

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES HIGHLIGHTS & SIGNIFICANT ISSUES REPORT - MONTH ENDED 31 JANUARY 2010

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Purpose

To review Development Services Department highlights and performance for the months ended 31 December 2009 and 31 January 2010.

Background and Discussion

Key Performance Indicators for the period are as follows: -

- Development Assessment - Planning

Applications Received

December 2009

Description	December 2009	Actual December 2009	Average / KPI's since July 2008	Target
Development Applications Received	51	-	48	-
Material Change of Use - Code	19	-	28	-
Material Change of Use - Impact	11	-	7	-
Reconfiguration of a Lot - Less than 6	10	-	9	-
Reconfiguration of a Lot - More than 6	5	-	2	-
Combined Applications	6	-	2	-
Average Acknowledgement Notice Period	4 days	93% in 10 days	93% in 10 days	85% in 10 days
Average Information Request Period	2 days	83% in 10 days	71% in 10 days	85% in 10 days
MCU and ROL requiring an information request	19	45%	33%	No more than 40%
Number of Concurrence Applications Received	12	-	6	-
Notices of Appeal	0	-	1	-
Form 2 Requests (<i>Change of Approval, Change of Conditions & Extension of Currency Period</i>)	11	100% in 30 days	70% in 30 day	85% in 30 days

January 2010

Description	January 2010	Actual January 2010	Average / KPI's since July 2008	Target
Development Applications Received	25	-	46	-
Material Change of Use - Code	14	-	27	-
Material Change of Use - Impact	7	-	7	-
Reconfiguration of a Lot - Less than 6	2	-	8	-
Reconfiguration of a Lot - More than 6	1	-	2	-
Combined Applications	1	-	2	-
Average Acknowledgement Notice Period	9 days	83% in 10 days	92% in 10 days	85% in 10 days
Average Information Request Period	0 days	100% in 10 days	72% in 10 days	85% in 10 days
MCU and ROL requiring an information request	4	16%	33%	No more than 40%
Number of Concurrence Applications Received	10	-	7	-
Notices of Appeal	1	-	1	-
Form 2 Requests (<i>Change of Approval, Change of Conditions & Extension of Currency Period</i>)	4	75% in 30 days	70% in 30 day	85% in 30 days

Applications Decided - Code

December 2009

Description	December 2009	Actual December 2009	Average / KPI's since July 2008	Target
Number of current MCU and ROL applications (at end of month)	91	-	138	-
Number of applications in Decision Making Period (at end of month)	17	-	42	-
Number of applications Decided	31	-	40	-
Average Number of days in Decision Making Period	23 days	97% in 40 days	86% in 40 days	85% in 40 days
Average number of days to Decide Application (lodgment to decision)	68 days	77% in 80 days	80% in 80 days	85% in 80 days

January 2010

Description	January 2010	Actual January 2010	Average / KPI's since July 2008	Target
Number of current MCU and ROL applications (at end of month)	88	-	135	-
Number of applications in Decision Making Period (at end of month)	21	-	41	-
Number of applications Decided	13	-	38	-

Average Number of days in Decision Making Period	14 days	100% in 40 days	87% in 40 days	85% in 40 days
Average number of days to Decide Application (lodgement to decision)	29 days	92% in 80 days	80% in 80 days	85% in 80 days

Applications Decided - Impact

December 2009

Description	December 2009	Actual December 2009	Average / KPI's since July 2008	Target
Number of current MCU and ROL applications (at end of month)	68	-	80	-
Number of applications in Decision Making Period (at end of month)	25	-	29	-
Number of applications Decided	6	-	8	-
Average Number of days in Decision Making Period	22 days	83% in 40 days	53% in 40 days	50% in 40 days
Average number of days to Decide Application (lodgment to decision)	81 days	100% in 230 days	74% in 230 days	85% in 230 days

January 2010

Description	January 2010	Actual January 2010	Average / KPI's since July 2008	Target
Number of current MCU and ROL applications (at end of month)	69	-	79	-
Number of applications in Decision Making Period (at end of month)	22	-	28	-
Number of applications Decided	5	-	8	-
Average Number of days in Decision Making Period	28 days	80% in 40 days	54% in 40 days	50% in 40 days
Average number of days to Decide Application (lodgement to decision)	67 days	100% in 230 days	75% in 230 days	85% in 230 days

Negotiated Decisions

December 2009

Description	December 2009	Actual December 2009	Average / KPI's since July 2008	Target
MCU and ROL with a negotiated decision request	6	12%	16%	No more than 20%
Negotiated Decision Making Period	35 days	58% in 20 days	52% in 20 days	85% in 20 days

January 2010

Description	January 2010	Actual January 2010	Average / KPI's since July 2008	Target
MCU and ROL with a negotiated decision request	1	4%	16%	No more than 20%
Negotiated Decision Making Period	36 days	0% in 20 days	51% in 20 days	85% in 20 days

Concurrence Agency Responses

December 2009

Description	December 2009	Actual December 2009	Average / KPI's since July 2008	Target
Concurrency Agency Response	14 applications responded	93% in 10 days	90% in 10 days	85% in 10 days

January 2010

Description	January 2010	Actual January 2010	Average / KPI's since July 2008	Target
Concurrency Agency Response	10 applications responded	80% in 10 days	89% in 10 days	85% in 10 days

- Development Assessment - Engineering

December 2009

Description	December 2009	Actual December 2009	Average / KPI's since July 2008	Target
Operational Works				
Number of current applications	54	-	50	-
Applications received	20	-	11	-
Average acknowledgement notice period	Nil days	% in 10 days	51% in 10 days	85% in 10 days
Average information request period	17 days	75% in 10 days	85% in 10 days	85% in 10 days
OW requiring an information request	4	20%	36%	No more than 50%
Applications finalised	21	-	11	-
Average days for Decision Making Period	13 days	100% in 40 days	91% in 40 days	85% in 40 days
Average days from Lodged to Decided	33 days	95% in 80 days	74% in 80 days	85% in 80 days

Survey Plans				
Applications received	15	-	17	-
Average days lodgement to signing	17 days	63% in 15 days	53% in 15 days	85% in 15 days
Applications finalised	8	-	17	-
Number of lots sealed	13	-	95	-
Minor Works				
Applications received	60		70	-
Applications finalised	79		74	-
Average days from lodged to decided	4 days	99% in 10 days	67% in 10 days	85% in 10 days

January 2010

Description	January 2010	Actual January 2010	Average / KPI's since July 2008	Target
Operational Works				
Number of current applications	54	-	50	-
Applications received	3	-	11	-
Average acknowledgement notice period	3 days	100% in 10 days	53% in 10 days	85% in 10 days
Average information request period	4 days	67% in 10 days	84% in 10 days	85% in 10 days
OW requiring an information request	3	100%	37%	No more than 50%
Applications finalised	3	-	11	-
Average days for Decision Making Period	8 days	100% in 40 days	92% in 40 days	85% in 40 days
Average days from Lodged to Decided	41 days	67% in 80 days	74% in 80 days	85% in 80 days
Survey Plans				
Applications received	9	-	17	-
Average days lodgement to signing	16 days	67% in 15 days	54% in 15 days	85% in 15 days
Applications finalised	9	-	17	-
Number of lots sealed	18	-	91	-
Minor Works				
Applications received	52		69	-
Applications finalised	33		72	-
Average days from lodged to decided	4 days	100% in 10 days	68% in 10 days	85% in 10 days

- Development Assessment - Planning

Town Planning Certificates

December 2009

Type	December 2009	Actual December 2009	Average / KPI's since July 2008	Target
Limited	6 applications decided	100% in 5 days	100% in 5 days	85% in 5 days
Standard	3 applications decided	67% in 10 days	57% in 10 days	85% in 10 days
Full	1 applications decided	100% in 10 days	100% in 10 days	85% in 30 days

January 2010

Type	January 2010	Actual January 2010	Average KPI's since July 2008	Target
Limited	13 applications decided	100% in 5 days	96% in 5 days	85% in 5 days
Standard	2 applications decided	100% in 10 days	60% in 10 days	85% in 10 days
Full	0 applications decided	0 in 10 days	100% in 10 days	85% in 30 days

Duty Planner Enquiries

December 2009

Enquiries	Number
Booked appointments (Mackay, Mirani and Sarina)	33
Email and Fax	122

January 2010

Enquiries	Number
Booked appointments (Mackay, Mirani and Sarina)	47
Email and Fax	194

▪ Health and Regulatory Services

Compliance Section

December 2009

Status of Compliance Activities:

Description	December 2009	Actual December 2009	Average KPI's since July 2008
Requests for action received for the month	46	-	44
Requests for action finalised for the month	44	-	49
Show Cause Notices issued	7	5	8
Enforcement Notices issued	0	0	3
Local Laws Notices Issued	0	0	4
Cases requiring on-going intervention	32	138	87

26 Cases currently at 'Legal Action Commenced' phase, of which 21 are intending to lodge MCU applications or engagement of Private Certifier and are pending that result.

Implemented revised process for lapsed building applications from Private Certifiers. Previously these were filed and only rectified if complaint lodge or if discovered at sale of property. Officers now verify construction took place and commence compliance process with letter. This is aimed at reducing the amount of illegal structures in the region.

Issued fine to property owner at Sologinkins Road for conducting operational works without an approval. The property owner has made a significant cut into the land at the property.

Issued fine to a property owner at Galvin Street Beaconsfield, for non-compliance with a DA (construction of oversized shed). Numerous issues were highlighted to the owner, but not addressed. Written undertaking received from the owner and unlawful construction activities ceased.

Recently vacant Development Compliance Officer position filled and commenced on second week of December.

Governance Development

Description	December 2009	December 2008	Average per month since July 2008
Building applications lodged by certifiers	221	200	230
Value of Building Works	\$39,924,724	\$33,786,807	\$38,506,144
Number of Detached dwellings	87	58	68
Number of Attached Dwellings	4	7	15
Building Application Audits (<i>Audits of building files by Building Surveyor & Plumbing Inspector</i>)	10	4	15
Building Records Searches (<i>A database search of approved structures on properties</i>)	31	38	46

January 2010

Status of Compliance Activities:

Description	January 2010	Actual January 2010	Average KPI's since July 2008
Requests for action received for the month	36	-	44
Requests for action finalised for the month	31	-	48
Show Cause Notices issued	4	7	8
Enforcement Notices issued	4	0	3
Local Laws Notices Issued	0	0	3
Cases requiring on-going intervention	42	127	85

28 Cases currently at 'Legal Action Commenced' phase, of which 23 are intending to lodge MCU applications or engagement of Private Certifier and are pending that result.

Governance Development

Description	January 2010	January 2009	Average per month since July 2008
Building applications lodged by certifiers	141	146	226
Value of Building Works	\$23,534,034	\$18,756,475	\$37,718,770
Number of Detached dwellings	47	28	66
Number of Attached Dwellings	2	0	14
Building Application Audits (<i>Audits of building files by Building Surveyor & Plumbing Inspector</i>)	44	NA	17
Building Records Searches (<i>A database search of approved structures on properties</i>)	43	33	46

Environmental Health

Health – General Inspections (Complaint Based)

December 2009

Type	December 2009	December 2008	Average per Month since July 2008
Dust	5	0	2
Illegal Camping	3	1	2
Mosquito	2	0	15

Noise	5	4	3
Vermin Control	1	0	2
Sewerage	1	0	1

January 2010

Type	January 2010	January 2009	Average per Month since July 2008
Illegal Camping	2	1	2
Malodours	2	2	3
Mosquito	95	26	15
Noise	8	3	3
Nuisances	5	2	5
Overgrown Land/Untidy Properties	2	5	4
Vermin Control	1	0	2
Sewerage	2	0	1

Local Laws Complaints

December 2009

Category	December 2009	December 2008	Average per Month since July 2008	Average Days to Finalise Complaint December 2009	Average Days to Finalise Complaint since July 2008
Abandoned Vehicles	32	19	28	39	13
Dogs Barking	39	28	33	45	23
Dogs Aggressive	67	28	41	47	14
Dogs Straying	123	105	111	58	12
Dogs Excessive numbers/unregistered	17	2	8	29	21
Parking Issues	1	5	5	82	19
Livestock/Poultry/Birds	28	16	26	63	12
Untidy and Overgrown	53	20	53	54	16
Miscellaneous	22	8	13	29	23

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Category	January 2010	January 2009	Average per Month since July	Average Days to Finalise	Average Days to Finalise
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			2008	Complaint December 2009	Complaint since July 2008
Abandoned Vehicles	26	36	27	17	13
Dogs Barking	31	22	34	72	26
Dogs Aggressive	46	31	42	22	14
Dogs Straying	131	84	115	43	14
Dogs Excessive numbers/unregistered	13	5	8	29	22
Parking Issues	7	4	5	48	21
Livestock/Poultry/Birds	22	22	26	26	12
Untidy and Overgrown	96	87	55	42	19
Miscellaneous	28	14	14	37	25

Parking

December 2009

Description	December 2009	December 2008 Comparison	Average per Month since July 2008	% Unpaid Over 90 Days since July 2008
Number of Infringements	339	476	653	14%
Number of Appeals	-	-	0	
Machine Faults Received	32	23	41	

January 2010

Description	January 2010	January 2009 Comparison	Average per Month since July 2008	% Unpaid Over 90 Days since July 2008
Number of Infringements	325	622	636	15%
Machine Faults Received	24	16	39	

Dog Registrations

December 2009

Registrations	Number
Total Registrations at beginning of month	12,904
New Registrations for this Month	175

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Registrations	Number
Total Registrations at beginning of month	13,069
New Registrations for this Month	219

1. *Environmental Health*

1.1 Inspections

Licensed Premises

December 2009

Premises Type	Routine Work Inspection	Complaint Inspections
Flammable Liquids	3	0
Food	34	6
Accommodation	0	2
Swimming Pools	0	5
Vendors	1	0
Outdoor Events	3	0
Temporary Homes	0	1

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Premises Type	Routine Work Inspection	Complaint Inspections
Caravan Parks	3	1
Flammable Liquids	2	1
Food	64	3
Swimming Pools	3	0
Skin Penetration	0	1
Temporary Homes	1	0

1.2 Licensed Premises Annual Registered Inspections

December 2009

Premises	Premises Inspected this month	Premises Inspected since February 2009	Total No. of Licensed Premises

Caravan Parks	0	41	22
Flammable Liquids	3	52	129
Food	40	609	549
Footpath Dining	0	10	15
Accommodation	2	93	67
Swimming Pools	5	78	73
Vendors	1	42	12
Skin Penetration	0	15	7

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Premises	Premises Inspected this month	Premises Inspected since February 2010	Total No. of Licensed Premises
Caravan Parks	4	4	22
Flammable Liquids	4	4	129
Food	74	74	549
Footpath Dining	0	0	15
Accommodation	0	0	67
Swimming Pools	3	3	73
Vendors	0	0	12
Skin Penetration	1	1	7

2. Environmental Protection

2.1 Environmentally Relevant Activity Registrations

December 2009

Categories	Enquiries	Inspections	Complaints
Asphalt Manufacturing	1	0	0
Chemical Storage	6	1	1
Plastic Product Manufacturing	1	0	0
Abrasive Blasting	1	0	0
Boiler Making or Engineering	4	0	0
Metal Recovery	1	0	0
Motor Vehicle Workshop	4	1	1
Printing	1	0	0
Concrete Batching	1	0	0
Wooden Product Manufacturing	1	0	0

Boat Maintenance/Repair	1	0	0
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Categories	Enquiries	Inspections	Complaints
Plastic Product Manufacturing	0	1	0
Boiler Making or Engineering	1	0	0
Metal Recovery	1	1	0
Motor Vehicle Workshop	6	2	1
Printing	1	0	0
Concrete Batching	1	0	0
Boat Maintenance/Repair	1	0	0

2.2 Registered Premises

December 2009

Premises	Premises Inspected this month	Premises Inspected since February 2009	Total No. of Licensed Premises
Poultry Farming	0	0	1
Asphalt Manufacturing	0	0	1
Chemical Storage	1	18	63
Plastic Product Manufacturing	0	6	6
Abrasive Blasting	0	13	15
Boiler Making or Engineering	0	73	110
Metal Forming	0	6	12
Metal Recovery	0	3	8
Motor Vehicle Workshop	1	144	202
Printing	0	0	7
Surface Coating	0	19	17
Concrete Batching	0	3	12
Wooden Product Manufacturing	0	8	29
Boat Maintenance/Repair	0	0	6

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Premises	Premises Inspected this month	Premises Inspected since February 2010	Total No. of Licensed Premises
Poultry Farming	0	0	1
Asphalt Manufacturing	0	0	1
Chemical Storage	0	0	68
Plastic Product Manufacturing	1	1	3
Abrasive Blasting	0	0	17
Boiler Making or Engineering	0	0	111
Metal Forming	0	0	11
Metal Recovery	1	1	9
Motor Vehicle Workshop	2	2	208
Printing	0	0	4
Surface Coating	0	0	13
Concrete Batching	0	0	12
Wooden Product Manufacturing	0	0	29
Boat Maintenance/Repair	0	0	6

3. *Vector Control*

December 2009

Sites Inspected	Sites Treated	Hectares Treated
142	66	3,120 ha

January 2010

Sites Inspected	Sites Treated	Hectares Treated
196	145	4,920 ha

4. *Pest Management*

4.1 Declared Weeds

December 2009

Plants:	Enquiries	Inspection
Parthenium Weed	6	5
Giant Rats Tail Grass	2	4
Sicklepod	1	1

Singapore Daisy	1	2
Lantana	1	1
Water Lettuce	1	1
Water Hyacinth	1	1
Other Plant	3	3

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Plants:	Enquiries	Inspection
Parthenium Weed	8	8
Giant Rats Tail Grass	14	15
Sicklepod	7	5
Singapore Daisy	5	5
Lantana	2	0
Salvinia	1	1
Water Lettuce	1	10
Other Plant	1	1

4.2 Declared Animals

December 2009

Animals	Enquiries	Traps
Dingo/Wild Dog	11	8
Feral Pig	4	1
Fox	1	0
Rabbit	1	0
Other Animals	0	0

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Animals	Enquiries	Traps
Dingo/Wild Dog	8	4
Feral Pig	4	0
Fox	1	0
Feral Cat	1	0

- Strategic Planning

December 2009

Waterways & Open Space

PROJECT	PROGRESS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES
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PROJECT	PROGRESS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES
1.1 Stormwater Studies		
Bakers Creek Stockroute Road East Stormwater Trunk Infrastructure Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report received. - 	Refer to Council.
Kellys Road Catchment Stormwater Trunk Infrastructure Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Addendum Report to be prepared. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Costs expected to be updated in addendum report. - Refer to Council.
McCreadys Creek South Stormwater Trunk Infrastructure Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consultants appointed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project expected to be completed June 2010.
Review of 2006 Mackay Stormwater Quality Management Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Peer review completed and amendments to report made. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Council briefing early 2010.
Example Site Based Stormwater Management Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consultants prepared example site based stormwater management plans for small residential lots and industry lots. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to develop templates for developers. - Distribute draft templates for comment (February).
1.2 Flood Studies		
Goosepond Creek Flood Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Further modelling being undertaken as a result of consultation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Acknowledgement letters to be sent to submitters. - Briefing to Council February 2010 on comments from the community consultation. - Finalise GHD Report and recommendations.
Pioneer River Flood Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ground level data (Aerial Laser received. - Study / modelling commenced. - WRM Brisbane appointed to do the Study. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Survey Pioneer river cross sections. - Draft report expected June 2010.
1.3 Open Space		
Open Space Policy Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Internal Stakeholder meeting held late October. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Issue brief to consultants. - Workshop with development industry early in the review process to get their input.
1.4 Erosion and		

PROJECT	PROGRESS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES
Sediment Control		
Review best practice guidelines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Training workshops for ESC were held 14 & 15 December 2009. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Review of IECA guidelines undertaken. – Investigate options for education and compliance on ESC policies and guidelines.
Review policies to incorporate Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ongoing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ongoing.

2. Local Area Planning

PROJECT	PROGRESS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES
2.1 Planning Scheme Maintenance		
Mackay PS Amendments 3 of 2007: Car Parking provisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Awaiting response to 2nd State Interest Review. – Received some comments from DIP early September. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Awaiting response from DIP. – Adopt final amendments of proposed amendments to Amendments 3 of 2007.
Mackay PS Amendments 1 of 2009 (priority amendments)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Council resolved to propose amendments 1 of 2009. – Documents submitted to DIP for 1st State Interest Review (November). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Awaiting response from DIP.
2.2 Local Planning Instruments		
Mirani and Marian LAP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Consultant brief to Council on report. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – EbD report expected in January 2010. – Local Area Plan (report) to be developed in new financial year.
Sarina LAP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – EbD workshop held on 7 & 8 December 2009. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Briefing to Council on outcomes of workshop to be held in February 2010. – Local Area Plan (report) to be developed in new financial year.
Future growth area - Masterplan (Ooralea)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – No progress. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Brief for consultant being prepared. – Enquiry by Design Workshop to be held in

PROJECT	PROGRESS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES
		2 nd quarter of 2010.
Other: Midge Point	– Developer to prepare a draft Local Area Plan.	– Information provided to consultant.
2.3 SPA Planning Scheme		
New Planning Scheme	– Awaiting finalisation of Queensland Planning Provisions and progression of Strategic Plan.	– Make a submission on draft QPP.
2.4 Heritage Planning		
Heritage Information Kit	– Heritage Information Guides being prepared.	– Finalise layout of publication.
Heritage Advisory Committee	– Ongoing.	– Next HAC meeting on 12 January 2010. – Appoint consultant to investigate potential local heritage sites identified by HAC.

3. Regional & Strategic Planning

PROJECT	PROGRESS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES
3.1 WHAM Regional Plan		
– Social Infrastructure Audit – Infrastructure Audit – APODs – Regional – APODs – Local – Transport Model – LUPTAI Model		– Report to Council in 2010 on current status and progress of Regional Plan.
3.2 Mackay Strategic Plan		
Strategic Plan	– Briefing to Council on the Preliminary Scoping Study & internal consultation used to produce preliminary foundation	– Briefing to State Departments in 2010 on principles, work required and methodology.

PROJECT	PROGRESS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES
	principles (November 2009)	
Residential Strategy Densities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consultant appointed. - Inception meeting with appointed consultant held. - Released 1st Planning Ahead Brochure on study. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consultation with UDIA (workshop). - Separate meetings with estate agents and developers to determine market demands and issues.

4. PIPs

PROJECT	PROGRESS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES
4.1 Infrastructure Policies		
No active amendments.		
4.2 Indexation		
Economic Incentive subsidy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report considered by council on removal of Economic Incentive subsidies. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implement resolutions regarding removal or amendments to economic incentive subsidy.
Indexation of Contribution Rates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Publication of the next round of developer contribution charges rates (charging path capping) - December 2009. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparing indexation rates for January reporting. - Final charging path capping applies from February.
4.3 PIPs		
Mackay PIP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project development plan developed. - Preparation of 3rd Submission of Planning Assumptions for the Mackay PIP. - Briefing to Council on 11 November 2009. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meeting with PIP Steering Committee. - Ongoing.
4.4 Transport Planning		
Mackay Area Integrated Transport Study (MAITS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meeting with DMR held in November. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project ongoing.

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Waterways & Open Space

PROJECT	PROGRESS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES
1.1 Stormwater Studies		
Bakers Creek Stockroute Road East Stormwater Trunk Infrastructure Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report received. - Report to Council to accept the Report. (November) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No further progress.
Kellys Road Catchment Stormwater Trunk Infrastructure Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Addendum Report to be prepared. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Costs to be updated in Addendum Report. Addendum Report to Council in 2010.
McCreadys Creek South Stormwater Trunk Infrastructure Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Successful consultant appointed - WRM 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Start up meeting in January.
Review of 2006 Mackay Stormwater Quality Management Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review Report received 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report to Council March 2010.
Example Site Based Stormwater Management Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Example SBSMP for flat sites received. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consultation of draft templates expected in March.
1.2 Flood Studies		
Goosepond Creek Flood Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consultation completed and responses made to submitters. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Comments will be taken to council in Feb 2010 including receipt of final GHD Report and recommendations.
Pioneer River Flood Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ground level data (Aerial Laser Scanning received) in December. - WRM Brisbane appointed to do the Study. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bathymetry survey of tidal reaches of Pioneer River and Bakers Creek commissioned. - Draft report expected June 2010.
1.3 Open Space		
Open Space Policy Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brief issue to consultants – closed 2nd Feb 2010. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project to be awarded. - Workshop with development industry early in the review process to get their input.
1.4 Erosion and Sediment Control		
Review best practice guidelines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training held on 14 & 15 December 2009. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Investigate options for education and compliance on

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		ESC policies and guidelines.
Review policies to incorporate Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control	– Ongoing.	– Updating Engineering Design Guidelines for ESC.

2. Local Area Planning

PROJECT	PROGRESS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES
2.1 Planning Scheme Maintenance		
Mackay PS Amendments 3 of 2007: Car Parking provisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Awaiting response to 2nd State Interest Review. – Received some comments from DIP early September. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Adopt final amendments of proposed amendments to Amendments 3 of 2007.
Mackay PS Amendments 1 of 2009 (priority amendments)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Council resolved to propose amendments 1 of 2009. – Documents submitted to DIP for 1st State Interest Review (November). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 1st SIR response received from DIP 22nd January 2010.
2.2 Local Planning Instruments		
Mirani and Marian LAP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Received enquiries from Developers on outcome of EbD. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Consultation EbD Report expected in Feb 2010. – LAP Report to be developed by Oct 2010.
Sarina LAP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – EbD workshop was held in 7 & 8 December 2009. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Report being finalised. – Briefing by Consultant to Council on 10 February 2010.
Future growth area - Masterplan (Ooralea)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – No progress. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Brief for consultant being prepared. – Enquiry by Design Workshop to be held in 2nd quarter of 2010.
Other: Midge Point	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Developer to prepare a draft Local Area Plan. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Received 1st Draft document towards a Local Area Plan.
2.3 SPA Planning Scheme		
New Planning Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Submission on Draft QPP lodged with DIP. Finalised QPP reflected some issues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Working draft (Version 0.1) of Planning Scheme to be developed 2010.

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	raised in submission.	
2.4 Heritage Planning		
Heritage Information Kit	– Heritage Information Guides being prepared.	– Kit to be released in February.
Heritage Advisory Committee	– Final HAC meeting for 2009 was held 4 December.	– Next HAC meeting for the year is scheduled for 12 February 2010.

3. Regional & Strategic Planning

PROJECT	PROGRESS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES
3.1 WHAM Regional Plan		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Social Infrastructure Audit – Infrastructure Audit – APODs – Regional – APODs – Local – Transport Model – LUPTAI Model 	– No Progress.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Undertake internal workshop for Mackay APODs – Report to Council in 2010 on current status and progress of APODs.
3.2 Mackay Strategic Plan		
Strategic Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Briefing to Council on foundation principles, work required and the way forward. The Preliminary Scoping Study & internal consultation used to produce preliminary foundation principles. (4 November 2009) – Comments on foundation principles, work required and way forward received from some “Internal Stakeholders”. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Briefing to External Stakeholders to present principles, work required and way forward. – Audit of strategic elements of existing planning schemes.
Residential Densities Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Project commenced – Consultant has produced density definitions. – Workshop with UDIA & Real Estate agents to gain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Phase 1 – Density Study to be finalised. – Preliminary sites and evaluation criteria to be identified and workshop with

PROJECT	PROGRESS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES
	understanding of triggers, opportunities, issues and constraints.	Councillors and key staff to be held.

4. PIPs

PROJECT	PROGRESS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES
4.1 Indexation		
Indexation of Contribution Rates	– Publication of the next round of developer contribution charges rates (charging path capping) - November 2009.	– Preparing charging path capping for February 2010.
4.2 PIPs		
Mackay PIP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Project development plan developed. – Preparation of 3rd Submission of Planning Assumptions for the Mackay PIP. – Briefing to Council on 11 November 2009. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ongoing. – Ongoing.
4.3 Transport Planning		
Mackay Area Integrated Transport Study (MAITS)	– Meeting with DMR held in November.	– Project ongoing.

▪ Critical Activities Last two Months

The low number of lots coming through for registration is a growing concern - over the last two (2) months only 31 new lots were created - this figure needs to be 6 or 7 times this to meet the current demand.

▪ Smart Housing Working Group

Next meeting to be held on 18 March 2010.

▪ Affordable Housing Working Group

Next meeting to be held on 4 March 2010.

▪ Sustainable Futures Committee - Planning Issues Working Group

Next meeting to be held on 25 February 2010.

Consultation

There has been consultation with Development Services Program Managers.

Resource Implications

Nil.

Conclusion

The introduction of the Sustainable Planning Act on 18 December 2009 has been a huge imposition not just to make the necessary changes to our operating system, but also to accommodate the rush of applications under the previous legislation.

For the first 5 months of this financial year we averaged \$84,968 per month in planning application fees. In the 4 days before commencement (14 to 17 December), \$393,932 dollars worth of planning applications were received. This represents almost 5 months worth of applications

These applications include:

- MCU for a Hardware Store (Bunning's) at the corner of Holts and Bucasia Road, Richmond;
- MCU for a Supermarket at the Parkside site on Bridge Road, West Mackay;
- MCU for a Supermarket at Cuttersfield Estate site on Boundary Road, Ooralea;
- MCU and RoL for 81 lots at Anzac Avenue, Marian;
- MCU and RoL for 150 lots at Kennys Road, Marian;
- RoL for 312 lots Arabesque at Hodges Road, Shoal Point;
- RoL for 163 lots Cuttersfield Estate at Boundary Road, Ooralea;
- RoL for 45 lots Premier Garden Estate at Dawson Boulevard, Rural View;
- RoL for 84 lots Premier Garden Estate at Dawson Boulevard, Rural View; and
- RoL for 93 lots Premier Garden Estate at Dawson Boulevard, Rural View.

For the first 5 months of this financial year we have been averaging \$60,621 per month in operational works application fees. In the 4 days before commencement (14 to 17 December), \$111,638 dollars worth of planning applications were received. This represents almost 2 months worth of applications.

These applications include a:

- OW for stages 1 and 2A of Shoal Point Waters Estate, Shoal Point Road, Shoal Point;
- OW for constructed lake of Shoal Point Waters Estate, Shoal Point Road, Shoal Point;
- OW for 74 lots Premier Garden Estate at Dawson Boulevard, Rural View; and
- OW for 21 lots - Stage 2 Coleshill Estate at Hay Point Road, Alligator Creek.

Our legislative reform agenda is now focused on the introduction of the (new) Local Government Act in the middle of the year, which will bring with it a new suite of Local Laws.

The introduction of Smart eDA last year (electronic lodgement of Development Applications) was very successful, in fact Mackay Regional Council received the highest number of Development Applications of any of the participating Councils, including Moreton Bay, Gold Coast and Brisbane. Our focus with this project now turns to the before and after stages of Development Application lodgement.

With the on-set of the wet season we are reminded of the need for proper construction site management and with this in mind, we undertook ESC training for industry in December. ESC monitoring is an evolving priority for our Compliance officers and we aim to give this more priority in the years ahead.

On the Strategic Planning front, we undertook an Enquiry by Design workshop in Sarina in early December. This is the first step in a Local Area Planning process for Sarina.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT the reports be received.

