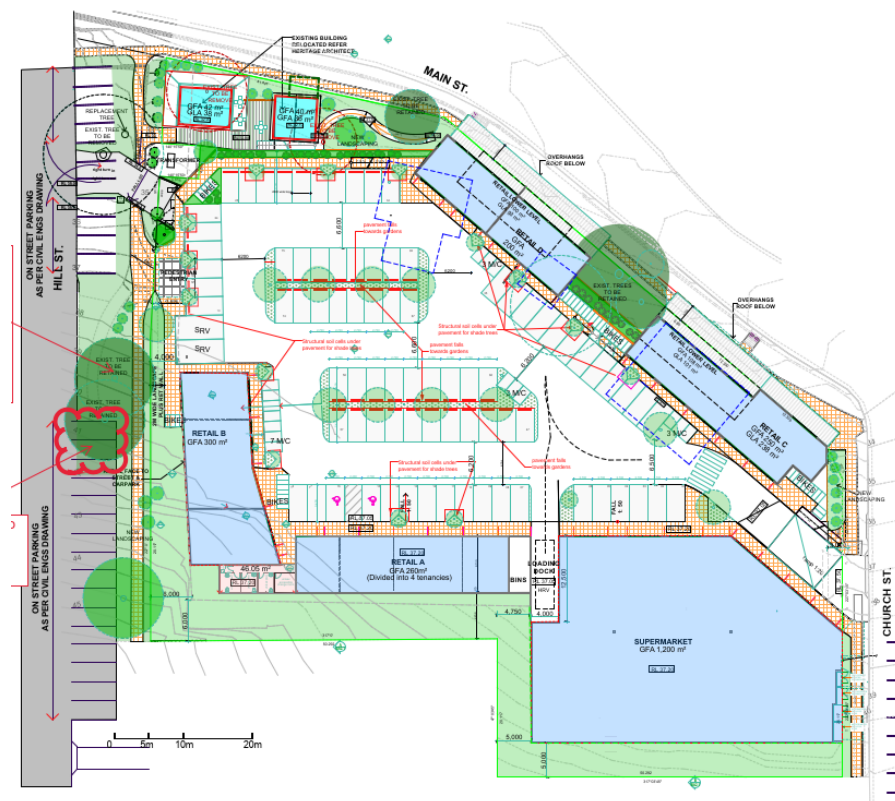
- There is a need for a full-line supermarket due to the increase in population growth of Palmwoods.
- Will improve shopping choice and convenience for local residents.
- Employment opportunities.
- The supermarket would benefit the existing retailers within the Town Centre.
- Will provide improvements to the local road network.
- The proposed lot that is being dedicated to Council as drainage reserve is a benefit to the local community.
- Good location, highly visible and easily accessible from Palmwoods-Montville Road.
- Do not want existing approval for 55 units to proceed due to Palmwoods not having sufficient resources and services for additional population.

OBJECTION – 10 submissions (7 properly made) Key Issues Raised in Submissions in Objection of the Development

- Will undermine the viability of existing commercial businesses in the Palmwoods Town Centre including the existing SPAR and the approved shopping centre.
- Insufficient need noting existing supermarket offerings within 10-15 minutes of Palmwoods.
- Is inconsistent with the Purpose of the Medium density residential zone code.
- Increased traffic through the main street of Palmwoods and large delivery trucks impacting upon Palmwoods.
- Increased noise, pollution and anti-social behaviours.
- The design of the supermarket is not sympathetic to the rural village character of Palmwoods.
- The site is subject to flooding.
- Impacts on Flora and Fauna, particularly along the waterways.

Existing Shopping Centre Approval

- The approval is for 2,500m² Shopping Centre, including a Supermarket tenancy up to 1,200m²
- Recently updated in 2023 and approval remains current until March 2029
- History of Shopping Centre approvals over this site dating back to 2006
- Site is centrally located within the Palmwoods Local Centre Zone



Key Assessment Considerations

Sunshine Coast Activity Centre Network and Palmwoods Local Activity Centre

- Major out-of-centre development that undermines the Sunshine Coast Activity Centre Network and fragments the Palmwoods Local Activity Centre.
- While there is a demonstrated need/economic benefits and community support for a supermarket within Palmwoods, this can be largely satisfied by a development of a moderately sized supermarket within the Palmwoods Activity Centre.
- Jeopardises the delivery of a shopping centre/supermarket within Palmwoods Town Centre.

Character, identity and functioning of the Palmwoods Town Centre and its traditional main street

- Draws retailing activity away from and outside of the Palmwoods Local Retail Activity Centre and results in Palmwoods having a fragmented, disconnected and unwalkable centre, to the detriment of its character, identity, functionality and viability.
- The bulk, scale and design of the proposal is not consistent with the desired rural town character for Palmwoods and does not contribute positively to the traditional streetscape.

Key Assessment Considerations

Medium density residential zone

- Significant loss of Medium density residential zoned land for the Palmwoods area and compromises the integrity of the Medium density residential zone.
- Not sympathetic to the existing and intended scale and character of surrounding residential development and compromises the residential amenity of the area.



Referral Agency Requirements

- Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning for concurrence agency assessment in relation to state transport infrastructure – response dated 23 May 2024 imposing conditions
- Energex is an advice agency for Electricity Infrastructure traversing the site – response dated 13 November 2023 approving the reconfiguration proposal plan and that the conditions of any easements in favour of Energex must be maintained at all times

Recommendation

That Council:

- a) receive and note the report titled “Development Application - Material Change of Use to Establish a Shopping Centre (Full Line Supermarket) - 22 Palmwoods-Montville Road Palmwoods”, and
- b) REFUSE the application for a Material Change of Use of Premises to Establish a Shopping Centre (Full Line Supermarket) and Reconfiguration of a Lot (1 Lot into 2 Lots and New Road), for the reasons outlined in the Council report.

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Financial Performance Report

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July 2024 Operating Result

- Council's operating result at the end of July 2024 of \$183.3 million is above the current budget by \$4.8 million.
- The variance consists of:
 - Revenue above budget by \$2.9 million
 - Expenses below budget by \$1.9 million

July 2024 Operating Result

Revenue

Waste Cleansing Charges above year to date budget

Fees **below budget** for Plumbing Applications

Expenditure

Contract expenses are **below budget** for Waste, Civil Operations and Parks and Gardens

July 2024 Capital Expenditure Result

Capital Works Program has progressed 8.2%

- **\$23.1 million** of Council's \$283 million Capital Works Program was financially expended.
- **\$9.5 million** of the \$193.6 million Core Capital Program has been spent which is 4.9% of the budget

Cash Flows and Balance Sheet

Council Cash

- Council's cash at 31 July is \$162 million

Council Debt

- Council's debt at 31 July is \$446 million
- Anticipated new borrowings for 2024-25 are \$20.3 million

Investment Performance

Investments

- Council currently has 6 term deposits totalling \$60 million
- Term deposits mature between 0 – 179 days
- Weighted average interest rate return of 5.1%

Recommendation

Officer Recommendation

That Council receive and note the report titled “July 2024 Financial Performance Report”

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Disposal (Lease) to The State of Queensland (Department of Education) over part of 44-102 Sports Road, Bli Bli

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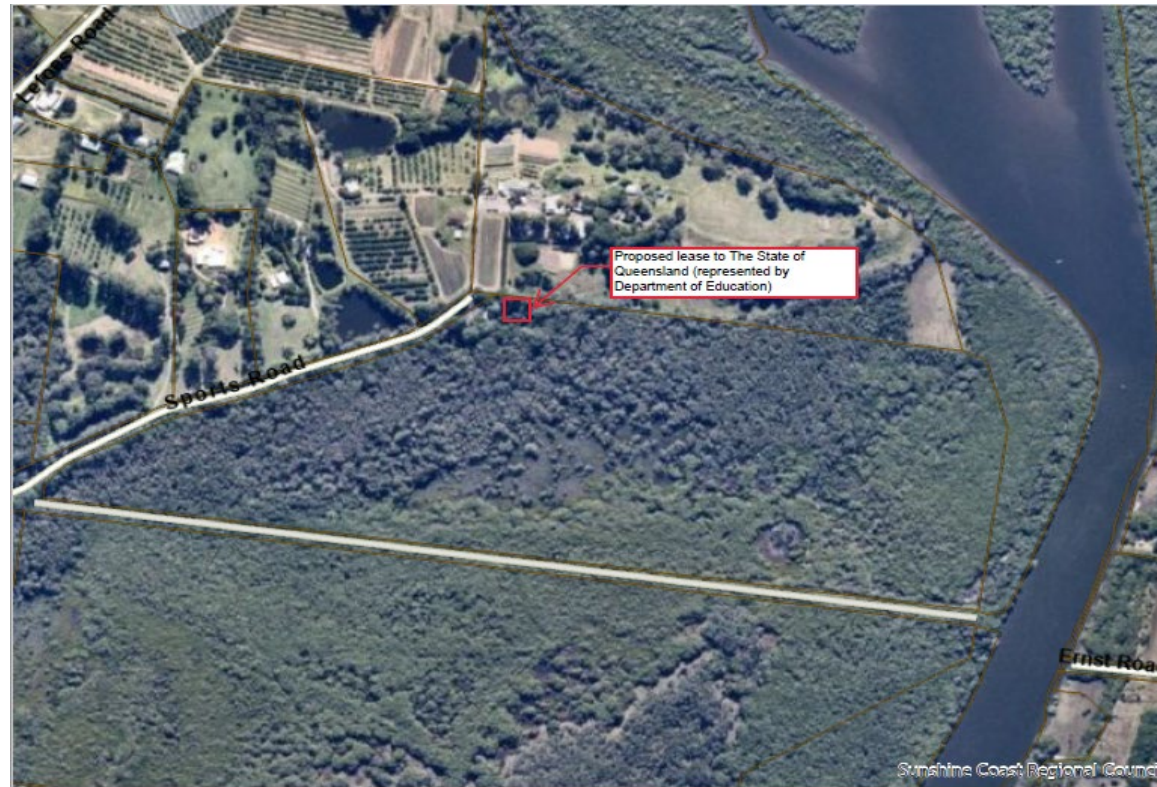
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Overview

- The land at 44-102 Sports Road, Bli Bli known as the Wetlands Sanctuary and legally described as Lot 2 on SP134727 is owned by Sunshine Coast Regional Council in freehold.
- The State of Queensland (represented by Department of Education) have held a Management Agreement over the office portion of the building on site since 2006.
- In 2016 the Department of Education were permitted to expand its usage footprint under the existing management agreement and have occupied and managed the whole of the building since that approval was granted.
- To better align the tenancy arrangement, it is proposed to enter into a lease over the whole of the building which is known as Bilai House.
- The lease to The Department of Education continues to facilitate the Sunshine Coast Environmental Education Centre at the Maroochy Wetlands Sanctuary.

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Lot 2 on SP134727 Aerial map



Proposal

- Council Officers have undertaken a review of the proposal to enter into a lease with the Department of Education which aims to better govern the occupation of the site.
- The granting of a new lease will allow the Department of Education to continue providing its outdoor and environmental education programs to the Sunshine Coast community, school and other educational institutions from surrounding regions at the Wetlands Sanctuary.
- The essential terms of the proposed lease are outlined in Attachment 3 – Proposed New Terms of Trustee Lease.
- It is proposed to offer the Department of Education a 5-year lease, to better document and govern the tenancy arrangement at the site.
- In accordance with the *Local Government Regulation 2012* an exception from Council is required to dispose of land (via Lease) rather than undertake a tender or auction. An exception is appropriate in this instance as the lease is to a state government agency. If no exception is granted the premises will be offered for Lease via a tender process.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- (a) receive and note the report titled “Disposal (Lease) to The State of Queensland (Department of Education) over part of 44-102 Sports Road, Bli Bli”
- (b) resolve that in accordance with Section 236(1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that an exception to dispose of an interest in land (lease) other than by tender or auction applies as per Section 236(1)(b)(i) as The State of Queensland (represented by Department of Education) is a government agency and
- (c) authorise the Chief Executive Officer to publicly release details relating to the lease once the negotiations have been finalised and registered with the Titles Registry.

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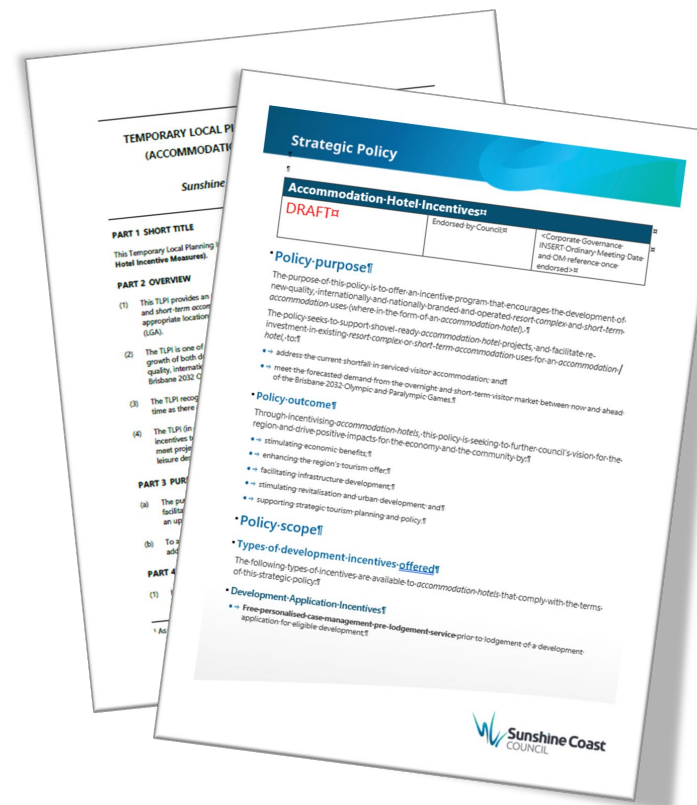
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Accommodation Hotel Incentives Package

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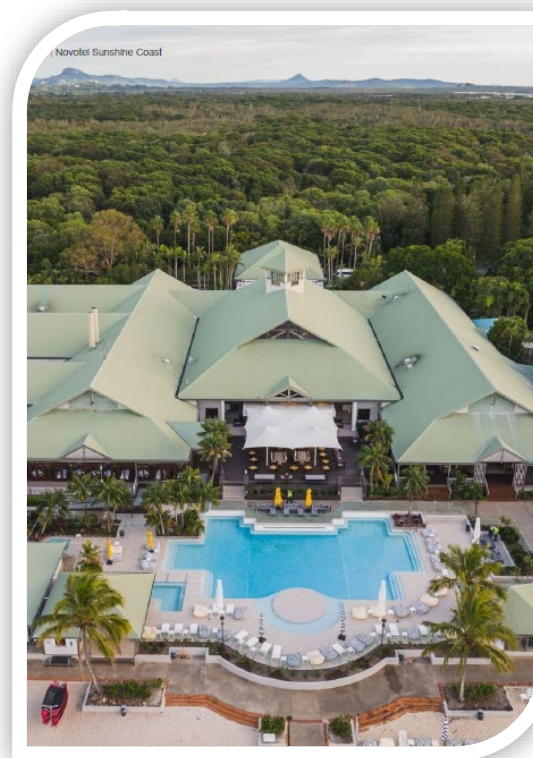
Purpose

- Present to Council an Accommodation Hotel Incentives Package comprising:
 - Accommodation Hotel Incentives Strategic Policy.
 - Temporary Local Planning Instrument (TLPI) (Accommodation Hotel Incentive Measures).
- Seek Council's endorsement to:
 - Adopt the proposed Accommodation Hotel Incentives Strategic Policy.
 - Make, prepare and progress a proposed TLPI.
 - Adopt the proposed TLPI, subject to receiving approval from the Planning Minister.



Background

- The Sunshine Coast currently has a significant shortfall in full service high standard accommodation hotels.
- Projected need for 2,150 new hotel rooms and 300 boutique hotel rooms to meet current shortfall and forecast demand over the next decade.
- Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games increases demand.
- This need will not be met by serviced apartments which are a different product and are well catered for already.
- Range of investment attraction challenges and constraints to accommodation hotels at current time.
- Council can play a role in attracting hotel investment through a targeted and time limited incentives package.



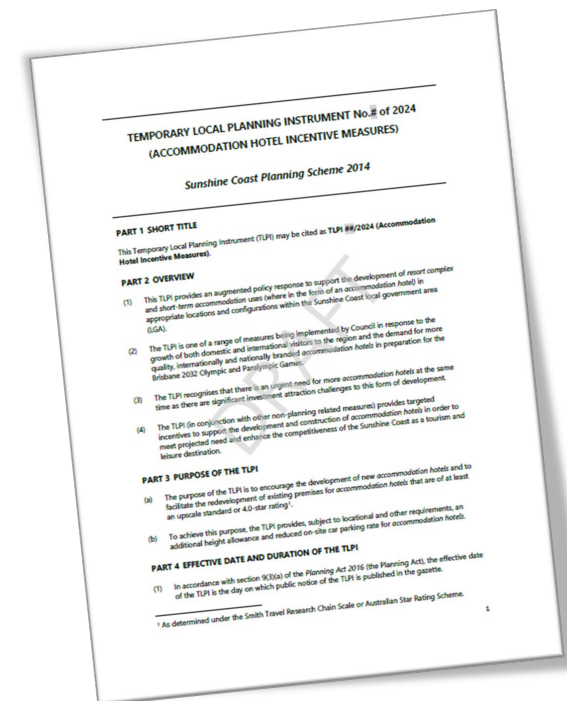
Proposed Accommodation Hotel Incentives Strategic Policy

- Provides financial and non-financial incentives to encourage development of accommodation hotels.
- Uses tools available in the development assessment process:
 - Free personalised case management pre-lodgement service.
 - Waiver of development application fees.
 - Dedicated assessment team.
 - Reduction and deferred infrastructure charges.
 - Waiver of temporary works application fees and reduced rental fees.
- Designed to operate concurrently with TLPI but can also operate separately.
- Can commence immediately on adoption.
- Operational to 30 September 2026 for lodgement and 30 June 2028 for commencement of construction.



Proposed Temporary Local Planning Instrument (Accommodation Hotel Incentive Measures)

- Provides for a use specific height allowance and reduced on-site car parking rate in specified centre, tourist accommodation and tourism zones.
- *Planning Act 2016* enables Council to prepare a TLPI.
- Suspends or affects the operation of the current planning scheme.
- Generally effective for a period of 2 years.
- *Minister's Guidelines and Rules 2023* sets out process for preparing a TLPI.



Proposed Height and Car Parking Provisions

- Use specific height allowance
 - Accommodation hotel height allowance
 - 3 metres for sites with an existing additional height allowance.
 - 7 metres for other sites.
 - Accommodation hotel rooftop use
 - 3 metres (5 metres for lift overrun).
- Use specific on-site car parking rate
 - 1 space per 3 rooming units (for hotel accommodation only)
 - Visitor and other use specific car parking (as per current planning scheme minimum on-site car parking rates)



Recommendation

- That Council:
 - Adopt the proposed Accommodation Hotel Incentives Strategic Policy.
 - Decide to make a Temporary Local Planning Instrument (Accommodation Hotel Incentive Measures).
 - Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to prepare and progress the statutory process for making a Temporary Local Planning Instrument.
 - Adopt the proposed Temporary Local Planning Instrument (Accommodation Hotel Incentive Measures), subject to receiving approval from the Planning Minister.



Next Steps

- Accommodation Hotel Incentives Strategic Policy takes effect immediately upon adoption.
- Submit a copy of the proposed TLPI to the Planning Minister.
- Subject to receiving approval from the Planning Minister, publish public notice about the adoption of the TLPI.

Step 1. Planning and preparation



Step 2. Minister's approval



Step 3. Adoption

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Sunshine Coast e-Bike and e-Scooter Trial Review

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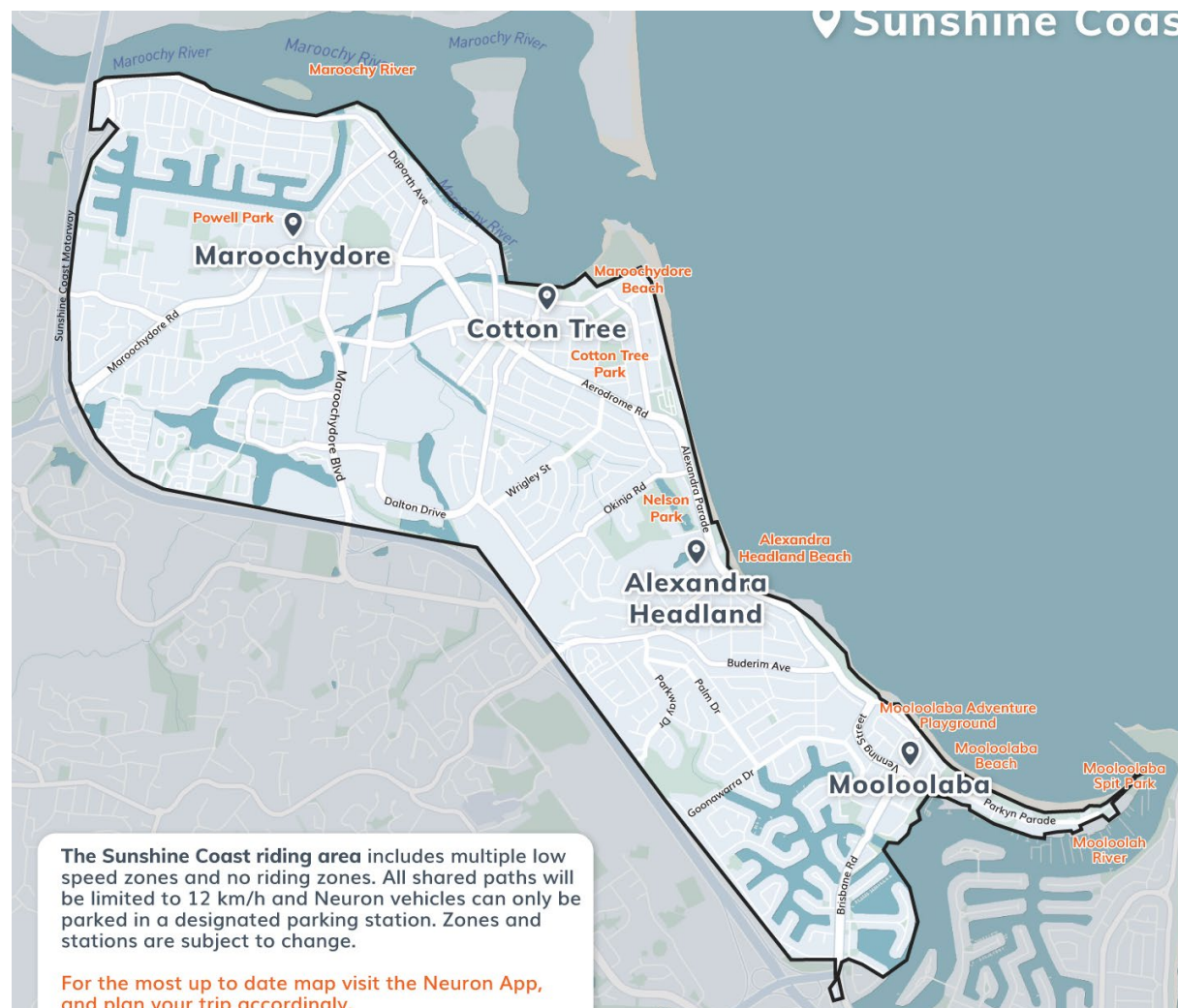
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Trial Timeline



Trial Zone

- Approved trial area focusses on Maroochydore being the region's central business hub and Mooloolaba as a major tourist area
- In consultation with Council, Neuron have zoned parking locations which include:
 - marked using footpath decals and
 - virtual parking areas
- Riders use the Neuron Mobility app to find parking locations and access the devices for a fee.



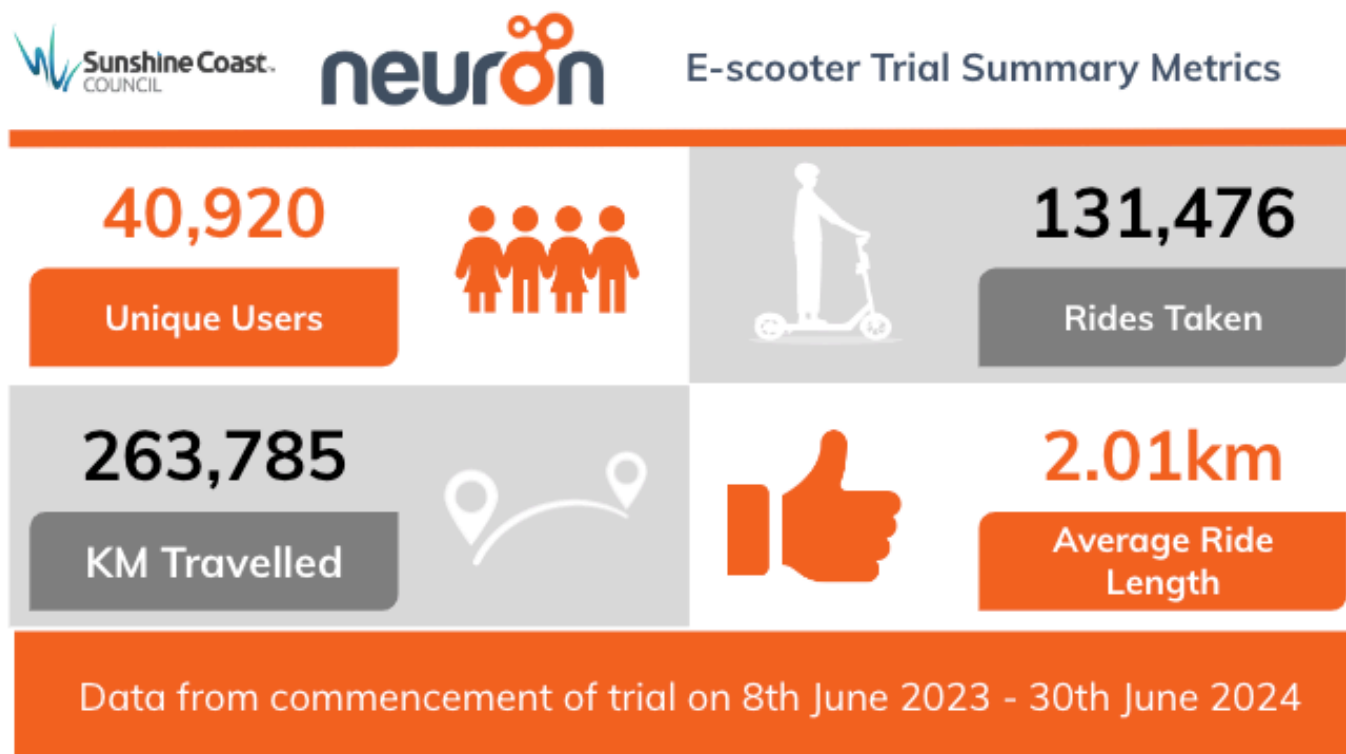
Integrated Transport Strategy

Introduction and use of e-mobility on the Sunshine Coast is supported by the *Integrated Transport Strategy*, including:

- encouraging greater use of e-bikes, e-scooters and other emerging e-mobility travel options,
- supporting end-to-end trip for travellers,
- allowing for collaboration with State Government and other agencies to ensure pedestrian and cycling networks safely support emerging personal mobility devices.



Travel update



Areas of consideration and review

The following were considered as part of the review:

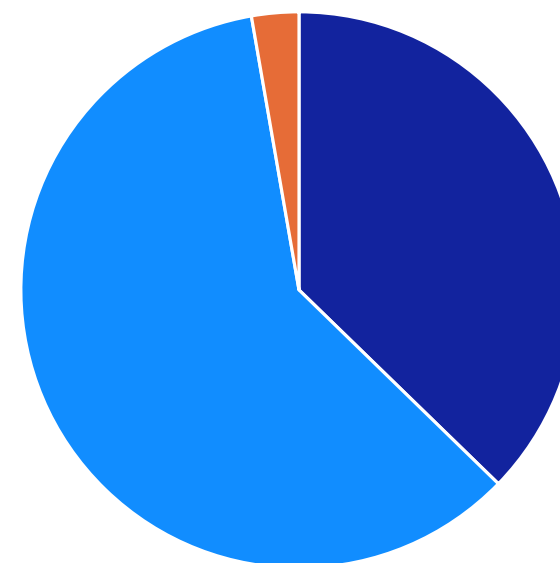
- Operating times
- Approved fleet
- Parking locations
- Permit conditions
- Service level agreements
- Permit management and monitoring
- Rider rules
- Incidents – QLD wide and locally
- Commercial fees
- Economic impact
- Complaint management
- Customer feedback
- Neuron Mobility feedback
- Neuron Mobility – Sunshine Coast Rider Survey feedback
- Have your say community feedback (council engagement)



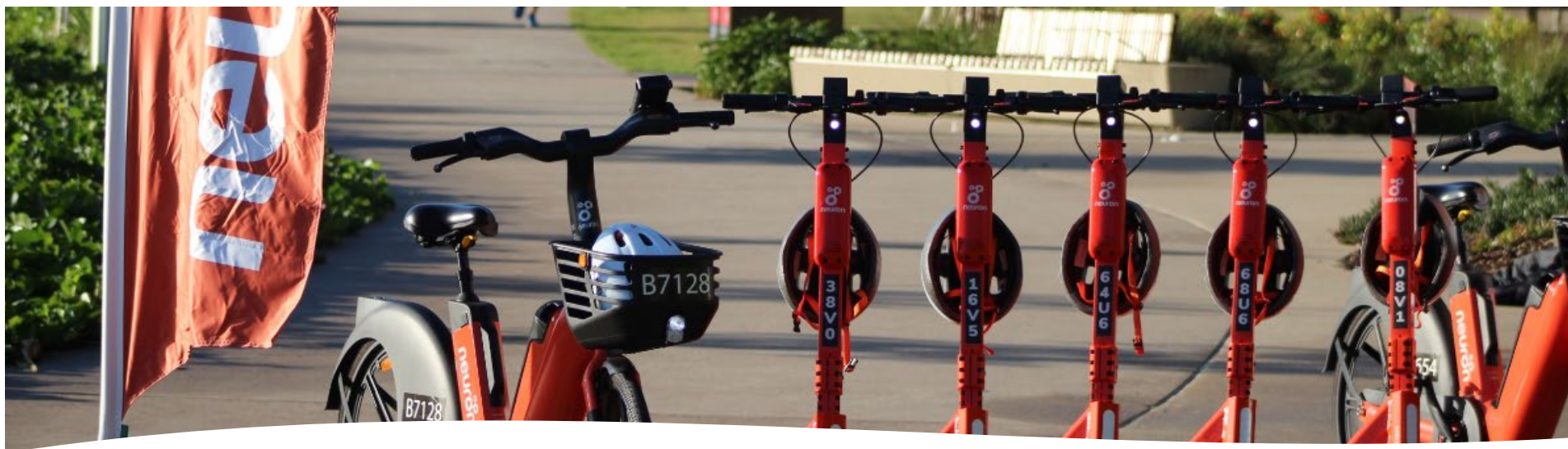
Key insights

- Anecdotally there has been **limited uptake in hire** usage in comparison to trials undertaken in other local government areas.
It is yet to be determined if this is due to preferences towards private vs hire or trial conditions such as location, cost, speed governance, age restricts etc.
- 60% of community feedback regarding the trial did not **support an extension**. Noting that community sentiment does not differentiate between personally owned and hired e-scooters.
- A large proportion of community feedback relates to private e-scooters (regulation, usage, and poor rider behaviour all of which fall under Queensland Police control).
- Safety in general was the key reason for not wanting the trial to continue, along with amenity.

Do you support Council continuing the e-mobility trial?



■ Yes ■ No ■ No response



Officer recommendation

That Council:

- a) receive and note the report titled "Sunshine Coast e-Bike and e-Scooter Trial"
- b) endorse an end to the Sunshine Coast e-bike and e-scooter trial effective 30 September 2024 and
- c) note the Chief Executive Officer will reassess the Sunshine Coast's readiness for a commercial e-transport hire offerings on council-controlled land in 2026 with consideration to the recommendations within the review.

Thanks for your time



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Parking Fees and Charges Maroochydore City Centre

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MCC – Sunshine Coast Parade and Redbill Lane Carparks





Background and Proposed Changes to previously approved FY 2024/25 Fees and Charges

- Redbill Lane Carpark
 - Not included in FY 2024/25 Fees and Charges
 - Development site now projected to be open until at least December 2024
 - Currently well used parking site, opportunities to bring paid parking online
- Sunshine Coast Parade and Redbill Lane carparks
 - From 8am – 5pm to **6am – 6pm**, and;
 - From 5 days per week (Mon – Fri) to **7 days per week (Mon – Sun)**



Recommendation

- a) receive and note the report titled “Parking Fees & Charges”
- b) amend fee 11381 in the Register of General Cost-Recovery Fees and Commercial Charges 2024/25 as follows:
 - i. Fee Description: ‘Hourly Parking Fee – Maroochydore City Centre Priority Development Area Off-Street At-Grade Council Controlled Carparks (daily rate capped at \$7/day)’
 - ii. Class: C
 - iii. Local Government Act Authority: 262(3)(c)
 - iv. Fee type: Parking Fee
 - v. GST: 10%
 - vi. 2024/2025 Fee Incl GST: \$2.50/hour and
- c) note the operating hours of the carparks is Monday to Sunday from 6am to 6pm.

Thank you



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