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Dear Director

I refer to your call for submissions dated 26th June 2012 made to all Queensland Local Government for the inquiry into the future and continued relevance of Government land tenure across Queensland.

Please find attached the Redland City Council's submission to your inquiry which was endorsed, by our Council, at its Environment and Planning Committee 8th August 2012 under delegated authority.

We welcome the opportunity to provide any additional information to the committee should it be required.

Yours faithfully

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Attach: Parliamentary submission - Government Land Tenure across Queensland

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REDLAND CITY COUNCIL SUBMISSION TO THE STATE DEVELOPMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE INQUIRY INTO THE FUTURE AND CONTINUED RELEVANCE OF GOVERNMENT LAND TENURE ACROSS QUEENSLAND

BACKGROUND

The State Development, Infrastructure and Industry Parliamentary Committee is inquiring into the impact of land on various sectors of the Queensland economy and community. This document is the Redland City Council's (RCC) submission to the inquiry.

Land tenure arrangements and associated process have significant effect on Council operations. In a Back to Basics environment of reducing regulatory control and providing council effective autonomy to manage the business of local government this submission outlines a number of recommendations and concerns and urges that the committee consider these matters when it reports to parliament.

The Redland City Council is committed to working with the relevant State Government Departments to produce workable outcomes, which effectively represent councils governing their communities.

Our submission has been structured along the terms of reference for the inquiry the committee should particularly consider the following issues:

- Ensuring our pastoral and tourism industries are viable into the future;
- The balanced protection of Queensland's ecological values;
- Ongoing and sustainable resource development; and
- The needs and aspirations of traditional owners.

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ISSUES

1. Ensure the Pastoral and Tourism industries are viable into the Future

1.1 LAND TENURE ARRANGEMENTS TO PROVIDE FOR IMPROVED CONNECTIVITY

At the public briefing of the Parliamentary Inquiry on 11th July 2012, Dr John Glaister, Acting Director General, Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing, in his submission to the inquiry identified as an important point that the population in South-East Queensland is expected to reach approximately 4.4 million people by 2031, representing a substantial increase in growth and demand for sport and recreation services. He further identified that that access to land is one of the key challenges facing us in the coming decade. Whether it is for cultural purposes, for tourism and recreation or for industry, the expectations for increased access will only escalate, with the key issue being to find places where these activities can co-exist and provide economic, social and environmental benefits for all Queenslanders.

Redland City Council has recognised that various forms of land tenure provide access impediments for the creation of a connected community. In response Council adopted the Seven Cs Connection Strategy which aims to create a set of major green corridors and recreation pathways across Redland City. The Seven Cs project will attempt to create extensive wildlife linkages and corridors. It will harness the power of seven 'Cs'—communities, centres, cities, catchments, culture, conservation areas and citizens—to connect people, plants and animals across Council and public land and where possible and through agreement, through private and state lands. The Seven Cs Connection Strategy Project will increase recreational pathways and wildlife corridors, both high priorities for the residents of Redland City.

The first part of the Project involved mapping and describing the urban and rural trail and fauna corridor network. What is apparent is that significant (trunk) routes north south and east west across the whole city are achievable. The network then is complimented by higher order collector routes. The system then integrates with the finer grain path and on road network as described in the Redland Cycling and Pedestrian Strategy. These networks are described in the full Seven Cs report which has been summarised in <u>Attachment 1</u>.

Mapping of the Seven Cs Connection Strategy network has been undertaken. The next part of the project is to identify how much of the Seven C's Connections are in place now and prioritise the missing links. Much of this is already detailed in the full report. The work of the Seven Cs Connection Strategy will then integrate with the Redland Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy, the Environmental Acquisitions Program, the review of the Open Space Plan, the Redland Planning Scheme and the capital works program for tracks and trails.

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Recommendation 1: That the State give consideration to the following Seven "C" principles which RCC will use to guide the determination of the broad connections articulated in this project and will be used to guide the ongoing planning and development.

- o In moving the project to the next stage (detailed planning and design), the Council needs to recognise the practicalities of development costs, land tenure and access, environmental issues (including location of sensitive sites, minimising clearing, topography, scenic amenity, flooding potential, nature protection), cultural heritage issues, funding issues, possible (on-going) community support and the possibility of community opposition, user safety (including on-road and road crossings), and maintenance (both costs and ease). At a broad level, the practicalities have informed the initial strategic planning but they will need further refinement at the detailed planning stage.
- The network will need to cater for a range of users. In developing a network, the shared use nature of the connections must be recognised i.e. pedestrians and cyclists will share many of the trails and pathways while horse riders will also use some connections. Even within these three user groups, there are a range of users recreation cyclists (residents and visitors) and commuter cyclists for example. These present a range of planning and design challenges.
- Connections should generally provide for shared use (pedestrians and cyclists) in the Urban Footprint and multi-use (pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders) outside the Urban Footprint (there will be individual variations).
- o The network will have a dual role for recreation and for commuter/utility trips. This presents challenges in planning and design and provides opportunities for funding. For example, the Principle Cycle Network Program funds cycling infrastructure for commuter and utility trips, while the Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Program funds cycling infrastructure for recreation.
- o The network will also have a role in the movement of fauna and flora. This presents challenges in planning and design AND opportunities for many outcomes from one project on one parcel of land. Nature protection and non-motorised recreation can exist in the same landscape provided sensible and sustainable planning is undertaken. The same parcel of land can deliver a range of outcomes, something not achievable on many other parcels of land used for public or private purposes. There will be some land parcels on which the two outcomes cannot be achieved.
- o The network's key role will be to link generators and attractors.
- Delivering the Connections Strategy should build on existing infrastructure investments (including existing cycling and pedestrian infrastructure) and other initiatives of Council and other agencies.
- o The Connections Strategy must enhance tourism and business opportunities.
- o The Connections Strategy must provide value for money.
- The network must provide a high quality user experience, including the development of a "consistent" user experience and potential for interpretation.

- The network will include trails and pathways in appropriate locations, thereby providing opportunities for local residents and visitors to discover the unique features and history of the City.
- o The network will provide enhanced recreational opportunities the network will be promoted as an additional component to the range of low cost recreational opportunities within the City.
- o The network will provide access to, and an enhanced understanding of, the natural attributes of Redland City. The City has a diverse and outstanding range of physical attributes, and the network will enable greater opportunities to access these natural features.
- Effective and ongoing maintenance of the network will be a critical element in achieving the Seven Cs project. All trails and pathways within Redland City will be the subject of a regular maintenance regime, ensuring that all defects along each trail and pathway quickly receive attention, keeping the trail and pathway network up to the requisite standard and quality.
- o The network will have consistency and uniformity of signage. Signage is recognised as an essential element of quality trails and pathways, and all signage erected at trailheads and along trails and pathways will conform to accepted standards, and will maintain a consistent theme across the City.
- o Adherence to recognised standards is important. Trail and pathway construction, signage and trail markers, and classification will comply with recognised Australian Standards, ensuring a quality experience across all trails and pathways in the City.

The Connections are not always in public ownership

- o A number of potential links are on land not in public ownership. Some land to facilitate connections may come into public ownership through the development process. This applies mainly to land within the Urban Footprint (the term used in the SEQ Regional Plan).
- Outside the Urban Footprint, options are more limited. It is understood that tourism ventures are permitted outside the Urban Footprint. The Rural Strategies planning process could encourage appropriate commercial interests outside the Urban Footprint; such developments may see a commercial advantage to being part of a connections network. Development approval may be necessary and land could be bought into public ownership through the development approval process. However, this provides limited opportunities. Alternative options for ensuring land for constructing trails and pathways are:
 - o land acquisition (by sale negotiation)
 - o negotiation of easements
 - o voluntary arrangements. (with an acknowledgement of resolving public liability and risk management issues)

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2. BALANCE PROTECTION OF QUEENSLAND ECOLOGICAL VALUES

2.1 <u>The Southern Moreton Bay Islands, a history of Inappropriate Land</u> <u>Development</u>

The Southern Moreton Bay Islands (SMBI) of Macleay, Perulpa, Lamb, Karragarra and Russell Islands are the second largest offshore island communities in Australia, with a unique set of challenges due to their history of inappropriate property development and resulting scattered settlement patterns, as well as their current and emerging population profiles.

The legacy created by past State governments' poor handling of early development of land and the inappropriate creation of freehold tenure lots has resulted in a costly infrastructure backlog for roads, sewerage and accessible transport services.

The SMBI had an estimated population of 5,630 persons from the 2011 Census. This represented an increase of 1,398 persons from the 2006 Census population of 4232 people, which shows the Islands have grown by 33% during this 5 year period. This places the Islands in the top 10% of fastest growing locations in Australia from 2006 to 2011. The Southern Moreton Bay Islands also have a projected ultimate population of 22,696 based on current land tenure and zonings in the Redlands Planning Scheme.

However, the needs of residents and businesses reflect their relative isolation, the often lower social, health and economic status and employment participation rates, and the barriers created by their dependency on water-based transport to access mainland services, facilities and jobs. This can be evidenced in some of the Census data such as:

- Average age of population is 50 years old Highest 2.5% in Australia;
- Average household weekly income is \$757 / week Lowest 5% in Australia;
- SEIFA Index (Index of disadvantage) for SMBI is 881 a significantly lower than average index figure;
- Russell Island reportedly has a 17% unemployment rate which is 3.5 times the Australian average.

Balancing the infrastructure provision with the maintenance of island lifestyle and environmental considerations consistent with the islands' location in the Moreton Bay Marine Park presents government with a set of challenges unparalleled in South East Queensland, yet the islands remain in many ways idyllic.

Council has previously submitted to the Liberal National Party during the recent State election the SMBI Needs Campaign (as shown in <u>Attachment 2</u>) which highlighted these challenges and identified that Council requires a strong partnership with the State Government to deliver a sustainable future for the island communities.

To make a contribution to addressing the long-standing land use planning issues on the SMBIs, Council resolved at its General Meeting held on 29 February 2012 to commence a staged voluntary land exchange program. This program supports the on-going implementation of the SMBI 2030, a long term community plan for the islands.

It is important to appreciate that the land use planning challenges the land exchange program seeks to resolve stem from the inappropriate subdivision of the SMBIs in the late 1960s and 70s whilst under State Government control.

Council has previously undertaken a number of voluntary land exchange programs on the SMBIs in partnership with the State Government. Most notably, the State Government provided in principle support for the 2002 Conservation Strategy and ex gratia relief (financial assistance) to offset the costs to Council of State Government fees incurred through the land exchange component of this Strategy.

As with the previous SMBIs land exchange programs, the current voluntary land exchange program will provide a valuable contribution to addressing some of the longstanding land use planning challenges on the SMBIs. For example, the land exchange program presents an opportunity to achieve a more sustainable settlement pattern and future land use on the SMBIs through securing public ownership (through mutual agreement with private landowners) of land identified as having high conservation value and land that would reduce the ultimate infrastructure requirements and associated costs to the community if it is not developed.

The land exchange program involves making offers of land exchange to approximately three hundred and fifty (350) private land owners over two stages. The land exchange program provides private landowners with the opportunity to exchange their current property with a Council owned lot from the existing land bank of approximately four hundred and forty lots included in the SMBI Residential zone. Council has recently commenced stage 1 making offers of land exchange to approximately one hundred and ten (110) landowners.

To undertake each individual land exchange identified in the program, Council is currently required to apply for a Ministerial exemption to the public tendering requirements of the *Local Government Act 2009* on a case by case basis. Whilst Council appreciates the reason for requiring such an exemption, the need to apply for each individual land exchange is considered unnecessary and increases the cost to Council in terms of officer time and legal costs associated with making individual requests. It also requires State Government officer time to assess each application for exemption.

Recommendation 2: To address this unnecessary red tape, it is requested that Council be provided with a strategic Ministerial exemption that in effect exempts all potential land exchanges identified as part of the subject program. In this regard, the previous State Government provided in principle support for the granting of the necessary Ministerial exemption where the following criteria are met:

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- The land has been identified in the Southern Moreton Bay Islands Development Entitlements Protection Act 2004, which grants certain development rights over land that are inconsistent with the Redlands Planning Scheme;
- Council would incur considerable expenditure to provide infrastructure to privately-owned lots:
- The exchange would protect the Conservation zone;
- Acquisition of private land by way of exchange would benefit Council and the community for planning scheme purposes.

Council has assessed the land exchange program against the above criteria and consider that all private properties identified for acquisition through land exchange meet these criteria.

The land exchange program for these 350 land owners will only contribute to partly resolving this problem and there will still be needed ongoing programs to remove unsustainable freehold title on the Islands.

2.2 Proposal to Create the Southern Russell Island Conservation Park

Redland City Council has submitted to the previous State Government another one of those programs, as mentioned above, which also provides an outstanding opportunity to create a new Conservation Park on Russell Island, in Moreton Bay. At its General Meeting of 17 November 2010, Council voted unanimously to submit the following proposal to the then State government, in response to the Premier's call for ideas to achieve the Q2 target to 'protect 50% more land for nature conservation and public recreation'.

Council now seeks this State Government's active support for the creation of the Southern Russell Island Conservation Park to protect land and ecosystems of special significance and resolve the ongoing issue of reducing the number of unsustainable freehold allotments on the Southern Moreton Bay Islands.

This part of Russell Island comprises low ridges separating the four freshwater wetlands. It has populations of the rare Christmas Bells and the endangered *Phaius* orchids as well as a number of fauna species listed as vulnerable or rare under the Nature Conservation Act and the Environmental Protection & Biodiversity Conservation Act. The SEQ Biodiversity Planning Assessment v3.5 recognises environmental values of State significance, an endangered ecosystem (RE12.5.3), and wetlands that are of regional significance.

The proposed park, as shown in the map <u>Attachment 3</u>, covers general habitat for wading birds in the far south of Russell Island, and adjoins Moreton Bay, which is a marine park globally recognised as a Ramsar wetland. There are few such places in Australia where large terrestrial and marine ecosystems meet and remain largely untouched since European arrival.

The Island community has reacted positively to news of this proposal. There is a reasonable awareness that fragmented development is possible on already subdivided lots in and

among these wetlands. The proposal provides certainty and protection from the threat of future development for an area that is widely valued for conservation.

Recommendation 3: Council proposes the staged creation of the Southern Russell Island Conservation Park (following completion of the abovementioned land exchange program) based on the substantial dedication/surrender of its freehold lands within the area, and requests that the State government undertakes:

- the acquisition of remaining private lots within the proposed conservation park area;
- all survey works associated with the amalgamation of the lots;
- all necessary road closures; and
- any other works or actions to create the park.

Although Council received in-principle agreement to the proposal there was no commitment to a partnership approach to engage with the community to develop a detailed plan for establishing the Southern Russell Island Conservation Park or support to resolving the private ownership of freehold lots which could never support any form of development. State support for such a partnership is sought.

2.3 THINKING OUTSIDE THE ESTATE: THE KOALA BUSHLAND COORDINATED CONSERVATION AREA

The Koala Bushland Coordinate Conservation Area (KBCCA) including Daisy Hill Conservation Park and Venman Bushland National Park in Southeast Queensland is an example of a multi ownership, multi tenure land arrangement conservation and recreation area.

The reserves owned by Queensland Parks Wildlife Service, Logan City Council, Redland City Council all adjoin.

The coordinated conservation area is a protected area as created and defined by the Nature Conservation Act and shown in <u>Attachment 4</u>.

A coordinated conservation area is to be managed to—

- a. conserve the area's natural and cultural values by coordinated management involving the area's various landholders; and
- b. take account of the area's values, including its recreational, educational and commercial values; and
- c. provide for the interests of the various landholders to be maintained.

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The coordinated conservation area comprises

- d. Three (3) areas, each of which is the subject of a separate conservation agreement; and
- e. Venman Bushland National Park.

More specifically the KBCCA has been established to—

- a. conserve the area's koala population and habitat; and
- b. conserve the area's habitat for aquatic native animals; and
- c. allow for a range of recreational activities, including horseriding; and
- d. allow for educational activities; and
- e. allow quarrying and commercial beekeeping on parts of the area; and
- f. control the landing of aircraft; and
- g. maintain the interests of the landholders who are parties to the agreements.

Description of the KBCCA

The Nature Conservation (Protected Areas) Regulation 1994 describes the KBCCA as land situated in the County of Stanley, Parish of Redland—

- a. containing an area of about 1170ha, shown on plan PA3; and
- b. extending to a height of 1067.5m above the surface of the land.

The Regulation also provides as follows:

- 1. That the coordinated conservation area contains
 - a. open forests and woodlands, including the following tree species—
 - (i) tallowwood (Eucalyptus microcorys);
 - (ii) Oueensland blue gum (Eucalyptus tereticornis):
 - (iii) red mahogany (Eucalyptus resinifera);
 - (iv) grey gum (Eucalyptus propinqua);
 - (v) Queensland white stringy-bark (Eucalyptus nigra); and
 - b. a significant koala habitat that supports several hundred koalas; and
 - c. streams that support native wildlife, including the following—
 - (i) platypus (Ornithorhynchus anatinus);
 - (ii) 3 species of crustacean;
 - (iii) 5 fish species, including the ornate rainbowfish (Rhadinocentrus ornatus).
- 2. That the coordinated conservation area will be managed to
 - a. conserve the area's koala population and habitat; and
 - b. conserve the area's habitat for aquatic native animals; and
 - c. allow for a range of recreational activities, including horse riding; and
 - d. allow for educational activities; and
 - e. allow quarrying and commercial beekeeping on parts of the area; and
 - f. control the landing of aircraft; and
 - g. maintain the interests of the landholders who are parties to the agreements.

Recommendation 4: The key objectives of the multi-ownership / tenure KBCCA arrangement should be revisited to determine if the arrangement is working and whether issue with tenure and management need to be revised to allow for better coordination and cooperation. Investigations should determine if the objectives of the arrangement been realized or is the KBCCA an underutilized area in particular for recreation and education.

The KBCCA, if planned more holistically could support a broader range of activities over a much larger area then is currently accessible. Some areas of the KBCCA are more highly visited then others. The underlying reasons for this should be investigated including tenure, management and cooperative arrangements between agencies.

Recommendation 5: That the State, local government and other large not for profit agencies together, conduct a review of land areas in their ownership, in particular where boundaries align and look for potential for cross boundary projects, cost sharing and corporation i.e. trails (land, water), signage, visitor information centers, mapping, activity distribution, volunteer management and fire, pest and weed management. Like the KBCCA, it is time to plan for more of these areas as whole, not separately.

3. Sustain Ongoing resource development

3.1 <u>Applications to the Minister for Resource Entitlements Considered</u> Un-necessary

Council has under its control, several thousand hectares of land that it holds in trust from the State Government for various uses designated under the trust (mainly for park, and environmental purposes).

This land is managed by Council and any dealing with the land by way of lease or permit to occupy requires approval from DERM. This has not previously been a problem and has been a requirement for many years. The issue that has arisen recently is that DERM requires Council to lodge with them an application for a "Resource Entitlement" to lodge an application with Council for any Development Application or Building Application. This application is time consuming, unnecessarily complicated, requires a land management plan and delays the process unnecessarily.

The Development Application may not be approved by Council, so the preliminary work in lodging the resource entitlement application becomes superfluous. If the Development Application is approved by Council, and a lease over the reserve is subsequently approved by Council, *then* that is the appropriate time to seek the approval from DERM for the use of the reserve in question. To date, DERM has never refused a lease or use of a reserve as long as the lease is on terms and conditions stipulated in DERM's mandatory lease conditions.

Recommendation 6: It is recommended that DERM's requirement to lodge an application for a Resource Entitlement for the use of land held in trust by Council in order to lodge a Development

Application or Building Application be waived provided Council applies to DERM for a lease or permit to occupy the land *following* the outcome of the Development Application.

4. Consider the need and aspirations of traditional owners

4.1 North Stradbroke Island Land Use Planning and Future Land Tenure Arrangements Associated with Native Title Claim

On the 4th July 2011 Quandamooka Native Title on North Stradbroke Island was acknowledged through the Federal Court Native Title determination. At this time two Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUA) were executed between the Quandamooka people and the State Government, and the Quandamooka people and Redland City Council. These agreements were registered on the 9th December 2011.

This Native Title Determination has made available for Indigenous ownership and development land that is currently government land tenure. The Quandamooka People have exclusive and non exclusive rights over land through this process. We understand that a land transfer is part of the compensation package provided by the State Government as well as revenue sharing between the state and Quandamooka of the proceeds from the sale of state lands within a separately defined area. This land transfer process has significant implications for the Council as unplanned land releases with development potential will have significant financial, political and social consequences for Council not dissimilar to unplanned land releases on the Southern Moreton Bay Islands in 1970s.

All parties are committed to establishing a Land Use Planning Committee and associated working groups to investigate planning issues associated with investigation of land identified on North Stradbroke Island. On completion of necessary studies and subsequent amendment of State and Local Government planning instruments, the Quandamooka People will be given the opportunity to transfer land of a specified amount in Aboriginal freehold or freehold title.

Recommendation 7: A desktop constraints analysis confirmed that the majority of North Stradbroke Island sites are significantly constrained and only the State Government is able to resolve these conflicts by introducing a new planning instrument or amending existing state planning instruments. Redland City Council has consistently raised the need for State Government direction on State planning instruments and the State Government to lead and fund the planning investigations associated with the ILUA.

5. GENERAL COMMENTS

Further State consideration of the broad range of other issues impacting on local government through State land tenure is also sought, including:

- Interface and land use planning linkages and relationships between adjoining State and Council held land holdings, particularly conservation lands;
- Aerial treatment and mosquito management responsibilities for large State and Crown land holdings; and
- Implications of State designation of State development sites for town planning purposes without due consideration of local planning instruments.

END OF SUBMISSION

ATTACHMENT 1: SEVEN C'S CONNECTION STRATEGY





Seven Cs Connection Strategy

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The Seven Cs

The Seven Cs project, is a nominated 'breakthrough project' in the Redlands 2030 Community Plan, that is about:

'developing wildlife linkages and recreational corridors across the City harness- ing the power of communities, centres, cities, catchments, culture, conservation areas and citizens to connect people, plants and animals across public and private lands.'

The network of corridors are designed to benefit animals and plants and residents and visitors. Residents and visitors will be able to use the recreation corridors for walking, jogging, cycling and horse-riding, though the latter will be restricted to rural areas.

Aims

The main aims of the Seven Cs project are to:

- provide sustainable and accessible outdoor environments
- connect people and places through recreational pathways
- connect fauna with food, water and each other
- create recreational, commercial, cultural, and stewardship opportunities
- provide the opportunities for people and communities to lead healthier lives.

Benefits

Benefits from the project include:

- meeting our community's desire for more recreational pathways and wildlife corridors
- educating people about the management of the environment
- allowing more people to easily walk or cycle—reducing dependence on vehicles and our community's carbon emissions
- making good use of the many green corridors that Council controls
- adding value to the Moreton Bay Cycleway.

Challenges

An ambitious project such as the Seven Cs is not without its challenges. Principal challenges include:

- managing the needs of different users (e.g. cyclists, walkers and horse-riders) on the one path
- designing connections that link fauna and flora as well as logically connecting people
- agreeing links with private landholders (where there is no public land)
- overcoming resistance to using public land that has not been used before such as unformed road reserves being used for pathways
- developing safe crossings of major roads for both people and animals
- protecting the environment where the pathway traverses a sensitive area.

Principles of network development

There are a number of important planning principles that will guide the development of the network for people.

Purpose of the Seven Cs Network

The network will be a series of shared use trails that cater to many users including cyclists, walkers and horse-riders in the rural network, cyclists and walkers in the urban network and water based access points for water craft. There will be some variation where circumstances dictate.

The network will:

- connect "generators" with "attractors" or residential communities with destinations, including between the mainland and the islands
- enhance tourism, business opportunities and economic development
- provide a high-quality, consistent experience
- provide trails that allow the City's residents to discover new places
- be promoted as a low-cost recreation experience and a great way to increase levels of physical activity
- through interpretation, promote an understanding of the City's history.

Function of the Seven Cs Network

The network will:

- have a dual role, for both recreation and commuting use
- have a dual role in forming part of the environmental corridors that connect vegetation communities and facilitate fauna movement between these areas
- provide equity of access wherever possible for people in wheelchairs, people with a disability, seniors and family groups
- provide a high quality system as a priority over quantity which may result in fewer trails being built but they will be of a high standard
- build upon the existing network where possible, particularly in the early stages to improve its effectiveness.

Designing, building and managing the Seven Cs Network

- Australian Standards will be adopted for all path construction, signage, and track markers and classifications
- Crime prevention through environmental design principles will inform the design and construction process.
- Design will minimise environmental harm.
- When required community engagement processes will be implemented to ensure community support particularly if a section of the network may have a perceived or direct impact on residential amenity.
- Residential amenity will be considered at all times.
- Cost-effectiveness, including value for money, of the each new section of the network will inform detailed planning.
- Asset management planning and a regular maintenance regime will be enacted as sections of the network come into place to ensure a high-quality experience at all times.
- As part of delivering a quality user experience, and minimising maintenance, highquality construction, to a high standard, will be delivered.
- Some sections of the network may, initially, only be identified for fauna and flora movement.

Promoting the Seven Cs Network

- On-trail information, website, brochures and maps will be developed recognising that this is part of delivering a high-quality user-experience
- Consistent and uniform signage will be used across the network.

Key features

The network is a mix of well-defined links already in place, locations that are constrained though quite straightforward and conceptual links where there are challenges to overcome such as crossing private lands.

The network is made up of:

- 1. Trunk connections which are the main north-south and east-west connections. These pathways have the highest levels of traffic and allow users to quickly move across the City.
- 2. High order collector links connecting to the trunk connections. These connections reach from the trunk connections allowing users to either connect to the trunk system or leave the trunk system to move towards an attraction or their residence or place of work. These connections carry less traffic than trunk connections.
- 3. Local connectors have the least traffic on the network. These smaller paths are the first or last link on a journey on the Network.

The Network has urban, rural and island components, reflecting the settlement of the Redlands.

The Seven Cs Connection Strategy has considered the best locations for the Trunk Connections (shown in red on the maps) and the High Order Collector Links (shown in blue on the maps). Local links will be established in the detailed design phase.

Urban network

In the mainland urban area there are three trunk north-south connections and two trunk east-west connections. The north-south connections are:

- 1. Moreton Bay Cycleway
- 2. Thornlands—Cleveland link
- 3. Sheldon—Thorneside link

The east-west trunk connections are:

- 1. Moreton Bay Cycleway
- 2. Capalaba—Cleveland link

There are a number of high order collector routes within the Urban Network and many of these are straightforward.

Rural network

There are two trunk north-south connections and two trunk east-west connections in the Rural Network. Each link intersects with the Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area which is one of the main attractions in the Rural Network.

The north-south connections are:

- 1. Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area—Thornlands link (a continuation of the Thornlands—Cleveland link)
- 2. Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area—Sheldon link (a continuation of the Sheldon—Thorneside link)

The east-west connections, that connect the north-south spines to the Moreton Bay Cycleway, are:

- 1. Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area—Victoria Point link
- 2. Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area—Redland Bay link

There are a number of high order collector routes in the Rural Network and most are straightforward.

North Stradbroke Island

The network on North Stradbroke Island is challenging due to the distances between attractions, land tenure, and the high volume, high speed roads.

The network focuses on using the existing road system, but this will not suit most people as they prefer the safety and experience of riding off-road.

Under proposed State Government plans for North Stradbroke Island, a significant amount of land will come back into public ownership. In future, this is likely to provide an opportunity to design a safer and more enjoyable network away from the major roads.

Southern Moreton Bay Islands

The network on Russell Island, Lamb Island and Macleay Island focuses on using the road network to access key attractors. It is also designed to improve connections with the Southern Moreton Bay Islands Heritage Trail.

The network on Karragarra Island focuses on the existing road network to access points of interest.

The network on Coochiemudlo Island primarily focuses on the existing perimeter trail to access key attractions.



Project delivery

Delivery is being planned over 15 years. Initial tasks (the first two years) are mainly focused on firming up the routes, seeking approvals and having the Seven Cs projects recognised in the plans of relevant Council and State Departments e.g. those responsible for roads, bridges, footpaths, and development planning.

From Year 3 construction can commence if the budget is available—either as new spending or through re-prioritising existing pathway spending.

The program is a logical development focusing initially on establishing the trunk network and missing links. More difficult sections that involve private landholders and/ or State-controlled land will be delivered later in the program.

Stakeholders

Logan City Council

Logan City's Recreation Trails Strategy (2010) recommends that they work closely with Redland City Council in developing a trail project in the Carbrook Wetlands area, as there are mutual benefits to both Councils. The Strategy noted that these trails would become regionally significant, attracting people from elsewhere in South East Queensland and generating economic benefits.

Disappointingly, the Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service (QPWS) indicated that they are not going to undertake any trail construction work within the Carbrook Wetlands. There are some fire breaks in the wetlands that are used by walkers, primarily for bird watching, and QPWS is proposing to limit any activity to that which is already undertaken on the limited network. QPWS are concerned about the potential incompatibility between recreation and nature protection, costs (given that the wetlands would require extensive boardwalks) and lack of existing connectivity.

Dept of Environment and Resource Management

The Department of Environment and Resource Management's (DERM) position (through QPWS) on Carbrook Wetlands is discussed above. With respect to the Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area, the indications of future intentions are:

- •The Venman National Park Management Plan is being reviewed over the next two years. Access by mountain bikes and horse riders, which are currently prohibited, will be examined through the process.
- •The Management Plan will be broadened to cover the entire Koala Coast (Venman National Park, Daisy Hill State Forest, Bayview Conservation Park and land owned by Redland City and Logan City). This approach focuses on managing the whole natural area in contrast to managing discrete areas individually.

DERM is also active in land acquisition to protect koala habitat. Recreation may be permitted in these areas but it will be subject to management planning.

Brisbane City Council

Brisbane City Council has extensive land holdings on the eastern side of Tingalpa Creek which provides opportunities for connections to the Seven Cs. The Moreton Bay Cycleway is already in place through Lota Wetlands.

Department of Transport and Main Roads

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) is responsible for the Queensland Government's Principal Cycle Network Plan and the Cycle Network Program and also has some responsibility for the road network within Redland City.

To help develop the Seven Cs Network road upgrades in the future may need to include provision for underpasses, overpasses and 'eco-ducts' (fauna and people), off-road paths in the road reserve or on-road facilities for cyclists where planning indicates a need.

However, in discussions with DTMR it was indicated that funding for road upgrades is very limited and there are only a few Redland DTMR-controlled roads likely to be upgraded in the medium term.

Where people want to go

In developing the network, generators, being where people are coming from, were identified and mapped to attractors, being locations where people want to go.

Generators are essentially the residential areas of the City—people starting their journeys from their homes.

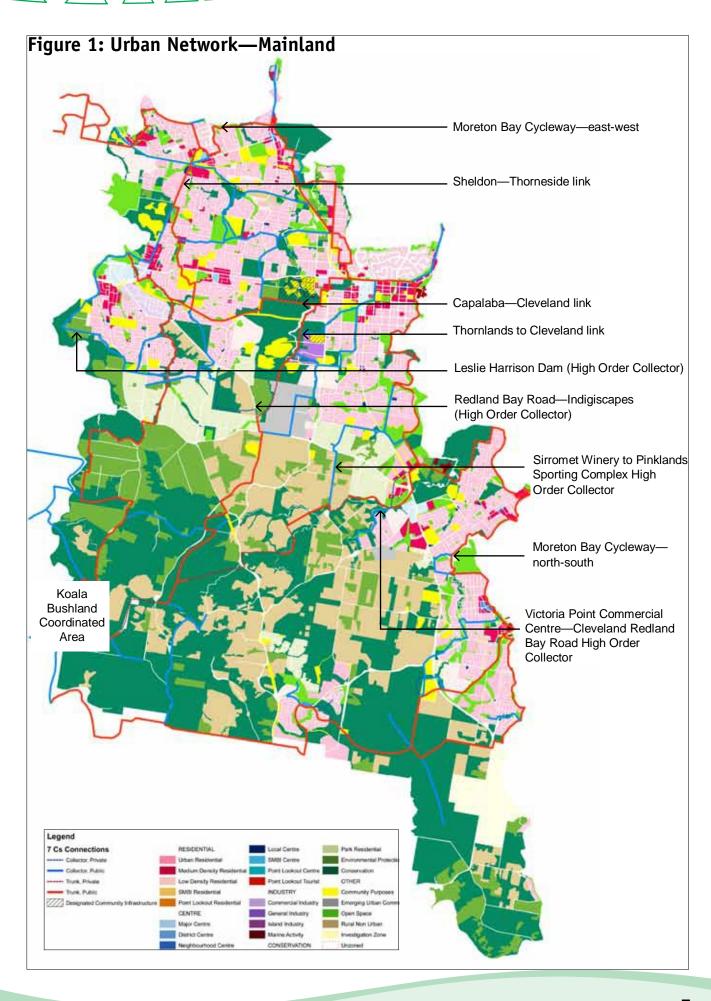
The identified attractors fall into four main categories:

- 1. Centres of commercial and community activity
- 2. Regional and District Recreation Parks and Conservation Areas
- 3. Regional and District Sporting Parks
- 4. Lookouts.

Additionally, there are a number of natural areas, particularly on the Bay Islands, that do not fall into one of these categories but are attractions that people will want to access.

The network has been designed to link people to as many of the attractors as possible. However, it is not possible to link them all. Those attractors that can be linked will often be via local connections from the trunk trail. Not all local links can be dedicated off-road paths so some use of on-road cycleways or footpaths will be required.

Appendix 1 lists all the identified attractors that can be linked into the Seven Cs.



Network detail

In some areas the network's likely location is easy to establish—generally because Council controls the land. However, in other areas, the network will need to be defined through consultation with the State Government or private landholders, so at this point its route is indicative only. This section provides some detail on the key elements.

Urban network—mainland

Within the Mainland Urban Network there are three trunk north-south connections and two trunk east-west connections (see Figure 1). The north-south connections are:

- 1. Moreton Bay Cycleway
- 2. Thornlands—Cleveland link
- 3. Sheldon—Thorneside link

The east-west trunk connections in the Urban Network connect the north-south spines. The primary focus is connecting users to the Moreton Bay Cycleway. The east-west connections are:

- 1. Moreton Bay Cycleway
- 2. Capalaba—Cleveland link

Urban trunk routes

Moreton Bay Cycleway (north-south)

The Moreton Bay Cycleway will link Redland Bay with Thorneside along the foreshore. Development of much of this route is already happening. The Moreton Bay Cycleway will be a shared use trail but will not provide for horse riders. The only variation in the Seven Cs network is bypassing the Redland Bay Golf Club by going west of the Club, while the planning for the Moreton Bay Cycleway goes along the eastern edge of the Club.

Thornlands—Cleveland link

This connection builds on a number of existing elements. There are two options. The first is the section along Hilliards Creek north of Boundary Road. The proposed connection runs north-east from Redland Bay Road with the bulk of it east of Hilliards Creek in the Greenzone proposed in the draft Kinross Road Structure Plan (June 2010). Some of this route is in private ownership and detailed planning will be required.

A short-term alternative connection uses Boundary Road, Kinross Road and Goddard Road though this may be problematic as it is currently a road reserve not in public use. This connection also utilises land around the Cleveland Sewerage Treatment Plant.

Sheldon—Thorneside link

A significant amount of this connection is already in place though some is not constructed to shared use standard. The main issue to overcome is the use of Old Cleveland Road East north of Collingwood Road, Birkdale.

While use of Old Cleveland Road East (with a marked bike lane) may suit commuter cyclists it is not appropriate for recreational cyclists or family groups.

Brisbane City Council bushland on the south side of Rickertt Road, including Tingalpa Creek Reserve, could provide a safe off-road alternative to using Old

Cleveland Road East. Establishing the feasibility and funding of this option needs to be discussed with Brisbane City Council.

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A desirable alternative is a continuous corridor along Tingalpa Creek from Capalaba Regional Park to Rickertt Road but there are significant hurdles to cross including community opposition, and access around the Howeston Golf Club.

The Moreton Bay Cycleway (east-west)

The east-west element of the Moreton Bay Cycleway runs through Wellington Point and Thorneside connecting to the Cycleway in Brisbane City across Tingalpa Creek at Rickertt Road.

The Seven Cs route avoids Mooroondu Point by running along John Street to connect existing paths in this area. This alternative route around Mooroondu Point was chosen because of concern for user safety around the boat ramp on Queens Esplanade.

There are still a number of missing links in this connection and some existing pathways are not up to shared use standard but this is being addressed in planning and development work for the Moreton Bay Cycleway.

Capalaba—Cleveland link

The link between Capalaba and Cleveland is largely in place though it may not all be constructed to the desired shared use standard.

Urban high order collector routes

There are a number of high order collector routes within the Urban Network and many of these are straightforward. Those that have some issues to be resolved are discussed below.

Redland Bay Road—Indigiscapes link

This high order collector connection is over private land zoned Rural Non-Urban and Conservation in the Redland Planning Scheme. A connection within this area will require a negotiated agreement, perhaps through a DA process. The final location will be subject to negotiation so the mapping is approximate only for this section.

Leslie Harrison Dam

Leslie Harrison Dam is an attractor and the physical connection should be relatively easy to achieve. The key issue is the availability of the foreshore of Leslie Harrison Dam for recreation activities.

The Dam is now under the management of SEQ Water who are preparing recreation management plans before allowing recreational access but they have indicated that the preparation of a recreation management plan for Leslie Harrison Dam is a low priority.

If recreation is not permitted then developing this connection would not be justified.

Sirromet Winery—Pinklands Sporting Complex

This connection links Sirromet Winery with Pinklands Sporting Complex via Springacre Road (among others) which has a wide road reserve that will allow for an off-road trail, though perhaps not always an ideal multi-use width of three metres.

Unfortunately this link will not be suitable for horse riders, including the Redland Horse and Pony Club based at Pinklands Sporting Complex. The reason for this is that much of it, north of Boundary Road, is on the urban street network.

An alternative using the Moreton Bay Cycleway gives no better outcome for horse riders as the Cycleway does not cater to horses. Further investigation may still be carried out but the main obstacle remains that any link from the southern part of the City, where it is assumed many horse riders live, will have to pass through urban areas before arriving at Pinklands.

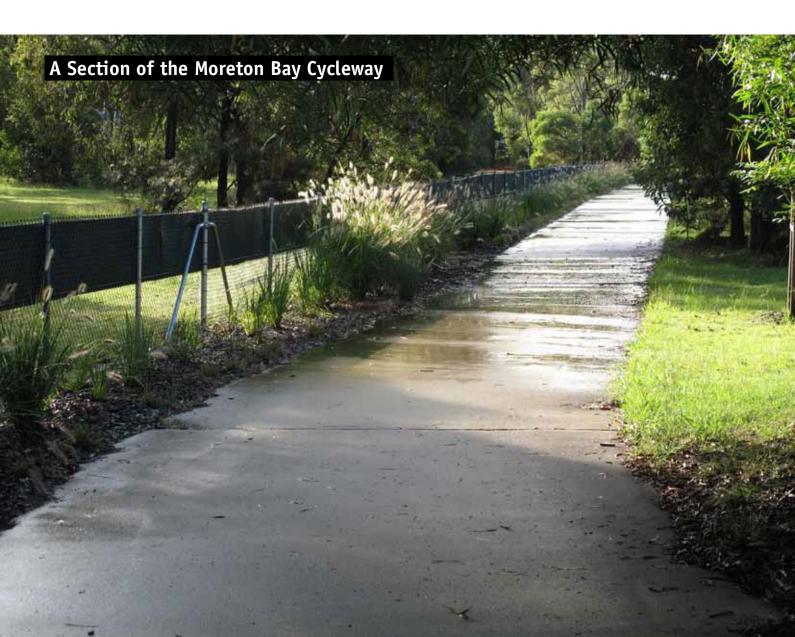
Victoria Point commercial centre—Cleveland-Redland Bay Road (across Boundary Road) link

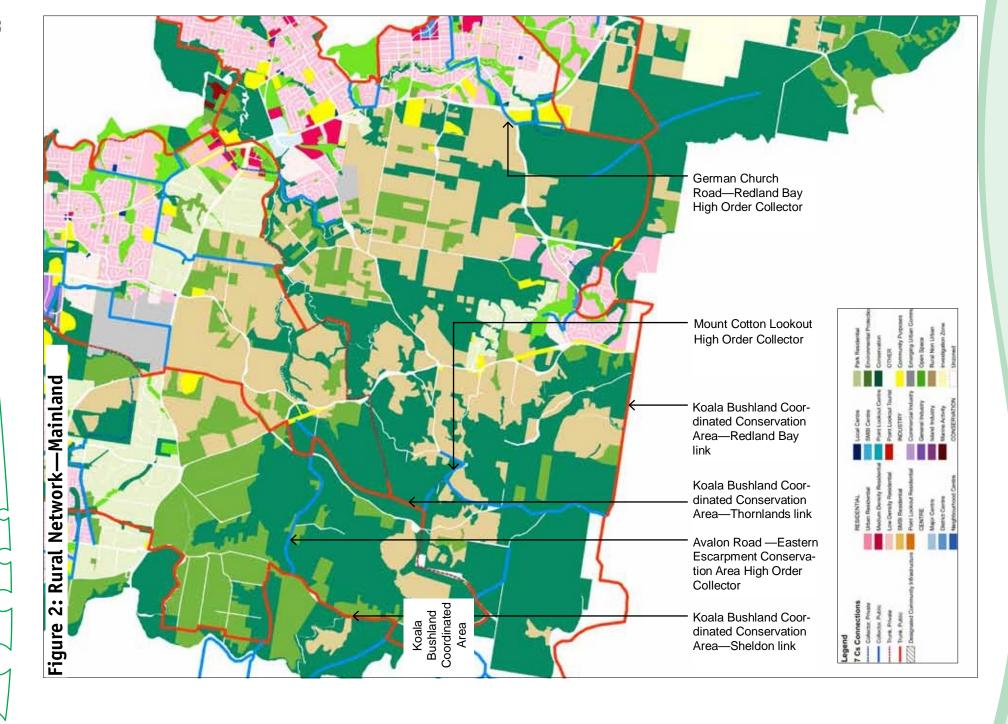
Whether this link proceeds will be decided through detailed planning as it is a collector alternative to the trunk route running through the commercial centre to the Eprapah Environmental Centre and it may involve the crossing of private land as well as unnecessarily duplicating the Trunk connection.

This link is being considered as the South East Thornlands Structure Plan provides for a greenspace network and road connections in this area.

Other links

The remaining Collector links are mainly in place but require upgrading, in places, to a shared use standard.







Rural network—mainland

The Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area provides one of the main attractions for trails outside the Urban Network and is a focus of the Rural Network. However, as bicycle riding is not currently permitted in Venman National Park, it does limit the options for connections into and out of the Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area.

The Rural Network has two trunk north-south connections and two trunk east- west connections. The north-south connections are continuations of the Urban Network's Thornlands—Cleveland link and the Sheldon—Thorneside link.

The east-west trunk connections link the north-south spines together with the primary focus on being able to connect users to the Moreton Bay Cycleway. The east-west connections are the Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area—Victoria Point link and the Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area—Redland Bay link.

Figure 2 shows the approximate location of these connections. Further detail on the more important or difficult connections is given below.

Rural trunk routes

Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area—Thornlands link

This link is a challenge to achieve—perhaps the most difficult in the Seven Cs network. There is a significant amount of private land to traverse and a range of planning zones including Rural Non-Urban, Conservation and Environmental Protection.

A connection between the Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area and the Eastern Escarpment Conservation Area, west of Mount Cotton Road, will need to go through a significant portion of private land, notably Karremans Quarry. Being outside the Urban Network means that land is unlikely to come across in the development process but will need to be bought into public control by one of three means—acquisition, a negotiated easement or a voluntary agreement.

Passing adjacent to an operating quarry (if such arrangements can be made) does present a series of operational safety issues. The development of this link may depend on the operating life of the guarry or as a condition of any future planning approval.

While difficult, the desired option is to bring users to the western side of West Mount Cotton Road as close to the southern edge of the Conservation Area as possible to eliminate any need for travel along West Mount Cotton Road. There is an alternative route available but it is not as desirable.

Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area—Sheldon link

This link is relatively straightforward. The use of Avalon Road while not ideal, is unavoidable for some sections. The proposed route is less direct than using Avalon Road extensively but it substantially increases the experience and safety of users. It does utilise some quiet streets and also sends trail users through a linear strip of bush between Campbell Road and Pioneer Road. This strip of bush has been the subject of some discussions between Council and adjoining landowners, but it is in public ownership and is suitable for the purpose.

This route also builds upon, and substantially improves, the Koala Coast Trail built in this area.



Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area—Victoria Point link

This east-west connection links the Eastern Escarpment Conservation Area with the Sandy Creek Conservation Area. The link passes through Sirromet Winery and Karingal Campsite, both of which are private landholdings and the owners are thought to be broadly supportive of the project (though no agreements have been reached).

Once users pass through Sirromet Winery, they would travel east along Eprapah Road, a quiet dead end road with a limited number of houses, to Springacre Road. They may turn north on Springacre Road to Pinklands Sporting Complex or continue east along Eprapah Creek.

The land for the Eprapah Creek link is not in public ownership. A connection to the existing publicly owned land south of Luke Street will need to be achieved through negotiation with one or four private landholders depending upon the option chosen.

Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area—Redland Bay link

Establishing an east-west link in the southern part of the city is a difficult task given the existing land ownership, the lack of established corridors (except within Redland Bay), and the topography. The route recommended takes users from the southern edge of the Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area through parts of Logan City along the Eastern Pipeline Corridor into the Bayview Conservation Park and into Redland Bay via two alternative routes.

Logan City Council has indicated it is planning for trail development in the medium term (ten years) to provide for mountain bikes in Cornubia Forest which is west of West Mount Cotton Road. If developed, this would provide a connection from West Mount Cotton Road to existing trails in Kimberley Grove Park, Kimberley Forest Park and into Daisy Hill State Forest.

Crossing West Mount Cotton Road is difficult but not insurmountable. The ideal solution would be to cross the road directly from one reserve (Cornubia Forest) to the next (the Eastern Pipeline easement) and this will require cooperative planning from both Councils. Travelling along the pipeline easement will require cycling experience as the topography is quite challenging but good design may overcome some of these challenges. Negotiation with the managing authority for access will also be required.

There are three identified options for getting across to the Moreton Bay Cycleway. All three have various challenges to be overcome and all have at least some of their route using roadways and crossing major roads. Detailed design needs to be undertaken to establish the final preferred route.



Rural high order collector routes

There are a number of high order collector routes in the Rural Network and fortunately many of these are straightforward. Those described here are more challenging.

German Church Road—Redland Bay link

An east-west connection along German Church Road to Redland Bay is mapped but it is acknowledged that German Church Road is a major road so any trail beside this Road has some safety and user experience concerns. There is a trunk connection that achieves similar outcomes but it is a little less direct. People out for recreation walks and rides are thought to be willing to have longer journeys if they are pleasant (i.e. through more natural areas) and safer.

The German Church Road to Redland Bay link shows an optional Collector private route through Kindilan Outdoor Education and Conference Centre—an attractor and generator. No discussions have been held with the management of the Centre so it is not known whether they would be agreeable to the general public using such a connection. It may best be developed by the Centre as a link to the main network for its patrons.

Mount Cotton Lookout link

Mount Cotton Lookout is accessed by formed and unformed roads. The unformed road appears to pass close to houses so it may concern adjacent landholders. Also, detailed design needs to be undertaken to establish if there is sufficient space in the West Mount Cotton Road Reserve for the trail. Inspections suggest that there is, but this needs to be confirmed.

An alternative route to access the lookout is via the trunk route from the west assuming access is achieved through Karremans Quarry. This route would be safer.

Avalon Road—Eastern Escarpment Conservation Area link

A collector connection is shown between Avalon Road and the Eastern Escarpment Conservation Area using a road reserve and Schoeck Road. Schoeck Road is a sealed dead-end road only really suitable for cyclists.

Others

The remaining Collector links are mainly in place but may require upgrading to a shared use or multi-use standard.



The network on North Stradbroke Island presents some challenges due to the distances between attractions, the high volume, high speed roads and the land tenure.

The network focuses on using the existing road system, but it is acknowledged that this is likely to be unsatisfactory in the medium term given the user experience and safety issues. The Queensland Government recently announced its intention to gradually phase out all mining and convert up to 80 per cent of North Stradbroke Island to national park by 2027. Under the proposal, over half of the island would be declared national park within the next 18 months. This declaration presents both an opportunity and a challenge to delivering the Seven Cs connection strategy on North Stradbroke Island.

A significant portion of land will become publicly accessible and the opportunity is available to design a safe and enjoyable connections network away from major roads. The challenge is in ensuring that the national parks do not exclude bicycle use. In the past the Department of Environment and Resource Management (as Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service) has been reluctant to permit bicycles in many national parks. Redland City Council will need to be heavily involved in the planning process to ensure these opportunities are not lost.



Southern Moreton Bay Islands

Russell Island

The main connection on Russell Island uses Centre Road as the spine or trunk connection. There is a wide road reserve for Centre Road, though it does carry high speed traffic. Signage along Centre Road will be critical to alert motorists to the road's shared use.

Redland City Council is working towards the development of the Russell Island Conservation Park by acquiring many of the parcels on the southern half of the Island—a process that make five years to complete. When finished, and access to the Conservation Park is allowed, links from the settled northern areas will be required.

Macleay Island

The network on Macleay Island uses High Central Road and Kate Street Road as the spine or trunk connection to access key points of interest while also improving the connectivity of the Southern Moreton Bay Islands Heritage Trail.

Careful design will be needed—signage in particular will be critical to alert motorists to the road's shared use.

Lamb Island



Island

The network on Lamb Island generally uses the existing road network, mainly Lucas Drive, to access key points of interest while also improving the connectivity of the Southern Moreton Bay Islands Heritage Trail.

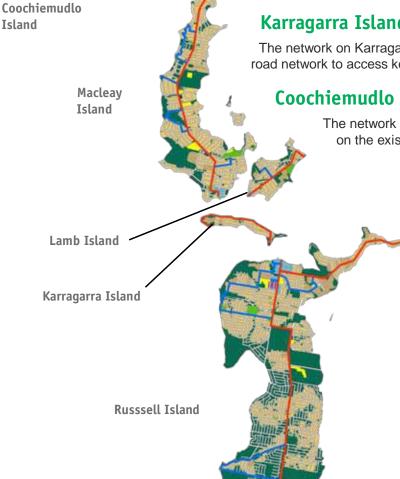
> As with Macleay Island, careful design will be needed—signage in particular will be critical to alert motorists to the road's shared use.

Karragarra Island

The network on Karragarra Island is a single path using the existing road network to access key points of interest.

Coochiemudlo Island

The network on Coochiemudlo Island primarily focuses on the existing perimeter trail to access key attractions.



Where to from here?

Redland City Council adopted the Seven Cs Connection Strategy in June 2011 for planning purposes. A series of actions will now be undertaken to implement the project. Some of these are outlined below.

Naming and branding

The Seven Cs needs its own branding. In developing a branding Council will consider a suite of colours and a logo as a minimum to give the Seven Cs its own identity within the overall Council portfolio.

The name, colours and branding will be used in all brochures, websites and in trail and interpretative signage.

Communication

Apart from communications with Councillors the following audiences will be engaged at the appropriate point.

Redland City Council officers

A range of Council officers, such as those involved in Landuse Planning, Environment, Parks and Recreation, Infrastructure Planning and Development, Conservation Management, and Development Assessment will need to note the network in their future plans so that developments and initiatives can be logically progressed at the same time as other initiatives e.g. an intersection upgrade.

Redland community

The Redland community needs to be aware of this Breakthrough initiative of Council. It is important that some communication takes place in the initial phase so that community support for the initiative is encouraged. Later, as the network is rolled out, communication needs to focus more on promoting the network and encouraging the community to use it.

Peer professionals

Council officers will promote the Seven Cs initiative at appropriate conferences.

Planning and project management

For the network to be efficiently and effectively developed, tight project management will be required. It is important that a single senior Council officer

be charged with planning and negotiating the roll-out. It will be important that they have sufficient authority to negotiate with other sections of Council, the State Government and landholders to achieve the vision for the network.

The network requires detailed planning to refine the location of paths, particularly those areas that may need to traverse private land as well as local collector paths that have not been defined in the Seven Cs Connection Strategy.

Prior to any works being undertaken on any section of the network detailed design will need to specify the engineering detail such as surface material and path width, road and intersection crossings and bridge design. Asset management and risk management plans will also be developed as the system is rolled out.

Crime Prevention through Environmental Design principles will be adhered to and residential amenity and security, as well as environmental security, will be considered in all decisions relating to the implementation of the Seven Cs Connection Strategy.

Appendix 1

Attractors

Regional Sporting Parks

- 1. Pinklands Sportsfields, Thornlands
- 2. Judy Holt Complex, Birkdale (also identified as a Green Living Hub and a Lookout)3. Redlands Softball Park (including Apex Park), Ormiston
- 4. Redlands Baseball Park, Capalaba
- 5. Redlands Sporting Club/EGW Wood Sportsfield, Wellington Point
- 6. Cleveland Showground
- 7. Ern Dowling Sportsfields/Cascade Gardens, Victoria Point

District Sporting Parks

- 8. William Taylor Memorial Sportsfields/William Taylor Park, Thorneside
- 9. Henry Zeigenfusz Park, Cleveland
- 10. Charlie Buckler Memorial Sportsground, Redland Bay
- 11. William Stewart Park, Cleveland
- 12. Sel Outridge Park, Redland Bay
- 13. Redland Bay Golf Course
- 14. Keith Surridge Park, Alexandra Hills

Regional Recreation Parks (including Conservation Areas)

- 15. Bayview Conservation Park/ Days Road Conservation Area, Redland Bay
- 16. Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area, Daisy Hill
- 17. Capalaba Regional Park (incorporating John Fredericks Sportsfields)
- 18. Wellington Point Reserve
- 19. Cleveland Point Reserve (and lookout)
- 20. Victoria Point Reserve
- 21. Beth Boyd Park, Queens Esplanade, Thorneside
- 22. Mount Cotton Community Park
- 23. Raby Bay Foreshore Park
- 24. Leslie Harrison Dam

District Recreation Parks (including Conservation Areas)

- 25. GJ Walter Park, Cleveland
- 26. Three Paddocks Park, Wellington Point
- 27. Windemere Road Park, Alexandra Hills
- 28. Crystal Waters, Thornlands
- 29. Valentine Park, Alexandra Hills
- 30. Les Moore Park, Victoria Point
- 31. Doug Tiller Reserve, Wellington Point
- 32. Yeo Park, Victoria Point
- 33. Esplanade Foreshore, Thorneside
- 34. Dundas Street Bushland Park, Ormiston
- 35. Sandy Creek Conservation Area, Mount Cotton
- 36. Eastern Escarpment Conservation Area, Mount Cotton
- 37. Ford Road Conservation Area, Sheldon

- 38. Orana Esplanade Foreshore, Victoria Point
- 39. Brosnan Drive Park/Silvara Circuit, Capalaba
- 40. William Ross Park, Cleveland
- 41. Byng Road Park, Birkdale
- 42. George Street Park, Birkdale
- 43. Linear Park, Cleveland
- 44. O'Gorman Street Park, Alexandra Hills
- 47. Wimborne Road Park, Alexandra Hills
- 48. Manning Esplanade Park, Thornlands
- 49. Hanover Drive Park, Alexandra Hills
- 50. Raby Esplanade Park, Ormiston
- 51. Donald Simpson Park, Cleveland
- 52. Goleby Esplanade Foreshore (Cape Cleveland)
- 53. Ferry Road/Eva Street Open Space Precinct, Thorneside (includes Wynnum Redlands Canoe Club)
- 54. Talburpin Park (includes McWilliam Street Park)
- 55. Summit Street Conservation Area, Sheldon

Centres of Commercial and/or Community Activity

- 56. Valley Way Shops/Park
- 57. Sirromet Hub (includes the winery, Sheldon College, Duncan Road Equestrian centre, and the proposed Regional Sports facility which is also identified as a Green Living Hub in the Social Infrastructure Plan)
- 58. Victoria Point commercial centre
- 59. Victoria Point hub (includes the Eprapah Environmental Training Centre which is identified as a Green Living Hub in the Social infrastructure Plan, and the Victoria Point Community Hub which is identified as a Local project in the Social Infrastructure Plan)
- 60. Indigiscapes (which is also identified as a Green Living Hub in the Social infrastructure Plan)
- 61. Capalaba Centre (includes Capalaba Community Precinct and Capalaba Health Hub which are identified as Local Projects in the Social Infrastructure Plan)
- 62. Cleveland Pool—includes Redlands Heritage Garden which is identified as a Green Living Hub in the Social infrastructure Plan and the proposed Redland Track Park
- 63. Cleveland Centre (includes Cleveland Civic Precinct which is identified as a Local Project in the Social Infrastructure Plan)
- 64. Wellington Village (this includes the Wellington Village Green which is identified as a Local Project in the Social infrastructure Plan)
- 65. Weinam Creek Precinct (includes Weinam Creek marina, Grevillea Street Park, and Weinam Creek wetlands). The wetlands and Grevillea Street Park are classified as a District Recreation Park. The marina is a gateway to the City and the SMBI

Lookouts

- 66. Mount Cotton Lookout—Mount View Road (road reserve)
- 67. Mooroondu Point, Thorneside
- 68. Cleveland Point Reserve

North Stradbroke Island

- 69. Dunwich (includes Ron Stark Oval—District Sporting Park)
- 70. Brown Lake Conservation Area (District Recreation Park)

- 71. Blue Lake
- 72. Amity Point (includes Polka Point Park—District Recreation Park)
- 73. Flinders Beach
- 74. Point Lookout (including Cylinder Beach and Headland Park—District Recreation Park)
- 75. The Keyholes

Coochiemudlo Island

- 76. Coochiemudlo Island Golf Course (District Sporting Park)
- 77. Laurie Burns Sportsfield (District Sporting Park)
- 78. Coochiemudlo Island Foreshore (Regional Recreation Park)

Macleay Island

- 79. Main Jetty (Centre of Commercial and/or Community Activity—Gateway)
- 80. Southsea Terrace District Park (District Recreation Park)
- 81. Bay Islands Golf Club (District Sporting Park)
- 82. Macleay Island Primary School (Centre of Commercial and/or Community

Activity)83. Tim Sheas Wetland Reserve

- 84. Bowls Club/Art Centre/Boat Club (Centre of Commercial and/or Community Activity)
- 85. Pat's Park (Regional Recreation Park)
- 86. Jetty/ramp at end of Dalpura Street
- 87. High Central Sportsfields (District Sporting Park)

Russell Island

- 88. Lions Boulevard Park (District Recreation Park)
- 89. Turtle Swamp Wetlands
- 90. Whistling Kite Wetlands
- 91. Bay Islands Pioneer Children's Memorial Park
- 92. Jackson Road Parklands (District Sporting Park)
- 93. Jackson Road Oval (District Sporting Park)
- 94. Union Street Sportsfield (Kennedy's Farm Community and Sporting Precinct).

This is also identified as a Local Project in the Social Infrastructure Plan

- 95. Russell Island Primary School
- 96. Main Jetty (Centre of Commercial and/or Community Activity—Gateway)
- 97. Jock Kennedy Park (District Recreation Park)
- 98. Fern Terrace Wetlands

Lamb Island

- 99. Jetty
- 100. Harry Brook Bushland Reserve
- 101. Pioneer Club Park (District Recreation Park)
- 102. Clarkes Point

Karragarra Island

- 103. Karragarra Island Reserve—linked by a perimeter trail
- 104. Karragarra Island Foreshore Park (District Recreation Park).

Social Infrastructure Plan—Local projects

There are a number of Local Projects in the Social Infrastructure Plan that have a spatial element. They could be included in the connection strategy when their spatial identity has been determined. The proposed connections network would link many of them. They are:

- Birkdale Place-making project—providing civic space and strengthening connections between commercial centre, open space parklands, school, railway station and residential areas
- Thorneside Community Precinct—builds on Thorneside community hall, Mooroondu sports hall and William Taylor Sportsground
- Degen Road Community Precinct—Degen Road and Mount Cotton Road building on Police Citizens Youth Club, Carinya House, St Luke's Catholic church and primary school and childcare centre (also a BMX track)
- Mount Cotton Community Precinct. This program will work towards securing a site for multipurpose community space as well as linking existing facilities and groups including the Mount Cotton Primary School, Mount Cotton Community Hall, Mount Cotton Village Centre, church, open space and sporting fields, other government agencies and non-government organizations
- Oakland Street Community Services Hub (and Alexandra Hills Community Precinct).
 There are also a number of projects that so not yet have a known location. It is likely that many of these could also be linked into the network once they are defined. They are:
- South East Thornlands Community Office Space—providing a shared administration space for non-government organisations providing outreach to newly developing areas and southern City locations.
- Kinross Road Community Hub—a multi-purpose facility for community meetings, outreach and programming.
- Community well-being hub—an integrated community, health and recreation precinct that
 addresses the needs of the emerging community in the southern Redlands, whilst servicing
 the catchments of Southern Moreton Bay Islands and Mount Cotton. The hub would contain a
 community centre with a human service focus, community health, allied health services ad
 essential government services, aquatic facility, community education and development
 activities, opportunities for seniors and young people.
- Redland Bay Cultural, Tourism and Learning Hub—a cultural and learning facility to provide
 high tech library options and cultural space; foster engagement opportunities and link with
 civic plaza; maintain activity space for seniors and playgroups; investigate potential to
 incorporate end-of-trip facilities for Moreton Bay Cycleway and Moreton Bay tourist and
 environmental promotion.
- Redland Bay Youth Space linked with the community well-being hub at Redland Bay.



ATTACHMENT 2: SOUTHERN MORETON BAY ISLANDS NEEDS CAMPAIGN

2012 STATE ELECTION – REDLAND CITY COUNCIL – SMBI NEEDS CAMPAIGN

KEY ISSUES	POLITICAL COMMITMENT	SPECIFIC ACTIONS REQUIRED FROM THE STATE	OTHER POTENTIAL STATE ACTIONS
TRANSPORT	Partner with Council to create affordable, efficient and sustainable transport options for the Southern Moreton Bay Islands (SMBI)	Will you commit to: Include ferries within the Translink network? Subsidise ferry and barge transport to the SMBI?	Improve land and water based transport infrastructure and integration Improve public transport integration Create alternate access points to the islands of Russell and Macleay Create on-islands public / community transport
SMBI ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	Partner with Council to support and promote on-islands economic development opportunities	Will you commit to: Create on-islands education and training services? Improve eco-tourism and recreation boating infrastructure that allows greater access to the bay?	Encourage business development Implement supporting infrastructure (roads, wastewater, community facilities, etc) Improve lifelong learning opportunities
COMMUNITY SERVICES AND FACILITIES	Partner with Council to fill the gaps in community services and facilities through on-island provision and mainland outreach	Will you commit to: Improve on-islands community services provision? Improve on-islands community facilities?	Increase child and youth support Increase on-islands access to health services Support on-islands programs for ageing in place Improve access to disability services

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ACTIVE AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES	Partner with Council to create and sustain healthy and active communities on the SMBI	Will you commit to: Increase sport and recreation facilities and programs on the islands? Create active transport opportunities on the islands?	Improve pathways and cycling networks Create shade and resting points along active transport routes
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	Partner with Council to protect sensitive SMBI environments from future development	Will you commit to: Create the Southern Russell Island Conservation Park? Find sustainable SMBI wastewater management options?	Create new conservation parks across the SMBI Support the relaxation of fees tied to the acquisition / protection of community assets on the SMBI
SMBI GROWTH MANAGEMENT	Partner with Council to reduce the potential SMBI population and secure land for community purposes to create sustainable islands living solutions	Will you commit to: Support and provide assistance with land exchanges, acquisitions, amalgamations and road closures that secures land for community purposes? Actions that reduce the number of developable lots on the SMBI?	Actions that support key issues raised by islanders: Transport Economic development Community services and facilities Healthy and active communities Environmental protection Inclusive planning
WEINAM CREEK INTERCHANGE	Partner with Council to resolve transport issues at Weinam Creek and create sustainable outcomes for the islanders, visitors, service providers and Redland Bay residents	Will you commit to: Improve public transport integration? Support funding for land and marine transport infrastructure?	Improve integration of transport modes at Weinam Creek Improve car parking (potential PPP)

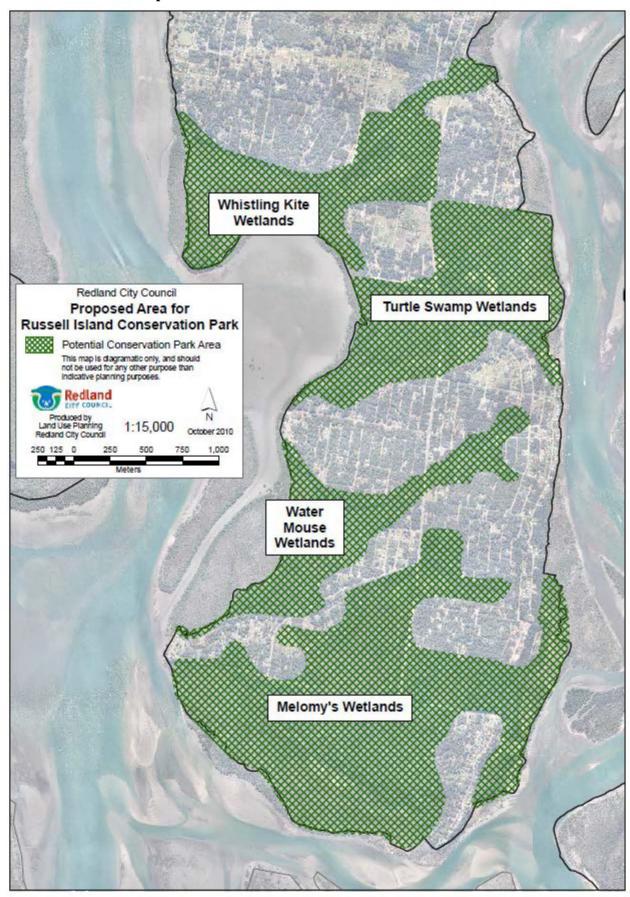
SMBI INFRASTRUCTURE: All of the above initiatives are impacted by the backlog of infrastructure provision on the SMBI. This lack of social and urban infrastructure has created a legacy that continues to burden the Redlands community and needs addressing as a matter of priority to both Redland City Council and the State government. Redland City's SMBI 2030 Community Plan provides guidance in achieving these goals and supports a partnership approach between the State, Council, business and the SMBI community to make these outcomes a reality.

Key infrastructure deficiencies:
Wastewater management (est. \$250m)
Roads and drainage (est. \$130m)
Community services and facilities (yet to be fully costed)
Marine transport (yet to be fully costed)

Will you commit to:

Partner with Council to find viable and sustainable solutions to the outstanding infrastructure deficit on the SMBI and to help fund identified critical infrastructure needed on the SMBI as a matter of priority?

ATTACHMENT 3: Proposed Southern Russell Island Conservation Park

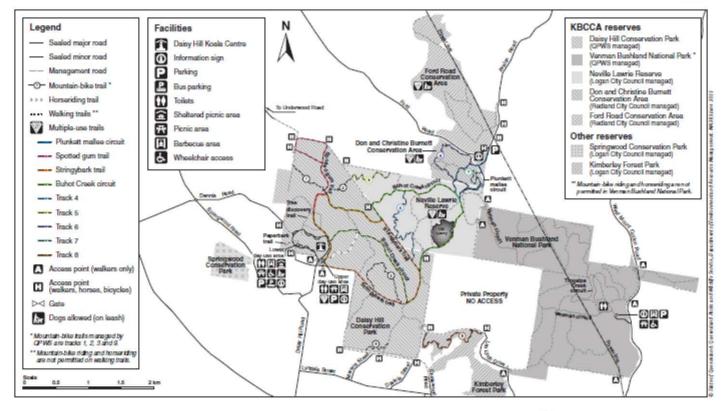


ATTACHMENT 4: Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area (KBCCA)

The Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area (KBCCA)

Including Daisy Hill Conservation Park and Venman Bushland National Park

Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service Department of Environment and Resource Management





Resolution Memo



Toni Averay – General Manager Environment Planning & Development

From Office of Chief Executive Officer

Date 8 August 2012

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Environment & Planning Committee Minutes of 8 August 2012, Item No. 2.2 refers.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE

SUBMISSION TO STATE DEVELOPMENT,

The following is the resolution on this item:

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION/ COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved by: Cr M Elliott Seconded by: Cr W Boglary

That Council resolve as follows:

- To use Committee delegated authority for formal decision making in accordance with Section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009 and Council resolution of the Post Election Meeting 17 May 2012 Item 7, to make a submission to the State Development, Infrastructure and Industry Committee Inquiry into the impact of land tenure on various sectors of the Queensland economy and community;
- 2. The use of delegated authority is justified to enable the submission to be made to meet the deadline requirements; and
- That this report and submission remain confidential until such time as the State Development Infrastructure and Industry Committee makes public all submissions.

CARRIED

Subject

This is now forwarded to you for action in accordance with the resolution.

Susan Rankin

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Interim Chief Executive Officer