



Development Services

Monthly Review Report

May 2018

Executive Summary

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Local development conditions continue to strengthen with significant new inquiry in the residential space and most estates either actively developing new stages or planning to do so. Retail is proving to be another bright spot in the local economy with several large national retailers planning to open their first stores in Mackay. At Sarina the new Visitor Information Centre, which will deploy world leading technology will open shortly. Even before the official opening of the Visitor Information Centre large numbers of RV's and caravans are stopping to use the redeveloped parklands and the free wi-fi which has recently been deployed.

In other major projects the District Skate Park, The Sugar Bowl construction is progressing and a major marquee event with internationally ranked riders will launch the facility when it opens late this year. The funding agreement for the Camilleri Street Park redevelopment is also progressing well and the review of the Queens Park Masterplan following the announcement of State funding has also commenced. Private sector construction continues to track strongly with operational works figures for May showing that in 2018 we have exceeded the entire 2017 value of works in the first five months of this year.



Gerard Carlyon
Director Development Services



**Sarina Field of Dreams Parkland Masterplan delivery.
Drone photography of completed parklands works.**

Development News 05/2018

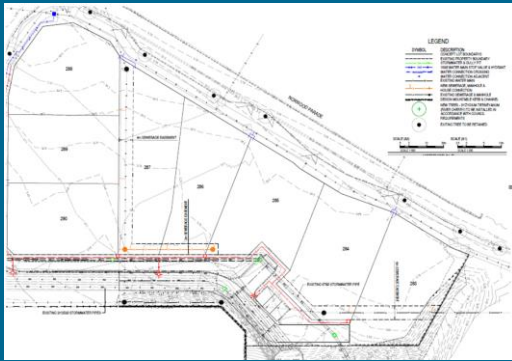
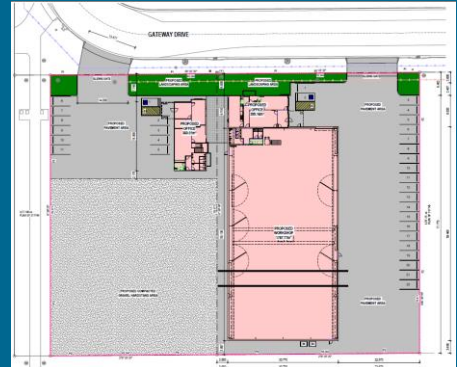
Updates on Significant Developments Currently Being Assessed by Council

APPLICATION LODGED

DA-2018-47

52 & 58 Gateway Drive, Paget

The application involves the construction of a new medium industry industrial workshop and administration building over two vacant lots.



APPLICATION LODGED

OW-2018-16

8 Jackman Court, Beaconsfield

The application consists of eight residential lots in Kerrisdale Estate. Proposed works include road work, stormwater, water infrastructure, sewerage infrastructure and sediment/erosion control plan.

APPLICATION APPROVED

DA-2018-11

89-97 Maggiolo Drive, Paget

The approval proposes the development of a customer built facility for the operation of a metal recycler, with the operations relocating from elsewhere in Paget.

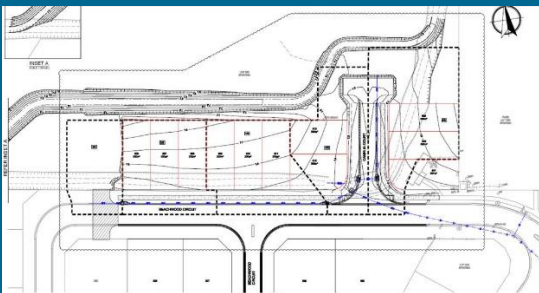


APPLICATION APPROVED

OW-2018-3

Lot 392 Beachwood Circuit, Bakers Creek

The application consists of eleven residential lots in the Waters Ooralea Estate Stage 5D. Approved works included road work, stormwater, water infrastructure, drainage, earthworks, sewerage infrastructure, landscaping, sediment/erosion control plan, signage and electrical and telecommunications.





Monthly Safety Review

Summary

Five injuries to employees were reported in May:

- A worker was bitten by an unknown insect (possibly a wasp) while pruning palms.
- A worker's eyes became irritated after pruning. Safety glasses were being worn.
- A worker tripped over a hose and fell to the ground.
- A worker felt pain in their back while hedging early in the morning.
- A worker hit their elbow with the handle of a mulch fork.

Two incidents involving asset damage were reported in May:

- A pole saw was damaged when a cut branch fell onto it.
- While moving an elevated work platform (EWP) into position, the boom knuckle of the EWP hit the rear of the chipper machine, causing minor damage.

Two near miss incidents were reported in May:

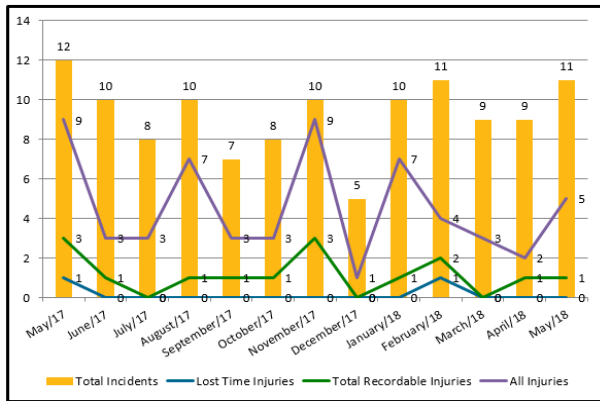
- The cross threaded lid of a chemical backpack leaked a small amount of chemical onto the back of the worker wearing it.
- A mower slipped into the edge of a lagoon becoming bogged. No damage to mower.

Two incidents involving members of the public were reported in May:

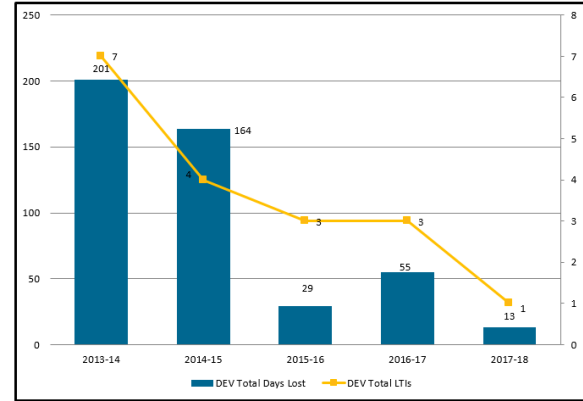
- A member of the public walking through the Botanic Gardens slipped over on a pathway.
- A child's foot slipped through a playground rope walkway. Investigations by Parks team did not identify any faults in equipment - everything was as installed and certified.

Each incident is investigated and appropriate corrective measures implemented, to reduce future risks.

Incidents and Injuries



Lost Time Injuries & Days Lost



Department	2013-14		2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18	
	LTI	Days Lost	LTI	Days Lost	LTI	Days Lost	LTI	Days Lost	LTI	Days Lost
Development Engineering										
Development Assessment										
Parks, Environment & Sustainability	6	179	4	164	3	29	3	55	1	13
Strategic Planning										
Economic Development & Tourism	1	22								
Development Services	7	201	4	164	3	29	3	55	1	13

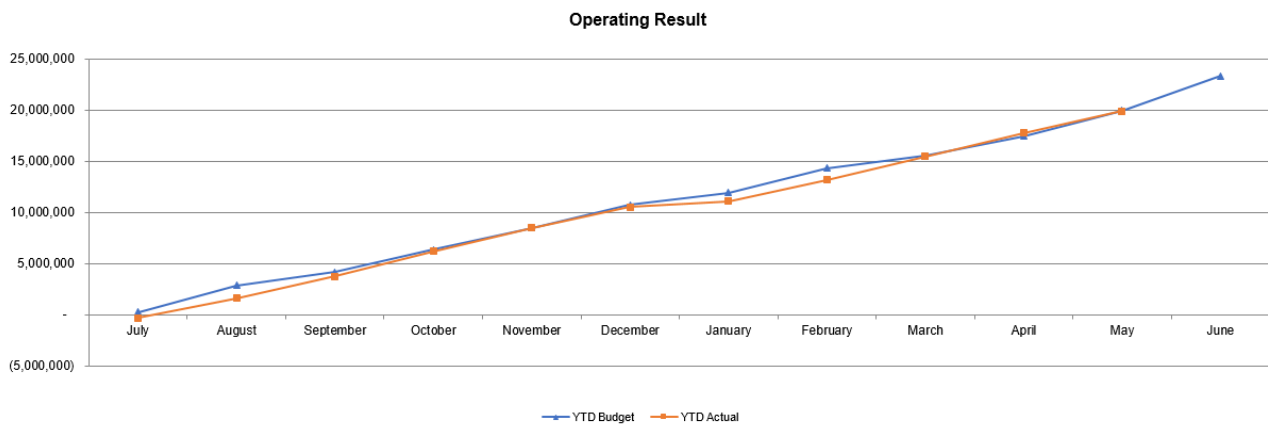
Financial Report

As we approach the end of the financial year we continue our strong cost control which is resulting in excellent overall financial results.

Operating Results	YTD budget	YTD actual	Variance	Status
Development Services Management	332,719	350,928	18,209	☀
Strategic Planning	1,820,619	1,812,068	(8,551)	🌱
Development Assessment	(109,687)	(193,207)	(83,520)	🌱
Development Engineering	316,294	237,677	(78,618)	🌱
Economic Development & Tourism	2,480,041	2,480,864	823	☀
Parks, Environment & Sustainability	15,089,040	15,223,546	134,506	☀
TOTAL OPERATIONAL	19,929,025	19,911,875	(17,150)	🌱

Legend	
🌱	YTD Variance favourable of budget
☀	YTD Variance unfavourable, between 0% and 5% of YTD Budget
🔴	YTD Variance unfavourable, more than 5% of YTD Budget

Operating Results

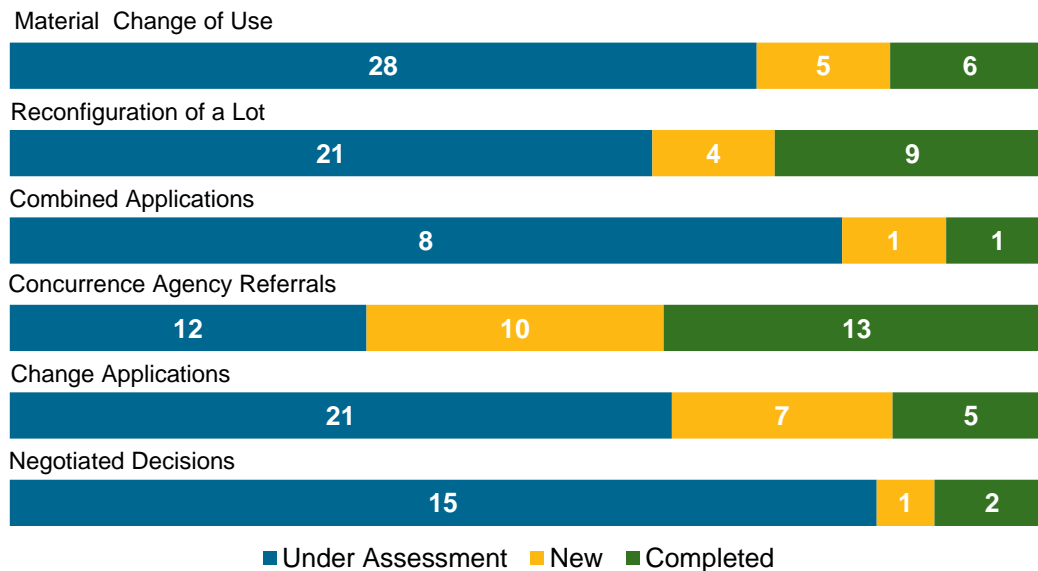


Review of Operations

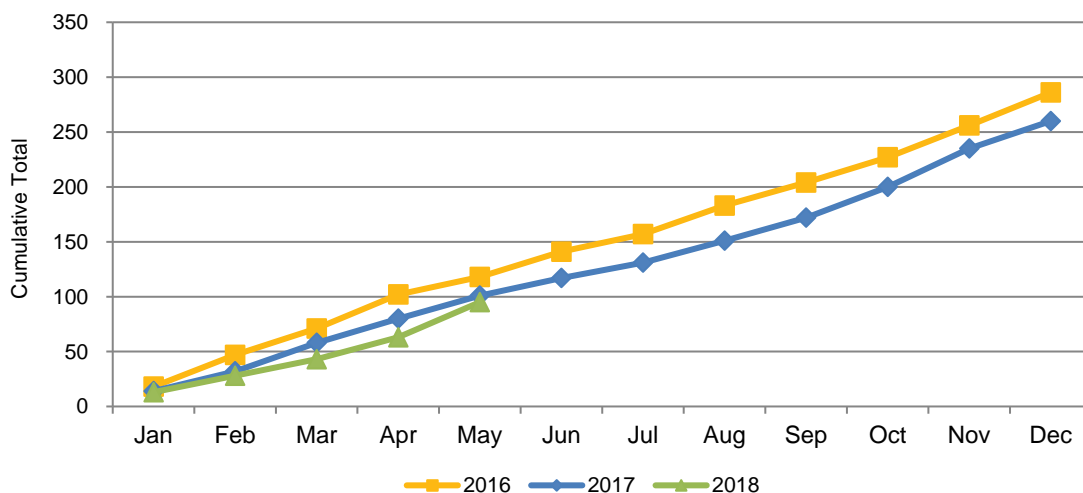
- On Track
- Potential Issue
- Definite Issue

DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT

Volume of Operations



Cumulative Number of Approved Development Assessment Applications

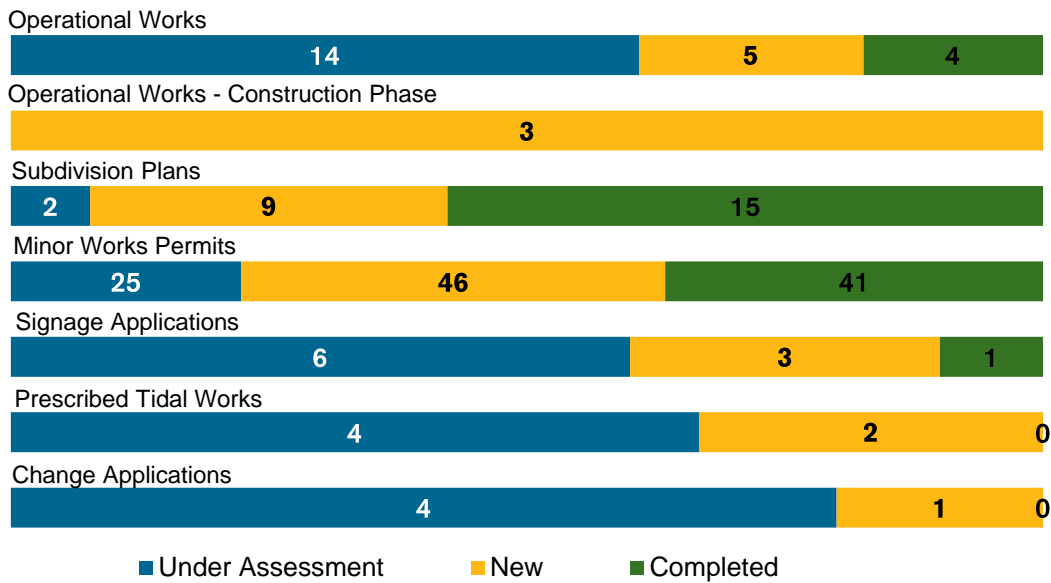


Development Assessment Performance Against Legislative Timeframes

Application	Status	% Decided
MCU Code (85% in 40 Days)	●	100% decided in 40 days.
MCU Impact (50% in 40 Days)	●	0% decided in 40 days. One Impact Application was decided in May, which was presented to an Ordinary Meeting for determination. The decision period was 55 days.
ROL (85% in 40 Days)	●	88% decided in 40 days.
Concurrence Agency (85% in 10 Days)	●	92% decided in 10 days.

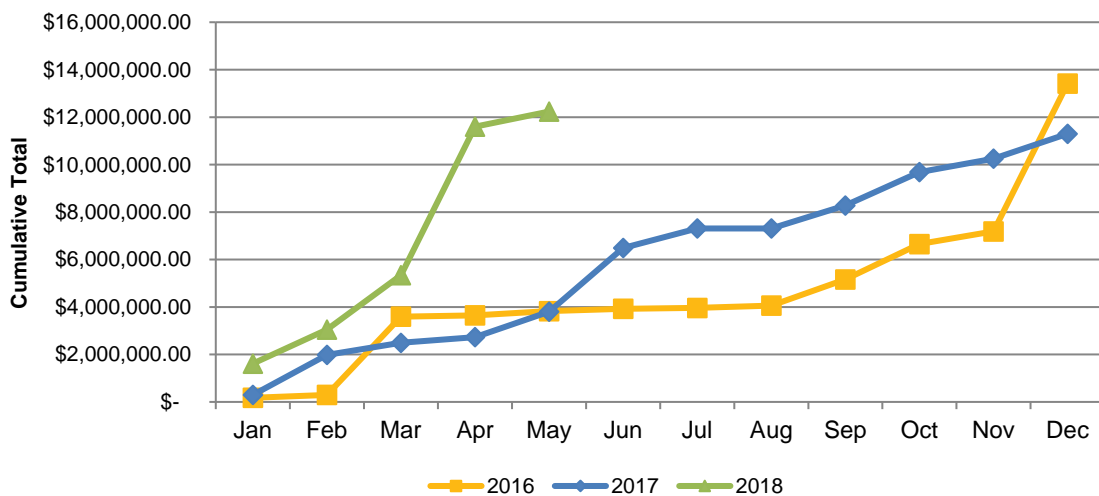
DEVELOPMENT ENGINEERING

Volume of Operations



Cumulative Value of Approved Operational Works

Four Operational Works applications were approved in May with a total value of works of \$637,470.00.



Development Engineering Performance Against Legislative Timeframes

Application	Status	% Decided
Minor Works (85% in <20 Days)	🟢	100% decided in 20 days.
Signage Applications (85% in <20 Days)	🟢	100% decided in 20 days.
Operational Works (85% in 40 Days)	🟢	100% decided in 40 days.
Plan Sealing (85% decided in 20 days without Action Notice)	🟢	100% decided in 20 days without Action Notice.

STRATEGIC PLANNING

Regional and Local Area Planning		
Projects	Status	Description / Update of Project
Sarina Town Centre Revitalisation Study	*	The draft strategy document is nearing completion and original project scope complete. Compiling cost estimates for further discussion on a way forward.
Mackay Region Industrial Land Provision Study	*	Long term study to consider development and infrastructure options for industry investigation precincts in the Mackay Region Planning Scheme. Study will be ongoing to 2018/19.
Planning Scheme Policy – Open Space Policy	*	Council resolved in November 2017 to make a proposed Planning Scheme Policy on Open Space. The policy will set standards for providing recreational parks when undertaking development. Public consultation was undertaken from 16 February to 16 March 2018 and Council is considering submissions received.
Mackay Waterfront Priority Development Area	*	The Mackay Waterfront Priority Development Area was declared by the Minister for Economic Development Queensland and became effective by regulation on 25 May 2018. Work has commenced on drafting the PDA development scheme with formal community engagement anticipated in late 2018. Preliminary investigations are continuing for various infrastructure types. Concept designs have commenced for some components of the PDA precincts.
<p>Project Update: Mackay Region Planning Scheme (MRPS) Amendments Public consultation for qualified state interest amendment 1 of 2017 (dwelling house provisions) commenced on the 1 June 2018. All materials are available on council's website and in customer service centres. A public information session is planned for 14 June 2018. The public consultation period will conclude on the 9 July 2018.</p>		

Transport & Infrastructure Planning		
Projects	Status	Description / Update of Project
Growth Allocation Model	*	The Growth Allocation Model allocates and maps future urban growth over a 20-year projection period based on growth scenarios. Further modelling will be undertaken in 2018 based on new population projections to be released by the State.
Transport Modelling	*	Further transport modelling will be considered after completion of the 2018 growth allocation modelling.
Development of a Local Government Infrastructure Plan (LGIP)	*	Public consultation on the proposed LGIP was undertaken between 16 March and 3 May 2018. Council considered all submissions and responded to submitters about how their submissions were dealt with. Council resolved to proceed with the proposed LGIP with changes addressing drafting errors. The proposed LGIP was sent to the appointed reviewer for the second compliance check and following their response a request for approval to adopt the proposed LGIP was sent to the Planning Minister.
Mackay Isaac Whitsunday Regional Transport Plan (State Government)	*	Council has been working with Transport and Main Roads and Whitsunday and Isaac Regional Councils on the development of State Government's Regional Transport Plan.
Engineering Design Guidelines Review	*	The discussion paper is progressing, which outlines options available for the adoption and implementation of the revised guidelines.

Project Update: Proposed Local Government Infrastructure Plan

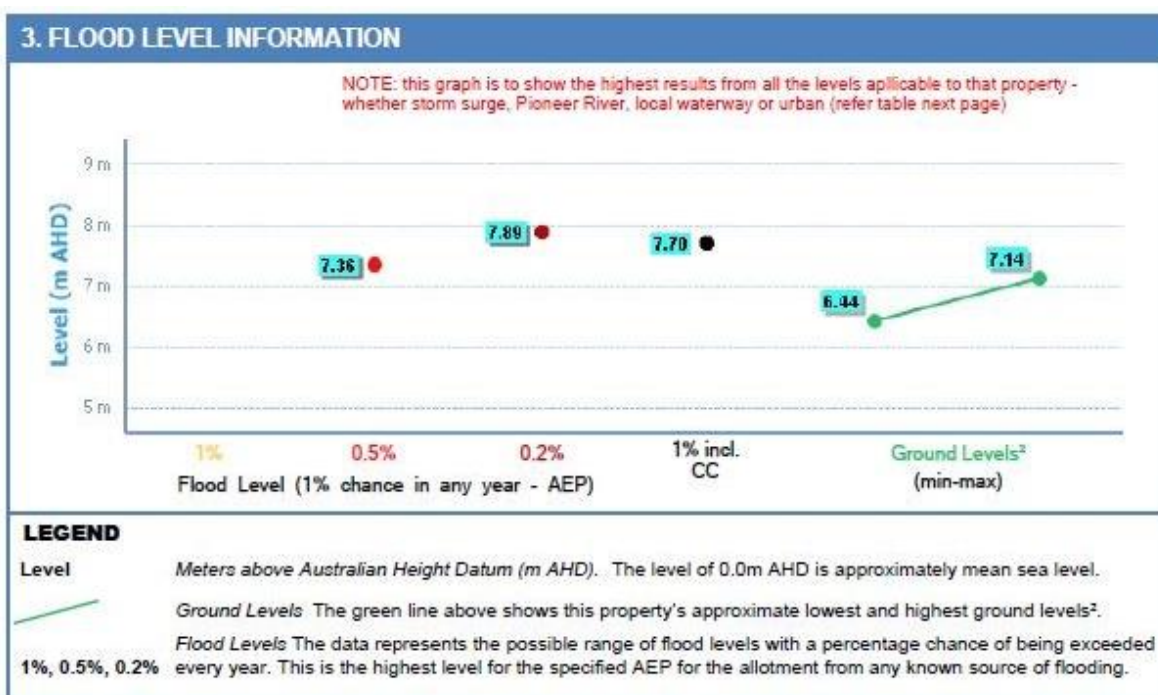
Public consultation on the proposed LGIP was undertaken between 16 March and 3 May 2018. Following the consultation period, Council considered all properly made submissions. A number of submissions were received covering a range of issues including the proposed priority infrastructure area, schedule of works and planning assumptions. After the consideration of the submissions, a response to each submitter was provided that outlined how their submissions were dealt with. Council resolved to make changes to the proposed LGIP to address drafting errors and to proceed with the proposed LGIP. The proposed LGIP was sent to the appointed reviewer for the second compliance check and a response was received from the appointed reviewer that recommended the proposed LGIP to proceed with no changes. The Council then wrote to the Planning Minister formally requesting approval to adopt the proposed LGIP.

Waterways

Projects	Status	Description / Update of Project
Mackay Region Coastal and Inland Flood Hazard Adaptation Strategy (CIFHAS)	●	The project will identify the Mackay Region's coastal and flood hazards and identify adaptation options to minimize the adverse impacts of these hazards. The current stage is near complete with data now received from the terrestrial LIDAR project (street view image and property details such as floor levels, type etc.). The next stage of the project involves consultation that commenced in May. The strategy is to be renamed the Storm Smart Strategy.
Mackay Floodplain Management Plan	●	Project is in Phase 1 – existing conditions data review. The LiDAR and flood damage assessments are close to completion, enabling the next phases of the project to continue. Phase 2 and 3 of the project, involving mitigation option identification and testing will be undertaken in mid to late 2018.
Bakers Creek South Mackay Stormwater Trunk Infrastructure Study	●	The study has commenced and an existing conditions Tuflow model has been developed for the South Mackay, Ooralea and Paget areas which discharge to Bakers Creek. Problem areas have been confirmed and high level concepts for testing developed. It is anticipated that the study will be completed in mid-2018.

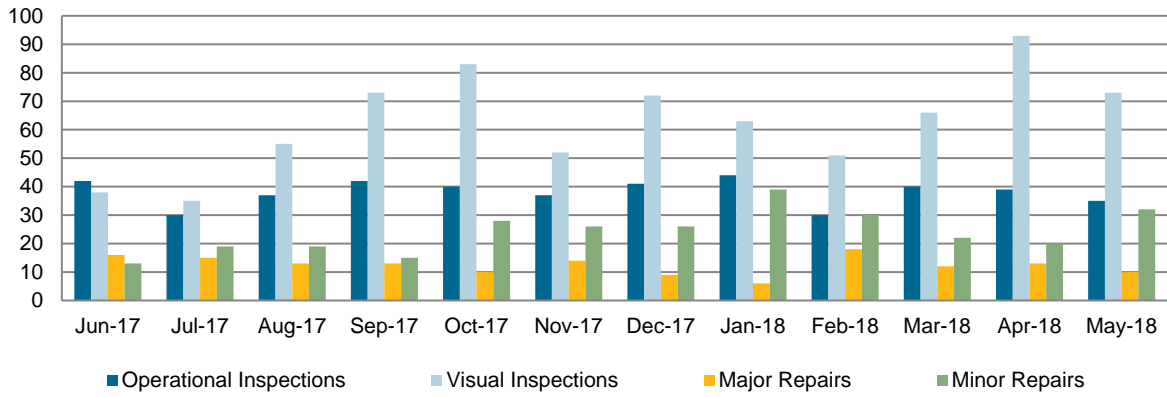
Project Update: Flood Planning Report

An automated tool for producing lot scale flood planning reports has been developed to work with Councils MiMaps online system. The tool is being tested in house prior to a general release to the public. An extract from a sample report is shown.

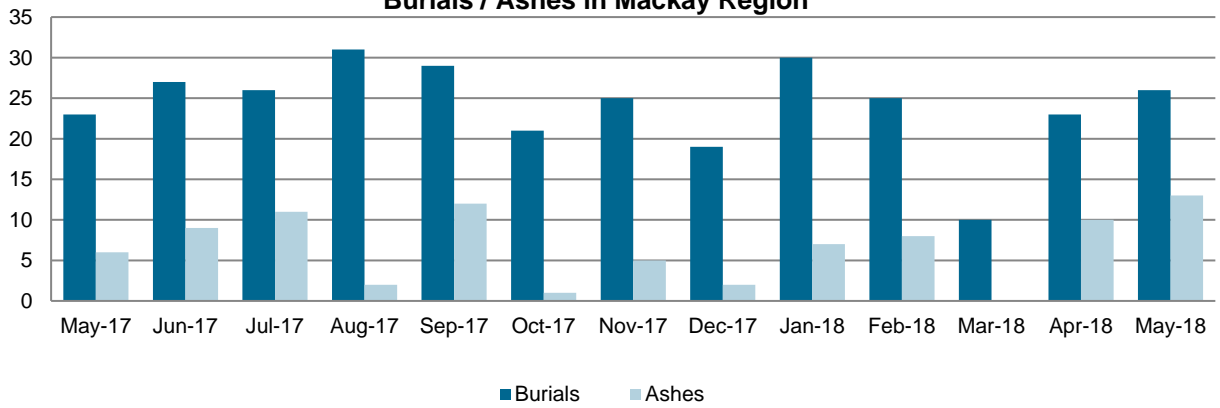


PARKS, ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY

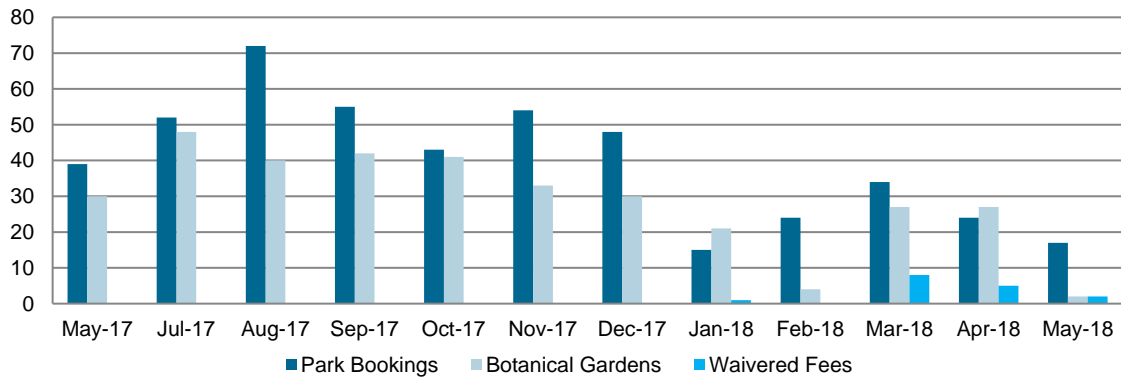
Play Equipment Inspection and Maintenance

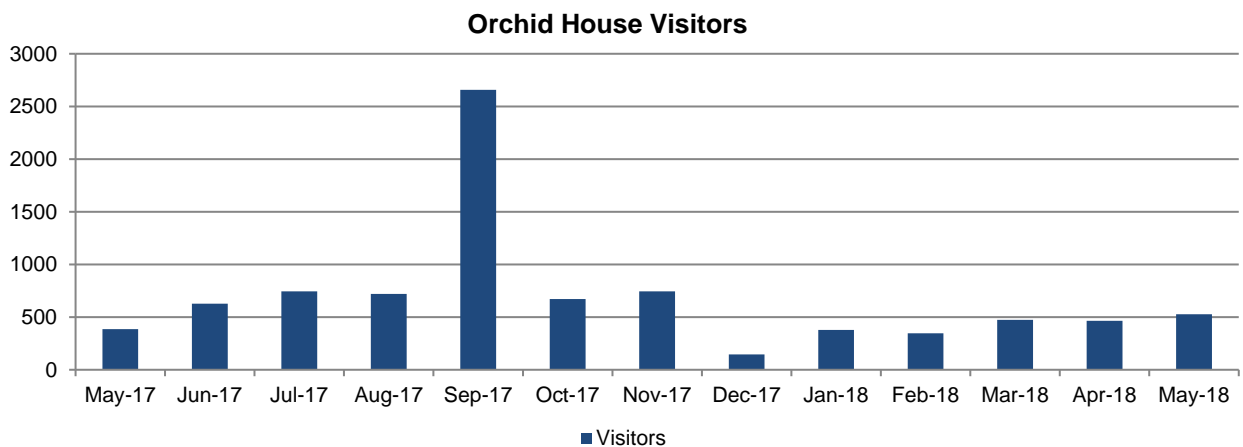
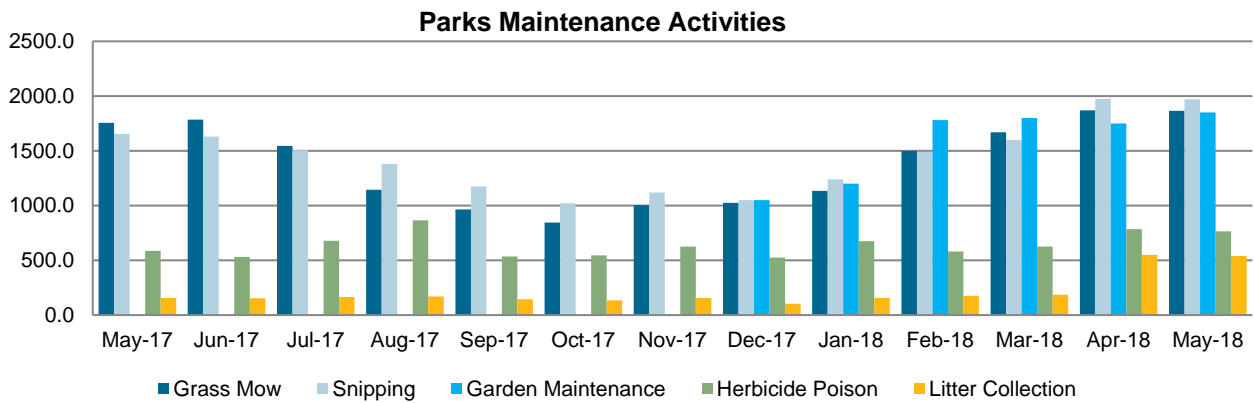


Burials / Ashes in Mackay Region









Park Bookings





Natural Environment Projects		
Project	Status	Description / Update of Project
Local Coastal Plans	★	The final Midge Point Local Coastal Plan has been prepared pending Council approval. Community consultation on the Slade Point plan closed in late May and comments are currently being reviewed.
Key Biodiversity Area Signage	★	Staff met with Birdlife Mackay to discuss opportunities to promote the plants and animals of the Eungella area, such as the Eungella Honeyeater. Goodes Lookout has been chosen as one of the potential sites for signage.
Open Plan Recycling	★	The open plan recycling project has been implemented at the Paget Depot.
Gooseponds Oxygenation Devices	★	Two surface aerator devices and a fountain have been installed in the upper pool of the Gooseponds adjacent to the Bruce Highway. These devices will increase oxygen levels and eliminate fish kills. They will be operational in June pending Ergon Energy power connection.
Interpretive Signage Installation	★	Interpretive signage has been installed at Lagoons Creek, the Gooseponds and Little McCreadys Creek.
Fish Habitat Construction	★	The first workshop was held on Saturday May 19 to start construction of the water fish attractant structures which will be installed at Kinchant Dam to help improve recreational fishing.

Capital Works Projects		
Project	Status	Description / Update of Project
Apex Park Sarina		Replacement of the safety fencing around the Apex Park playground has been completed.
Blacks Beach Park		Construction of a disabled access ramp to the beach has been completed. Currently works on the pathway network, beach shower, picnic setting and landscaping are in progress.
Mirani Play Equipment		Construction of the new playground at Railway Park Mirani is almost complete. The new shade structure has been constructed, play equipment installed and landscape works are in progress. The official opening is scheduled for 26 June.
W4Q Blacks Beach Fitness Stairs		Construction of the fitness stairs running from Blacks Beach Park up to Camilleri Street is in progress. Footings, joists and bearers have been installed and works on installing the decks, handrails and steps is in progress.

Botanic Gardens Projects		
Project	Status	Description / Update of Project
Operational Depot & Nursery		Complete. Waiting for As Constructed Drawings from final service installation.
Furniture, Fixtures and Shelters		The refurbished guest reception foyer is nearing completion. Remaining signage will be installed in June.

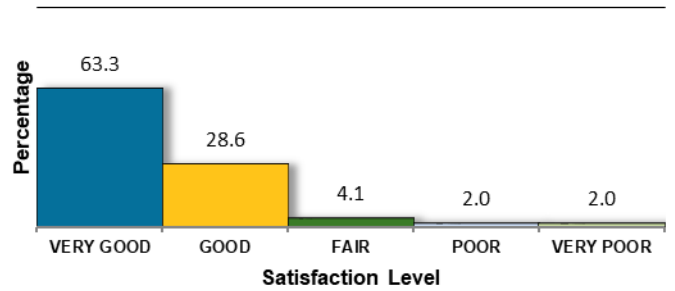
Requests for Maintenance Work

Results of Customer Survey (March / April 2018)

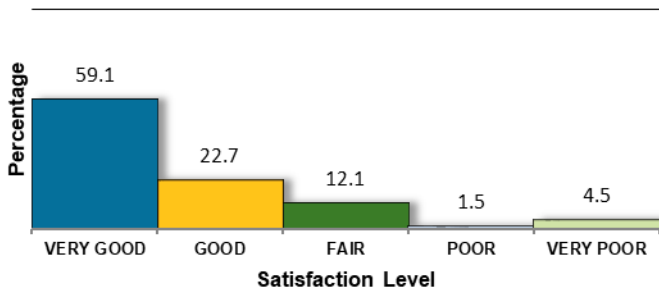
Attitude of staff receiving request



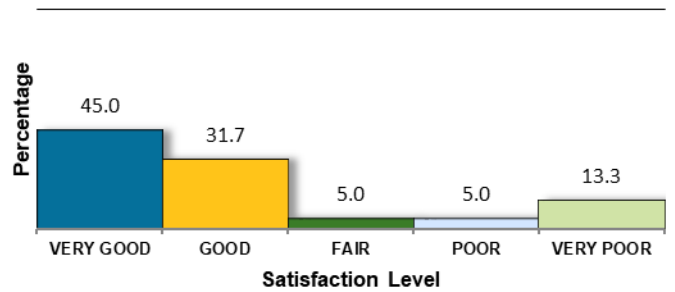
Attitude of staff attending request



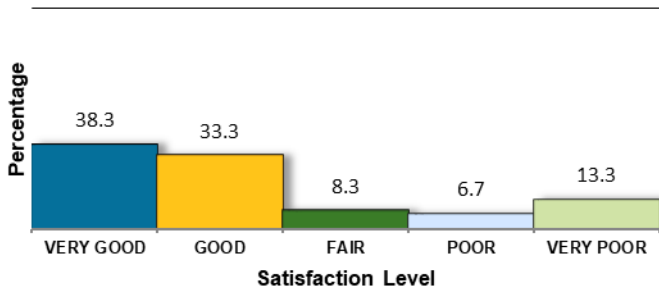
Time taken to address request



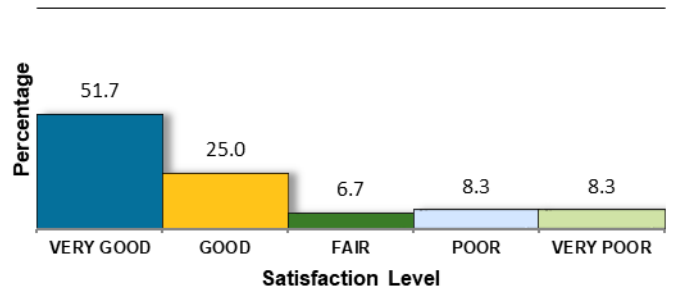
Appearance of completed work



Degree work addresses request



Overall satisfaction with response

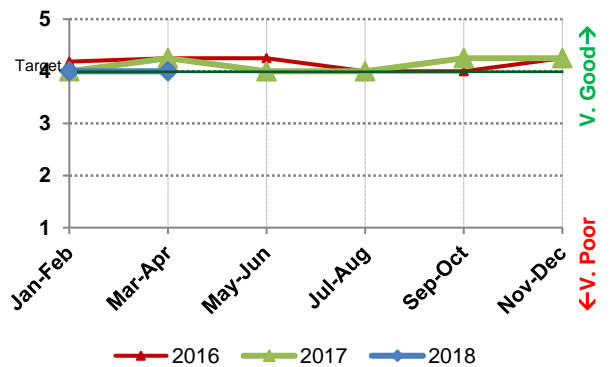


Representative Comments

- They got on with the task without any need to contact us.
- Requested work completed that afternoon, thank you.
- Fault was fixed very quickly, thank you.
- First class.
- Didn't replace the tree.
- Very happy with the whole process! Should have called months ago! Great work by all involved!
- Tree was not cut down but pruned.
- Did not leave anything behind for us to clean up.
- The tree was trimmed within a week of my request.
- They got workers to mow within a few days of request.
- I can now see oncoming traffic as I reverse down the driveway.
- I couldn't fault a thing and everyone was nice.

Trends

Overall rating trends



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM

Revitalise the City Centre		
Strategy / Project	Status	Description / Update of Project
Marketing	*	<p>Television Commercial Campaign (TVC) Continued in May, featuring 1 x 30 second generic TVC, and 1 x 15 second health and fitness on Seven.</p> <p>Professional Services Campaign Commenced July 3, 2017 and includes a weekly press advertisement in the Daily Mercury featuring a different category each week for the duration of the 17/18 financial year.</p> <p>After ten months the campaign had exhausted its appeal and in April, for the last eight weeks of the campaign, the weekly advertisement changed to accommodate a generic offering promoting Mackay City Centre. Articles published in May included Mother's Day in the City, Get Active in the City, Our Vibrant Autumn Paradise and After Sunset in the City.</p>
Events	*	<p>Wagyu Week Activation Wagyu Week was held in the first week in May. On Friday May 4, to add appeal to attract delegates into the City Centre, a low key activation was held in Wood St. The cinema carpark was used for the screening of the movie 'The BBQ'. A light installation in the trees surrounding the car park set the scene for a night for all to enjoy the offerings of the bars and restaurants of the area, enhanced by the sounds of buskers from two soloists and the Japanese drummers.</p> <p>Greenmount Heritage Fair Mackay City Centre was a stallholder at the annual Greenmount Heritage Fair. Marketing materials were handed out to interested patrons.</p> <p>QLD Day Planning has been underway for QLD Day activations. QLD Day is held on Wednesday June 6. Mackay City Centre has received funding from the State Government for the activations. A community artwork is being created by local community groups, through workshops held with local arts group BASEarts Mackay. The artwork will then be produced digitally and printed on eco ply and showcased on QLD Day at the Greater Whitsundays Farmers' Market on Wednesday 6 June and the Celebrate Queensland Day Under the Stars Twilight Market on Friday June 8.</p>
Facade Improvement Scheme - City Centre	*	Expressions of interest are currently being considered, as received. Four applications have been approved.
City Centre Digital Subscribers	*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facebook – 5,807 • Instagram – 1,221 • City Centre WiFi Sessions – 15305

Strong Local Businesses with a Global Reach		
Strategy / Project	Status	Description / Update of Project
Resources Industry Network (RIN) Export Group	★	Council attends Export Group meetings and provides support to members as required.
International Education and Training	★	The final report for the Study Greater Whitsunday Cluster Feasibility project is waiting on feedback from Trade and Investment Queensland, prior to issuing to cluster participants. Partners on the project include GW3, CQ University and Whitsunday, Isaac and Mackay Regional Councils.
Agribusiness Investment Delegation		A delegation of Chinese, Taiwanese and Vietnamese investors were in Mackay on May 12 following participation at Rockhampton's Beef Week. They were investigating agribusiness and tourism investment opportunities while in country. Economic Development provided support to Trade and Investment Queensland for this visit.

Partnerships for Economic Development		
Strategy / Project	Status	Description / Update of Project
Implementation of the Economic Development Strategy	★	<p>Mackay Region Fishing Strategy Economic Development has commenced delivery of the Action Plan linked to the \$100,000 State Funding for implementation of the Mackay Region Recreational Fishing Strategy.</p> <p>Mountain Bike Strategy The Mountain Bike Strategy was awarded in December and delivery of the strategy has now commenced. Delivery of the strategy is expected in June/July.</p> <p>General Aviation Economic Development continues to coordinate advice to airstrip operators as requested.</p> <p>Driver Education Facility Needs Assessment The Driver Education Facility Needs Assessment was awarded in January and delivery has now commenced. The assessment will involve targeted stakeholder engagement to determine whether there is a demonstrated stakeholder need for the establishment of a driver education facility in the Mackay region. It is expected that the assessment results will be delivered in early June.</p>
Recreational Vehicle Attraction	★	<p>The Camping Choices Regulatory Review was received in February 2018. Internal review was conducted in February and March with implementation of recommendations now being investigated.</p> <p>Marketing for the Sarina Field of Dreams and the Visitor Information Centre was undertaken in the Autumn edition of the Caravanning Australia Magazine. Council has provided funding for Mackay Tourism to deliver a targeting marketing campaign aimed at the drive market.</p>
Facilitating Development in Mackay Region Policy	★	An extension for Camilleri Fruit and Vegetable Outlet was approved by Council. One stage two application was received and five expressions of interests have recently been approved, however the corresponding Stage 2 applications have not yet been received.
Queensland Mining and Engineering Exhibition (QME)	★	Planning for the Mackay Region Showcase stand at QME 2018 is underway with partners, Mackay Tourism and Resource Industry Network (RIN). The Mackay region stand will promote regional innovation within the mining sector and six companies will be invited to showcase their innovations. The total number of companies exhibiting at QME is growing and more stand space has been added by organisers.

Business Assistance Platform	✱	Consultancy components of the Business Assistance Platform project are underway. The project is an initiative of the region's business assistance providers and aims to establish a coordinated approach to business event collaboration and cross promotion and, in addition, provide information on business assistance available within the region.
Greater Whitsunday Food Network	✱	Greater Whitsunday Food Network are holding their Farmer's Markets every Wednesday morning and Twilight Markets once a month. The Network has commenced planning for their annual Farm to Plate dinner (to be held on June 7) and bus tour. Matt Golinski has been booked to coordinate a menu and attend the function / tour again this year. Financial support is being sourced by the Network to hold the event.
Resource Centre of Excellence	✱	The pre-feasibility study and business case for the Resource Centre of Excellence was awarded in December and has now commenced. The project is expected to be finalised in the first half of 2018. The business case supports the State Government's \$3.6 million funding announcement for construction of the facility.
Sustainable Economic Growth for Regional Australia (SEGRA) Conference	✱	Mackay has been successful in securing the SEGRA conference for our region. It will be held October 22-25, 2018. A local planning committee has been established to help coordinate the event.
Mackay Wagyu Week	✱	The Australian Wagyu Association (AWA) national conference was held in Mackay during May. Council, in collaboration with Mackay City Centre, Department of State Development, Greater Whitsunday Food Network and local wagyu representatives, organised several complementary activities to engage the community during the week of the event, including: activation of local restaurants; pop-up cooking demonstrations; paddock to plate dinner; and a Friday night welcome in the City Centre.
Regional Innovation Showcase and Myriad	✱	Economic Development provided support to Resource Industry Network and regional mining service businesses at the Regional Innovation Showcase held at Brisbane City Hall. Staff also manned the regional stand at the Myriad Festival held at the Royal Exhibition Grounds in Brisbane.
Mackay Chamber of Commerce	✱	Support was provided to Mackay Chamber of Commerce to hold <i>Power Your Business</i> and <i>Power Your Sales</i> seminars during Small Business Week.

Working to Support Local Business		
Strategy / Project	Status	Description / Update of Project
Mackay Events & Conference Attraction Program	✱	<p>Events / conferences held in May Four events / conferences were held:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2018 Australian Wagyu Association Conference • Zach Mach Adventure Challenge • Golf Queensland Women's Country Week • Transmoto 8-Hour <p>Events / conferences approved in May Six new events / conferences were approved through the program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mechanos • Veterans Cricket • 2018 Bullet Bikes Yamaha BluCru Motorcycle Beach Races • Confidential Event x 3
Mackay Pride Facade Improvement Scheme - Expressions of Interest	✱	Expressions of interest opened in August and are currently being assessed, as received. Three applications have been approved.

Attracting & Keeping Young People in the Region		
Strategy / Project	Status	Description / Update of Project
Support and incubate to foster creativity & commercialise ideas and start ups	*	<p>Split Spaces Mackay Economic Development will continue to engage with Split Spaces Mackay to discuss future partnership opportunities as requested.</p> <p>Startup Mackay Economic Development will continue to engage with Startup Mackay to discuss future partnership opportunities as requested.</p>

Place Management of Suburbs & Localities		
Strategy / Project	Status	Description / Update of Project
Placemaking	*	Economic Development is delivering a placemaking grants program, Activate My Place (AMP), offering grants to individuals or organisations to deliver projects that enhance the amenity, activity and appearance of a place. A community workshop was held in March with 30 community members in attendance. Applications opened at the beginning of April and closed on May 1, 2018. Interest in the program has been positive and twelve applications were received. Review of applications have been completed by AMP panel, final approval will be in late June.
Sarina Field of Dreams - New Mackay Region Visitor Information Centre (VIC) & Parkland Development	*	<p>Railway Station Refurbishment for new Mackay Region VIC Mackay Tourism are due to open and commence operations from the new Visitor Information Centre from July 1, 2018. All contract construction works, defects works and the landscape establishment periods are complete. Brochure racking, merchandise shelving and artwork to be installed mid-late June.</p> <p>Parkland Masterplan The parkland will now enter 12 months 'on-maintenance' period.</p> <p>Signage & Wayfinding Pricing for construction of signage and wayfinding is ongoing.</p> <p>Parkland Wi-Fi Parkland Wi-Fi has been installed with public use anticipated to commence in late June/ early July.</p>

Sarina Sugar Shed					
Strategy / Project	Status	Description / Update of Project			
		Item	May	YTD	Annual Target
Business Operations	*	Visitation	584	8649	10,000
		Item	May	YTD	Annual Budget
	*	Ticket Sales	\$10,567	\$159,806	\$185,000
	*	Retail Sales	\$24,191	\$262,738	\$327,000
	*	Total Income (incl. Tickets income)	\$34,758	\$422,544	\$512,000
	*	Total Expenses	-\$11,658*	\$679,174	\$809,664

* Expenses are in credit due to stock take adjustments made during May and changes to the accounting method and the calculation of cost of goods.

e-Statistics								
Subscribers	May	April	March	February	January	November	October	September
City Centre Business Network	993	933	1,066	1,070	1,080	1,098	1,100	1,101
Regional Focus Business Network	148	148	148	148	150	152	153	153
Sarina Businesses Network	172	173	173	173	176	182	182	182
Evans Avenue Network	64	64	64	65	65	65	71	71
City Deals Club Subscribers	3,904	3746	3,696	3,693	3,693	3,714	3,695	3,658
Mackay Region Joblink Analytic Report	497 Users 428 Views	499 Users 428 Views	496 Users 41 Views	494 Users 443 Views	490 Users 552 Views	Not available at time of reporting	476 Users 933 Views	474 Users 563 Views

UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
7 July	Fish attractor working bee for Kinchant Dam	Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens Compound
27 & 29 July	National Tree Day planting activities	Alexandra St area, Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens
30 June	River Sessions	Queens Park
1 - 6 July	2018 Australian State School Rugby League Championship (ASSRL)	Mackay Junior Rugby League Fields
8 - 14 July	Inaugural Football Qld Community Cup	Mackay Regional Football Zone
22 July	Grasstree Beach Motorbike Races	Grasstree Beach
11 August	Mechanos Mackay	Mackay Aero Club
11 August	International Karate Test Match	MECC
17 August - 18 August	Sunstate Pro Tree Shootout Drag Racing Championships	Palmyra Dragway
26 - 27 August	Variety Bash Lay Days	Haliday Bay
31 August - 2 September	myPHN Conference (Primary Health Network Conference)	MECC
7 - 9 September	Regional Convention of Jehovah's Witnesses	MECC

22 - 24 September	U18 & U17 Softball QLD Boy's State Championships	Mackay Softball Grounds
25 - 29 September	Rumble on the Reef Qld Championship of Street Skateboarding	Sugar Bowl Mackay
22 - 25 October	Sustainable Economic Growth in Regional Australia (SEGRA) 2018 Conference	MECC