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Circular

Queensland Heritage Act 1992: Proposed Reforms Include Council Responsibilities

For Information/Action

Circular: 2014-021

Release Date: Thursday, 27 March 2014

Authorised by: Greg Hallam PSM Executive Director

Heritage responsibilities of local government are under consideration - take this chance to provide feedback on Queensland Heritage Act 1992 (the Act). Required 4 April 2014.

Matters raised in previous years by the Queensland Heritage Council, property owners, local and state government, and the community are being addressed in an effort to reduce unnecessary regulatory burden (and process re-engineer aspects of the Act), clarify the Act's intent and strengthen legislative protections for Queensland's heritage places while also promoting development.

Importantly, the proposed reforms will consider the devolution of particular heritage responsibilities to local government. Subsequently, key issues affecting local government include:

- Reduction of duplication between planning requirements and Heritage Act requirements
- Extension of essential maintenance provisions to local government and
- Extension of exemption Certificate and general exemption provisions to local government

The [Proposed Reforms and Feedback Table](#) is a summary analysis of the key policy issues affecting local government and proposed remedies to address them. NOTE: this is NOT Government policy and is for genuine consultation purposes.

Councils who are keen to offer their feedback are asked to complete the table provided and [return via email](#) ATT: Logan Timms by **Friday, 4 April 2014**. Please call 1300 542 700 with enquiries related to this matter.

Circular

Asbestos Management Update: Administration and Enforcement of Domestic Asbestos Obligations

For Information/Action

Circular: 2014-022
Release Date: Monday, 31 March 2014
Authorised by: Greg Hallam PSM Executive Director

Over the last year we have been negotiating with the Queensland Government in relation to its plan to devolve the administration and enforcement of domestic asbestos management to the local government sector.

The LGAQ is pleased to advise that negotiations have proceeded positively. In summary,

- The Government will provide a statutory indemnity to local governments (body politic) and local government officers. This means liability will attach to the State instead of local government. A legislative amendment to implement the indemnity is expected before the end of the year.
- A training package to support local government implementations is currently under preparation. The course will be undertaken over a three day period and include legislative matters (e.g. enforcement), asbestos specific aspects (e.g. technical matters) and a day of practical training. The competency based training will be provided at key regional centres throughout Queensland after July but prior to December 2014. This will ensure training is provided prior to routine domestic asbestos matters transferring to local government responsibility from 1 January 2015. Broader consultation on the training package will be undertaken in the near future.
- The Government has also undertaken to resource a dedicated web portal which will be hosted by the Department of Justice and Attorney-General. This portal will be accessible to councils and will record matters such as officers who have successfully undertaken training, legislative updates and house other relevant technical resources.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those councils who sat on the technical/implementation advice groups and provided expert input into the training course and policy development generally.

We appreciate that members of this group provided professional information, very often with very short turnaround timeframes. Members of this group were from Pormpuraaw and Livingstone Shire Councils, Mackay and Scenic Rim Regional Councils and Townsville, Ipswich and Brisbane City Councils.

The most [recent letter exchanges](#) relate to the primary outstanding issue, notably the establishment of a stand-alone fund for councils to recover the cost of clean-up in certain limited circumstances. [Older correspondence](#) is attached for your information.

The Queensland Government is launching the State-wide Strategic Plan for the Safe Management of Asbestos in Queensland 2014-2019 on Thursday, 3 April 2014 at 8.00am at Parliament House. The launch will include an announcement of the Government support for the local government sector in relation to this matter. A light breakfast will be provided and some places are still available.

For further information on the launch please contact Ms Rebecca Seen, Principal Officer - Department of Justice and Attorney-General (07) 3874 7765 (during business hours) or email safe@justice.qld.gov.au.

For further enquiries on this matter please email [Logan Timms](#) or call 1300 542 700.



Hon David Crisafulli MP
Minister for Local Government,
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Dear Councillor Lewis

Bill

As a result of the Regional Round Table held last year in Townsville I am writing to progress proposals for economic opportunities through the use of state-owned land.

Both the Premier and I have raised with councils the need to capitalise on local resources in their region to drive economic growth. At the Regional Round Table, the opportunities associated with State land to boost revenue and spark development was agreed as an outcome.

I am pleased to advise that Cabinet has approved a process where councils will be notified of surplus property assets on the Government land register. Councils will then have 60 days to confirm their interest in the property. Transfers like these are given priority over disposals to the private sector.

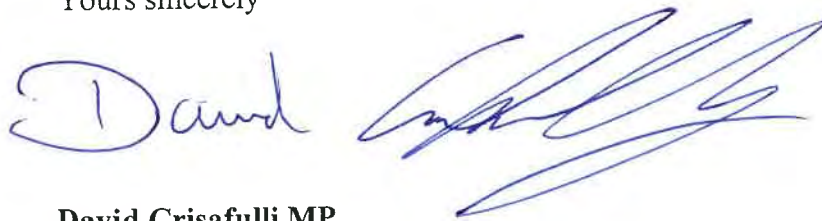
Separate to this, I am now calling for proposals where State and local government can partner to unlock economic potential to stimulate growth. Councils should explore opportunities to either purchase State land outright or seek transfers of unallocated State land. I ask that you submit your ideas to Mr Stephen Johnston, Deputy Director-General of the Department of Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience. The Department will work with other agencies to assess the viability of these proposals.

In addition to these initiatives, the Queensland Treasury Corporation (QTC) has partnered with eight local governments to commence a pilot program, which will work on different strategies for asset valuation and depreciation methodology. Upon completion, the results will offer more cost effective outcomes surrounding depreciation for councils across the State. QTC has also published a document titled *Depreciation: A quick reference guide for elected officials*, which gives a plain English explanation of depreciation.

Decentralisation of Government services was also an action item which councils asked to be progressed at the Round Table. The final outcomes of the Queensland Plan are to be released midway through this year and will detail the Government's agenda to grow regional Queensland.

I will be writing to you again soon to keep you updated on further outcomes from the Round Table.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David Crisafulli', followed by a stylized flourish.

David Crisafulli MP
Minister for Local Government,
Community Recovery and Resilience

From: [Jolly Andrew](#)
To: [Media: MP - Menkens, Rosemary](#)
Cc: [Vicki Walker](#)
Subject: Place Names Proposal Notice (No 03) 2014 - Groper Creek
Date: Friday, 4 April 2014 10:49:00 AM
Attachments: [Gazettal Extract 04_04_14.pdf](#)
[QPN1250 Groper Creek proposal 040414.pdf](#)
[Public Consultation Example.pdf](#)
Importance: High

Good Morning,

I am writing to inform you that *Place Names Proposal Notice (No 03) 2014* has been gazetted today, 4 April 2014.

The Groper Creek place names proposal is included in the schedule of the aforementioned place names notice.

Please find attached the place names gazettal extract; the QPN1250 proposed plan referred to in the extract, and; an example of the public consultation letter.

The public consultation letters will be sent out on Monday to owner/occupiers and interested parties in the area and will include a printed colour copy of the QPN1250 plan.

Details

DNRM Job Reference: 13-133

Queensland Place Names (proposed plan): QPN1250

Point of Contact: Mr Bill Sales – (07) 4799 7037 (out of office until 10 April 2014) or myself (contact details below).

DNRM Link: <https://www.dnrm.qld.gov.au/land/place-names/current-proposals-recent-decisions/current-proposals/job-number-13-133>

If you have any queries, please feel free to give me a call to discuss.

Regards,

Andrew Jolly
Spatial Information Officer

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Natural Resources Operations Group - North Region

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Place Names Act 1994

PLACE NAME PROPOSAL NOTICE (No 03) 2014

Short title

1. This notice may be cited as the *Place Name Proposal Notice (No 03) 2014*.

Notice of Place Name Proposal [s.9 of the Act]

2. Notice is given that Andrew Cripps, Minister for Natural Resources and Mines intends to proceed with proposals to name the places and alter the boundaries of the places set out in the Schedule.

Display of plan

3. Plans illustrating the proposals may be viewed at www.dnrm.qld.gov.au.

Submissions

4. Individual submissions in writing, either in support of or against the proposals, may be lodged online at www.dnrm.qld.gov.au or sent to Queensland Place Names, Level 9 Landcentre, GPO Box 2454, Brisbane Qld 4001 within 2 months from the day of this publication.

SCHEDULE

Name	Feature	Local Government Area	Geog. Co-ords		Plan No.	Remarks
			Lat. S.	Long. E.		
Groper Creek	Locality	Burdekin Shire	19°41'48"	147°34'16"	QPN1250	New name
Inkerman	Locality	Burdekin Shire	19°42'54"	147°30'11"	QPN1250	Bdy alteration
Kairabah	Locality	Logan City	27°50'12"	153°08'19"	QPN1241	New name
Yarrabilba	Locality	Logan City	27°49'00"	153°07'00"	QPN1241	Bdy alteration

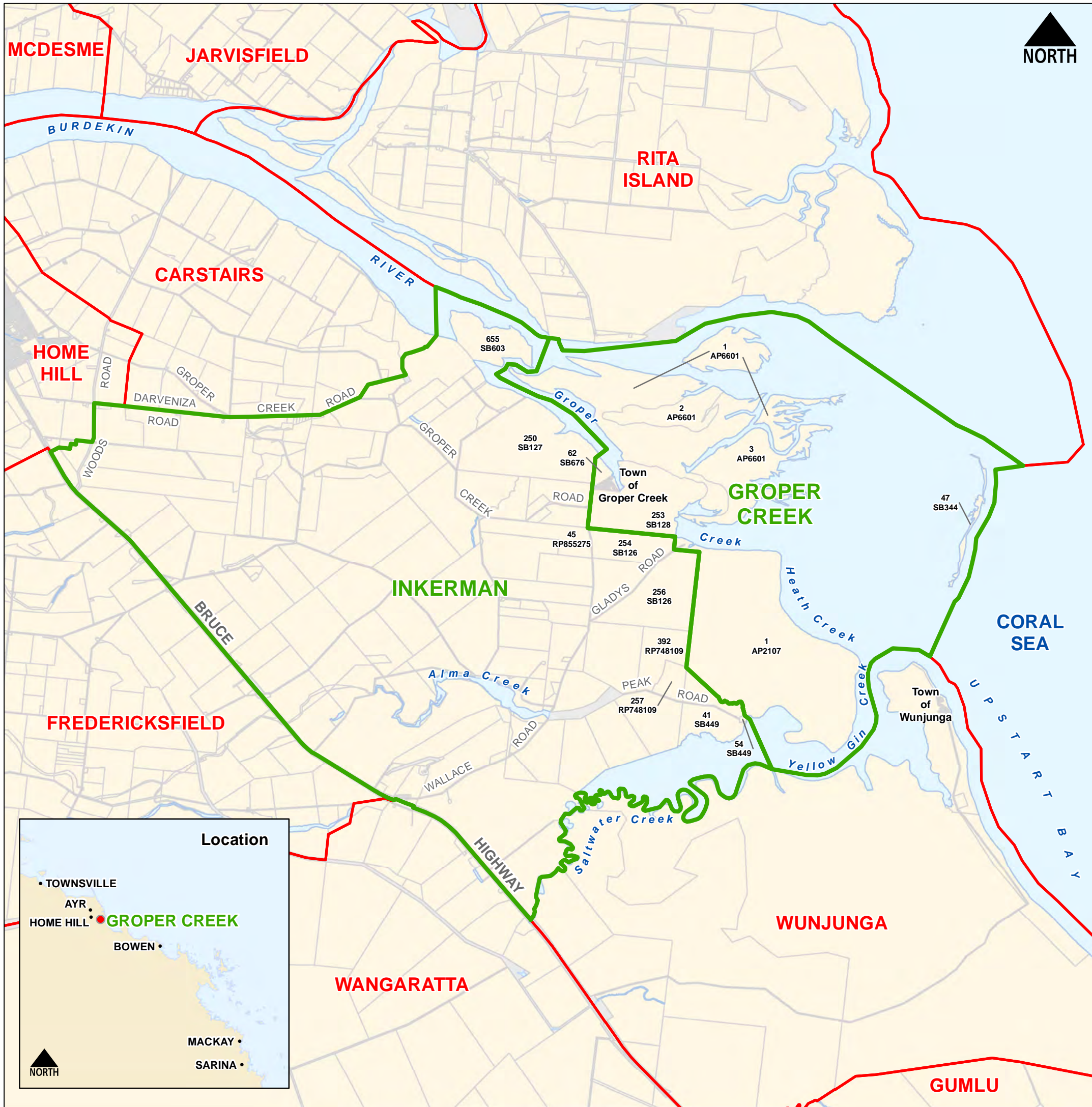
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1. Published in the Gazette on 4 April 2014.
2. Not required to be laid before the Legislative Assembly.
3. The administering agency is the Department of Natural Resources and Mines.
4. Datum of Co-ordinates - Geocentric Datum of Australia 94
5. File Reference - QPN1250, QPN1241

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PROPOSAL TO NAME A LOCALITY AS GROPER CREEK

within Burdekin Shire Council

PROPOSAL GAZETTE DATE: 4 APRIL 2014

Legend

- Proposed Locality Amendment
- Existing Localities



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Comments on this proposal may be lodged in writing within TWO months of the Proposal Gazette with:

The Executive Director
C/- Spatial Information Officer (Place Names)
Planning Services North - Townsville Office
Department of Natural Resources & Mines
PO Box 5318, Townsville QLD 4810.

- or -

via email to: Spatial.InformationServicesNorth@dnrm.qld.gov.au

Prepared by the Department of Natural Resources and Mines to show proposed place names and boundaries under the provisions of the Place Names Act 1994.

Unless indicated otherwise, locality/suburb boundaries follow cadastral boundaries or the centrelines of roads and watercourses.

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PROPOSED QPN1250





Department of
Natural Resources and Mines

Ref: QPN1250 – Groper Creek

7 April 2014

The Resident/Homeowner
<<ADDRESS>>

Dear Resident/Homeowner(s),

Proposal to name the locality of Groper Creek

The Minister for Natural Resources and Mines is responsible for naming and defining locality and suburb boundaries in Queensland under the *Place Names Act 1994*. Accurate locality and suburb boundaries allow for unambiguous addressing to support the delivery of emergency and other essential services.

The locality boundaries in your area were formalised on 23 February 2001. However, due to property addressing issues affecting the delivery of emergency and other services in the area, a new locality of Groper Creek has been suggested to encompass the town of Groper Creek and surrounding rural parcels (see attached: Proposed Queensland Place Names plan QPN1250).

This proposed change will affect the property address allocated to you by your local council.

If you have any comments or objections about this proposal submissions in writing may be sent to:

The Executive Director
C/- Bill Sales, Cartographer (Place Names)
Spatial Information Services North – Townsville Office
Department of Natural Resources and Mines
PO Box 5318, Townsville QLD 4810

Submissions close 13 June 2014.

Enquiries about the proposal can be directed to Mr Bill Sales by calling (07) 4799 7037 or via email to Spatial.InformationServicesNorth@dnrm.qld.gov.au.

Yours Sincerely,

Bill Sales
Cartographer

Att: Proposed Queensland Place Names Plan – QPN1250

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Circular

Native Title Respondent Funding Scheme: Good News for Councils

For Information/Action

Circular: 2014-025

Release Date: Friday, 4 April 2014

Authorised by: Greg Hallam PSM Chief Executive Officer

The LGAQ has received advice from the Federal Attorney-General's Department that funding for the Native Title Respondent Funding Scheme has been increased.

Following representations made in Canberra in early March 2014, directly with the Office of Attorney-General, Senator the Honourable George Brandis QC, [we have been advised](#) that the Attorney-General has decided to provide additional funding of \$250,000 for the period up to 31 June 2014. This brings the total funding available for councils and other respondents for this period to \$800,000.

Members will recall that, following sustained lobbying by the LGAQ, the new Abbott Government decided to restore the Native Title Respondent Funding Scheme, which had been cut by the previous government, to the tune of \$2.2 million over two years. When it became clear that the Scheme would be oversubscribed, LGAQ [President Cr Margaret de Wit wrote](#) to the Attorney-General requesting an increased funding allocation.

Councils should note that, whilst there is some additional funding, it has still been necessary to apply some reductions to grant applications. To offset these reductions, the Attorney-General's Department will allow for co-contributions from respondents once the amount of a grant during a grant period has been exhausted.

As always, councils should discuss their individual circumstances with their legal representatives. You can expect to hear from your legal representatives once the Attorney-General's Department has finalised the applications and sent grant offers to successful applicants.

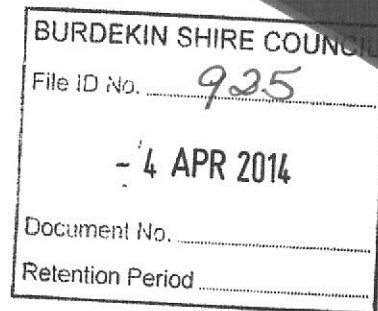
Please direct any general questions about the funding and the LGAQ's advocacy activities to [Stephan Bohnen](#), LGAQ's Principal Advisor - Intergovernmental Relations 1300 542 700.

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31st March 2014

Matthew Magin
CEO
Burdekin Shire Council
P.O. Box 974
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Dear Matthew,

Re: Annual Donation for 2013/2014 Financial Year

On behalf of our President, Kay Duggan and the Management Committee of the Burdekin Neighbourhood Centre Assoc Inc I would firstly like to welcome you to the position of CEO for the Burdekin Shire Council. We look forward to meeting you at some stage and continuing the working relationship that Council and the Neighbourhood Centre has enjoyed for many years.

This letter is also to express our sincerest gratitude for the Burdekin Shire Council's annual donation for the 2013/2014 Financial Year of \$13 050.

The Management Committee and Staff are committed to ensuring that what funds our Centre does receive, goes towards continuing our services and support to the Burdekin community. We certainly could not maintain our current level of service without the Council's generous contributions.

We take this opportunity to thank all the Councillors who have made themselves available for our various activities. It always a pleasure to have our local Councillors attend and showing their support for local community organisations.

We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks Cr. Lyndy McCathie for her presence as the Council Representative on our Management Committee. She has brought a great deal of expertise and support to the Management meetings.

If, at anytime, the Burdekin Neighbourhood Centre can be of assistance to the Council, please do not hesitate to contact us. Please find enclosed a receipt for the donation amount.

Again, many thanks.

Yours sincerely,

Natalie Saroglia,
Co-ordinator.

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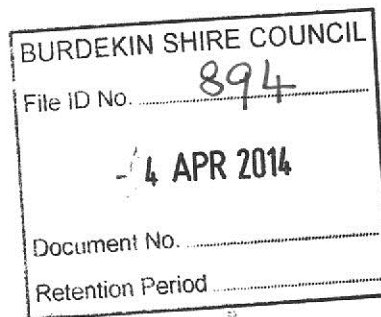
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31 March 2014

Councillor Bill Lewis
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Bill
Dear Councillor Lewis

As a key stakeholder in Queensland's energy and water supply sectors, I am pleased to provide you with an update on some of the Department of Energy and Water Supply (DEWS) achievements across these key sectors.

As you know, the Newman Government is making great progress in growing a four pillar economy – tourism, agriculture, resources and construction – with economic growth in Queensland now leading Australia. Clearly, creating more affordable, secure and accessible electricity and water services is a critical enabler.

Throughout 2014, DEWS will continue to deliver on our important reform agenda by doing business differently and more effectively – working towards creating energy and water supply industries that are more affordable over the long term and offer the customer greater choice and control. In this regard, there are four specific items in our forward agenda that I'd like you to look out for, think about and tell us what you think:

1. Release the 30-Year Electricity Strategy, which will put downward pressure on future electricity prices and outline our vision for an electricity sector that is resilient, cost-effective and customer focussed;
2. Release the draft 30-Year Water Strategy, which will encourage greater affordability and community empowerment. This will also need to consider issues, concerns and aspirations raised in the Queensland Plan to outline a new vision for a water sector that supports increased productivity, economic growth, strong and healthy communities and a natural environment that is valued;
3. Release the North Pine Dam and Wivenhoe and Somerset Dams Optimisation Studies in response to the Queensland Floods Commission of Inquiry. This is about investigating potential alternative operations of the dams in future flood risk scenarios and making better use of existing infrastructure; and

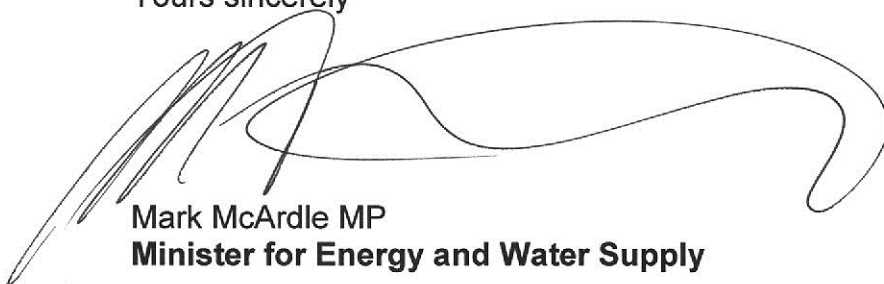
4. Develop local management business plans for Queensland's eight channel irrigation schemes, identifying the potential for local irrigators to sustainably own and manage the local channel assets.

This year, the Queensland Government will maintain the momentum – focusing on super charging the economy and becoming the most effective public service. In this regard, I am also pleased to advise DEWS is proceeding with a departmental renewal program that will make better use of our skills, capacity and innovation in order to be Australia's leading energy and water supply agency. To achieve this we must be a department that is structured, organised and managed more flexibly, responsively and efficiently.

As someone who understands the complexity of our water and energy sectors, you also know today's electricity and water prices are directly linked to past planning failures, as well as past policies and past capital investment decisions. For this reason, I also thank you for helping the Government develop, instil and grow a new "affordability" culture in Queensland's future energy and water supply sectors.

I hope you find the enclosed update on Queensland's unprecedented reforms aimed at putting downward pressure on electricity and water prices informative.

Yours sincerely



Mark McArdle MP
Minister for Energy and Water Supply

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Hon Andrew Cripps MP
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Dear Mr Holt

As a valued stakeholder of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, I wanted to share with you the next phase of the department's reform journey since we came to government in April 2012.

Since becoming Minister, I have challenged the department to partner with our customers to deliver innovative and practical solutions to develop your resources, build your business and ultimately strengthen our economy.

By partnering with our customers, we have shaped the foundation for reform through:

- landmark changes to the vegetation management framework
- introduction of the *ResourcesQ* 30-year collaboration between industry and government
- modernising the water management framework
- delivering improvements to the mine safety framework.

Enclosed is a copy of our blueprint which will set the strategic focus for how we will operate over the next three to five years. It is the culmination of the journey I have commenced with the department for the responsible and productive use of our land, water, mineral and energy resources to:

1. **Power-up** regional Queensland and the economy
2. Deliver **customer-focused** design and delivery of services
3. **Be the best** natural resources agency in Australia.

It also identifies the three key elements to enabling reform:

1. Modernise our regulatory framework
2. Enhance our business systems
3. Develop our people.

I am committed to partnering with you to provide a customer-focussed and modernised natural resource business that will power-up regional Queensland and grow our four pillar economy. If you have any questions about the blueprint, Ms Lana Bartholomew, Executive Director of Business Renewal will be pleased to assist you, contact 3199 8224.

I look forward to working with you to deliver on the vision outlined in this blueprint and ultimately be the best natural resources agency in Australia.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

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Hon Jeff Seeney MP

Deputy Premier

Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning

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1 April 2014

Councillor Bill Lewis
Mayor
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Dear Councillor Lewis

The *Governing for Growth: Economic Strategy and Action Plan – February 2014* is the Queensland Government's economic roadmap outlining the government's direction and priorities to steer economic growth in Queensland over the next 10 years.

Governing for Growth was jointly announced by the Honourable Campbell Newman MP, Premier and me at Queensland Parliament on 11 February 2014. Many of the priorities identified by Queenslanders during the development of *The Queensland Plan*, align strongly with the intent of the strategy.

Governing for Growth has three clear objectives, to:

1. provide the best business environment in the nation to start or grow a business
2. ensure Queensland has the infrastructure that best connects people to jobs, businesses to markets and visitors to our exceptional destinations
3. ensure government plays its full role in delivering strong, prosperous and resilient regional economies.

I am pleased to enclose the strategy for your information.

This work is already paying dividends. Queensland is the fastest growing economy in the nation and trend employment growth in the year to January 2014 is more than three times greater than the national rate. However, we need to redouble efforts to lock in growth and prosperity for the long term. The strategy provides the roadmap for this work.

The strategy identifies over 100 new initiatives to help build a dynamic economy, in which business can invest and grow and communities can flourish. Key initiatives include:

- development of a State Infrastructure Plan
- delivery of key strategic infrastructure projects, including the Toowoomba Second Range Crossing and the Underground Bus and Train project
- unlocking new growth opportunities including Flinders Gilbert Agriculture Zone, Galilee Basin Development Strategy and Western Cape Resources Cluster
- facilitating major resorts and other development projects
- capitalising on key regional assets, through new priority port development areas and state development areas.

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The strategy focuses on the regions, as the backbone of Queensland's economy, to ensure that our regions continue to prosper and thrive. We will continue to work with the federal government and local authorities to make it easier for companies to do business in Queensland.

The strategy is also available on the Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning's website at www.dsdip.qld.gov.au/governing-for-growth/economic-development.

If you require any further information, Jeff Popp in my office will assist and can be contacted on 3719 7100.

Yours sincerely



JEFF SEENEY MP
DEPUTY PREMIER
Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning

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Circular

Single Local Government Award an Important Decision for Councils

For Information/Action

Circular: 2014-027

Release Date: Wednesday, 9 April 2014

Authorised by: Greg Hallam PSM Chief Executive Officer

The Local Government Association of Queensland has welcomed yesterday's historic decision by the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission to create a single local government industry modern award.

The single award framework will give councils an improved vehicle for dealing with workplace issues across the sector and have a number of practical implications for council operations.

The award framework will:

- remove historical overlap in award coverage which has put great strain on council payroll systems
- be more suitable for a contemporary local government workforce
- be more likely to remove or mitigate against attitudes and habits that discourage the adoption of new technologies that can make jobs more productive or efficient
- allow for the more equitable and consistent application of entitlements across the local government workforce
- set strong minimum standards while ensuring enterprise bargaining continues to be the primary mechanism for setting wages and conditions across the local government sector; and
- align Queensland local government award regulation with that existing across most other states of Australia.

It is imperative that councils take every opportunity to stay informed of the Award Modernisation process and subsequent enterprise bargaining processes. We are yet to see a draft of the single local government award, and will be updating councils with important new information as this comes to hand.

Weekly email updates will be sent from the LGAQ IR team each Friday and a dedicated knowledge hub will be built on LG Online, housing relevant documents and advice for councils.

Enquiries on this topic can be made by contacting the [Member Services Centre](#) 1300 542 700.



Hon Tracy Davis MP

Minister for Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services

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Dear Mr Holt

I am pleased to advise that applications are now open for the 2014 Queensland Indigenous Youth Leadership Program.

This program offers young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders aged 18 to 25 years an excellent opportunity to develop their leadership and advocacy skills and to network with Elders, other respected Indigenous community leaders, Members of Parliament and senior government representatives.

Program activities culminate in the Eric Deeral Indigenous Youth Parliament, in which participants take on the role of a member of parliament and gain first-hand experience of how our democratic processes work.

I encourage you to promote this program through your networks and newsletters. Copies of the promotional flyer and application form are enclosed to assist you to encourage eligible young people to apply. Applications can also be made online.

For further information and updates on the program or to apply online, visit www.qld.gov.au/atsi. The closing date for applications is Wednesday 30 April 2014.

If you require any further information or assistance in relation to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Louisa Panuel, Senior Program Officer, Office for Youth, Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services on 3006 8866.

Yours sincerely

Tracy Davis MP
Minister for Communities, Child Safety
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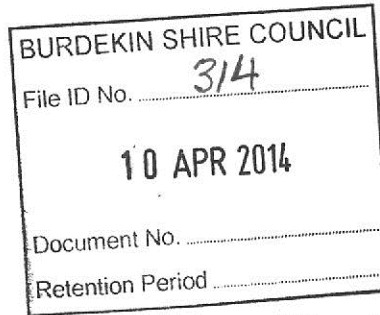
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Referred by direction for information.

Dear Mr Lewis *Bill*

Thank you for your letter of 10 March 2014 seeking support for the Burdekin Water Futures expression of interest for the lower Burdekin to be a case study site for the Northern Agriculture CRC proposal.

I am pleased to offer my support to the Burdekin Water Futures' expression of interest. The community of the lower Burdekin is striving to lead the way in irrigation best practice in Northern Australia and has been recognised for such work by the Queensland Government with funding of \$1.5 Million for rural water use efficiency in the region.

I have written directly to the Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation advising of my support and wish Burdekin Water Futures well in this endeavour. I would appreciate the outcome of your expression of interest being conveyed to Mr Jason Williams, Leader, Water Resource Management, Water Services, Department of Natural Resources and Mines on telephone (07) 4761 2213.

If you have any questions about my advice to you, Mr Nigel Kelly, Regional Manager, Water Services, North Region, Department of Natural Resources and Mines will be pleased to assist you and can be contacted on telephone (07) 4222 5540.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Cripps MP
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Burdekin Shire Council
Ms Anne McLaughlin
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Dear Ms McLaughlin

Thank you for your application to the Litter and Illegal Dumping Surveillance Camera Grant Program, Round Two.

I am happy to inform you that your application has been successful. The cameras have been ordered with our supplier and should be delivered directly to you within the next few weeks.

Under round one of the program it was identified that many councils did not have internal policies and procedures for the installation, use and data management of surveillance cameras. An email containing examples of camera policies and guidelines will be forwarded to you to provide further assistance to those officers that may be required to develop these internal documents.

As highlighted in the program guidelines, successful applicants are also eligible for a one off rebate payment of up to \$1,000 excluding GST for surveillance accessories.

An email will be issued by the SmartyGrants system notifying you of the link to the rebate application form for your perusal and completion. The rebate application is due to be returned by **5pm 9 May 2014**.

The six month reporting template due **5pm 30 November 2014** and will be accessible via the SmartyGrants system in May 2014. Email notification will be supplied when the form is available.

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Should you have any further enquiries, please contact Mrs Bianca Gray, Project Officer on telephone 3330 5034.

Yours sincerely

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Rod Goodbun
Director, Ecosystem Outcomes