

**Question on Notice
No. 779
Asked on 15 June 2021**

MR D CRISAFULLI ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TOURISM INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION AND MINISTER FOR SPORT (HON S HINCHLIFFE) —

QUESTION:

With reference to the \$2.717m line item in the Budget 2020-21 Capital Statement titled 'Great Barrier Reef Island rejuvenation package project'—

Will the Minister provide (a) a list of the work undertaken as part of this allocation, (b) total project spend to date and (c) initial estimated cost of the project at project inception?

ANSWER:

A full list of projects undertaken through the Great Barrier Reef (GBR) Island Resorts Rejuvenation Program can be found at **Attachment 1**.

Total project spend to date is \$21 936 765 excluding GST.

The GBR Island Resorts Rejuvenation Program is a \$25 million investment by the Palaszczuk Government to partner with industry through a competitive grant fund to deliver projects with a focus on growing, greening and cleaning GBR island resorts.

Project description
<p>Green Island, off Cairns Refurbishment of Emeralds and Greens dining areas and amenities block, installation of solar power, upgrades to the waste management equipment and removal of the decommissioned underwater observatory.</p>
<p>South Molle Island, Whitsundays Demolition, clean-up and removal of hazardous building materials and debris from the resort site, severely damaged by ex-Tropical Cyclone Debbie and construction of a new public jetty to give day trip access to the Island's walking trails.</p>
<p>Hayman Island, Whitsundays Rejuvenate resort infrastructure to support growth and resilience and greener technologies to improve water, energy and waste management, reducing energy consumption by up to 50 per cent.</p>
<p>Hamilton Island, Whitsundays New marina terminal, enhanced walking trails and new viewing platform on Passage Peak and upgrade of water, sewerage and waste facilities.</p>
<p>Hook Island, Whitsundays Reactivation of the resort site through clean up and removal of damaged buildings and installation of a range of day trip facilities.</p>
<p>Heron Island, off Gladstone Installation of solar infrastructure and waste management equipment, along with removal of legacy waste.</p>
<p>Lady Elliot Island, off Bundaberg Installation of renewable energy infrastructure to enable resort to operation 100 per cent from solar energy and installation of new eco-tents.</p>
<p>Orpheus Island, off Townsville Installation of new renewable energy infrastructure to enable resort to operate 100 per cent from solar energy. Installation of waste reduction equipment and upgrade to waste water treatment system.</p>
<p>Bedarra Island, off Mission Beach Improvements to resort infrastructure to increase solar, water capacity and waste treatment, which is expected to allow year-round operation representing a 25 per cent lift.</p>
<p>Wilson Island, off Gladstone Support the re-opening of Wilson Island through funding clean-up and installation of solar infrastructure and environmentally secure waste water treatment.</p>
<p>Hinchinbrook Island, off Cardwell The resort at Cape Richards on Hinchinbrook Island closed in 2010 after the global financial crisis and has been hit by cyclones, vandals and fire. The lease was returned to government in December 2018 and the site has been reverted to National Park. The Queensland Government has removed the derelict Cape Richards resort and cleaned up the site and is working with Traditional Owners on the future use of the site.</p>