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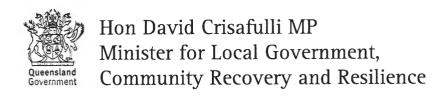
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8. 1371305 * 103 & 145 Burdekin Art Society Inc

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Dear Councillor Lowis

Thank you for your letter of 10 March 2014 about Burdekin Water Futures (BWF) expression of interest to be considered as a case study site for the Northern Agriculture (AgNorth) Cooperative Research Centre (CRC) proposal.

As you would be aware, the Queensland Government is committed to growing the State's economy through a renewed focus on Queensland's strengths and the four pillars of tourism, agriculture, resources and construction.

The Queensland Government has demonstrated its support for agriculture through such initiatives as the \$200,000 per year commitment from the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry to support the AgNorth CRC proposal.

Agriculture in particular presents tremendous opportunities for growth and diversification in regions such as the Burdekin and I commend and support the BWF's initiative to be considered as a case study site.

Again, thank you for bringing this matter to my attention. I wish the Burdekin Water Futures and the Burdekin Shire Council every success with the proposal.

Yours sincerely

David Crisafulli MP

Minister for Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience



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NOTE: early bird registrations close on 12 September 2014.



Home Hill Cricket Association PO Box 391 Home Hill 4806



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Chief Executive Officer Burdekin Shire Council **Ayr**

Dear Sir

Home Hill Cricket Association - Request for Clean Spoil

We have recently installed a new pitch for our junior cricketers and are in the process of preparing the new field for the upcoming cricket season. To ensure the field is safe for the juniors we would like to level out the undulations with some clean and suitable fill.

If in your upcoming upgrades or maintenance projects you have excess of such material, it would it be of great assistance for the HHCA to acquire this material to help with our new field.

Please feel free to contact me on 0414 837 533 if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

Jeff Dann HHCA President



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Dear Mayor/Shire President

I am writing to invite you to register for the 2014 National Local Roads and Transport Congress that will be held in Tamworth, NSW from 12-14 November.

Our Congresses have a reputation for influencing significant change. For example, the very first Congress resulted in the establishment of the Roads to Recovery program in 2000. The 2011 Congress' campaign to renew the Roads to Recovery program was instrumental in securing the renewal of the program from 2014-2019.

Given the outcomes for local government in the Federal Government's recent budget, it is important that local government stakeholders present a united front when dealing with the new Government on road and transport issues. It is particularly important to highlight the role of federal funding in overcoming road and infrastructure challenges and reinforce the need for increased and permanent funding under the Roads to Recovery program beyond June 2019.

The Congress will also focus on broader policy issues, such as transport challenge discussions on 'paddock to plate', the Inland Rail project, and improving transport access (from the perspective of aviation as well as that of land transport, roads and bridges).

I hope you will take this opportunity to engage with your colleagues and experts in their fields to discuss the current and emerging issues in the transport and infrastructure field at the 2014 National Local Roads and Transport Congress, being held from 12-14 November in Tamworth, NSW.

Yours sincerely,

Mayor Dr Felicity-ann Lewis

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Dear Councillor Lowis

I am pleased to advise that Burdekin Shire Council will receive an allocation of \$28,000 from the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) for the 2014–15 financial year. More than \$1.95 million has been allocated to councils by the Queensland Government. Together with council contributions to RADF, more than \$3.5 million will be invested in regional arts and cultural activities in 2014–15.

Since RADF was established in 1991, it has grown to support an average of over 3000 projects each year and has actively developed the creative culture in our state's diverse regions. Queensland is the only state to have such a comprehensive and locally focused regional arts program to empower local communities.

You may be aware that my department is currently consulting with councils to identify a new delivery model for RADF. This work aims to better align RADF with the *Arts for all Queenslanders strategy* and address locally determined arts and cultural priorities.

If you require any further information, please contact Ms Gillian Gardiner, Director, Partnerships, Arts Queensland, Department of Science, Information Technology, Innovation and the Arts by email at gillian.gardiner@arts.qld.gov.au or on telephone 07 3034 4069.

I look forward to working with you and your council on the continuing development of the arts in Queensland's regions.

Yours\sincerely

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Dear Councillor Lowis

The Queensland Government is reforming the planning and development system to make it the best in Australia. As part of this reform process, the State Planning Policy (SPP) was recently amended to align with current government priorities, and in particular, to ensure the new Environmental Offsets Act 2014 could be implemented in a consistent manner across the state. The amendments to the SPP came into effect on 1 July 2014.

A copy of the State Planning Policy July 2014 is enclosed. For further information, please refer to the Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning's (DSDIP) website at www.dsdip.qld.gov.au/spp.

The SPP is supported by an online Interactive Mapping System and a range of non statutory guidance material to assist in implementation. The Interactive Mapping System is a powerful tool that visually represents the mappable state interests and can be viewed on DSDIP's website at www.dsdip.qld.gov.au/spp-mapping.

Since the commencement of the SPP in December last year, DSDIP has been reviewing and consolidating the supporting information, guidance materials and practice notes to produce one guideline per state interest, of which there are 16 in total. Presently, 15 of the 16 new guidelines have been released and these are now presented in a consistent format which is similar to the structure of the SPP to make them easier to use. The new biodiversity guideline is anticipated to be released shortly and is currently being finalised to reflect the new Environmental Offsets Framework. In the meantime, DSDIP has produced a fact sheet to assist local government in interpreting the new Environmental Offsets Framework in respect to development applications lodged on or after 1 July 2014, and in respect to impacts on existing and draft planning schemes.

All guidelines assist in implementing the state interests by providing further interpretation of policies and model codes, and other provisions that local government may like to use as a starting point. The development of these model codes and provisions also recognise that local

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Level 12 Executive Building 100 George Street Brisbane PO Box 15009 City East Queensland 4002 Australia Telephone +61 7 3719 7100 Facsimile +61 7 3210 2185 Email deputypremier@ministerial.qld.gov.au The guidelines can be viewed and downloaded from DSDIP's website at www.dsdip.qld.gov.au/spp-guidelines. The guidelines will be amended from time to time to ensure they are current and provide best practice planning advice. Any feedback on these guidelines is welcome and can be directed to DSDIP at the following email address SPP@dsdip.qld.gov.au.

If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Yours sincerely

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Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning

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MOTION DEADLINE TO LGAQ: 29 August 2014

BURDEKIN ART SOCIETY INC.

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President: J. Pola Ph (07)4783 6020 Secretary: J. Ypinazar Ph (07)4783 2105

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The Chief Executive Officer Burdekin Shire Council 145 Young Street Ayr Qld 4807

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Dear Sir or Madam,

Thank you for your donation towards our 2014 Annual Art Exhibition. Our receipt is enclosed.

It gives us great pleasure to invite you, your family, and your staff to our opening night on Saturday, 30th August, 2014 commencing at 7pm. It would be appreciated if you could reply to our President, June Pola on 4783 6020 or me on 0418 115 053 may organize our programme. A delicious supper, wine and juice will be served during the evening.

Art Award winners will be announced and presented at this time, and we would be delighted if you or a representative could attend to present your award. We feel sure you will enjoy the collection of art works on display from local and out of town artists.

Once again thank you for your generous donation which enables us to mount a successful exhibition.

Yours sincerely

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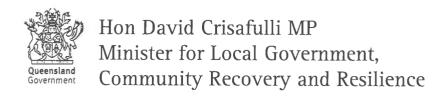
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Dear Councillor Lowis

In 2013, the Queensland Government endorsed a strategy to position Queensland as Australia's most disaster resilient State by launching Get Ready Queensland, a four year program to 2016-17 as a year-round, all-hazards resilience building initiative under one brand.

Further to my letter of 17 June 2014, there will again be a base grant allocated to councils to carry out activities for the Get Ready Queensland Week (13-19 October 2014) and Get Ready Day (19 October 2014).

I am aware that councils have previously used the funding on advertising. This will not be an eligible expense this year. To ensure that we have a consistent statewide message through our advertising, we have reduced the base grants to allow for advertising to occur across the State.

Therefore, Council should direct its funding purely toward Get Ready events and activities such as:

- the promotion of disaster resilience to residents via 'open days' where residents can speak directly to Council and disaster management agency representatives
- disaster management stalls at community events and shopping centres to enhance preparedness within the community
- the encouragement and facilitation of greater networks and partnering relationships with targeted community groups and associations to achieve improved disaster management response capability within the area.

I am pleased to advise that your Council will receive funding of \$6310 under the 2014–15 Get Ready Queensland grant funding program. This money should purely target activities that will make a real difference to resilience in local communities.

All Get Ready Queensland activities should encourage greater community connectedness, an understanding of risk and vulnerability within the community and at an individual level, planning and procedural preparation, or the availability of local resources in order to build resilience to natural disasters.

We are close to announcing a major partner of Get Ready Queensland as part of a three year commitment. When the announcement is made, Mr Craig Evans, Director-General, Department of Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience will write to your Chief Executive Officer with the details of the announcement and use of logos as part of the agreement.

If you require any further information, please contact Jo Stephenson, Regional Director, Northern Region on (07) 4799 7195 or jo.stephenson@dlgcrr.qld.gov.au, who will be pleased to assist.

I look forward to working with you and your Council towards creating a more disaster resilient Queensland.

Yours sincerely

David Crisafulli MP

Minister for Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience

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