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Pioneer Valley Sporting Needs Analysis

Building healthy communities and providing appropriate sport and recreation facilities is a key priority for Mackay Regional Council.

To allow residents to live a healthy lifestyle council engaged an independent consultant to undertake extensive research and community engagement for the Pioneer Valley Sporting Needs Analysis.

The Analysis identified key priorities for sporting land for the Pioneer Valley over the next 10-20 years and specifically assessed the current land available for sporting purposes against the anticipated land requirements for sporting purposes based on predicted population growth rates.

Key findings from the Analysis will be considered and where possible be incorporated into Council's new draft Mackay Region Planning Scheme.

The outcomes of the analysis will also be used as a key background study as part of council's development assessment process.

Key findings

1) There is scope to increase the supply of sport and recreation facilities in the Pioneer Valley in particular suitable sports fields and undercover/indoor sport facilities to cater for future growth.

2) There is a need to protect sporting land where possible.

Recommendations

1) Seek to secure new land for a District Sporting Precinct at Marian which is to comprise oval and rectangular fields, multi-use clubhouse and space for outdoor sports courts as demand develops.

2) Seek to acquire additional land in Mirani to provide an additional playing field.

3) Seek to acquire additional land to enable the development of rectangular sports fields in Walkerston.

4) Aim to secure and protect Mt Vince Rifle Range.

5) Investigate the development of identified parcels of land for 'difficult to locate' sports such as mountain biking or trail bike riding.

6) Investigate masterplan for Eungella sports ground.

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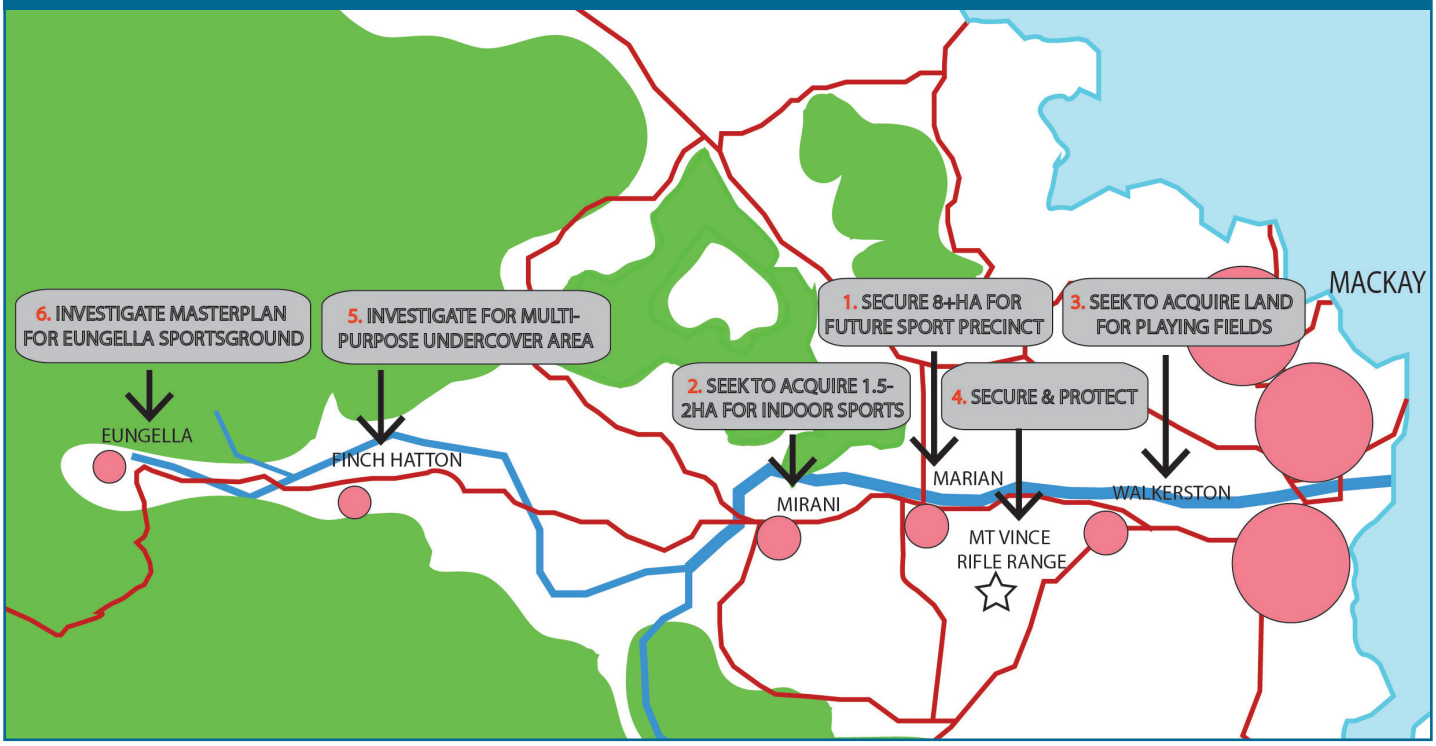
Key Recommendations



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