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5th December, 2014

Mayor Bill Lewis
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Dear Mr Lewis

I would like to thank you on behalf of the Zonta Club of Burdekin for the work carried out in cementing the foundation of our Peace plaque at Plantation Park.

Once again our club appreciates the efforts of the council in assisting us whenever possible.

Yours truly

Debbie Watson

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Councillor Bill Lewis
Mayor
Burdekin Shire Council
PO Box 974
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Dear Councillor ^{Bill}Lewis

Thank you for your letter inviting me to visit the Burdekin to discuss proposals for a future second crossing of the Burdekin River.

I understand that my office has made contact with your secretary, Mrs Dianne Schultz, to advise that I will be happy to accept this invitation, and that we will be in contact early next year to make arrangements.

If you require further information about the arrangements for this meeting, I encourage you to contact Ms Mandy Bird, Principal Executive Coordinator (Office of the Director-General), in Brisbane, on 07 3066 7117 or by email at Mandy.L.Bird@tmr.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Neil Scales
Director-General
Department of Transport and Main Roads

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10 December 2014

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Mayor of Burdekin Shire Council
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Dear Cr Lewis

Resources sector economic contribution – Burdekin Shire Council – 2013-14

For your information and that of your fellow Councillors and officers, I am pleased to enclose a summary of the economic contribution to Burdekin Shire Council made by Queensland resources sector companies in financial year 2013-14.

This is the fifth edition of the annual QRC economic contribution analysis, which aggregates by postcode resources company spending on wages and salaries, goods and services, and community contributions.

Raw data is translated into a local 'value-add' by economists Lawrence Consulting, who specialise in such work for clients including the Local Government Association of Queensland.

This data is able to be assigned to geographical (e.g. statistical region) and electoral (e.g. local government area) boundaries. This year, the LGA summary also includes the number of local business supported by resources sector spending and local share of the \$2.5 billion in royalties paid to the state government.

In 2013-14, significant spending was identified in 57 Queensland Local Government Areas. Directly, resources companies spent \$37.5 billion in Queensland - with the coal industry contributing 51 percent, oil and gas 36 percent and metals 13 percent.

Importantly, almost 17,000 Queensland businesses supplied goods and services to resource companies and that expenditure is calculated to have generated an all-up 'value-add' for Queensland of \$77.6 billion and 442,000 full-time employment positions. That means that one in four dollars of the Queensland economy and one in five jobs flows from the State's resources sector.

For further information about the sector's economic contribution, regional and LGA breakdowns, visit the QRC website (www.qrc.org.au) and click on the multiple entry points. A copy of the full economic report from Lawrence Consulting is also available.

A short video explaining how the resources sector dollar moves through the Queensland economy is available from the Resources for Queensland website (www.resourcesforqueensland.com – click on Economic Contribution).

If you have any inquiries about the economic contribution of the resources sector in Queensland, please feel free to email the QRC at info@qrc.org.au or contact us by telephone.

Sincerely



Michael Roche
Chief Executive

IN 2013-14, THE QUEENSLAND RESOURCES SECTOR CONTRIBUTED:

\$53 MILLION

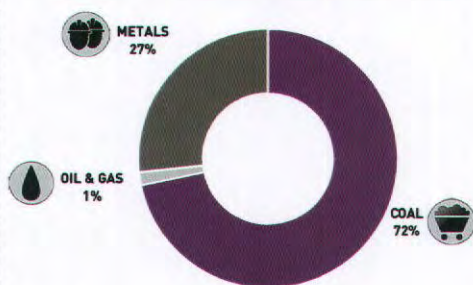
TO THE BURDEKIN AREA

HOW?

DIRECT CONTRIBUTIONS¹

Direct contributions consist of wages paid to direct employees, community contributions and the purchases of goods and services from local businesses.

SPEND BY COMMODITY



**\$20
MILLION
WAGES**

The \$20 million paid in wages was paid to 152 full time employees (excluding contractors) directly employed by the sector.

**152
FULL-TIME
EMPLOYEES**

**\$11
MILLION
PURCHASES**

GOODS & SERVICES

**\$11
MILLION**
IN GOODS & SERVICES
PURCHASED LOCALLY
includes community
contributions to
Burdekin.

**28
BUSINESSES
SUPPORTED**
Purchases made
from at least 28
local businesses.

FLOW-ON CONTRIBUTIONS²

Spending by the resources sector supports additional employment and Gross Regional Product (GRP) because local businesses in the supply chain are sourced and workers spend their wages on locally produced goods and services.

**\$22
MILLION
GRP**

EMPLOYMENT

**283
FULL-TIME
EMPLOYEES**

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS

The total economic contribution of the resources sector consists of direct contributions plus flow-on contributions.

**5% TOTAL BURDEKIN
GROSS REGIONAL PRODUCT**

**\$53
MILLION
GRP**

EMPLOYMENT

**435
FULL-TIME
EMPLOYEES**

**5% TOTAL BURDEKIN
EMPLOYMENT**

ROYALTIES

**\$2.5 BILLION
IN ROYALTIES³**

Qld total

Royalties are spent on schools, roads & hospitals to the benefit of all Queenslanders.

ROYALTIES

LAND USE³

All of these contributions were achieved by disturbing only 0.1% of Queensland's land mass.

**0.1% LAND
DISTURBANCE**

IN 2013-14, THE QUEENSLAND RESOURCES SECTOR CONTRIBUTED:

\$2.1 BILLION

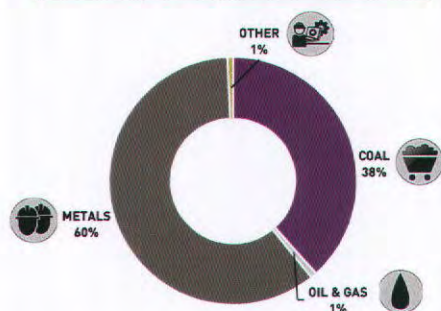
TO THE NORTHERN REGION

HOW?

DIRECT CONTRIBUTIONS¹

Direct contributions consist of wages paid to direct employees, community contributions and the purchases of goods and services from local businesses.

SPEND BY COMMODITY



**\$418
MILLION
WAGES**

EMPLOYMENT

The **\$418 million** paid in wages was paid to 3855 full time employees (excluding contractors) directly employed by the sector.

**3855
FULL-TIME
EMPLOYEES**

**\$724
MILLION
PURCHASES**

GOODS & SERVICES

**\$724
MILLION**
IN GOODS & SERVICES PURCHASED LOCALLY includes community contributions to the Northern region.

**1305
BUSINESSES
SUPPORTED**
Purchases made from at least 1305 local businesses.

FLOW-ON CONTRIBUTIONS²

Spending by the resources sector supports additional employment and Gross Regional Product (GRP) because local businesses in the supply chain are sourced and workers spend their wages on locally produced goods and services.

**\$983
MILLION
GRP**

EMPLOYMENT

**12,066
FULL-TIME
EMPLOYEES**

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS

The total economic contribution of the resources sector consists of direct contributions plus flow-on contributions.

**17% TOTAL NORTHERN
GROSS REGIONAL PRODUCT**

**\$2.1
BILLION
GRP**

EMPLOYMENT

**15,920
FULL-TIME
EMPLOYEES**

**14% TOTAL NORTHERN
EMPLOYMENT**

ROYALTIES

**\$131 MILLION
IN ROYALTIES³**
out of a Qld total of **\$2.5 billion**. Royalties are spent on schools, roads & hospitals to the benefit of all Queenslanders.

ROYALTIES

LAND USE³

All of these contributions were achieved by disturbing only 0.1% of Queensland's land mass.

**0.1% LAND
DISTURBANCE**


IN 2013-14, THE QUEENSLAND RESOURCES SECTOR CONTRIBUTED

\$77.6 BILLION

TO QUEENSLAND'S ECONOMY

 **1 IN \$4**
OF QUEENSLAND
ECONOMY



1 IN 5 JOBS
 **FOR**
QUEENSLAND

HOW?

\$37.5
BILLION
DIRECT
SPEND

THROUGH →



WAGES



COMMUNITY
CONTRIBUTIONS



PURCHASES OF
GOODS & SERVICES



PAYMENTS TO
STATE & LOCAL
GOVERNMENTS

\$77.6 BILLION
TOTAL VALUE ADD

Includes
employees
directly employed
by the sector, as
well as indirect
employees along
the supply
chain.

AND EMPLOYING



442,000
FULL TIME EMPLOYEES

ECONOMIC FLOW-ON BENEFITS

17,000



BUSINESSES
SUPPORTED

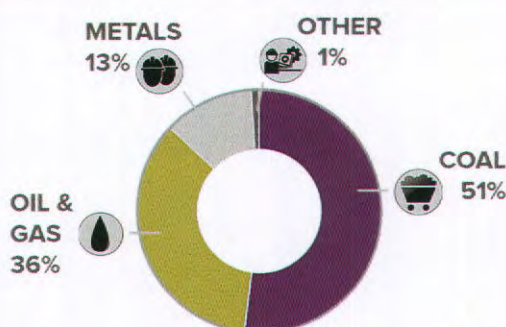
\$2.5 
BILLION
ROYALTIES

Royalties are spent on:

-  HEALTH
-  EDUCATION
-  POLICE
-  ENVIRONMENT
-  ROADS

to the benefit of all
Queenslanders.

SPEND BY COMMODITY



Breakdown of direct expenditure
(\$37.5 billion) by commodity group.

RESOURCES SECTOR
FOOTPRINT

0.1% **TOTAL QUEENSLAND**
LAND SURFACE USED
BY THE SECTOR

All of this
was
achieved
using only
0.1% of
Queensland's
total land
mass.

All figures have been rounded | Source of all data: Company own data, Lawrence Consulting, QRC estimates, Dept of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning
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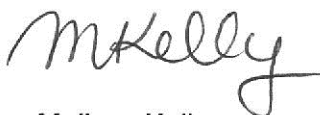
Mr Dan Mulcahy
Director of Corporate and Community Affairs
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Dear Dan,

On behalf of the River Trust I would like to thank you for the precept payment for the 2014/2015 period in the amount of \$120,000.00.

The Trust would also like to thank the Burdekin Shire Council for their continual support.

Yours faithfully,



Melissa Kelly
SECRETARY.

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Office of the Hon Jeff Seeney MP

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Dear Councillor Lewis

I refer to your email of 3 September 2014 to the Honourable David Crisafulli MP, Minister for Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience, about the Royalties for the Regions program. As this matter falls within the portfolio responsibilities of the Honourable Jeff Seeney MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning, your correspondence was forwarded to his office for response. The Deputy Premier has asked that I respond on his behalf.

While the Royalties for the Regions program has evolved since its inception and was expanded to include all regional councils, the focus and intent of the program has remained the same. It invests in critical infrastructure such as road, water and sewerage and community infrastructure to help regional communities that have been impacted by resource sector development and activity.

Round 4 of the Royalties for the Regions will also help achieve the Queensland Government's priorities in RegionsQ and deliver projects that will help build a future for regional communities, beyond mining and resources.

Expressions of interest for Round 4 of the Royalties for the Regions program closed on 26 September 2014. Round 4 includes a council competitive allocation and funds for strategic infrastructure projects which the state has responsibility for, such as state roads and essential healthcare facilities. This infrastructure will be located in regional Queensland and will continue to support regional communities as they grow and prosper.

If you require any further information, Darren Cleland, Executive Regional Director, North Region, Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning, will assist and can be contacted on 4037 3227.

Yours sincerely

Jeff Popp
Chief of Staff
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Dear Cr Lewis,

Thank you for your support and our best wishes for the festive season

On behalf of the Regional Development Australia Townsville and North West Queensland Committee and staff, I would like to thank you for your support of RDA again during 2014.

We have enjoyed working with all three levels of government to facilitate and advocate the interests of the 15 local government areas of the vast RDA Townsville and North West Queensland region. Below are a few highlights of the year in accordance with the Key Performance Indicators that are set in our funding agreement with the Federal Government through the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development.

1. RDA is working closely with the Northern RDA Alliance of 8 RDA Committees and the Federal Government to highlight issues and opportunities for the development of Northern Australia.
2. RDA is collaborating with the three other RDA Committees in Northern Queensland to work on joint issues and opportunities for regional development. This work included a major study on agricultural distribution, road transport and aviation across Northern Queensland. [http://www.rdanwq.org.au/files/ng-strategy-pdf/RDA Northern-Queensland-Strategy Final-Report.pdf](http://www.rdanwq.org.au/files/ng-strategy-pdf/RDA%20Northern-Queensland-Strategy%20Final-Report.pdf) Working groups are now addressing key issues and opportunities.
3. RDA has taken the lead on a State-wide roads project to develop an Inland Queensland Roads Action Plan to encourage greater collaboration across jurisdictions, prioritisation of works to improve productivity and support regional development, and secure more funding. <http://www.rdanwq.org.au/projects/queensland-roads>
4. RDA has ensured a strong regional voice in regard to Federal and Queensland Government inquiries through submissions (<http://www.rdanwq.org.au/resources-and-links/plans-documents>) to the following:
 - Agricultural Competitiveness White Paper
 - Defence White Paper
 - Development of Australia White Paper
 - Resources Q
 - Queensland Plan
 - ACCC – Inquiry into domestic transmission capacity
 - Queensland Competition Authority - Retail electricity price regulation review
 - Australian Government Dept of Communications - Review of mobile coverage



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5. RDA has represented regional development interests in a wide range of Committees such as:
- Northern Queensland Irrigated Agriculture Strategy – P. Woodhouse
 - Sustainable Resource (Energy/ Pentland study) Committee – P. Woodhouse
 - Townsville Economic Development Plan Steering Committee – P. Woodhouse
 - Townsville Economic Development Plan Implementation Committee – G. Schuntner
 - NQ ROC- Regional Economic Development Sub-Committee – G. Schuntner
 - Broadband for the Tropics – G. Schuntner
 - NWQ Strategic Development Study (Carpentaria Minerals Province Stage 2) Committee – G. Schuntner
 - NQ Regional Managers' Coordination Network – G. Schuntner
 - NWQ Regional Managers' Coordination Network – G. Schuntner
 - Townsville Digital Economy Strategy Implementation Committee – G. Schuntner
 - NQ Economic Development Practitioners' Network – G. Schuntner
6. During the year RDA has regularly distributed information about Federal and Queensland Government and private sector grants and programs that support regional development to more than 1,000 subscribers through 15 *Community Connections* (<http://www.rdatanwq.org.au/newsletters>) newsletters and 8 *News Flashes*. Our frequently updated website content has attracted more than 300,000 hits, 159,000 page views and 73,000 user sessions.
7. RDA has held six Committee meetings in Mount Isa and Townsville and our CEO has travelled extensively across the region, meeting with representatives from government departments, councils, economic development organisations, chambers of commerce, natural resource management groups and many others.
8. RDA promoted the launch of the National Stronger Regions Fund and conducted workshops and individual meetings to support project proponents with information to strengthen their applications. Letters of support were provided for many projects.
9. RDA published a new brochure to introduce the Committee, the Regional Roadmap and the region. The brochure was the winner in its category at the Queensland Multi-Media Awards.
10. Nationally RDA has been through an initial review and a more detailed review is ahead of us. In the meantime, the volunteers on the Committee have continued to generously give their time and expertise to helping develop our great region. Our Committee members are Lyn McLaughlin, (Deputy Chair), David Kippin (Secretary), Jeff Jimmieson (Treasurer), Prof Sabina Knight, Cr Eric (Rick) Britton, and Cr Greg Jones. I also wish to thank and acknowledge our recently retired members Dr Scott Crawford, Mike Westerman and Jeremy Moffat.

On behalf of our team, I wish to once again thank you for your support and like to wish you, your staff and families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Our Committee members and staff led by CEO Glenys Schuntner all look forward to working with you in 2015 to make it a great year for the Townsville and North West Queensland region.

Yours faithfully,



Paul Woodhouse
Chairman

Burdekin Shire Council
145 Young Street,
Ayr QLD 4807
18th December 2014

To Whom it may concern

Dear Sir/Madam,
I am writing this letter on behalf of
the Hell Hole Hut
Owners and Anglers Association hoping
for a donation
from the Burdekin Shire Council. Our
request is for an
industrial bin for our beaches,
landing and general clean-up, this is
to be held in or around February 2015.

We are a small group of concerned
committee members who acknowledge the
need for environmental clean-up days
which is funded mostly out of our own
pockets.

We are a non-profit organization, who
take environmental issues seriously.
Your donation/help towards this would
be greatly appreciated.

If request is granted our Association
will confirm the clean-up date.

Yours sincerely,

Jeff Pyott

Environmental Officer

Hell Hole Hut Owners

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Rita Island via Ayr Qld 4807



Hon David Crisafulli MP
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Councillor Bill Lewis
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Dear Councillor Lewis

I refer to my letter of 24 September 2014 regarding preparations for the 2016 quadrennial local government elections.

I am aware a number of local governments are considering conducting, or have expressed a desire to conduct, their elections by postal ballot for the whole of the areas.

It is my personal view that attendance voting strengthens the transparency and integrity of the democratic process and has the additional advantage of delivering social benefits to the community. Accordingly, I believe local government elections should be conducted by attendance ballots wherever possible.

Recent amendments to the *Local Government Electoral Act 2011* have made it significantly easier for individual electors who are unable to attend a polling booth on election day to apply to the returning officer to cast a postal vote.

On this basis, unless a local government is able to demonstrate exceptional circumstances exist, I am unlikely to approve an application to conduct the 2016 elections by way of postal ballot for the whole or part of the area.

If your staff require any further information, they can contact Mr Paul Toolis, Acting Director, Program Implementation and Review on (07) 3452 6704 or paul.toolis@dlgcr.qld.gov.au, who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely

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

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Cr Bill Lewis
Mayor
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Dear Cr Lewis

2014 LGAQ Annual Conference Resolution 95

The Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) held its successful 118th Annual Conference in Mackay between 27 – 29 October 2014, with over 350 delegates attending and representing each of the 77 Queensland local governments.

A total of 110 motions were passed at this year's Annual Conference. This includes the following submitted by Burdekin Shire Council:

95 – Telecommunications Infrastructure – Investigation into Costs for Works Impacting on Trenches, Pits and Underground Cables

"That the Local Government Association of Queensland investigates the exorbitant costs levied by the Telstra Corporation on local government for performing simple works when adjusting pit heights or cable locations to interface with new or reconstructed Council infrastructure."

The following background information was considered by the Conference in the adoption of this resolution.

Burdekin Shire Council has been expanding its concrete footpath/bikeway network to facilitate safe pedestrian access and encourage residents to engage in physical activity. On numerous occasions Telstra pits are encountered that have subsided and are creating trip/fall hazards, are heavily damaged and dangerous due to lack of any maintenance or inspection regime on the part of Telstra.

Some of these pits have had the Telstra "yellow cages" around them for up to two or three years.

Council as part of a project may require a Telstra pit to be raised or lowered to match the profile height of the new concrete footpath. In most cases, this may involve raising or lowering a pit as little as 100-200mm. Telstra takes these opportunities to upgrade their infrastructure, replacing these damaged asbestos containing pits with new concrete or plastic pits and charging Council up to \$5k for a simple distribution pit. Of course, Telstra increases these costs for larger more complex pits.

Telstra runs a closed shop on any modifications performed on their infrastructure and warns in their standard terms and conditions of the requirement that all access to Telstra's network is to be facilitated by Telstra. Tampering or interfering with telecommunications infrastructure or a facility owned or operated by a carrier (being Telstra) is an offence under the Criminal Code Act 1995. Heavy penalties may be applied for breach of this prohibition.

Enclosed is the response we have received from Mr Frank Vescio, General Manager Infrastructure Industry Solutions, Telstra Global Enterprise and Services. The response also includes direct contact details for Mr Vescio and Mr Fennessy (General Manager Assets Management, Telstra Customer

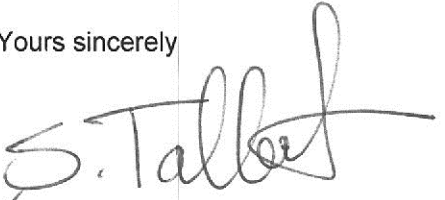


Service Delivery) as senior Telstra executives that are able to work with councils on complex issues where usual processes have not delivered a satisfactory outcome.

The LGAQ is also continuing to seek clarity from relevant State and Commonwealth agencies regarding recent amendments to the definition of a "work site" that may be resulting in additional costs being borne by Telstra and anecdotally may be passed on to local government when work is required.

Please let me know if there is any further action that you would like the LGAQ to take regarding these matters. Mr Lou Boyle, LGAQ's Innovation Executive, is also available to discuss these issues further if required, and he can be contacted at Lou_Boyle@lgaq.asn.au or on (07) 3000 2120.

Yours sincerely



for
Greg Hoffman PSM
GENERAL MANAGER – ADVOCACY

cc: Mr Matthew Magin, Chief Executive Officer, Burdekin Shire Council



18 December, 2014

Local Government Association of Queensland Ltd
PO Box 2230
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Attention: Mr. Greg Hallam, Chief Executive Officer

Dear Mr. Hallam,

Re: Telstra Response to 2014 LGAQ Conference – Resolution 95

Thank-you for your letter to Mike Wright dated Wednesday, 10 December outlining a number of concerns. I have attempted to address these for you below.

Telstra's pit repair/upgrade program

We acknowledge that when it comes to timeframes for completing pit repairs and pit upgrade work, in some cases we could do better. To address this, Telstra has embarked on a program focused on pit repair and upgrade. We have skilled contractors assisting us with this task and we are committed to continue this program.

The Burdekin Council has specifically raised a concern that Telstra may be upgrading its infrastructure instead of merely raising or lowering the pit by 100-200ml to permit Council footpath work. In fact, Telstra only replaces pits where it is necessary and only on a like-for-like basis.

It is often the case that old asbestos or damaged pits cannot be moved or raised/lowered. They need to be replaced with equivalent plastic pits and the associated cabling may or may not also require replacement as a result.

Telstra carries out this work to allow Council footpath improvement works to proceed. It does not seek to upgrade or improve its network at Council expense.

Telstra's contracting model – market competitive to deliver best value

Telstra's pit remediation/ upgrade works are undertaken by Telstra's industry partners and contractors.

Any contractors who want to supply these services to Telstra can submit a capability statement via our website. We undertake regular market testing to ensure our contractors continue to deliver best value across a range of factors including their ability to meet our quality standards and work practices.

For pit remediation activity, compliance to Telstra's ACM (Asbestos Containing Materials) standards is essential. As set out in our ACM policy, given the difficulties associated with identifying asbestos containing material, we take conservative and presumptive approach to the presence of asbestos in pits.

There are currently some 1,400 individual contract resources qualified to undertake such works for Telstra.



Project costs

Our experience in managing costs on projects is that advance planning is one of the best ways to minimise costs.

The opportunity here is for councils to work with our regional contacts, as per below, at the start of your planning cycle so that we can provide you with solutions to either prevent certain works occurring or help achieve a better overall cost for your works.

Conversely, when works are fast-tracked this may or may not attract higher industry pricing.

Telstra contacts to resolve issues

We are more than happy to work with you to reach a mutual position on all these aspects.

In most instances, we expect that the normal communication channels (outlined below) and processes between Telstra and Councils will result in a satisfactory outcome.

Telstra contact	When to contact
Each Council has been assigned a dedicated Account Manager that they are able to contact when required.	The Account Manager is available to intercede for any items relating to Council business
Telstra Country Wide (TCW) Area General Managers (AGM) are also available to Councils.	TCW AGMs can assist with any community-related concerns/ items.
Russell Paten , Senior Business Development Specialist, Telstra Business	Can assist with Local Government Queensland Managed Customer Sales & Service queries.

However we understand that more complex issues do arise from time to time in this area and some of these issues can only be resolved by more senior staff. In these circumstances, where the usual processes have not delivered a satisfactory outcome, the following individuals are available to work with councils.

Telstra contact	When to contact
Frank Vescio, General Manager, Infrastructure Industry Solutions, Telstra Global Enterprise & Services Email: Frank.Vescio@team.telstra.com	Is available to work with Councils in instances where the normal processes do not result in a satisfactory outcome specifically concerning Telstra network protection and relocation issues.
Simon Fennessy, General Manager, Assets Management, Telstra Customer Service Delivery Email: Simon.Fennessy@team.telstra.com	Is available to work with Councils in instances where the normal processes do not result in a satisfactory outcome specifically concerning Telstra network maintenance and safety issues.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Vescio
GM Infrastructure Industry Solutions
Telstra Global Enterprise and Services

Circular

Review of the Neighbourhood Disputes (Dividing Fences and Trees) Act 2011

For Comment

Circular: 2014-094
Release Date: Monday, 22 December 2014
Authorised by: Greg Hallam PSM Chief Executive Officer

Feedback on the effectiveness of the Act is due 16 January 2015.

The Queensland Law Reform Commission has written to councils and the LGAQ to invite feedback for a forthcoming discussion paper on the review of the operation and effectiveness of the [Neighbourhood Disputes \(Dividing Fences and Trees\) Act 2011](#).

The LGAQ would appreciate if councils could please share their comments and suggestions with the LGAQ before **Friday, 16 January 2015** so that they can be reflected in the Association's comments to the Commission.

Issues which have already been brought to our attention include:

- In addition to fences and trees, retaining walls and stormwater runoff can also be the cause of disputes. Both issues require guidelines.
- There is a need to carefully define 'neighbour' and 'owner' so that local governments are not unintentionally affected in their capacity as owners of reserves.

Council comments should be emailed to ask@lgaq.asn.au, attention Stephan Bohnen, Principal Advisor - Intergovernmental Relations.

Circular

2014 LGAQ Annual Conference Resolutions and the State Election Policy Plan

For Information

Circular: 2014-095
Release Date: Tuesday, 23 December 2014
Authorised by: Greg Hallam PSM Chief Executive Officer

Correspondence has been sent to State and Federal governments regarding this year's Annual Conference resolutions and the State Election Policy Plan

ANNUAL CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS

The LGAQ has now finalised all correspondence to the relevant State and Federal government minister/s advocating for each of the 110 resolutions passed at the 2014 LGAQ Annual Conference.

All formal replies received will be uploaded to [LGOnline](#) and a hard copy of the formal response will be sent to the submitting council for their information.

STATE ELECTION POLICY PLAN

The LGAQ President Cr Margaret de Wit and CEO Greg Hallam have now also written to each elected party officer and organisational party Queensland director presenting the Queensland [2015 State Election Local Government Policy Plan](#) for the upcoming state election. The Plan represents the policy and legislative priorities that Queensland councils seek as part of an incoming government's agenda for the next Queensland Parliament term.

Each party and candidates in the election are asked to commit to supporting the policy proposals outlined in the Plan. It is important that communities know where parties and candidates contesting the election stand on issues that are important to local councils and the communities they represent.

Councils are also encouraged to raise issues with their local candidates. For any further assistance on engaging with election candidates and local media on issues relevant to your communities, please contact Craig Johnstone, LGAQ's Media Executive 1300 542 700.

All formal party responses to the 2015 State Election Local Government Policy Plan will be published and circulated to all Queensland councils.

Giru State School
Parents and Citizens Association
Luxton Street, GIRU QLD 4809

President: D Gallego
Secretary: K Johnson

Vice President: T Town
Treasurer: M Marson



5 January 2015

Dear Sir/ Madam,

On the 30 and 31st of January 2015, the Giru State School P&C are conducting a BBQ Fundraiser in conjunction with a Landmark Auction at 238 Upper Haughton Road.

We would like to ask the Burdekin Shire Council to donate 12 bins to help us ensure rubbish is adequately catered for and to help reduce costs to Giru State School and maximize fundraising opportunities.

We look forward to hearing from you soon. I can be contacted on Mobile Number: 0427279384.

Yours sincerely,

Karyn Johnson

P&C Secretary

Our mission is to create a caring and creative environment that allows for the development of the individual academically, physically, socially and emotionally to their maximum potential.



30 December 2014

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Dear Dan,

As we at Surf Life Saving Queensland (SLSQ) reflect on the past year, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your vital and ongoing support.

It has been a milestone year for SLSQ and its 30,000 members, as we continued to experience strong growth and development both on and off the beach. Much of this is a credit to your continued involvement and how your support enables us to continue to keep our beaches safe.

We hope you enjoy our 2015 Surf Life Saving Queensland Calendar.

Wishing you a safe and happy new year.

Yours sincerely,

George Hill
Chief Operating Officer
Surf Life Saving Queensland

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From: [CMR Review](#)
Subject: Commonwealth Marine Reserves Review - Join the Conversation [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]
Date: Thursday, 8 January 2015 1:30:34 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)

As an organisation with an interest in the Commonwealth Marine Reserves Review (the Review), we would like to invite you to get involved in the Review and join the conversation.

As you may be aware, the Review was jointly announced by the Minister for the Environment, the Hon Greg Hunt MP and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Agriculture, Senator Richard Colbeck on 11 September 2014. The Review will consider what management arrangements will best protect marine ecosystems and accommodate the many businesses and recreational fishers that use our oceans.

There are two components to the Review; an Expert Scientific Panel to review the science supporting the marine reserves, and five Bioregional Advisory Panels to consult with stakeholders in the Temperate East, Coral Sea, South-west, North and North-west marine regions.

There are a number of opportunities available for your organisation to provide feedback to the Panels. Submissions have been invited by the Panels until 28 February 2015 alongside an online survey that is open until the end of March 2015.

It is envisaged that the Review recommendations will be provided to the Australian Government in mid-2015. These recommendations will inform the development of new management plans for the reserves which will maximise protection of the marine environment while minimising impacts on stakeholders. You will have further opportunities to inform the management arrangements of Commonwealth marine reserves when the management plans are being drafted.

We take this opportunity to encourage you to provide us with a new submission, additional written information or to participate in the online survey. For more information, including the Terms of Reference please visit www.marinereservesreview.gov.au.

If you have any questions, please contact us through the Commonwealth Marine Reserves Review Secretariat at cmrreview@environment.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

PC



CB



Mr Peter Cochrane & Professor Colin Buxton
Co-Chairs, Bioregional Advisory Panels
Commonwealth Marine Reserves Review
8 January 2015

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From: Kelly Lund
To: [Kelly Lund](#); ["Charles Ford"](#); ["Ennio Gazzola"](#); ["John Kohn"](#); ["June Bosel"](#); ["Lesley Hawkins"](#); ["Marjorie & Don Fulton"](#); [BCA - Robert Lesca](#); [Ted Bawden](#); ["Tom Callow"](#)
Cc: [Tony Vaccaro](#); [Matthew Magin](#)
Subject: 2015 Objectives - Burdekin Seniors Advisory Group
Date: Friday, 9 January 2015 12:08:38 PM
Attachments: [2015 BSAG Objectives.pdf](#)

Good morning all,

Please find attached the objectives we worked on in the last meeting to guide us for 2015. We are still working on one for volunteers but I believe this is a good start.

Please take a look and give me a call if you have any questions.

The next meeting will be held at **10am on Wednesday February 11th in the Theatre Foyer.**

Best regards,

Kelly Lund


Community Development Support Officer

Burdekin Shire Council

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 Kelly.Lund@burdekin.qld.gov.au

2015 BSAG Objectives

1.

Issue:

Inability to access important home services including handypersons, cleaners and home support.

Objective:

Develop a list of recommended trades and service people and share with the senior community by July 2015.

Tasks

1. A list of required services to be developed by Feb 2015 **Owner: John Kohn & June Bosel**
 2. Appropriate people to be sourced and contacted regarding the program. **Owner: John Kohn & June Bosel**
 3. Draft list to be vetted and finalised by March 2015. **Owner: BSAG**
 4. List to be published in Round-a-Bout May 2015. **Owner: Robert Lesca**
 5. Feedback to be monitored on a monthly basis **Owner: BSAG**
 6. Lobby Blue Care and other assistance schemes for services to be placed in the Burdekin. **Owner: Robert Lesca**
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2.

Issue:

Inadequate transport for seniors to Townsville and around the Burdekin

Objective:

Ensure there is a reliable form of transport at least 3 times a week between the Burdekin and Townsville particularly for medical appointments.

Tasks:

1. Gather data on how many times the bus had been cancelled between the Burdekin and Townsville. **Owner: Robert Lesca**
2. Ask Tracey Hobbs to present to BSAG on Rural Health transport. **Owner: Robert Lesca**
3. Contact HACC about possibility of partnering with Rural Health to provide transport to Townsville. **Owners: Don & Marjorie Fulton**

3.

Issue:

A lack of sociability/networking facilities leading to isolation of seniors in the region

Objective:

- Encourage 15 additional seniors to join groups in 2015.

Tasks:

- Explore potential for success of U3A in the Burdekin –**Owner: Eleanor Betteridge**
 - o Explore potential venues for Seniors
 - o Find a potential committee to help run the program
- Some of the larger community groups to be approached regarding car pooling to pick up potential members without licenses. Also to explore how the Home Care bus could support.
Owner: Lesley Hawkins
- Increase publicity of the existing community groups. **Owner: Kelly Lund**
 - o Ensure people have access to Bountiful Burdekin, Round-a-Bout and the Burdekin Community Directory

4.

Issue:

Inadequate accessibility in some priority areas, for example: steep gutters, access to parking, public toilets, ramps, safe pathways, house numbers and street signs etc

Objective:

- To present to council areas that need to be improved in order to be more accessible for seniors.

Task:

- Information to be gathered (including photographs) of specific serious accessibility issues around Ayr and Home Hill. **Owners: Robert Lesca & Ted Bawden**
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From: [Jennilee Mills](#)
To: [Email Registration](#)
Subject: Invitation: North Queensland Influencer Tour [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]
Date: Monday, 12 January 2015 4:20:50 PM
Attachments: [Influencer Tour_Ayr Region_09FEB.pdf](#)

Good afternoon,

As discussed with Natalie on reception, can the below email text and attached invitation be sent to the Burdekin Shire Mayor, Chief Executive Officer, Economic Development Manager, Community Development Manager, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Development Officer and Council members concerned about employment in the region:

“Good Afternoon,

As we commence a busy new year, we at Defence Force Recruiting would like to share a morning tea with yourself and a guest at the Burdekin Theatre on Monday 9th February, 9:30am.

The morning will provide you with a fully catered morning tea, a short presentation from military staff, and will give you the opportunity to ask questions that you can the relay to your community and/or peers.

This is an opportunity for you to be abreast of current recruiting needs across the Navy, Army, and Air Force, as well as understand the qualifications required and behaviours that we look for in officer and general enlistment candidates.

Please see the attached invitation, noting the RSVP date is no later than January 29th when responding. Please include your full name, email address and contact number when securing your seat.

We look forward to your prompt response.”

Kind Regards,

Jennilee Mills

Regional Activity Coordinator
DEFENCE FORCE RECRUITING

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Townsville, Queensland 4810

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2015 North Queensland Influencer Tour

What:

The DFR Mission is to recruit the right people, in the right numbers at the right time by focusing on the needs of the ADF and our candidates.

As key market influencers, it's important that you are abreast of the latest Defence Force Recruitment needs, including how you can positively inform prospects about the benefits and rewards of a defence career

It would be our pleasure to invite you and a guest to a fully catered morning tea, where you will receive a short presentation from respected, current serving military staff members as well as ask any pressing questions about the military and the recruitment process

When:

Monday 9th February
9:30am

Where:

Burdekin Theatre
161 Queen St
Ayr, QLD

RSVP:

Kate Nelson
kanelson@dfr.com.au
(07) 4726 0205

Please respond no later than
Thursday 29th January



Call 13 19 01 or visit www.defencejobs.gov.au



Save the date

**NORTH QUEENSLAND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE
3-5 August 2015**



**Host Council Conference
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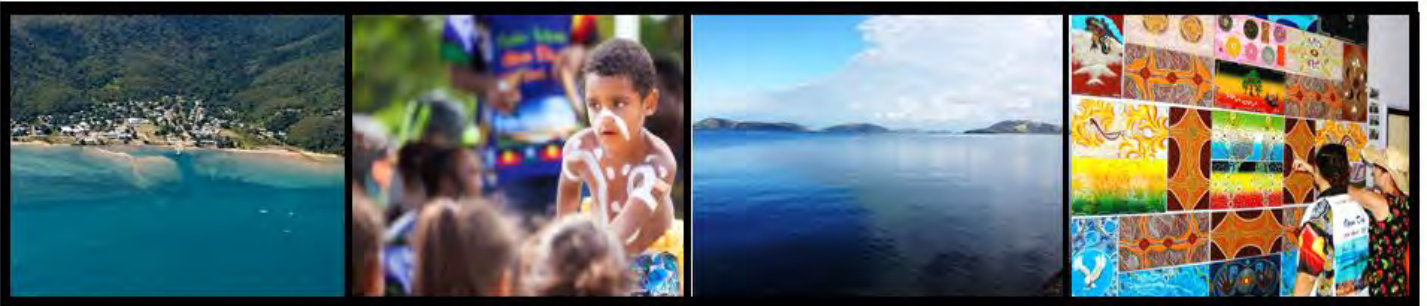
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**In order to cater for
accommodation arrangements,
expressions of interest for
attendance are requested as
soon as possible.**

**It would be appreciated if you
could email Ms Murielle Morgan,
Executive Services Manager,
Palm Island Aboriginal Shire
Council with approximate
numbers from your organization
who will attend:**

murielle.morgan@palmcouncil.qld.gov.au

Formal Notices of General Meeting,
Annual General Meeting, and calls for Agenda Items and Motions
will be forwarded by the Executive in May 2015.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC ADVISORY GROUP (EDSAG)
Meeting held on Thursday, 23rd October 2014

Held at Landmark Harcourts McCathie's Real Estate, Ayr
Commencing at 7am
(Appendix A – Action Table)

1. **ATTENDANCE**

Mr. Dan Horan (Chair)
Mr. Matthew Magin
Mr. Adrian Scott
Ms. Eliza Lovell
Cr. Lyndy McCathie
Mr. Darren West
Mr. Jim Collins
Ms. Carmel Dal Ponte
Mr. Talbot Cox
Mr. Gary Spotswood

Apologies for Absence:

Mr. Gordon Edwards
Mr. John Maloney

2. **REVIEW OF ACTION TABLE**

Meeting No. 2

- 2.0** Eliza forwarded link to Towns Planning Scheme survey to all members. Only two responses received to date.
- 4-6.4** **Action** – Eliza to resend link to members.
Eliza contacted DSDIP to see if Andrew Broadbent could attend EDSAG meeting. Advised by DSDIP that James Doyle and June Powell would attend.
- 4-6.6** Eliza forwarded AECgroup quote to undertake gap analysis and capability/capacity audit to members.
- 5.0** Carmel provided additional objective. Eliza distributed to members.
- 8.0** Eliza forwarded response received from Commander 3rd Brigade to members. It was noted that the Burdekin will be promoted as a place to live as well as visit at Defence Expos.
Action – Adrian to contact Defence Housing Australia to obtain the following information:
- Investigate if we can include a letter promoting the benefits of living in the Burdekin in an information pack including real estate available and opportunities for partner employment (ie. casual positions in the health industry);
 - Investigate what they are provided with when relocating and once they have relocated.
- 9.0** Eliza forwarded Growing Agriculture Working Group meeting notes to members.
- 10.0** Eliza forwarded Strong Choices Investment Program priority list to members. Government has contacted Council requesting additional information for the projects identified.
Action – Eliza to forward final Strong Choices Investment Program submission to members.
- 11.2** Eliza forwarded QCA Aquaculture submission to members.

Meeting No. 1**Item 6.9**

Information on health industry from Census data provided to members – Eliza advised that Queensland Health is providing additional information.

Action - Will be distributed to members once received.

3. EDSAG OBJECTIVES

Final list of EDSAG objectives distributed to members.

4. FUNDING PROGRAMS**Strong Choices Investment Program**

Consultant collating regional Strong Choices Investment Program contacted Council and advised that projects needed to be shovel ready. Discussion held on Townsville Enterprise Limited (TEL). Matthew advised that the Mayor is currently working with TEL to have a regional council representative and regional business representative on the TEL Board. Discussion held on TEL membership levels. Discussion held on the possibility of Burdekin representatives meeting with the Treasurer to discuss Burdekin projects.

National Stronger Regions Funding

Council is applying under the Federal Government's National Stronger Regions Fund to expand the industrial estate. Investigate what other deficiencies exist at the Industrial Estate.

5. National Disability Insurance Scheme

Discussion held on the National Disability Insurance Scheme. The NDIS is a new way of providing community linking and individualised support for people with permanent and significant disability, their families and carers.

6. MANAGER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Mr. Adrian Scott

Adrian Scott commenced with Council on Tuesday, 7th October 2014. Adrian provided members with an overview of the meetings attended and projects he is working on to date.

7. INTERNATIONAL INVESTORS TO VISIT NORTH QUEENSLAND IN 2015

It was agreed that the Burdekin would participate in the international investors delegation to visit North Queensland in 2015. Investigate what the investors are interested in.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS**Item 1**

Discussion held on inviting State Government candidates to attend future EDSAG meetings to present our priority projects noting that the election will be held between March and June 2015.

9. **PRESENTATION BY DEPARTMENT OF STATE DEVELOPMENT, INSTRUCTURE & PLANNING (DSDIP)
MR. JAMES DOYLE AND MRS. JUNE POWELL**

James and June provided an overview of the role of DSDIP and current projects they are working on.

Regions Q Framework - June mentioned part of the State Government's RegionsQ Framework includes the Burdekin Catchment as a project of regional significance. June will provide feedback on the project as it progresses.

RegionsQ Showcase – The event will be held on the 13/14 February 2015 in Brisbane and will feature exhibitors from across the state, giving attendees the opportunity to experience the best of what Queensland's regions have to offer. The theme of the event is what makes regional Queensland a great place to live, work, learn and invest.

Discussion held on Defence and the opportunities available for local businesses. Discuss with James the Defence discretionary fund.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9am.

Mr. Dan Horan
CHAIRMAN

APPENDIX A – ACTION TABLE

Action Table – Meeting No. 3 – 23-10-2014

Agenda Reference	Action Item	Responsible Officer	Due Date
2-2	Eliza to resend Town Planning Scheme survey link to members	Eliza	ASAP
2-8	Adrian to contact Defence Housing Australia to obtain the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate if we can include a letter promoting the benefits of living in the Burdekin in an information pack including real estate available and opportunities for partner employment (ie. casual positions in the health industry); Investigate what Defence personnel are provided with when relocating and once they have relocated; 	Adrian/Eliza	30/11/2014
2-10	Eliza to email final Strong Choices Investment Program submission to members.	Eliza	Once submitted
4.1	Investigate possibility of Burdekin representatives meeting with the Treasurer to discuss Burdekin projects	Eliza	30/11/2014
4.1	Obtain details for TEL Membership levels and distribute to members	Eliza	7/11/2014
4.2	Investigate what other deficiencies exist at the Industrial Estate.	Adrian/Eliza	Ongoing
4.2	Email link to National Stronger Regions Fund to members.	Eliza	7/11/2014
7	Investigate what the international investors are interested in.	Eliza	30/11/2014
8.1	Invite Rosemary Menkens and new candidate to attend next EDSAG meeting.	Eliza	07/11/2014
9.0	Encourage Burdekin Businesses to register on the ICN Gateway.	Eliza	30/11/2014
9.0	Contact James Doyle (DSDIP) re-Defence discretionary fund	Adrian	30/11/2014

Action Table – Meeting No. 2 – 11-09-2014

Agenda Reference	Action Item	Responsible Officer	Due Date
2.0	Eliza to forward Shane's presentation and survey to all members.	Eliza	Completed
4- 6.4	Contact DSDIP request if Andrew Broadbent (Brisbane office) may be able	Eliza	Completed

	to attend next meeting.		
4- 6.6	Eliza to email AECgroup quote to undertake gap analysis and capability/capacity audit to all members.	Eliza	Completed
5.0	Carmel to prepare additional objective and Eliza to forward to members.	Carmel/Eliza	Completed
8.0	Eliza to report back to group once a response has been received from Commander 3 rd Brigade.	Eliza	Completed
9.0	Eliza to forward updates on NQ2031 working groups as they are received.	Eliza	Ongoing
10.0	Eliza to email final Strong Choices Investment Program priority list to members.	Eliza	Completed
11.1	Dan to discuss local ethanol market with Talbot.	Dan/Talbot	
11.2	Eliza to forward submission to QCA cc- DSDIP/Minister re- Draft Aquaculture Regulation in Queensland Report.	Eliza/Matthew/John	Completed

Action Table – Meeting No. 1 -31-07-2014

Agenda Reference	Action Item	Responsible Officer	Due Date
6.5	Prepare report on positives/negatives on establishing a processing plant in the Burdekin.	Gordon	
6.6	Investigate grant opportunities to undertake gap analysis and capability/capacity audit.	Eliza	Ongoing
6.7	Arrange meeting with SunRice CEO and Steve Rogers, Blue Ribbon Rice.	Eliza	
6.9	Value of health industry to the Burdekin.	Jim Eliza	