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Department of  
**Natural Resources and Mines**

15 October 2015

Mr Matthew Magin  
Chief Executive Officer  
Burdekin Shire Council  
PO Box 974  
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Dear Mr Magin

**RE: ANNUAL VALUATION EFFECTIVE 30 JUNE 2016**

Thank you for your response to my request seeking your opinion on whether or not an annual valuation (effective 30 June 2016) should be undertaken in the Burdekin local government area. You have advised that an annual valuation should be undertaken.

The *Land Valuation Act 2010* (the Act) requires that the Valuer-General undertake an annual valuation of all land in a local government area except in unusual circumstances or after consideration of:

- a market survey report for the local government area which reviews sales of land and the probable impact of the sales on the value of land since the last annual valuation, and
- the results of consultation with the local government for the area and appropriate local and industry groups.

After considering the statutory criteria, I have decided that an annual valuation for the Burdekin local government area will be undertaken becoming effective 30 June 2016.

In accordance with the Act, annual valuations are required to be issued prior to 31 March in the year the valuation is to take effect.

Should you wish to discuss this matter further, please contact Brett Bowen, Area Manager of the department on telephone 4222 5500.

Yours sincerely

Neil Bray  
**Valuer-General**

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# Circular

## Partners in Government Agreement Signed

### For Information

**Circular:** 2015-056  
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**Authorised by:** Greg Hallam PSM Chief Executive Officer

**Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk and Deputy Premier and Local Government Minister Jackie Trad have committed to strengthening the relationship between the State Government and councils. We encourage all members to table the Agreement at a council meeting and rely upon it in your dealings with the State Government.**

The Queensland Government and the LGAQ have renewed their [Partners in Government Agreement](#), with significant improvements over previous versions.

Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk and Deputy Premier and Local Government Minister Jackie Trad have committed to more regular meetings with the LGAQ in this formal agreement to strengthen the relationship between the State Government and councils.

The Agreement was signed by Ms Palaszczuk and Ms Trad, and LGAQ President Cr Margaret de Wit and Chief Executive Officer Greg Hallam at Parliament House on 14 October 2015.

The Agreement formalises a set of principles to guide the relationship between the parties and identifies the roles and responsibilities of each party. It includes the following key commitments:

- the Premier will meet with the LGAQ on at least a six-monthly basis – or more frequently when warranted;
- the Local Government Minister will have a minimum of four meetings with the LGAQ policy executive each year;
- the State Government will undertake timely and meaningful engagement on all policy, legislation, strategy and program initiatives where local government has an interest with a minimum consultation period of four weeks, where practicable, to allow the LGAQ to engage meaningfully with its members;
- the State Government will seek the advice of local government before appointing representatives of the sector to State Government bodies;
- the State Government will promote awareness of the Agreement amongst all State Government departments, ensuring whole of government commitment to the agreed principles; and
- each year, the State Government and the LGAQ will prepare a joint report to outline the outcomes achieved, including election commitments, under the agreement. The first of these is due by 31 August 2016.

The Agreement provides context to other, more specific agreements or protocols between the LGAQ and the Government. For example, it is referenced in the recently concluded MOU between the LGAQ and the Department of Energy and Water Supply.

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Dear Mr Magin,

I write on behalf of the Burdekin Tourism Association as a follow up to discussions held with Mayor Bill Lowis at our Annual General Meeting on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2015. Let me begin by thanking Mayor Lowis for his attendance at the meeting which gave him the opportunity to hear the successes and challenges of the Burdekin Tourism Association.

At the Annual General Meeting, the main discussion was in regards to Burdekin Tourism Association's inability to secure a Secretary. I am writing at the Mayor's request, asking Council to reconsider their previous decision in 2014 to cease providing part-time Secretarial support to the Burdekin Tourism Association.

At the meeting on the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2014 with Mayor Bill Lowis, CEO Matthew Magin and Community Development Manager Tony Vaccaro, the Burdekin Tourism Association's Management Committee were told: "There is no tourism in the Burdekin until such time as the Cromarty Wetlands are developed."

So, with great astonishment, it was brought to our attention that the Burdekin Shire Council's Economic Development Strategy 2015-2020 stated that: "The total output for tourism in the Burdekin is \$42 million, included in the above categories."

With the Burdekin Shire Council so focussed on economic development and the benefits it brings to our community, members of the Burdekin Tourism Association believe Council needs to acknowledge the economic contribution of tourism to the Burdekin Shire by reinstating, at the very least, the part-time Secretarial support that was previously provided to the Burdekin Tourism Association.

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To add insult to injury, on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015, at a meeting with Visit Queensland Director, Mr Wayne Cliff, we were informed that of the 115 Visitor Information Centres in Queensland, Burdekin Shire's Visitor Information Centres are the least funded by their local Council. The financial assistance provided by Burdekin Shire Council is considerably lower than that of any other Council in the State.

To our Councillors, we would like to ask: Do you not feel embarrassed by this? As elected representatives of this community, how much do you value the benefit of having Visitor Information Centres, the value of the many hours provided by volunteers and the economic benefit provided to our community? The Council has publicly stated the following: *"The total output for tourism in the Burdekin is \$42 million, included in the above categories."*

As stated by a Townsville Enterprise Limited representative at our Annual General Meeting: Has consideration been given to the repercussions to the Burdekin Shire from NOT having the Visitor Information Centres? In a study done in 2011/2012 the South Australian Tourism Commission reported that after visiting an accredited Visitor Information Centre: 83% of visitors participated in previously unplanned activities, 72% extended their stay with 22% spending an additional night due to the interaction and information from the Visitor Information Centre staff, 59% nearly doubled their anticipated spending, and \$587,800 was the additional/extra spend in the study region over the two week period of the study.

Please find enclosed the report 'Destination Visitor Survey' which includes the summary of results of the study on visitor behaviour conducted by the South Australian Tourism Commission; the research papers prepared for the meeting with Council representatives and the Burdekin Tourism Association's Management Committee in July 2014 which compares Councils in our region; an article titled 'Volunteers Worth More to Australia Than Mining', and a copy of the Burdekin Shire Council Economic Development Strategy 2015-2020 which states on page 4: *"The total output for tourism in the Burdekin is \$42 million, included in the above categories."*

Should you require further research on financial or staffing contributions made to Tourism by Councils across the State, please don't hesitate to contact me and I can organise for our volunteers to prepare further information.

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In closing, Members of the Burdekin Tourism Association hope this request for Secretarial support to be reinstated meets with a positive decision.

We eagerly await a favourable response.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Treena List".

Treena List  
President



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Dear Mr Magin,

## **RE: Request for financial assistance for 2015/2016, including Project VIC Wi-Fi**

I write to seek financial assistance from the Burdekin Shire Council for 2015-2016.

This year, the Burdekin Tourism Association Inc. celebrated 20 years of providing important facilities and services for the Burdekin community, and successfully promoting the Burdekin region. Our volunteers ensure that the Burdekin's two Visitor Information Centres are open daily to welcome visitors, and provide them with accurate, up-to-date information. Our centres are audited annually, and accredited through Tourism and Events Queensland, authorising the association to use the nationally recognised yellow on blue 'i' symbol.

The Burdekin Tourism Association appreciates the generous support invested by the Council to date. Without the essential support of the Burdekin Shire Council we would be unable to operate. Past funding has allowed our organisation-

- Telephone and Internet Expenses
- Delivery of training programs and Volunteer Famils
- Public Liability Insurance
- Membership with Townsville Enterprise Limited
- Annual audits with Visit Queensland, and membership with QICA

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This year the Burdekin Tourism Association added further initiatives to its credits, including:

- The association's Facebook page [www.facebook.com/burdekintourism](http://www.facebook.com/burdekintourism) , Pinterest Account [www.pinterest.com/burdekintourism](http://www.pinterest.com/burdekintourism) , and Instagram Account [www.instagram.com/burdekintourism](http://www.instagram.com/burdekintourism) are all active and engaging with the number of likes and followers continuing to grow. Participating in these social media platforms allows the association other avenues to promote the Burdekin district; attract more visitors and provide information.
- With assistance from Townsville Enterprise, we successfully submitted an application and design work for a Shareable Moments Wall. The wall is soon to be installed at the Home Hill Comfort Stop with the assistance of the Burdekin Shire Council.

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- The association continues to successfully run the Australian Hand Cane Cutting Championships. The association recognises the significance of this event, and its potential as a major tourist drawcard for the area. The event is financially sponsored by businesses and organisations involved in the Burdekin area. With Tourism and Events Queensland funding, we have been able to engage the services of Sandra Garvin, to develop and grow our event for the future.

Most importantly we are currently in the process of applying for funding as part of Project VIC Wi-Fi, through Visit Queensland. This project aims to ensure the availability of free Wi-Fi in Visitor Information Centres throughout the state.

We understand the Burdekin Shire Council is considering a Wi-fi system for public areas in the Burdekin. The beauty of the Myport System which will be installed if we are successful in our bid, means tourism data (rather than just technical data) will be able to be collected effectively, for local and state-wide purposes. This is truly free Wi-Fi, with controlled usage, rather than other systems which requires users to have their own home account. The project also includes volunteer staff training and support, and the system will ensure both Visitor Information Centres in our shire remain relevant to the needs of our visitors.

Attached is some information about Project VIC Wi-Fi. If you require further information regarding the project please contact Wayne Clift from Visit Queensland by phoning 0408 228 041.

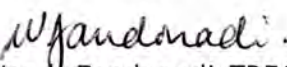
In your consideration of the financial assistance for the Burdekin Tourism Association this year, please factor in the value of this opportunity to boost visitor numbers to our centres, the increased length of stay of these visitors in our area, and the positive flow-on effect to the economy of the Burdekin region. Tourism is an important component of the economic landscape of the Burdekin, and impacts on businesses and jobs in the region.

The association is aware that the Burdekin Shire Council is always under financial scrutiny, and pressure to keep spending tight. However, the Burdekin Tourism Association would not function without the financial support of the Council.

The Burdekin Tourism Association requests financial assistance from Council for the amount of \$14,000.00. This will allow the association to be included in Project VIC Wi-Fi, and to continue adequately performing the functions necessary to promote the Burdekin Shire, to increase visitor stays and increase income for local businesses. Please find attached a list of expenses to which the finances will be allocated.

I thank you in anticipation of your favourable consideration of this request.

Yours faithfully,

  
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**Burdekin Tourism Association**

**Request for financial assistance for 2015/2016**

Administrative costs, including audits	\$ 3,000.00
Telephone and Internet Expenses	\$ 3,000.00
Assistance to deliver Volunteer famils and Training program	\$ 1,600.00
Public Liability Insurance	\$ 800.00
Project Wi-Fi -initial set up costs and one year fee	\$ 5,600.00
TOTAL	<u>\$ 14,000.00</u>

## PROJECT VIC WI-FI – OVERVIEW

### What is Project VIC Wi-Fi?

The Wi-Fi project has been developed to bring the Queensland accredited VIC Network and visitors into the age of connectivity through the availability of free Wi-Fi in Visitor Information Centres.

Project VIC Wi-Fi seeks to lift the VIC profile and visitor connectivity across the VIC Network; providing the opportunity for visitors to visit the VIC and access further information on attractions and accommodation opportunities and also the ability to connect the network.

This project is funded by the Federal Government through the Tourism Demand Driver Infrastructure (TDDI) program, and facilitated through the Department of Tourism, Major Events, Small Business and the Commonwealth Games (DTESB) and Tourism & Events Queensland (TEQ) for the supply and installation of managed Public Wi-Fi access at Visitor Information Centres. It will provide measured free Wi-Fi with a data capture component as a condition of log-in as well as training for staff and volunteers (i) for a 12 month period and (ii) on a dollar-for-dollar basis with the VIC. There are some pre-requisites and costs required by VICs.

Through this project, it is intended that all VICs will eventually connect online, provide their guests with a 'best in class' tourism experience, increase the professionalism of the VIC network, through to the sharing of information, product referrals and online bookings across the state.

Visit Queensland (VQ) has been engaged by DTESB to manage and coordinate the VIC Wi-Fi project.

### What does Project VIC Wi-Fi involve?

- This project will operate for a 12 month period.
- This project will provide for the set-up, installation and management costs for a 12 month period.
- Additional annual costs will need to be met by VICs after the initial 12 month period.
- It is expected that participating VICs will commit to continue to maintain and fund Wi-Fi in their VIC after the initial 12 month period for a minimum of a further 12 months, approximately \$800.
- It is anticipated Wi-Fi will be installed and training completed by 30 April 2016.
- Key VIC staff and volunteers will be trained to understand how it works, how to maximise the 'Best-in-class' guest experience and finally how to best utilise features such as the data collection page for research purposes.
- Direct online support will be provided to each VIC by the Wi-Fi provider.
- VQ will provide face to face on-site training plus follow up communication which will assist staff to understand how to maximise the benefits and experience of the free Wi-Fi facility.
- A comprehensive 2-3 hour customer service training component is also included.



## How can my VIC participate?

- An Acceptance Form can be submitted by VICs interested in participating who will need to:
  - Address the Project's Eligibility Criteria, Terms and Conditions document and submit an Acceptance Form to VQ.
- **NOTE:**
  - Acceptance Forms are to be received by VQ no later than **Friday 28 August**.

## Eligibility Criteria

1. Participating VICs must have an available active Telstra telephone service (note, your provider does not have to be Telstra) which could be a fax or EFTPOS line for the ADSL service connection within the VIC before the commencement of this project.
2. Participating VICs must commit to the training on the use and management of the Wi-Fi system by the majority of their staff and volunteers if they too will be using the system.
3. Participating VICs must commit to milestone feedback to VQ on how the project is proceeding, the issues encountered and resolved, and how Wi-Fi is being received by staff and / or volunteers and visitors.
4. Participating VICs must commit to completing a survey requesting information regarding the implementation of Wi-Fi. This survey will be distributed to participating VICs after implementation and before the end of the 12 month period.
5. Participating VICs must nominate a staff member to champion this project in their centre. This would be a person who is located on-site for the majority of the time, is prepared to be fully trained in the use of the Wi-Fi system, can document and teach other staff members and or volunteers how to use the device with visitors and is prepared to be the 'go-to' person within the VIC. This person will be contacted during this project to organise installation and training as well as to receive feedback and intelligence for regular reporting to Tourism & Events Queensland and be responsible for updating ATDW to show Wi-Fi status.
6. Participating VICs must ensure the hardware is located in a secure position within the VIC to avoid connection disruption.
7. Participating VICs must have the funding capacity and commitment to continue with Wi-Fi after the initial 12 month period, for a minimum further 12 months.
8. Participating VICs must have current Professional Indemnity and Public Liability Insurance.
9. Participating VICs must remain an accredited VIC for the duration of the project.
10. This project is on the basis of \$1 for \$1 funding commitment.
11. The total cost per VIC is \$3,975 including GST.
12. The individual VIC cost for: supply, configuration, installation, support, maintenance and licence for the first 12 months will be a \$1,988 including GST which represents the VIC's share in the actual cost.

13. The annual ongoing individual VIC cost after the first 12 months will be approximately \$800 including GST which covers maintenance, support and licencing **but does not include** the VIC's respective data plan costs. This will be an ongoing annual cost.
14. If participating VICS do not currently have an internet service provider and / or access to ADSL and a data plan, a basic plan can be provided for approximately \$80 per month including 50GB download.

## Terms and Conditions

1. Visit Queensland Pty Ltd is the Project Manager and coordinator of Project *VIC Wi-Fi* acting under contract to DTESB and will be the main point of contact during the implementation stages of this project.
2. VICs are required to meet the eligibility criteria to be considered for a place in Project *VIC Wi-Fi*.
3. Only accredited Queensland Visitor Information Centres can be accepted.
4. VICs selected to participate in this project must provide information requested by the Wi-Fi provider for individual VIC system requirements in a timely manner to ensure the success of the project.
5. If a VIC is successful in securing a place in the project and it is subsequently deemed the VIC cannot fulfil the mandatory criteria (for any reason), VQ, in consultation with DTESB can remove the VIC from the project; remove the Wi-Fi hardware and software setup from the VIC, and offer this place to another VIC.
6. VICs must produce documentary evidence of both Professional Indemnity and Public Liability Insurance.
7. At the conclusion of the project VICs will be permitted to retain the Wi-Fi system as long as they maintain the willingness and capacity to continue its operation including ongoing fees for a minimum of a further 12 months.
8. It is essential that the individual VIC makes their own decision on the suitability or otherwise of introducing Wi-Fi to its business.
9. VICs will be invoiced for their portion and payment will be required prior to installation.



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## PROJECT VIC WI-FI

**The Myport system** has essentially been developed from a Tourism use perspective rather than a general technical access use.

All free Wi-Fi at a basic level provides access to the internet for all users; from there it can be controlled, designed or modified to suit the intended outcomes.

This is where Myport differs from a traditional publicly accessible system, it provides the following benefits.

- **Collection of data**, which can be used for marketing and identification of trends. The amount and type of data collected is the choice of the local tourism administrator.
- **The Log in process** is the controlling point for data collection, it means the data is collected automatically without further resources or intervention required. This data is then formatted in a number of ways depending on the required usage- ie PDF, Excel spreadsheet etc.
- **The Landing page** provides an advertising platform exposed to users after Log in. This page can be revenue producing by way of direct advertising charges or as a means of promoting forthcoming events festivals or local community activities. It can also drive users to specific websites, images or further data collection options. Changes can be made as often as desired by the local tourism administrator.
- The amount of **free download time and volume** is controlled by the local tourism administrator and can be changed as often as necessary.
- **Access to all data** collected is web based and available by the local tourism administrator at anytime from anywhere. Others can be added as required to have access to this information.
- The **uniform collection of data** provides a state wide picture of visitors and their travelling patterns.
- The **cost is \$1988 per VIC** which includes a substantial 2 -3 hr Customer Service training package for volunteers and tourism staff. All licences monitoring and equipment.
- The only ongoing cost is the licence fee of approx. \$500 / yr, which allows access to the monitoring program.

If you have any questions or need anything clarified, please don't hesitate to give myself or Wayne a call on 0408 228 041 and/or if you'd like us to speak to your I.T team.

Kind regards,

Mel

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Dear Mr Magin

**Planning Local Government Elections – 19 March 2016**

Peter Knapton has been appointed the Returning Officer (RO) for Burdekin Shire Council.

ROs do not officially commence duty until the notice of the election is published. The Commission will be in contact with ROs to deliver training, delivery of materials, office accommodation and other election processes pertinent to the event.

The RO will be provided with your Councils contact details as supplied to Electoral Commission Queensland and may contact Council.

If you have any queries relating to the 2016 Local Government Elections you should contact the Commission.

Yours sincerely



Walter van der Merwe  
Electoral Commissioner

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Dear Mayor

### **Annual update of the resources sector's economic contribution to Burdekin Shire Council**

I am pleased to inform you of the results of the Queensland Resources Council's sixth annual Economic Contribution Report.

As the peak representative body for the commercial developers of the state's minerals and energy resources, the QRC has again surveyed its full member companies to identify the economic contribution of the minerals and energy sector to the Queensland economy in 2014-15.

The localised spending data – including employee salaries and wages, business purchases, community contributions, local and state government payments – was collected by postcode where it was spent to allow economic impacts to be assessed.

The annual survey again provides a breakdown by region as well as State and Federal electorates.

At this link you can find the executive summary of the independent report on the 2014-15 Report compiled by Lawrence Consulting which is an extension of previous surveys completed over the past five years: [www.qrc.org.au/economiccontribution](http://www.qrc.org.au/economiccontribution)

You will be interested I'm sure to know that we have also provided a breakdown by local government areas (LGAs) and the profile for your LGA can be found here:  
[https://www.qrc.org.au/\\_dbase\\_upl/Burdekin\\_LGA.pdf](https://www.qrc.org.au/_dbase_upl/Burdekin_LGA.pdf)

The survey clearly demonstrates that the minerals and energy sector continues to play a critical role in the Queensland economy with an estimated \$64.8 billion contribution to the state's economy in 2014-15.

**Most significantly, the report shows that the resources sector is responsible directly and indirectly for one in every five dollars in Queensland's economy and one in every six jobs.**

The QRC web site contains a wealth of spending data and fact sheets covering the contributions made by companies involved in the production of coal, oil and gas and metals and other commodities. Enhanced website functionality allows users to interrogate a Queensland map by region and zero in on the LGAs within it to reveal the sophisticated profiles, including land use.

Despite a slump in commodity prices and the 'disrupt and delay' tactics of activist groups, the

Queensland resources sector continues to be the lynchpin of the state economy as a generator of jobs, exports, spending and government revenues. Significantly this year more community organisations have benefited while more than 24,000 Queensland businesses were paid for goods and services.

The 2014-15 results signal the beginning of a new phase for the resources sector where we have moved out of a record period of capital expenditure.

While we are now settling back into a more normal period where operational expenditure dominates, the jobs created, the spending dollars generated and the royalties of \$2.1 billion paid to the Queensland Government are still pivotal to the strength of our economy.

The Queensland resources sector remains a tremendous good news story with a strong, ongoing operational future.

I encourage you to have a detailed look at the available information and to share this information with your fellow Councillors, staff and other key stakeholders.

If you have any questions, please contact us at [info@qrc.org.au](mailto:info@qrc.org.au) or by telephone on (07) 3295 9560.

Yours sincerely

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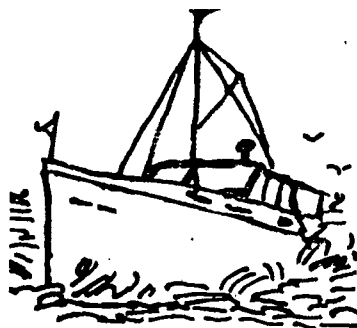
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## Groper Creek Reserve



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28<sup>th</sup> October, 2015

Dear Sir

The Home Hill Boat Club are endeavouring to improve the water quality being used in the toilets at Groper Creek, and also to have low salt content water for watering purposes on the Reserve. Present water has a high iron content and up to 140grains of salt.

The Home Hill Boat Club are asking for permission to run a pipeline from the culvert near Horseshoe Lagoon to Groper Creek using the road reserve right hand side all the way.

Attached is a map showing the location of the pump position at the culvert and the proposed pipeline route.

Trusting that this will meet with Council approval.

Yours faithfully

*S. Chapman*  
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Secretary

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