




Speech By
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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Gold Coast Community Cabinet

 **Hon. A PALASZCZUK** (Inala—ALP) (Premier and Minister for the Arts) (9.39 am): My government will hold a community cabinet meeting at the Gold Coast this weekend. Community cabinet meetings are an important opportunity for my government to engage with local residents on issues that are important to them. This weekend's community cabinet will be the third for the year after earlier meetings in Gladstone and Pine Rivers-Kallangur. On Sunday, my ministers will gather at Southport State High School where we will meet local residents and groups in deputations. The formal cabinet meeting will be held on Monday.

The Gold Coast is experiencing significant growth. The Treasurer recently announced that the population on the Gold Coast is forecast to grow by 350,000 people in the 25 years to 2036. That equates to an average growth rate of more than two per cent. The Gold Coast is benefiting from the extraordinary boost to tourism. Preparations are well advanced for the Gold Coast Commonwealth Games, which is now less than two years away. My ministers are determined to promote further growth and generate more jobs on the Gold Coast. The community cabinet meeting is an important part of our ongoing commitment to the region and we will look forward to going to the Gold Coast this weekend.