

# Queensland Government's Status Report: January – June 2014

On the Logan: City of Choice Two-Year  
Action Plan 2013-2015

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## Executive Summary

The Queensland Government is committed to delivering a broad range of initiatives and actions that align with the work being done in Logan by the Logan City Council.

The *Logan: City of Choice Two-Year Action Plan 2013–2015* outlines a comprehensive set of activities covering the key themes of education, employment, housing, safety, social infrastructure and transport. The strong working relationship between Logan City Council and the Queensland Government will continue to be built through cooperative implementation of the *Logan: City of Choice Two-Year Action Plan 2013-2015*.

This status report provides Information against the Queensland Government Responses to the *Logan: City of Choice Action Plan* where the Queensland Government is leading or supporting the implementation of actions. This Status Report is focused on the biannual reporting timeframe of 1 January to 30 June 2014.

Highlights of the Queensland Government's Status Report include:

- The Department of Education, Training and Employment (DETE) investment of \$1.4 million (during 2013–14), to fund seven projects under Community Learning In Logan that will see 453 disadvantaged learners gain skills and qualifications up to Certificate III level in community services; sport and recreation; transport & distribution; business; and hospitality.
- Queensland Police Service (QPS) has continued involvement with the Indigenous Community Police Consultative Group leading to the implementation of local programs of 'Culture in the Park'.
- Delivery of the Community Connect Forum by the Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs (DATSIMA) This forum brought leaders together to identify cultural awareness across diverse cultural groups living in Logan.
- Queensland Health (Metro South) has continued to deliver the resource called Healthy Jarjums. This has been disseminated to all state primary schools in Logan. It has been utilised in some of these schools and embedded into teaching modules.
- The Department of Housing and Public Works (DPHW) has undertaken extensive engagement with various stakeholders and developed the Logan Homelessness Community Action Plan (LHCAP).
- The Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) continues their commitment to working with Logan City Council to address identified transport issues and needs.

## THEME: EDUCATION

### Queensland Government Response to the Action Plan

1.1 The Queensland Government supports school attendance by all Queensland children.

The Department of Education, Training and Employment actively promotes the 'Everyday Counts' message in state schools and implements a number of initiatives in state schools to encourage attendance, all of which would have benefit in Logan, including:

- the Parent and Community Engagement (PaCE) program which supports positive school and parent relationships by promoting the importance of attending school every day and working directly with schools
- strategies in schools such as breakfast clubs, intensive collaborative case management for at risk students, walking school bus, individual schools setting public attendance targets with their communities, pre-prep transition programs and early years parent engagement programs
- schools across Logan City implementing the evidence-based School Wide Positive Behaviour Support Program which engages full community participation in developing and supporting clear school community expectations that centre on learning, responsibility, respect and safety. Many schools are actively engaging students in monitoring their individual and class attendance on a daily and weekly basis with celebrations for 100% attendance
- the Learning and Wellbeing School Planning and Evaluation Tool which provides a tool for schools to assess their current practice and priorities, and inform ongoing planning
- the Community Durithunga Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation, which is a network of Indigenous Educators that actively promote attendance and community engagement. The group has affiliations with community organisations that support best practice within Logan City schools

1.2 Explore opportunities to reduce barriers to higher education for New Zealand citizens.

This is an issue primarily for the Australian Government.

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- Schools across Logan offer a variety of services to support students and their families. For example Mabel Park State School:
  - offers breakfast for students five days a week sponsored by the YMCA breakfast program. Twice a week it is run on the middle campus and three times a week it is run out of the Murri Club
  - has a Murri Club which includes playgroup on Monday mornings and dance and cultural classes twice a week
  - has a very public attendance target of above 90% for every child. This is discussed on parade in newsletters, school sign and posters in every classroom tracking students daily attendance
  - runs free after school sporting activities for students on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons
  - runs a pre prep program for students and parents during Term 4. This allows for a smooth transition for prep for both students and parents
  - has a student and parent wellness centre which features a "Community Hub", this centre supports parents to ensure that their children experience success at school. It includes helping parents find employment, setting home routines, home visits, budgeting, parent education classes and social get-togethers.
- 74 schools in South East Region (SER) are currently implementing Schoolwide Positive Behaviour Support. The majority of these are schools in Logan City. Implementing Schoolwide Positive Behaviour Support involves family and community participation, to bring about improvements in student learning and social outcomes. Schools are tracking behaviour referrals, attendance and academic outcomes and making decisions based on data.
- Durithunga has arranged sporting events on a regional basis for local Indigenous students. They were also involved in arranging Regional IEW workshops. SER have taken over this role.

This issue continues to be monitored in Queensland

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1.3 Queensland State Schools are committed to promoting cultural diversity and inter-racial harmony. This is done on a daily basis in recognising and celebrating the significant contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to the Logan community. Other opportunities for recognition and celebration include facilitating events during Harmony Day, Reconciliation Week, NAIDOC Week and Anzac Day.

The Department of Education, Training and Employment supports a number of initiatives that promote cooperation and harmony, including:

- embedding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Perspectives in Schools (EATSIPS) to support schools to develop protocols around recognising the Traditional Owners of the Country on which each school is built, at assembly and other formal occasions
- local Logan-based Elders working cooperatively with schools and supporting cultural and other school events
- offering Indigenous Studies to senior students (i.e. at Woodridge State High School). This course gains QCE and OP points as it is an Authority Registered Subject. It is taken by Indigenous and non-Indigenous students. A cultural advisor supports the program
- developing the “Reconciliation: Myths and Misunderstandings” Community Education Course through the Indigenous Schooling Support Unit. The course is currently going through Queensland Studies Authority approval. A student course has also been submitted for implementation across secondary schools, offering students a 1 point QCE
- Community Education Counsellors (CECs) who promote cultural awareness as well as ensuring culturally appropriate practices are followed within school communities. These officers are a well utilised resource for families
- embedding the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Perspectives in Early Childhood (EATSIPeC) project to support Early Childhood providers to be culturally aware, welcoming and encouraging of pre-prep participation. It is receiving favourable reviews within Logan City
- the Yugambeh Language is being taught at Waterford West State School. This program was recognised in 2013 State Reconciliation Awards and was also a 2014 winner in the State Schooling Showcase Awards of Excellence. This program is leading the way for the introduction of Traditional

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DETE continues to support local efforts:

- The SER Indigenous Reference Group (IRG) are revisiting the EATSIPS rubric and have remodelled the elements that they felt needed highlighting further. SER have advertised the EATSIPS Principal Project Officer role and should shortly be filling this role. The majority of our schools are aware of the protocols around acknowledging country etc.
- Schools initiate and work with Elders in the community as the need arises. Members of the IRG are actively undertaking programs to support schools.
- Woodridge State High School currently offers Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies as an authority subject. There are 22 students enrolled across the senior cohort.
- The “Reconciliation: Myths and Misunderstandings” Community Education Course has been renamed “Reconciliation: Communities working together”. The Course has been finalised, and is currently undergoing QSA assessment. It is expected to be ready for implementation later in 2014.
- SER has Community Education Counsellors (CEC) in Marsden SHS, Woodridge SHS, and Beenleigh SHS in the Logan area. Marsden SHS CEC has well developed connections in the local community as well as further afield and works very hard at getting students to school, keeping them in school and ensuring they are achieving. They are a well utilised resource for families and community in general. Positions have recently been advertised across the state for staff. One of the proposed locations for an officer was Logan.
- Waterford West State School teaches the Yugumbeh language to all students from Prep to Year 7 as the school’s LOTE subject. Classes are run each week with either a language or cultural focus, depending on the Year level. The school has a dedicated Yugumbeh teacher employed at 1.0FTE.

DATSIMA is supporting local efforts by:

- providing assistance to the implementation of EATSIPS and the school community, through regular attendance at Indigenous Education Reference Group meetings
- recently delivering a Community Connect Forum for leaders of all nations to come together. This was powerful in identifying cultural awareness across diverse cultural groups living in Logan.
- finalising a Logan Community Action Plan which

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<p>Languages in schools. It is supported by the Yugambeh Cultural Museum, Beenleigh.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs</b> supports and funds a number of initiatives including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• continuing to provide assistance to the Department of Education, Training and Employment in implementing EATSIPS and fostering enhanced school community relationships</li> <li>• funding programs (for example, the Community Action for a Multicultural Society and Local Area Multicultural Partnerships) to improve awareness and understanding of cultural diversity</li> <li>• funding events which promote positive community relations and aim to strengthen Queenslanders' understanding of the benefits of cultural diversity to the state</li> </ul> <p><b>Queensland Health (Metro South)</b> has developed a resource called Healthy Jarjums. This has been disseminated to all state primary schools in Logan. It has been utilised in some of these schools and embedded into teaching modules.</p>	<p>includes actions to improve employment, education, social justice, housing, health, and cultural awareness of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• providing, under the Logan Community Action Plan, \$10,000 to continue the Sterritt Project which aims to increase employment and community leadership amongst youth in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community supporting the upcoming 2014 Logan NAIDOC event on 9 July 2014. Government funding of \$1500 has been provided for the event, which will include a particular focus on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander ex-service men and women</li> <li>- funding of the CAMS and LAMP programs</li> <li>- providing funding under the Valuing Diversity Grants Program for cultural events that promote positive community relations, community cohesion and understanding of cultural diversity. Of these events, three have been held in the Logan area since January 2014 – 'Waitangi Multicultural Day', 'Kaleidoscope Multicultural Festival' and 'Chin National Day Celebration'</li> <li>- providing funding of \$5,000 to the Kings and Queens of Pacific Rugby Group to host the 2014 Rugby Tournament to be held in Logan area later in the year.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As previously reported in the initial Government Response, <b>Queensland Health (Metro South)</b> has developed a resource called Healthy Jarjums. This has been disseminated to all state primary schools in Logan. It has been utilised in some of these schools and embedded into teaching modules. Queensland Metro South has no further information to provide against this action at this time.</li> </ul>
<p>1.4 Convene a forum with principals, community service leaders and other key stakeholders to develop a whole of community plan to support children and their families from birth, through school to adulthood.</p> <p>This action is led by the Leadership Team and the Queensland Government will provide support as appropriate.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Education, Training and Employment</b> could assist Logan City Council through participation in a steering group, promoting participation by principals and early childhood centres, distribution of details on the event, assistance with speakers, best practice examples or (if required)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>DETE</b> South East Regional Office will advise staff of relevant forums arranged by the Logan City of Choice Leadership Team in which the participation of regional officers or school-based staff would make a contribution. The Leadership Team may send information about forums in Logan to <a href="mailto:enquiries.SER@dete.qld.gov.au">enquiries.SER@dete.qld.gov.au</a> for consideration and distribution to DETE staff.</li> <li>▪ <b>DETE</b> has ongoing representation on the Logan Government Coordinators' group.</li> </ul>

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<p>additional venue options.</p> <p>Staff from the <b>Department of Education, Training and Employment</b> currently attend the 'Logan Government Coordinators' group (local, state and federal representation) which provides a regular forum for communication between colleagues from all levels of government and different agencies involved with delivering or developing collaborative initiatives aimed at improving the social and economic capacity of the Logan area.</p> <p><b>Queensland Health</b> (Metro South) would be interested in this action as a participant stakeholder in the process to ensure appropriate links to health services are included as part of any plan.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Queensland Health</b> (Metro South) continues to be interested in this action as a participant stakeholder in the process to ensure appropriate links to health services are included as part of any plan.</li> </ul>
<p>1.5 Work with key stakeholders in planning for the Meadowbrook knowledge precinct, to strategically consider the assets, programs, and economic drivers for TAFEs, Universities and educational services and their links to the urban environment.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Education, Training and Employment</b> will continue to support this process as required. The Metropolitan South Institute of TAFE is actively represented on the working group for the Meadowbrook knowledge precinct.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Management and ownership of TAFE public training assets have been transferred to the Training Assets Management Authority (QTAMA).</li> <li>• TAFE Queensland Brisbane is now subject to a fully contestable VET funding market effective 1 July 2014.</li> <li>• The South East Health Pathways Alliance will be launched on 24 June 2014.</li> <li>• Please note that Metropolitan South TAFE has been subsumed into TAFE Queensland Brisbane.</li> </ul>
<p>1.6 The Queensland Government supports the education of all Queensland children and young people and encourages families and communities to share responsibility for supporting educators.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Education, Training and Employment</b> is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• refining a direct-to-schools resourcing model in 2014 allowing schools greater capacity to individualise the use of these resources to meet their unique school community needs</li> <li>• supporting the Youth Support Coordinator initiative which now provides allocations directly to secondary schools to increase support to youth at-risk students.</li> </ul> <p>The Queensland Curriculum (P-10) has been developed with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives which all schools have access to. The Indigenous Schooling Support Unit Library, School to Work Team, EATSiPEC project provides resources for schools to maximise participation, connection to culture and</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Board has recently been formed within DETE to look at the funding model for Students with Disability. The Board consists of all the Queensland State School Regional Directors, as well as the Deputy Director-General, State schools, Deputy Director-General, Corporate Services and Assistant Director-General, State Schools- Operations. The current 2014 Direct to Schools Model is being discussed. The Board's role is to establish a revised model.</li> <li>• The South East Region of DETE has embraced the introduction of the Youth Support Coordinator (YSC) Initiative within the region. Principals were afforded the opportunity to target their allocation to meet their individual school needs.</li> <li>• The role of a state school Youth Support Coordinator (YSC) is to provide support to at-risk students in Years 10 to 12 to remain engaged with their education to enhance their opportunities for further education and sustainable future employment. The role of the YSC will reflect the specific needs of the school.</li> </ul>

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engaged learning EATSIPS professional development has been taken up by all Logan City schools over the last three years.

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- A total of 9.9 FTE YSCs operate across all secondary schools in Logan.

## THEME: EMPLOYMENT

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2.1 Establish a group of employment service providers and industry to promote and further encourage entry level positions to be filled by people from high unemployment areas.

This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council. In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.

2.2 Identify holistic programs that work in the area of resolving long term unemployment and seek ways to initiate, grow, and advocate for these programs in Logan City.

This is primarily an issue for the Australian Government.

The **Department of Education, Training and Employment** continues to work with other Queensland Government agencies and the Australian Government on improving educational and training outcomes and labour market participation, with a strong focus on those who are disadvantaged in the labour market. This agenda supports the objectives set out in the *Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Economic Participation Framework* and DETE's *Solid partners. Solid futures* and *Great skills. Real opportunities.* action plans.

While not specific to Logan, under *Great skills. Real opportunities*, the Queensland Government provides additional support and assistance under the new Community Learning initiative to disadvantaged learners who are not accessing income support or Australian Government employment assistance, to participate in and complete vocational training up to a Certificate III qualification.

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- The provision of employment support services is the responsibility of the Australian Government. The Queensland Government one stop web portal provides information about and links to a range of employment related services at the state and national level. See [www.qld.gov.au/jobs](http://www.qld.gov.au/jobs).
- A minimum of nine (9) trainees will be engaged across **DATSIMA** in the 2014-15 year (and for each subsequent year) as part of our commitment to the economic participation agenda. At least one trainee position will be assigned to the South East Queensland (South) region. Strong preference will be given to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander trainees in the Logan area.
- **DETE** is continuing to implement the *Great skills. Real opportunities.* reform action plan to enable eligible Queenslanders to access and complete the skills training they need to get a job.
  - Through the Action Plan **DETE** is:
    - improving engagement with industry and employers,
    - making training more accessible, and
    - ensuring quality training is linked to employment
  - From 1 July 2014, a number of new funding programs and policies will be implemented in line with the reforms outlined within *Great skills. Real opportunities*.
  - The Community Learning strategic intervention features a responsive funding model that supports partnerships between community organisations and training providers to develop innovative training projects. Projects assist disadvantaged learners who are not accessing Australian Government income support or employment services, to undertake nationally recognised training up to a certificate III level in a supportive environment in their local communities.
- During 2013-14, **DETE** has invested \$1.4M to fund seven projects under Community Learning in Logan that will see 453 disadvantaged learners gain skills and qualifications up to certificate III level in community

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The Queensland Government also provides a subsidised training place in priority qualifications to eligible Queenslanders under the Certificate 3 Guarantee Program and additional subsidies for language, literacy and numeracy skills and lower level qualifications which may be required by participants prior to undertaking their Certificate III qualification.

The government is also committed to investing an additional \$86 million over six years to create an extra 10 000 apprentice and trainee commencements. *Great skills. Real opportunities.* also announced a number of trade employment initiatives including:

- the \$10 million School to Trade Pathway incentive providing employers with a \$5000 bonus for retaining their school-based apprentice in full-time work after they leave school
- the Registered Trade Skills Pathway which makes trade recognition easier for casual and other employees and complements existing trade pathways.

The **Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs** will participate in any joint initiatives to ensure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and people from culturally diverse communities have the same opportunities as all Queenslanders.

2.3 Contribute to Logan City's existing and new economic development and planning strategies. This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council. In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action. No further action is possible at this point in terms of relocation of Woodridge State High School.

The **Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs** will participate in any joint initiatives to ensure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and people from culturally diverse communities have the same opportunities as all Queenslanders:

- the 2014 funding round of the Economic Participation Grants Program 2014-15 offers grants to assist local government and non-government organisations to deliver innovative projects that

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services, sport and recreation, transport & distribution, business, and hospitality.

- **DETE** representatives met with Logan City Council looking at opportunities to work cooperatively with the Council on long term planning
- The **DETE** Facilities Manager attended the community workshop "Logan Central – Life Long Learning Precinct."
- Funding complete for Trade Training Centres. Six sites within Logan are:
  - Kingston College (construction)
  - Loganlea State High School (hospitality)
  - Mabel Park State High School (construction)
  - Beenleigh State High School (hospitality)
  - Windaroo Valley State High School (hospitality)
  - Park Ridge State High School (science)
- **DATSIMA** has provided \$15,000 toward the PCYC Breaking the Cycle program under the Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Economic Participation Framework targeted at those Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth who are not eligible for Community Learning funding
- **DATSIMA** has also developed strong networks with the community to deliver projects, aimed at realising an increase in trainees and apprentices. For example, DATSIMA is working in partnership with other key stakeholders in Logan to deliver an all nation youth forum/expo for school leavers and those at-risk, to provide employment opportunities.

**DATSIMA** continues to support work in this area by:

- finalising the development of a whole-of-government Cultural Diversity Action Plan (Action Plan) which outlines the steps that the Government will take to drive improvements in language independence, education participation and attainment, economic independence and participation and community participation
- finalising a review of the Queensland Government Language Services Policy and the development of a new language service policy to ensure that it continues to enhance access to Government and Government-funded services for people who have difficulty communicating in English
- hosting four targeted stakeholder engagement fora across the state, including one in Logan, to test the then draft Queensland Cultural Diversity Policy Action Plan with stakeholders, and to seek input for the

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<p>support economic independence and participation as well as business development for Queenslanders from culturally diverse backgrounds. The outcomes of the Economic Participation Grants Program will be announced in mid-2014</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the <i>Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Economic Participation Framework</i> was released in December 2013. The framework sets out the three priority areas in economic participation including individual responsibility and opportunity, unlocking economic potential and contributing to the economy. An action plan to support the framework will be publicly released by mid-2014</li> <li>the <i>Queensland Cultural Diversity Policy</i> was also released in December 2013. The policy sets out the Queensland Government's priorities for culturally diverse communities including the themes of language independence, education participation and attainment, economic independence and participation and community participation. An action plan outlining government department responses will be developed in 2014.</li> </ul>	<p>review of the Language Services Policy. Almost 50 stakeholders from the culturally diverse community sector, local government and departmental representatives participated in the forum in Logan on 24 March 2014.</p> <p>The Queensland Cultural Diversity Policy Action Plan and the new Language Services Policy and Guidelines will be released in the second half of 2014.</p>
<p>2.4 Advocate for the exploration of the underlying reasons, issues and facts behind long term unemployment in high impact areas of Logan City</p> <p>This action is led by the Leadership Team.</p> <p>Through the Inter-Agency Group on Queensland Employment and Training, the <b>Department of Education, Training and Employment</b> continues to engage the Australian Government on possible responses to identified gaps in employment service delivery.</p> <p>On 18 February 2014, the Minister for Education, Training and Employment and the Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs and Minister Assisting the Premier announced the Strategic Indigenous VET partnership, a strategic partnership between the <b>Department of Education, Training and Employment</b> and the <b>Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs</b> to deliver up to \$1 million a year (commencing 2013/2014) over the next four years for accredited training and assessment services across Queensland.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DETE is continuing to coordinate the Inter-Agency Group on Employment and Training. DETE is working with senior State and Australian Government representatives to foster collaboration and minimise duplication of services.</li> <li>The Strategic Indigenous VET Partnership commenced in April 2014. As at 31 May 2014, three projects had been approved to assist 38 participants within the DETE North Coast region. No projects have been approved for Logan to date.</li> <li>From 1 July 2014 a number of new funding programs and policies will be implemented in line with the reforms outlined within <i>Great skills. Real opportunities</i>. The Strategic Indigenous VET Partnership forms an integral component of the 2014–15 VET Investment Plan which was launched on 9 June 2014.</li> <li>DATSIMA continues to meet with the Department of Education, Training and Employment to discuss current and proposed joint projects under the Strategic indigenous VET partnership.</li> </ul>
<p>2.5 Promote and facilitate the provision of infrastructure in rural or growth areas to encourage the establishment of local businesses and create employment opportunities in these areas. For example,</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DATSIMA is in discussions with the Australian Government around the employment opportunities in Flagstone.</li> </ul>

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<p>Flagstone and Yarrabilba.</p> <p>This action is led by the Leadership Team. In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p> <p>2.6 Develop programs and strategies that encourage social enterprise opportunities.</p> <p>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council. In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p> <p>While not specific to Logan, the Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Business Directory online web resource (Black Business Finder), has been established to provide business development opportunities for Indigenous business.</p> <p>The Department of Education, Training and Employment works closely with the Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs on the development of skills and employment strategies for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.</p> <p>In addition, the Strategic Indigenous VET Partnership is a strategic partnership to deliver up to \$1 million a year over the next four years for accredited training and assessment services that support the objectives set out in the Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs <i>Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Economic Participation Framework</i> and the Department of Education, Training and Employment' <i>Solid partners. Solid futures and Great skills. Real opportunities.</i> action plans. Both these departments are exploring potential investment across the state and priority industries.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Black Business Finder is a free on-line resource that is continuing to expand to assist employers and project developer's access Indigenous businesses. There are currently over 250 businesses listed on the database that operate in Queensland. DATSIMA regularly promotes the Black Business Finder to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses and organisations.</li> <li>• Where possible, DATSIMA identifies potential Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses that are interested in employing trainees and apprentices under the Strategic Indigenous VET Partnership with Department of Education, Training and Employment.</li> </ul>
<p>2.7 Optimise use of Trade Training Centres at schools to create greater opportunities for access by students and non-students during and outside of normal school hours.</p> <p>In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 92 per cent of eligible State High Schools within the Logan City Council catchment area have obtained or are in the process of applying for funding under the Trade Training Centres in Schools program. Three centres (involving six schools), are currently operational, with a further centre (three schools)</li> </ul>	<p>The Government continues to support this action in principle.</p>

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currently under construction. Three schools have recently applied for funding for an additional centre. Logan is a Priority Employment Area. Applications from Logan schools are therefore considered as a priority.

- Once all centres are operational, there may be opportunities for students within the wider catchment area to access facilities that provide training in their interest area. Principals can negotiate on a case by case basis a student's enrolment into the Trade Training Centre.

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##### 3.1 Progress the implementation of the Logan Renewal Initiative (LRI)

The **Department of Housing and Public Works** supports in principle this action, as it pertains to the reform direction for social housing and the Logan Renewal Initiative.

A national open tender process is underway to identify a suitable non-government organisation to deliver the Initiative. Broadly, the successful organisation will be required to:

- manage approximately 4900 social housing tenancies and properties
- manage applications, referrals to other services, and deliver private rental products
- renew and develop social and affordable housing in Logan City

Over 20 years under the Logan Renewal Initiative, the State requires the successful organisation to supply 1500 new dwellings of which 500 are social housing dwellings. There is a real concern that without these, homelessness and overcrowding will continue to increase. Consideration will be given to the location of these additional units so that, where possible, they do not contribute to a net increase in the proportion of social housing stock in suburbs that are known to have high concentrations of social housing.

While supportive of the action to accelerate the broader redevelopment process, additional non-government providers are not necessarily a mechanism to achieve this.

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**DHPW** continues to support work in this area:

##### Logan Renewal Initiative

- On 24 March 2014, the State endorsed the preferred proponent and endorsed commencement of contract negotiations to draft a contract that delivers on the State's objectives over the 20 year term of the project.

**DATSIMA** continues membership on the Logan Renewal Board to ensure the interests of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and those from culturally diverse communities are best represented.

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<p>The <b>Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs</b> will continue membership on the Logan Renewal Board to ensure the interests of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and those from culturally diverse communities are best represented.</p>	
<p>3.2 Work with the State Government to identify and address the challenges faced with the Logan Renewal Initiative to help facilitate changes to Logan's social housing stock.</p> <p>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council. Through the <b>Department of Housing and Public Works</b> this action is broadly supported.</p> <p>Significant work has informed the development of the Logan Renewal Initiative, including understanding the challenges and benefits of transferring social housing stock. The Logan City Council is represented on the Logan Renewal Board and the Evaluation Panel, and is working with the Queensland Government to address challenges.</p>	<p><b>Logan Renewal Initiative</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As above, when the procurement process is completed and contracts are in place, the State will be in a position to provide further information to Logan City Council. In addition, the preferred proponent will be in a position to initiate their own engagement strategy with Council to progress action items that will benefit from close collaboration.</li> </ul>
<p>3.3 Advocate for stronger partnerships between support service and housing providers to address housing and homelessness issues.</p> <p>The Queensland Government is committed to partnership approaches with the non-government sector. Both the Housing 2020 strategy and the Homelessness to Housing 2020 Strategy include actions for strengthening collaboration between support services and housing providers to address housing and any homelessness issues.</p> <p>Current initiatives of the <b>Department of Housing and Public Works</b> include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>building and maintaining strong and effective relationships with key government and non-government stakeholders in the local community to provide appropriate eligible clients with housing assistance linked with the client's support networks where required</li> <li>supporting Community Housing Organisations (CHOs) to deliver high quality social housing services in the Logan region, maintaining effective relationships with key stakeholders and expanding stakeholder networks where appropriate. CHOs use existing relationships with local support providers and other agencies to link social housing applicants</li> </ul>	<p><b>Logan Renewal Initiative</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subject to successful contract negotiations and endorsement by Government, it is anticipated that detailed implementation planning will occur with the successful proponent for the Logan Renewal Initiative. Implementation plans will ensure that key stakeholders in Logan are identified and briefed in relation to the project and in relation to opportunities to contribute to the Initiative as appropriate.</li> </ul> <p><b>Woodridge Housing Service Centre</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Woodridge Housing Service Centre (WHSC) representatives are part of the Logan Combined Network (LCN) and will continue to attend and contribute to the LCN. They also participate on a local network consisting of locally-based representatives of government agencies and community sector partners to deliver the Housing and Support Program and the Joint Action Plan for younger people with a disability transitioning from Queensland public health facilities.</li> <li>WHSC maintains ongoing engagement with the following networks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Southern Gateway Regional Managers Co-ordination Network, Logan City Integrated Community Response (ICR), Complex Needs Assessment Panel (CNAP), Care Co-ordination Network, Helping Out Families (HOF) program,</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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- and tenants to appropriate support services to help them to move in, through and out of the social housing system and to not fall into homelessness
- reviewing and expanding existing Woodridge Housing Service Centre engagement with stakeholders essential to the delivery of high quality social housing services in Logan City
- subject to a suitable non-government organisation being selected through the Logan Renewal Initiative procurement process, the successful organisation will continue and enhance the engagement with stakeholders to ensure the delivery of high quality social housing services in Logan City
- creating new partnerships with local support providers and government and non-government agencies to prevent homelessness and link social housing applicants and tenants to appropriate support services to assist them to move into, through and out of the social housing system
- partnering with the Queensland Council of Social Services to coordinate the development of a Homelessness Action Plan in collaboration with the Logan community, including housing, homelessness and other community services and other levels of government. A Homelessness Action Plan will be developed by June 2014.

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Logan Housing Interagency Network, Logan Youth Foyer Support Services Panel, Logan and Beenleigh Mental Health Care Co-ordination, Homeless, Health and Outreach Team, Local Disaster Management Group, Joint Action Plan meetings with various Child Safety Services Centres, Housing with Shared Support meetings, The Cultural Housing Initiative, Local Connections to Work, Logan Combined Networks (LCN) and Logan City of Choice – Housing sub-committee.

#### Community Housing Providers

- Contract management staff have conducted teleconferences with all funded community housing providers in the Logan City Council area to ensure providers are managing the delivery of housing services to achieve high quality outcomes for clients.

#### Logan Homelessness Community Action Plan

- From November 2013 a designated officer from DHPW's southern region and a counterpart from the Queensland Council of Social Services (QCOSS) jointly coordinated development of the Logan Homelessness Community Action Plan (LHCAP).
- Extensive engagement and consultation have occurred with numerous stakeholders across Logan's diverse range of community services, within the housing and homelessness sector, allied specialist providers, multiple service organisations and generalist providers such as community neighbourhood centres. Other groups engaged included support and advocacy groups, Indigenous, community and cultural leaders. Local, state and federal government agencies took part in and have contributed to the ongoing development of the plan.
- Through this engagement and consultation, five principle initiatives have been identified for inclusion in the LHCAP. Although not formally endorsed yet, work has commenced on three initiatives identified in the plan. Two of these initiatives have attracted seed funding to commence and pilots are expected to be fully operational within 1-4 months (Logan Street Guide and the Logan Street Library). The third initiative is a research project with Griffith University which is investigating the experiential journey of homeless service users in Logan.
- The remaining two actions focus on improving and expanding case coordination, network integration and informed triage approaches and have reached a crucial stage of development.
- Although well progressed completion of the LHCAP has been impacted by resource constraints. Logan Homelessness Community Action Plan is anticipated to

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<p><b>Queensland Health</b> (Metro South) is interested in collaborative service models where this may lead to enhanced access to relevant health services, including the development of a homelessness action plan.</p>	<p>be completed by August 2014.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A partnership of local providers including Metro South Hospital and Health Services is developing a “Logan street directory” to assist clients and service providers better understand the services available and more successfully have clients be able to link to these services.</li> </ul>
<p><b>3.4 Promote housing diversity in Logan through the Planning Scheme and through coordinating clear direction for future growth patterns.</b></p> <p>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council</li> </ul>
<p><b>3.5 Maintain town planning practices that allow for innovative housing solutions in Greenfield areas.</b></p> <p>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council.</li> </ul>
<p><b>3.6 Evaluate and facilitate redevelopment opportunities of Brownfield sites in Logan.</b></p> <p>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council. In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Housing and Public Works</b> advises that redevelopment is a key requirement of the Logan Renewal Initiative. It is expected that the Initiative’s service provider will engage council to identify and unlock potential opportunities in the portfolio.</p>	<p><b>Logan Renewal Initiative</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The successful proponent for the Logan Renewal Initiative has been made aware of this expectation and will work closely with Logan City Council and the Government to renew and redevelop the social housing portfolio in Logan.</li> </ul>
<p><b>3.7 Build community pride through enhancing the quality and appearance of outdoor and common spaces of housing through creating social enterprises focussed on employment opportunities.</b></p> <p>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council. In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Housing and Public Works (DHPW)</b> manages initiatives including a range of project requirements under the Logan Renewal Initiative that contribute towards this action. Examples include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>design and implement renewal activities that will contribute to the Logan City community as a whole while also meeting the needs of social housing clients</li> <li>deliver quality social housing design, location and construction to maximise social and economic benefits for households with complex and ongoing</li> </ul>	<p><b>Logan Renewal Initiative</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>DHPW</b> and the preferred proponent have been cognisant of the Logan City of Choice two year action plan, and where appropriate, these strategies have been progressed within the context of contract negotiations.</li> </ul>

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<p>needs in the context of their local community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ensure that development and renewal activities provide opportunities for local industry participation</li> <li>• engage with Logan City Council to ensure that opportunities for uplift in property value are explored and maximised</li> </ul> <p>3.8 Develop an affordable housing and/or an affordable living strategy in Logan for households on low to moderate incomes</p> <p>In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action</p> <p>There is not currently an intention of the <b>Department of Housing and Public Works</b> to develop an affordable housing strategy specifically for Logan. However, the merits of this may be considered by the Logan Renewal Board.</p>	<p><b>Regional Housing Plan</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Queensland Government has committed to develop regional plans to address local housing priorities under <i>Housing 2020</i> and the <i>Homelessness-to-Housing Strategy 2020</i>. The Regional housing planning process will gather information to shape regional and local initiatives, improve private and social housing supply and affordability, and inform the realignment of specialist homelessness services. Plans for regions across the state will be released progressively in 2014 and 2015.</li> </ul> <p><b>Affordable Housing - general</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In April 2014 the Queensland Government provided a submission to the Inquiry into Affordable Housing in Australia undertaken by the Senate Economics Reference Committee. This submission outlined a range of points for consideration of the Committee that would contribute to positive outcomes for low to moderate income earners seeking affordable housing across the state</li> </ul>
<p>3.9 Provide opportunities to educate and increase communication with property managers, real estate agents, and service providers on housing needs, lifestyle choices, and tenure histories for people from different cultural backgrounds to facilitate opportunities and remove barriers for those households to secure private rental housing. In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p> <p>Initiatives managed by the <b>Department of Housing and Public Works</b> include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The community housing organisation which is selected to develop housing and deliver housing services under the Logan Renewal Initiative is expected to forge "new partnerships with local support providers, government and non-government agencies to prevent homelessness and to link social housing applicants and tenants to appropriate support services to assist them to move into, through and out of the social housing system".</li> <li>• Many people are achieving satisfactory housing outcomes through the private market. It is</li> </ul>	<p><b>Logan Renewal Initiative</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A key aspect of selection and contract negotiations of the Logan Renewal Initiative has been the advancement of a detailed Communication and Engagement Plan which requires the successful proponent to map and work closely with support providers, government and non-government agencies to prevent homelessness and to link social housing applicants and tenants to appropriate support services to assist them to move into, through and out of the social housing system.</li> </ul> <p><b>RentConnect</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Woodridge Housing Service Centre (WHSC) RentConnect Officers continue to manage relationships with private landlords and real estate agents to increase pathways for clients to access the private rental market.</li> <li>• The WHSC continues to deliver an integrated approach to housing assistance, including RentConnect Officers following up with all clients seeking housing assistance through the WHSC.</li> </ul>

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therefore anticipated that RentConnect will continue to be offered by the selected community housing organisation delivering on the Logan Renewal Initiative to help people find secure and sustainable private rental housing.	

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<p>4.1 Identify, support and build on existing community based safety initiatives such as Neighbourhood Watch and Crime Stoppers to build the capacity of both individuals and groups within the community.</p> <p>In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p> <p>The <b>Queensland Police Service</b> manages a number of initiatives including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• representation on Logan: City of Choice Leadership Team</li> <li>• 28 Neighbourhood Watch Committees in the Logan Police District. There is also a Neighbourhood Watch Area Coordinator's Group. The Queensland Police Service is often represented on both groups</li> <li>• representation on the Logan Crime Stoppers Committee</li> <li>• Divisional Community Consultative Committee</li> <li>• Better Futures Local Solutions</li> <li>• engagement in <i>Safe City Advisory Committee</i>.</li> </ul> <p>4.2 Create stronger neighbourhood connectivity and relationships through initiatives that promote local pride and generate social networks such as street BBQs, picnics in the park and welcoming kits.</p> <p>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council.</p> <p>4.3 Develop an overarching safety plan that explores and surveys perceptions of safety and identifies citywide hot spots and suitable local responses to perceptions and realities of safety.</p> <p>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council. In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p>	<p><b>QPS</b> continues to support work in this area by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• maintaining the existing community support to Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) and Crime Stoppers to continue to build groups within the community</li> <li>• launching a new NHW area in Meadowbrook</li> <li>• supporting the Launch of the Web site for NHW encouraging current and new members to have access to information on contemporary crime issues</li> <li>• continuing representation on the different Committees and engagement with the Safe City Advisor/Committee.</li> </ul> <p>• Promoting 'Neighbour Day' as a joint initiative with the <b>QPS</b> and Neighbourhood Watch.</p> <p>• Current Safe City strategies are valid until 2015, supporting the partnership with the <b>QPS</b> and the Logan City Council identifying citywide hot spots and providing local solutions.</p> <p>• Successfully held week of Action in March 2014 in the suburb of Loganlea area involving Logan City Council, Government Services and <b>QPS</b>.</p>

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<p>The <b>Queensland Police Service</b> currently coordinates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the Week of Action (held in September 2013 and March 2014), with ongoing 6 month actions targeting identified city-wide hot spots</li> <li>Embrace Police, where all levels of government, non-government and private sectors work to improve safety and visual presentation to improve the overall perception of Logan City</li> <li>provision of updated information on crime preventative strategies and safety issues through local media and myPolice Logan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planning is in place to hold a further week of action in an identified hot spot in Crestmead during August 2014</li> <li>Continuing with crime prevention strategies through local media and myPolice Logan</li> </ul>
<p>4.4 Develop a rolling program of CPTED, lighting and way finding audits which are undertaken in partnership with Queensland Police Service and the community.</p> <p>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council. In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p> <p>The <b>Queensland Police Service</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>will provide representation in Crime Prevention through Environmental Design activities</li> <li>is currently undertaking a safety audit and planning of cycle ways in cooperation with Logan City Council</li> <li>will provide an officer to contribute to CPTED planning in future developments, subdivisions and parks including liquor licensing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CPTED audit and proactive audits are being conducted on a monthly basis with at least one local division being identified per month. These audits are conducted in public spaces involving community members and police officers</li> <li>Bikeway audits are being performed in partnership with the Logan city Council and <b>QPS</b></li> <li>CPTED audits are conducted of the Master Plan future development in partnership with <b>QPS</b> and Logan City Council</li> <li>Consultation has been undertaken between the <b>QPS</b> and Logan City Council in identifying suitable locations for installation of additional CCTV cameras to be connected to the Logan City Safe Camera network</li> </ul>
<p>4.5 Prepare a safety report card comprising key safety indicators with a view to using the report to address incorrect perceptions of safety and identify areas where we need to work together on strategies to improve the City's safety performance.</p> <p>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council. In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p> <p>The <b>Queensland Police Service</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>provides member participation and involvement with ACCESS and Multi-Link Services</li> <li>has ongoing duties in the monitoring and improvement of the Indigenous Community Policing Consultative Group process</li> <li>has appointed Pacific Islander and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Police Liaison Officer positions in the district</li> <li>appointed multicultural Police Officers in Logan City</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In financial year 2013 – 2014 Logan City Council conducted a survey of community perceptions. Safety report card to be implemented in the financial year 2014-2015</li> <li><b>QPS</b> continuing to provide member support to ACCESS and Multi-Link Services</li> <li>Continued involvement with Indigenous Community Police Consultative Group leading to the implementation of local programs of 'Culture in the Park'</li> <li>Pacific Islander Police Liaison Officer; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Police Liaison Officer, and Multicultural Police Liaison Officers continue to engage their respective communities while supporting operational police</li> </ul>

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<p><b>4.6 Acknowledge the work undertaken to date on the strategic review of Logan's safety programs and safety camera program.</b></p> <p>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council.</li> </ul>
<p><b>4.7 Determine opportunities to enhance safety for legitimate users of public spaces including parks, transport nodes, shopping precincts and community facilities.</b></p> <p>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council.</p> <p><b>Translink</b> has recently undertaken a number of infrastructure upgrade projects in the Logan area to improve the safety and amenity of public transport facilities for local residents. Projects include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Slack's Creek park 'n' ride</li> <li>Logan Central Bus Station</li> <li>a design for upgrades to Browns Plains Bus Station is underway.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>QPS</b> assists in CPTED audits of public spaces. QPS provides submissions to the 20 year planning scheme involving future growth for the City of Logan.</li> </ul>
<p><b>4.8 Acknowledge and promote the positive community outcomes relating to the provision of additional police officers, including police liaison officers.</b></p> <p>This action will be led by the Leadership Team.</p> <p>The <b>Queensland Police Service</b> has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>appointed extra policing positions in the district</li> <li>increased numbers of police liaison officers to represent the main cultures in the area.</li> </ul> <p>The <b>Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs</b> will continue to support the Logan Indigenous Community Police Consultative Group with the Indigenous Police Liaison officers and community members.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>QPS</b> continues to support work in the area through the allocation of extra police positions to the Logan Police District and Police Liaison Officers representing the main cultures of the area.</li> <li><b>DATSIMA</b> continues to support the Logan Indigenous Community Police Consultative Group with the Indigenous Police Liaison officers and community members. The group has recently looked to update the terms of reference to include high focus on employment and training opportunities which is supportive of the Department's strategic direction.</li> </ul>

## THEME: SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE

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<p><b>5.1 Explore opportunities to engage with Logan youth.</b></p> <p>This action is appropriately led by the Logan City Council. In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council.</li> </ul>
<p><b>5.2 Advocate for a collective impact framework for Logan service providers.</b></p> <p>This action will be led by the Leadership Team. The</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As outlined in the Response, this action will be led by the Leadership Team. The Queensland Government will work with appropriate stakeholders in any reform and realignment of public funding that may be undertaken.</li> </ul>

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<p>Queensland Government will work with appropriate stakeholders in any reform and realignment of public funding that may be undertaken.</p> <p>The Treasurer and Minister for Trade and the Minister for Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services have announced the release of a <i>draft Social Services Investment Framework</i> for public consultation (<a href="http://statements.qld.gov.au/Statement/2014/3/10/queenslanders-have-their-say-on-social-services-investment">http://statements.qld.gov.au/Statement/2014/3/10/queenslanders-have-their-say-on-social-services-investment</a>). The draft framework sets out the principles for why and how government will invest in social services and provides the foundation for a program of renewal which will transform the way government manages its investment in social services into the future and also reducing red tape. The draft framework is designed to assist in guiding rigorous, consistent and transparent investment decisions that drive improvements to investment in social services and that deliver positive outcomes for all Queenslanders.</p>	
<p>5.3 Conduct an accessibility audit of sport, recreation and community facilities to improve access to and make better use of facilities to increase participation.</p> <p>This action is appropriately led by the Logan City Council. In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This action is appropriately led by the Logan City Council.</li> </ul>
<p>5.4 Explore issues and review impacts of insurance requirements for community groups and other financial barriers to access sport and community opportunities to provide greater access to these opportunities by the public.</p> <p>This action is appropriately led by the Logan City Council.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This action is appropriately led by the Logan City Council.</li> </ul>
<p>5.5 Explore opportunities through a workshop between the Leadership Team and Logan City Council to identify and attract sporting opportunities in Logan activity centres.</p> <p>This action is appropriately led by the Logan City Council. In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This action is appropriately led by the Logan City Council.</li> </ul>
<p>5.6 Work with Logan City Council to develop programs to welcome new families to the community and provide them with information to familiarise them with their local community and encourage participation in community and sporting opportunities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This action is appropriately led by the Logan City Council.</li> </ul>

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<p><b>5.7</b> Develop an inclusive strategy for engagement and participation for those with addiction and mental health issues.</p> <p>In principle, <b>Queensland Health</b> (Metro South) supports this action as it pertains to the work and remit of current activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Metro South Health delivers specific, specialised and acute addiction and mental health services and therefore would not lead this more community development activity. Metro South values working in partnership with other organisations in planning and delivery and would participate as a stakeholder, including linking with current Logan interagency and collaborative processes to enable full discussion of this action.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Queensland Health</b> (Metro South) continues to support this action and continues to deliver specific and specialised and acute and mental health services and values working in partnership with other organisations and participating as a stakeholder in regard.</p>

## SUB THEME: COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Queensland Government Response to the Action Plan	Queensland Government Status Update (Jan-June 2014)
<p><b>6.1</b> Develop and market a vision of Logan to help improve the City's external image and the community's perception of itself.</p> <p>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This action is appropriately led by the Logan City Council.</li> </ul>
<p><b>6.2</b> Celebrate milestones and share achievements of the City of Choice Initiative (including facts of the City as captured in the State of the City Report).</p> <p>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This action is appropriately led by the Logan City Council.</li> </ul>

## SUB THEME: CULTURES

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<p><b>7.1</b> Explore opportunities to develop a sense of place, connection and ownership to existing places and spaces for Logan's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community. Opportunities could encompass existing Logan City Council facilities, Karawatha Forest development and virtual spaces.</p> <p>In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>DATSIMA</b> is investigating with Logan City Council the options for an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth hub.</li> </ul>

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<p>The <b>Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs</b> will continue membership on the Logan Renewal Board to ensure the interests of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are best represented and will participate in any joint initiatives to this effect.</p>	
<p><b>7.2 Support for the use of Logan's spaces and places by multicultural communities</b></p> <p>In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs</b> will continue work with stakeholders to improve access for culturally diverse communities to Logan's spaces and places.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Feedback from culturally diverse communities continues to indicate the importance of a multicultural space. <b>DATSIMA</b> will continue to refer individual community requests for accommodation to the Council.</li> </ul>
<p><b>7.3 Logan City Council to work in partnership with existing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community groups to deliver a range of initiatives</b></p> <p>This action is led by the Leadership Team. In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs</b> will assist Logan City Council with community links to form the representative body and provide cultural protocols and advice where appropriate.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>DATSIMA</b> has assisted where possible to provide appropriate links to community network meetings and continue to provide advice around cultural protocols.</li> </ul>
<p><b>7.4 Build on and strengthen Council's Ethnic Leaders Advisory Group (ELAG)</b></p> <p>This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs</b> will participate in any joint initiatives to ensure that people from culturally diverse communities have the same opportunities as all Queenslanders.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>DATSIMA</b> has worked closely with the Council to strengthen ELAG by facilitating meetings and providing advice on new Terms of Reference. <b>DATSIMA</b> will continue to work with the Council to ensure ELAG is an effective forum for both the Council and Indigenous and culturally diverse communities.</li> </ul>
<p><b>7.5 Facilitate programs and services to bring people together to share and enjoy cultural diversity, provide opportunities for community arts and cultural expression, build social cohesion and harmony and promote cultural exchange in Logan.</b></p> <p>In principle, the Queensland Government supports this action.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs</b> supports</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>DATSIMA</b> has participated in, and organised a number of events contributing to building social cohesion in the Logan including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facilitating the International Women's Tea organised by Logan Elders and Women's Federation for World Peace in March 2014.</li> <li>Delivering professional development sessions for the Queensland University of Technology (Logan campus) and participating in recruitment for Youth Justice case workers in March 2014.</li> <li>Working collaboratively with the Woodridge State</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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collaboration and coordination in the delivery of events and projects in Logan:

- In 2014 \$27,000 will be provided to six events to be delivered in Logan through the Valuing Diversity Grants Program including Waitangi Day, and the Kaleidoscope and Pacific Unity Festivals.
- In 2013-14 total funding of \$234,808 was provided to two community organisations and the Logan City Council under the Community Action for a Multicultural Society and the Local Area Multicultural Partnerships programs. These programs are funded to support and build capacity in culturally diverse communities and promote positive intercultural relations in local areas.
- In 2013 two temporary cultural diversity officer positions were created to work with stakeholders in Logan, Gold Coast and the Scenic Rim areas.
- In 2013 \$5,000 was provided for a rugby league tournament involving Pacific Islander, Indigenous and Torres Strait Islander communities.
- In 2014, in partnership with Logan City Council and iCare consultancy, the First Nations, All Nations Logan City Basketball Knockout Tournament that showcased the diversity and talent of Logan City's youth was held to create a positive platform for all cultural groups to interact through sport.
- Continued identification of sports-based programs that enhance relationships between cultures.

#### 7.6 Build support for settlement of new residents.

This action is appropriately led by Logan City Council.

Queensland Health (Metro South) has interest as a participant stakeholder where engagement and education regarding accessing health services are relevant.

#### Queensland Government Status Update (Jan-June 2014)

- High School Community Hub to deliver the 'Cultural Stories' series in June 2014.
- Organising the Cultural Leaders Connect Forum in June 2014, bringing together 16 culturally diverse and Indigenous community leaders to present the work of DATSIMA and build closer relationships between community leaders in Logan.
- Participating on the steering committee on the 'Investigating Pacific Islander Education Issues in South East Queensland' research conducted by Griffith University.
- DATSIMA funds and attends a number of significant events in Logan including the Waitangi Day and the Kaleidoscope festivals. Feedback from culturally diverse communities indicates demand for a signature event in Logan. Feedback from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community also indicates demand for more social inclusion of the community and having signature events.
- DATSIMA will continue to engage with the Council to explore possible opportunities, including for signature events in Logan, keeping in mind the tight fiscal environment.
- The Logan Refugee Health Service partners with Access Community Services and other local providers to support the settlement of newly arrived refugees.

## SUB THEME: TRANSPORT

#### Queensland Government Response

8.1 Seek confirmation from the Department of Transport and Main Roads on the status of the preservation of Salisbury to Beaudesert Rail Corridor, suitable for a future passenger rail service.

**NOTE:** Logan City Council will lead all actions under the sub theme: Transport.

#### Queensland Government Status Update (Jan-June 2014)

- DTMR is on track to complete the Salisbury to Beaudesert Rail Corridor Study in 2014.

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<p>The <b>Department of Transport and Main Roads</b> is currently undertaking a Salisbury to Beaudesert Rail Corridor Study to identify land required for a future rail corridor to facilitate passenger services. The study is expected to be completed by 2014 and will require Queensland Government endorsement.</p>	
<p><b>8.2</b> Seek State Government commitment for the preservation of the passenger rail corridor and ongoing purchase of properties through the State Government Hardship Policy.</p> <p>Any hardship requests related to a government-endorsed study would be assessed against the <b>Department of Transport and Main Roads Early Acquisition Policy</b>.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No change to previous advice.</li> </ul>
<p><b>8.3</b> Seek State Government commitment to progress studies and investigations identified in the Salisbury to Beaudesert Rail Corridor Study Review of Environmental Factors.</p> <p>As indicated in Action 8.1, the draft Salisbury to Beaudesert Rail Corridor Study is expected to be completed in 2014, subject to Queensland Government endorsement. The draft study will include an Impact Assessment Report, which was a recommendation of the Review of Environmental Factors.</p> <p>It is intended the Impact Assessment Report would include rail alignment drawings (concept design) and preferred station locations. Network and patronage modelling is being considered as part of this project.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>DTMR</b> is on track to complete the Salisbury to Beaudesert Rail Corridor Study in 2014. No change to previous advice.</li> </ul>
<p><b>8.4</b> Investigate the feasibility of staging the Salisbury to Beaudesert passenger rail service in order to deliver a first stage from Salisbury to Greenbank prior to 2031.</p> <p>It is intended the Impact Assessment Report would examine staging and implementation of the delivery of the rail line, subject to funding and government priorities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>DTMR</b> is on track to complete the Salisbury to Beaudesert Rail Corridor Study in 2014. No change to previous advice.</li> </ul>
<p><b>8.5</b> Seek clarification from Department of Transport and Main Roads on what interim public transport service is being planned to service communities along the proposed corridor, in particular Flagstone.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Transport and Main Roads</b> is developing a 10-year Passenger Transport Network Plan for South East Queensland. This plan, subject to Queensland Government endorsement, will examine</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No change to previous advice. <b>DTMR</b> is developing a 10-year Passenger Transport Network Plan for South East Queensland, which is subject to Queensland Government endorsement.</li> <li>• No change to previous advice. Timing for commencement of the Interim Passenger Transport services will be triggered by the development within Flagstone.</li> </ul>

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<p>the public transport needs across the region.</p> <p>As part of the Flagstone Priority Development Area, developers are required to provide funding for interim passenger transport services for up to five years. These services would link into the existing public transport services (route 540) which was recently upgraded by Translink to an hourly, 12 services a day level of service which connects passengers to Browns Plains bus interchange.</p> <p>Timing for commencement of the interim PT services will be triggered by the development within Flagstone.</p>	
<p>8.6 Advocate for the timely delivery of park-n-ride facilities located along Mt Lindesay Highway between Park Ridge and Flagstone serviced by high frequency express services connecting into Browns Plains.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Transport and Main Roads</b> is committed to work with Logan City Council to identify the location and timing for further Park and Ride (PnR) facilities to support bus services.</p> <p>Due to the significant level of demand for PnR facilities, in addition to the draft South East Queensland Passenger Transport Network Plan, the <b>Department of Transport and Main Roads</b> is also developing a PnR Strategy for south east Queensland. The draft strategy, which is subject to Queensland Government endorsement, will optimise the significant investment by the state in providing and maintaining these facilities. It intends to develop a prioritised list of sites where investment in PnR is likely to provide the best return to the people of South East Queensland.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ No change to previous advice. <b>DTMR</b> is committed to work with Logan City Council to identify the location and timing for further Park and Ride (PnR) facilities to support bus services.</li> </ul>
<p>8.7 Advocate for the continuation of the South East Busway from Eight Mile Plains to Springwood and Loganholme in affordable and deliverable stages including the consideration of on-road priority bus movements through intersections in the interim. The <b>Department of Transport and Main Roads</b> is continuing to review its plans in line with development pressures and other demands. Busway connectivity will always be an important priority.</p> <p>With regard to funding, the Queensland Government is committed to delivering the Underground Bus and Train</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ No change to previous advice. <b>DTMR</b> has commenced detailed planning of the Pacific Motorway upgrade between Eight Mile Plains and Springwood, as well as reviewing the master plan of the corridor. The department remains committed to working with Logan City Council and bus service providers on these projects.</li> </ul>

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<p>project as a priority in the immediate term in order to deal with the inner city bottlenecks that impact all buses and trains that enter the city precinct. Once this capacity constraint is addressed, investing into the public transport spines such as the South East Busway may be progressed and could provide improved outcomes for residents.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Transport and Main Roads</b> is currently undertaking detailed planning of the Pacific Motorway upgrade between Eight Mile Plains and Springwood, as well as reviewing the master plan of the corridor. The outcome of this planning will inform future public transport infrastructure investment in this corridor, which will be delivered as funding permits. The <b>Department of Transport and Main Roads</b> is committed to work with Logan City Council on these projects and will engage with Logan City Council and bus service providers early in the planning process.</p>	
<p>8.5 investigate the introduction of cross city community based transport services in Logan to link residential, employment, facilities, services and programs where Public Transport services are unviable. This to include a review of legislative changes required to allow this to happen.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Transport and Main Roads</b> currently contracts the Clarks Logan City Bus Service to ensure a value for money outcome in the public interest and mass transit viability and service continuity in the local area.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Transport and Main Roads</b> is supportive of further explorations with stakeholders to enable the appropriate regulatory environment for any complementary services that may increase access to goods and services in the local area. This process will need to be progressed with consideration of impacts to existing service providers and on a net funding basis.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>DTMR</b> has commenced research and other review processes about similar community-based models in operation in other Australian jurisdictions. It is anticipated that this will inform stakeholder engagement to investigate an appropriate regulatory environment that considers the challenges and opportunities of delivering a local transport solution. Stakeholder engagement is anticipated to include the contracted bus operator, community transport and taxi providers delivering passenger transport in the Logan City Council area. The department has commenced initial stakeholder engagement and will progress discussions with the Logan City Council in the second half of 2014.</li> </ul>
<p>8.9 Review the status of the green link concept that provides a direct route between Griffith University and the Logan Hyperdome.</p> <p>The <b>Department of Transport and Main Roads</b> is supportive of any measures in Logan City to increase service reliability and make bus services attractive to customers compared to private vehicles.</p> <p>The green link concept will be reviewed as part of the <b>Department of Transport and Main Roads Logan Area Transport Study</b>, which is currently being developed in</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No change to previous advice. <b>DTMR</b> is continuing to develop its Logan Area Transport Study, including the green link concept, in consultation with Logan City Council.</li> </ul>

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consultation with Logan City Council. This multi-modal study will investigate opportunities to develop the sub-regional road and public transport networks to improve network efficiency and reliability in Logan City.

8.10 Explore orbital public transport options within Logan and to adjacent Local Government areas (Ipswich and Redlands).

As part of the recent South East Queensland Bus Review, TransLink has undertaken several initiatives to try and improve the linkages between the Logan area and adjacent local governments. For example, the introduction of hourly weekday services on the Route 540 between Beaudesert and Browns Plains has provided an improved service for residents of the Scenic Rim Regional Council area to access the facilities at Browns Plains, and provide access to bus services at Browns Plains to access facilities in the Brisbane City Council area.

The development of additional services linking local government areas will be dependent on costs and funding availability to provide these services and the growth in passenger demand to access these areas.

#### Queensland Government Status Update (Jan-June 2014)

- No change to previous advice. DTMR is developing a 10-year Passenger Transport Network Plan for South East Queensland which will be subject to Queensland Government endorsement. Opportunities for improved public transport options are continually explored by the DTMR.

