

AGENDA

of the

ADVOCACY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Held in the Claremont Room 8th Floor, 1 Nicholas Street IPSWICH QLD 4305

On Thursday, 14 August 2025 At 2:00 PM

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| Mayor Teresa Harding (Chairperson) | Councillor Pye Augustine | |
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| Councillor Marnie Doyle (Deputy Chairperson) | Councillor David Martin | |

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ADVOCACY ADVISORY COMMITTEE NO. 2025(02)

14 AUGUST 2025

AGENDA

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. <u>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ADVOCACY ADVISORY COMMITTEE</u> NO. 2025(01) OF 8 MAY 2025

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Advocacy Advisory Committee held on 8 May 2025 be confirmed.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

2. **AMENDMENTS TO SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS POLICY, PROCEDURE, BRIEF AND CRITERIA

This is a report concerning the updated Advocacy for Significant Projects Policy.

RECOMMENDATION

- A. That the Advocacy Advisory Committee review the updated Advocacy for Significant Projects Policy for endorsement and progression to Economic and Cultural Development Committee and Council for approval and adoption.
- B. That the Advocacy Advisory Committee note the draft list of Locally Significant Projects compiled following initial meetings with Councillors.

3. <u>ADDITION TO THE REGIONALLY SIGNIFICANT PROJECT LIST - BRISBANE 2032</u> OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES OPPORTUNITIES

This is a report concerning the addition of Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities to the list of Regionally Significant Projects.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Advocacy Advisory Committee endorse the addition of the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games as a Regionally Significant Project.

4. **LEVERAGING 2032: VENUE AUDIT FOR ELITE TRAINING READINESS

This is a report detailing progress on *Leveraging 2032: Our Roadmap to the Olympic and Paralympic Games*, specifically *Outcome 7: Pre-Games Training Opportunities (Venues, Teams Attraction).* It includes progress on the venue audit, next steps, short list of venues with elite training capabilities and approval of a Team Attraction brochure for the city.

RECOMMENDATION

- A. That Committee note the progress made as part of *Outcome 7: Pre-Games Training Opportunities (Venues, Team Attraction)* through the delivery of a venue audit of Council and non-Council sporting venues.
- B. That Committee discuss the opportunity for a potential team attraction brochure based on the venue audit shortlisting, promoting venues with Games training capabilities.
- NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is to be advised.

6. GENERAL DISCUSSION (within the purpose and scope of the committee)

ADVOCACY ADVISORY COMMITTEE NO. 2025(01)

8 MAY 2025

MINUTES

COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Teresa Harding (Chairperson); Councillors Marnie Doyle, Pye Augustine, Jacob Madsen (Observer – via audio-link), Andrew Antoniolli (Observer) and David Martin (Observer)

COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES:

Councillor Jim Madden

OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE:

Sonia Cooper (Chief Executive Officer), Ben Pole (General Manager, Community and Cultural Development), Dan Heenan (Economic Development Manager), Kate Adams (Advocacy Lead), Seren McKenzie (General Manager, Asset and Infrastructure Services), Melissa Fitzgerald (Chief of Staff Office of the Mayor), Wade Wilson (Executive Services Manager)

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

Nil

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. <u>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ADVOCACY ADVISORY COMMITTEE NO.</u> 2024(03) OF 21 NOVEMBER 2024

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Advocacy Advisory Committee held on 21 November 2024 be confirmed.

Councillor Pye Augustine arrived at the meeting at 2.06 pm. Councillor Jacob Madsen joined the meeting via audio-link at 2.10 pm.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

2. <u>2025 FEDERAL ELECTION OUTCOMES</u>

This is a report providing a summary of the outcomes of the 2025 Federal Election, held on 3 May 2025.

RECOMMENDATION

- A. That the report be received, and its contents noted.
- B. That the Advocacy Advisory Committee discuss next steps for Council's advocacy program.

DISCUSSION

The committee received an update and overview from Dan Heenan and Kate Adams on the 2025 Federal Election:

- It was noted that in the lead up to the Federal election the Mayor wrote to all candidates seeking their support for Council's advocacy priorities.
- Nineteen election commitments were made in the seat of Blair. Seven from ALP sitting member Shayne Neumann totalling \$216.9 million and 12 from LNP candidate Carl Mutzelburg totalling 221.695 million.
- Most notable commitment was \$200 million to upgrade the Amberley interchange from both ALP and LNP.
- Other election commitments were made for the upgrade to local sporting clubs and commitments to local community groups.

The committee discussed the steps that need to occur in relation to the Amberley Interchange project so that Council could build its advocacy around them. Following on from discussions the Mayor has already had with the Minister, it was recommended that it would be a good opportunity to write to the Minister and request a meeting in Ipswich.

The Economic Development Manager outlined the Question on Notice that was raised in Parliament by Jennifer Howard MP asking for an update in relation to funding for the second river crossing.

Question on Notice

No. 257

Asked on 1 April 2025

MS J HOWARD ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON B MICKELBERG)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the LNP's election commitment to deliver a Ipswich Second River Crossing

Will the Minister advise if the government remains committed to the project, and if so (a) the total cost to deliver the Business Case, (b) what work has been undertaken by the Department of Transport and Mains Road thus far to progress the Business Case, (c) projected date the Business Case will be completed and provided to government and (d) projected date the Business Case will be publicly released?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for the question.

The Crisafulli Government will honour all election commitments.

Scope, milestone dates, and release of the business case is at the discretion of the Ipswich City Council, as the leading authority in the delivery of the business case.

ACTION

That Council write to the new State Government requesting a meeting in Ipswich to discuss the Amberley interchange and the second river crossing.

Councillor Andrew Antoniolli left the meeting at 2.28 pm.

NEXT MEETING

To be advised

4. GENERAL DISCUSSION (within the purpose and scope of the committee)

4. <u>GENERAL DISCUSSION</u>

Mayor Harding advised that there will be three (3) elections in 2028 and that she was keen to work out how to advocate in the lead up to and between these elections as well as revising what council's regionally significant projects are and expanding the list of locally significant projects.

In relation to the Advocacy Plan it was noted that this would be updated to include Councillor Doyle's Notice of Motion at the last council meeting regarding a Tartan Track.

The committee discussed the engagement of SAS group in the previous term and how they shared their insight on how they advocate and how to increase the chance of funding. From this, there were 5 principles that were presented:

- Common Purpose
- Coordinated Communications
- Unity of Voice
- Engaging all appropriate channels
- Systematic recordkeeping and follow up

It was agreed that in a typical calendar year council could prepare federal and state budget submissions and that the state also did a mid-year budget update where council could prepare a submission.

It was also agreed that council could undertake delegations to Canberra and Queensland Parliament as an annual activity.

ACTIONS

- A. That the Economic Development Manager and Advocacy Lead meet with each councillor individually to compile a list of locally significant projects and that these be collated and brought to a future Advocacy Advisory Committee for discussion.
- B. That as well as the federal and state budget submissions and delegations to Canberra and Queensland Parliament, relationships also be built and maintained.

5. <u>UPDATE IN RELATION TO REGIONALLY SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS</u>

The committee discussed each of the Regionally Significant Projects listed on Council's Advocacy Web Page to ascertain the current status:

- Better Bus Network for Ipswich
- Ebenezer Regional Industrial Area
- Ipswich to Springfield Central Public Transport Corridor
- Waste and Circular Economy Transformation
- Critical and Enabling Infrastructure
- Ipswich Central Second River Crossing
- North Ipswich Sport and Entertainment Precinct

ACTIONS

Council webpage for all the Regionally Significant projects to be updated.

Better Bus Network

• The Economic Development Manager to follow up on the details of the three stages of the introduction to the new bus services in relation to what is funded and what is not and include school bus routes.

Ebenezer Regional Industrial Area

Ebenezer Regional Industrial Area to remain as a regionally significant project.

Ipswich to Springfield Central Public Transport Corridor

- Ipswich to Springfield Central Public Transport Corridor to remain as a regionally significant project and Council to request a briefing from TMR on the planned routes for the I2S public transport corridor prior to the business case being finalised.
- This project to be included in the Mayor's letter to the Transport Minister requesting that he visit Ipswich.

Waste and Circular Economy Transformation

- The CEO to organise a review of the information to include the additional funding for the Material Recovery Facility and any funding for the resource recovery centres.
- In relation to the Waste and Circular Economy space, Council request the State Government for \$8 million as an ex-gratia payment for the payment of legal fees for waste recovery.
- The public health enquiry findings from parliament to be included.

<u>Critical and Enabling Infrastructure including Cunningham, Warrego and Centenary</u> <u>Highways as well as Ripley Valley PDA Infrastructure</u>

- Council to continue to lobby for funding from the State Government for the Amberley Interchange, following the Federal Government election commitment of \$200 million
- A briefing to be organised in relation to what is planned for the Centenary Highway Motorway/Augusta Parkway interchange and what this means
- Council to continue to follow up in relation to the Ripley Valley PDA Catalytic Infrastructure specifically the community centre/library/multi-purpose centre.

Ipswich Central Second River Crossing

- Council to continue to explore options for a second river crossing
- Information to be provided to councillors on what council holdings are around this project
- That opportunities be explored for TMR to be part of the project steering group for the Ipswich Central River Crossing
- The project to be included in the Mayor's letter to the Transport Minister following the recent Question on Notice in Queensland Parliament stating that Ipswich City Council is the lead authority for the business case.

North Ipswich Sport and Entertainment Precinct

- That an options paper be prepared for discussion outlining the 3 options for the Corporate Centre – High Performance Gym, Office Accommodation (Sports House/Hub) or remain as Function Room
- The advocacy website to be updated to include the next steps for this project
- That the map on the Advocacy website for the North Ipswich Sport and Entertainment Precinct be updated
- That the previous masterplans be provided to councillors for information

In the context of the Leveraging 2032 update it was proposed the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic opportunities be added to the Regionally Significant Projects list.

6. <u>UPDATE ON LOCALLY SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS</u>

The committee discussed locally significant projects and next steps.

ACTION

That an update to councillors on Bell Street, Ipswich be organised

The following projects were proposed by Councillors to be added to the Locally Significant Project list:

- The clay courts at Leichhardt need to be repurposed
- John Street Rosewood drainage and flood resilience upgrades
- Tartan athletics track

ACTION

 That the Economic Development Manager liaise with the General Manager (Planning and Regulatory Services) to assist with the preparation of information to support councillors relating to the infrastructure funding gap and infrastructure charges.

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 2.05 pm.

The meeting closed at 4.05 pm.

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ITEM: 2

SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS POLICY, PROCEDURE, BRIEF AND

CRITERIA

AUTHOR: ADVOCACY LEAD

DATE: 24 JULY 2025

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is a report concerning the updated Advocacy for Significant Projects Policy.

RECOMMENDATION/S

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- B. That the Advocacy Advisory Committee note the draft list of Locally Significant Projects compiled following initial meetings with Councillors.

RELATED PARTIES

There was no declaration of conflicts of interest

IFUTURE THEME

Vibrant and Growing

PURPOSE OF REPORT/BACKGROUND

The amendments to the Advocacy for Regionally Significant Projects Policy to the Advocacy for Significant Projects Policy came out of discussion at the May Advocacy Advisory Committee meeting.

The Advocacy Advisory Committee No. 2025(01) dated 8 May 2025 had three (3) relevant actions:

- 1. Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities be added to the Regionally Significant Project list.
- 2. The Economic Development Manager and Advocacy Lead to meet with each Councillor individually to compile a list of Locally Significant Projects and that these be collated and brought to a future Advocacy Advisory Committee for discussion.

- 3. The following projects were proposed by Councillors to be added to the Locally Significant Project list:
 - a. The clay courts at Leichhardt need to be repurposed
 - b. John Street Rosewood drainage and flood resilience upgrades
 - c. Tartan athletics track

In actioning these items, it was identified that the Advocacy for Regionally Significant Project policy, procedure, criteria and brief was outdated and required amendments.

The Advocacy for Regionally Significant Projects Policy (attachment 1) has been updated and retitled the Advocacy for Significant Projects Policy (attachments 2 and 3). The updates provide:

- a more detailed definition of Regionally Significant Projects
- a new definition of a Locally Significant Project.
- administrative changes to the names of Council branches
- with the Advocacy Steering Group being replaced by the Advocacy Advisory Committee we have made the associated change to roles and responsibilities.

New definition of Regionally Significant Projects

Regionally Significant Projects are future-focused projects that will have a positively transformational impact on the whole of the Ipswich region. They will lead to job creation, increased investment, better transport options and improved connectivity, greater sustainability and improved health outcomes. These projects are outside the city's control and require Queensland and/or Australian Government funding to be delivered.

<u>Definition of Locally Significant Projects</u>

Locally significant projects will enhance lifestyle, liveability and sense of community, attract visitation and provide an economic boost for business. They will enhance the everyday lives of residents through new and improved walking trails and wetlands, play spaces, sporting facilities, community hubs and smaller transport projects. They will bring social, health and wellbeing benefits and improve local community connections. The projects will benefit a specific part of the Ipswich region and have significant community support. The projects may be in the city's control but require some Queensland and/or Australian Government funding to be delivered.

Refining definitions

When looking at re-defining Regionally and Locally Significant Projects other Councils definitions and classifications were benchmarked. The updated definition of Regionally Significant Project is provided to ensure clear distinction between that and the newly defined Locally Significant Projects. The intent of the regionally significant projects remains

unchanged and the existing list of Regionally Significant Project are carried forward to be added to.

The concept of a Locally Significant Project was initiated out of a Notice of Motion in August 2023 for the revitalisation of Bell Street to be named as an Ipswich City Council Locally Significant Project.

Locally Significant Projects are intended to be a second tier of advocacy priorities that range from sporting or community club infrastructure through to local road and transport projects and economic development projects. The need or opportunity for a second tier of projects has arisen from requests, particularly in election years, of local elected representatives and candidates for a list of potential projects that could be considered for funding through election commitments. The primary focus of Council's advocacy will remain on Regionally Significant Projects.

Locally Significant Project list

As an action out of the May Advocacy Advisory Committee meeting officers met with Councillors to ascertain an initial list of suggestions for Locally Significant Projects (attachment 4). The draft list is attached for awareness only, noting to date no assessment of the projects has been undertaken, the final list will be assessed and progressed through the new policy and procedure once the updated policy is approved.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

This report and its recommendations are consistent with the following legislative provisions: Local Government Act 2009

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This report seeks to amend the Advocacy for Regionally Significant Projects Policy to the Advocacy for Significant Projects Policy.

The intent of the Regionally Significant Projects remains unchanged and the existing list of Regionally Significant Project are carried forward to be added to.

The Advocacy for Significant Project Policy has been updated to include Locally Significant Projects which will expand the Council's advocacy efforts. The changes do not materially depart from the original intent of the policy. Recent history has shown there is demand from the Queensland and Australia Government's to fund smaller scale projects, making a Council endorsed list of Locally Significant Projects worthwhile.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Updating the policy and associated procedure, criteria and brief ensures the documents and advocacy process remains current, accurate and in line with the Advocacy Advisory Committees' expectations.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications

COMMUNITY AND OTHER CONSULTATION

The Mayor and Councillors, the Office of the Mayor, ELT and the Strategy, Governance and Performance Branch were consulted during the development of the policy changes.

The Mayor and Councillors were consulted in the development of the draft Locally Significant Project list.

CONCLUSION

The Advocacy Advisory Committee is requested to review and endorse the updated policy for progression to Economic and Cultural Development Committee and Council for approval and adoption.

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

| HUMAN RIGHTS IMPACTS | | |
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| OTHER DECISION | | |
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| (a) What is the | Policy Amendment - Significant Projects | |
| Act/Decision being | | |
| made? | | |
| (b) What human rights | No Human Rights are affected. | |
| are affected? | | |
| (c) How are the human | Not applicable | |
| rights limited? | | |
| (d) Is there a good | Not applicable | |
| reason for limiting | | |
| the relevant rights? | | |
| Is the limitation fair | | |
| and reasonable? | | |
| (e) Conclusion | The decision is consistent with human rights. | |

ATTACHMENTS AND CONFIDENTIAL BACKGROUND PAPERS

| 1. | Advocacy for Regionally Significant Projects Policy 🗓 🖺 |
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| 2. | Advocacy for Significant Projects Policy (tracked changes) 🗓 🖫 |
| 3. | Advocacy for Significant Projects Policy (cleanskin) 🗓 🖫 |
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| | CONFIDENTIAL |
| 4. | Locally Significant Project list |

Kate Adams

ADVOCACY LEAD

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Dan Heenan

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Ben Pole

GENERAL MANAGER (COMMUNITY, CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

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Advocacy for Regionally Significant Projects Policy

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| Date of Review | | |

1. Statement

Council is committed to undertaking advocacy in a coordinated and planned manner to support regionally significant projects to secure long term social, economic and environmental benefits to the community of Ipswich.

2. Purpose and Principles

Advocacy is the process of informing public policy and resource allocation decisions by other levels of government and other key stakeholders in support of beneficial social, economic and environmental outcomes to the current and future Ipswich community.

This Advocacy for Regionally Significant Projects Policy applies only to projects that have been identified and endorsed as regionally significant as governed by the process outlined in the Regionally Significant Project Prioritisation procedure.

The Regionally Significant Project Prioritisation procedure ensures that projects identified as priorities for the region are supported by a minimum requirement of information that illustrates the significance of a project to the region. Regionally Significant Projects are identified and endorsed based on the agreement by Council that these projects are considered to be positively transformational and catalytic for the region. Regionally Significant Project Prioritisation procedure is owned by the Coordination and Performance Department.

Endorsed Regionally Significant Projects will have targeted, individual advocacy plans developed to guide coordinated and planned project-specific advocacy activities which defines roles and responsibilities of Council actors. Advocacy activities for Regionally Significant Projects are set by the Office of Economic Development.

This policy provides direction to the development and implementation of advocacy activities for Regionally Significant Projects within Ipswich City Council. This policy sets the expectation that advocacy activities for projects of regional significance are undertaken in a coordinated and planned manner, guided by rigorous evidence-based processes and well-researched and targeted to support Council priorities. This is to ensure that clear, accurate, and consistent messaging is represented to external stakeholders by Council actors in support of agreed beneficial outcomes for the Ipswich community.

The following principles underpin Council's commitment to advocacy:

- Prioritising projects in the best interest of the Ipswich community;
- Aligning with good fiscal management practices, both now and into the future;

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- Enabling social, environmental and economic sustainability;
- Evidence based and coordinated.

3. Strategic Plan Links

This policy relates to:

- Strengthening our local economy and building prosperity
- Managing growth and delivering key infrastructure
- Caring for the Community
- Caring for the Environment
- Listening, Leading and Financial Management

4. Regulatory Authority

Local Government Act 2009

5. Scope

This policy applies to Council and its officers, and other actors who represent council interests, when establishing and delivering on key advocacy themes and priorities, and how council resources its efforts to advocate on behalf of the community.

Council's Mayor and Councillors play a key role in the development and maintenance of political relationships in the pursuit of council and community priorities.

Council officers support the council in the development and resourcing of advocacy activities, and by providing an evidence base to support decision making relating to advocacy approaches.

6. Roles and Responsibilities

This is a list indicating the internal roles and responsibilities relevant to the implementation of the policy.

| Role | Responsibility |
|--|---|
| Councillors | Key role in advocating on behalf of the Ipswich community. |
| Chief Executive Officer (CEO) | Final approval of the prioritisation and advocacy of regionally significant projects. |
| Office of Economic Development | Development of advocacy plans and coordination of their implementation. |
| Coordination and Performance Department | Deliver the Prioritisation Process and own relevant procedure. |
| Advocacy Steering Group | Endorsement of advocacy plans. |
| Project Prioritisation Review Group | Endorse the prioritisation of regionally significant projects. |
| Media and Communications | Key role in dissemination of information. |

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7. Key Stakeholders

All departments in Council may be called upon to contribute expertise and advice to the advocacy process depending on Council priority projects.

However, the following stakeholders are considered the most impacted by this policy:

- Executive Services Branch (Coordination and Performance)
- Office of Economic Development (Community, Cultural and Economic Development)
- Media and Communications Section (Coordination and Performance)

The following will be consulted during the review process:

- Legal and Governance Branch (Corporate Services)
- Performance Branch (Coordination and Performance)

8. Monitoring and Evaluation

All advocacy activities will be subjected to adaptive management processes in order to ensure that the changing social, economic and political landscape is considered in continued iterations of advocacy plans, and to adjust the approach based on successes and failures. This will be supported by regular review of plans against project-specific measures of success and enabling a fluid and dynamic structure for advocacy plans to ensure responsiveness.

General monitoring and evaluation activities include:

- Progress of regionally significant projects
- Support and involvement of other levels of government in the progression of regionally significant projects
- Council priorities well understood and accepted by external funding bodies

9. Definitions

| Term | Definition |
|------------------------|---|
| Advocacy | The process of influencing those who hold governmental, political or economic authority, including influencing those who implement public policies, resources and projects to the benefit of any specific affected or interest population within the City of Ipswich and adjacent councils. |
| Advocacy Plans | Project-specific plans developed to guide advocacy activities in pursuit of project-specific outcomes. |
| Prioritisation Process | An evidence-based process by which regionally significant projects are analysed, verified and prioritised. |

10. Policy Owner

The General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development is the policy owner and the Economic Development Manager is responsible for authoring and reviewing this policy.



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| Adopted at Council Ordinary Meeting on | 28 January 2020 | |
| Date of Review | <u>xx</u> 28 January 202 <u>5</u> 4 | |

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3. Strategic Plan Links

This policy aligns with the following iFuture 2021-2026 Corporate Plan themes:

- Vibrant and Growing
- Safe, Inclusive and Creative
- Natural and Sustainable
- A Trusted and Leading Organisation

4. Regulatory Authority

Local Government Act 2009

5. Human Rights Commitment

Ipswich City Council (Council) has considered the human rights protected under the *Human Rights Act 2019 (Qld)* (the Act) when adopting and/or amending this policy. When applying this policy, Council will act and make decisions in a way that is compatible with human rights and give proper consideration to a human right relevant to the decision in accordance with the Act.

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| Office of Economic Development | Development of advocacy plans and coordination of their implementation. Own the relevant procedure |
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| Coordination and Performance Department | Deliver the Prioritisation Process and own relevant procedure. |
| Advocacy Steering GroupAdvisory Committee | Endorsement of advocacy plans. |
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- Media, and Communications and Engagement Section (Community, Cultural and Economic Development) (Coordination and Performance)
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- Council priorities well understood and accepted by external funding bodies

10. Definitions

| Term | Definition |
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| Advocacy | The process of influencing those who hold governmental, political or economic authority, including influencing those who |
| | implement public policies, resources and projects to the benefit of |

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| | any specific affected or interest population within the City of Ipswich and adjacent councils. |
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| Advocacy Plans | Project-specific plans developed to guide advocacy activities in pursuit of project-specific outcomes. |
| Prioritisation Process | An evidence-based process by which regionally significant projects are analysed, verified and prioritised. |

11. Policy Owner

The General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development is the policy owner and the Economic Development Manager is responsible for authoring and reviewing this policy.



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| Date of Review | xx 2025 | |

1. Statement

Council is committed to undertaking advocacy in a coordinated and planned manner to support locally and regionally significant projects to secure long term social, economic and environmental benefits to the community of Ipswich.

2. Purpose and Principles

Advocacy is the process of informing public policy and resource allocation decisions by other levels of government and other key stakeholders in support of beneficial social, economic and environmental outcomes to the current and future Ipswich community.

This Advocacy for Locally and Regionally Significant Projects Policy applies only to projects that have been identified and endorsed as locally or regionally significant as governed by the process outlined in the Significant Project Prioritisation procedure.

The Significant Project Prioritisation procedure ensures that projects identified as priorities for the region are supported by a minimum requirement of information that illustrates the significance of a project to the region.

Regionally Significant Projects

Regionally Significant Projects are identified and endorsed based on the agreement by Council that these projects are considered to be future-focused projects that will have a positively transformational impact on the whole of the Ipswich region. They will lead to job creation, increased investment, better transport options and improved connectivity, greater sustainability and improved health outcomes. These projects are outside the city's control and require Queensland and/or Australian Government funding to be delivered.

Locally Significant Projects

Locally Significant Projects are identified and endorsed based on the agreement by Council and are projects that will enhance lifestyle, liveability and sense of community, attract visitation and provide an economic boost for business. They will enhance the everyday lives of residents through new and improved walking trails and wetlands, play spaces, sporting facilities, community hubs and smaller transport projects. They will bring social, health and wellbeing benefits and improve local community connections. The projects will benefit a specific part of the Ipswich region and have significant community support. The projects may

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be in the city's control but require some Queensland and/or Australian Government funding to be delivered.

Endorsed Significant Projects will have targeted, individual advocacy plans developed to guide coordinated and planned project-specific advocacy activities which defines roles and responsibilities of Council actors. Advocacy activities for Significant Projects are set by the Office of Economic Development.

This policy provides direction to the development and implementation of advocacy activities for Significant Projects within Ipswich City Council. This policy sets the expectation that advocacy activities for projects of significance are undertaken in a coordinated and planned manner, guided by rigorous evidence-based processes and well-researched and targeted to support Council priorities. This is to ensure that clear, accurate, and consistent messaging is represented to external stakeholders by Council actors in support of agreed beneficial outcomes for the Ipswich community.

The following principles underpin Council's commitment to advocacy:

- Prioritising projects in the best interest of the Ipswich community;
- Aligning with good fiscal management practices, both now and into the future;
- Enabling social, environmental and economic sustainability;
- Evidence based and coordinated.

3. Strategic Plan Links

This policy aligns with the following iFuture 2021-2026 Corporate Plan themes:

- Vibrant and Growing
- Safe, Inclusive and Creative
- Natural and Sustainable
- A Trusted and Leading Organisation

4. Regulatory Authority

Local Government Act 2009

5. Human Rights Commitment

Ipswich City Council (Council) has considered the human rights protected under the *Human Rights Act 2019 (Qld)* (the Act) when adopting and/or amending this policy. When applying this policy, Council will act and make decisions in a way that is compatible with human rights and give proper consideration to a human right relevant to the decision in accordance with the Act.

6. Scope

This policy applies to Council and its officers, and other actors who represent council interests, when establishing and delivering on key advocacy themes and priorities, and how council resources its efforts to advocate on behalf of the community.

Council's Mayor and Councillors play a key role in the development and maintenance of political relationships in the pursuit of council and community priorities.

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Council officers support the council in the development and resourcing of advocacy activities, and by providing an evidence base to support decision making relating to advocacy approaches.

7. Roles and Responsibilities

This is a list indicating the internal roles and responsibilities relevant to the implementation of the policy.

| Role | Responsibility |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Councillors | Key role in advocating on behalf of the Ipswich community. |
| Chief Executive Officer (CEO) | Final approval of the prioritisation and advocacy of regionally significant projects. |
| Office of Economic Development | Development of advocacy plans and coordination of their implementation. Own the relevant procedure |
| Advocacy Advisory Committee | Endorsement of advocacy plans. |
| Media and Communications | Key role in dissemination of information. |

8. Key Stakeholders

All departments in Council may be called upon to contribute expertise and advice to the advocacy process depending on Council priority projects.

However, the following stakeholders are considered the most impacted by this policy:

- Office of Economic Development (Community, Cultural and Economic Development)
- Media, Communications and Engagement (Community, Cultural and Economic Development)

The following will be consulted during the review process:

• Strategy, Governance and Performance Branch (Corporate Services)

9. Monitoring and Evaluation

All advocacy activities will be subjected to adaptive management processes in order to ensure that the changing social, economic and political landscape is considered in continued iterations of advocacy plans, and to adjust the approach based on successes and failures. This will be supported by regular review of plans against project-specific measures of success and enabling a fluid and dynamic structure for advocacy plans to ensure responsiveness.

General monitoring and evaluation activities include:

- Progress of significant projects
- Support and involvement of other levels of government in the progression of significant projects
- · Council priorities well understood and accepted by external funding bodies

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ITEM: 3

SUBJECT: ADDITION TO THE REGIONALLY SIGNIFICANT PROJECT LIST - BRISBANE 2032

OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES OPPORTUNITIES

AUTHOR: ADVOCACY LEAD

DATE: 25 JULY 2025

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is a report concerning the addition of Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities to the list of Regionally Significant Projects.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That the Advocacy Advisory Committee endorse the addition of the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games as a Regionally Significant Project.

RELATED PARTIES

There was no declaration of conflicts of interest.

IFUTURE THEME

Vibrant and Growing

PURPOSE OF REPORT/BACKGROUND

An action out of the May Advocacy Advisory Committee meeting was to add Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities to the Regionally Significant project list.

The current list of Regionally Significant Projects includes:

- Critical and Enabling Infrastructure
- Ipswich Second River Crossing
- Ipswich to Springfield Central Public Transport Corridor
- North Ipswich Sport and Entertainment Precinct
- Better Bus Network for Ipswich
- Ebenezer Regional Industrial Area
- Waste and Circular Economy Transformation

As discussed in agenda item 1 of May 14 Advocacy Advisory Committee meeting the Significant Project Policy is in the process of being updated with a new definition for Regionally Significant Projects, being:

Regionally Significant Projects are future-focused projects that will have a positively transformational impact on the whole of the Ipswich region. They will lead to job creation, increased investment, better transport options and improved connectivity, greater sustainability and improved health outcomes. These projects are outside the city's control and require Queensland and/or Australian Government funding to be delivered.

The Olympic and Paralympic Games is the world's biggest event. The Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games is a once in a lifetime opportunity and it promises a legacy that can be experienced locally, regionally and nationally. The economic benefits for Queensland are \$8.1 billion, 91,600 jobs per year, \$4.6 billion uplift in tourism and trade and \$3.4 billion in social benefits.

While the Federal and Queensland Governments funding envelopes for venues and transport have been allocated, Games opportunities still exist for the City of Ipswich. The Queensland Government has committed to releasing its Sports Strategy in November 2025 with a funding envelope for grassroots sports infrastructure.

From the City of Ipswich's perspective there are opportunities to secure a Games event venue, pre-games training venues, upgrades to grassroots sporting infrastructure, increased tourism visitation and procurement opportunities for local businesses.

Elevating Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities to a Regionally Significant Project would enable further advocacy for the following important priorities for the City of Ipswich:

- Brighton Homes Arena use as an Olympic venue
- Pre-Game training venues
- North Ipswich Sport and Entertainment Precinct
- Synthetic Athletics Track
- Sports Hub
- Legacy Forest
- Future opportunities around local business procurement and nature-based ecotourism

Further information about the identified projects maturity and their advocacy efforts can be found in Significant Projects – Project Brief (attachment 1).

Having Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities identified as a Regionally Significant Project with a defined list of priorities to advocate to the Queensland and/or Australian Governments will enable Council to agilely respond to future advocacy needs and opportunities associated with the Games and ensure Council is able to best leverage these opportunities and funding.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

This report and its recommendations are consistent with the following legislative provisions: Local Government Act 2009

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Adding Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities as a Regionally Significant Project is consistent with the Advocacy for Significant Projects Policy and meets the definition contained in the policy for a Regionally Significant Project.

Consistent with the Significant Project Prioritisation Procedure the Significant Projects - Project Brief and Regionally Significant Projects criteria template are attached to support the addition (attachments 1 and 2).

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The significant risk of not adding Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities to the Regionally Significant Projects list is the City of Ipswich missing out on the once in a lifetime economic, sporting, cultural and community benefits presented by hosting the Games.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Advocacy activities will occur from existing budget.

COMMUNITY AND OTHER CONSULTATION

The identified priorities contained in the Regionally Significant Project of Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities are also outcomes identified in the City of Ipswich's *Leveraging 2032 Our Roadmap to the Olympic and Paralympic Games* document which involved extensive community consultation, including the Ipswich 2032 Legacy Summit.

Following the request in the May Advocacy Advisory Committee meeting to add Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities to the Regionally Significant Projects list consultation was undertaken with Manager, Community Cultural Services to refine the list of priorities.

On July 22, 2025, the Executive Leadership Team (ELT) reviewed the brief to add Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities to the Regionally Significant Projects list and further refined the list of priorities and endorsed the brief for progression to the Advocacy Advisory Committee, Economic and Cultural Development Committee and Council for approval.

CONCLUSION

The Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games is the catalyst for the region's transition to a more connected, integrated, liveable, sustainable and innovative place, providing a lasting legacy for future generations. The opportunities present by the 2032 Games to the

City of Ipswich cannot be overlooked, which warrants its elevation to a Regionally Significant Project.

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

| HUMAN RIGHTS IMPACTS | | |
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| OTHER DECISION | | |
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| (a) What is the Act/Decision being made? | Adding project to list of Regionally Significant Projects | |
| (b) What human rights are affected? | None | |
| (c) How are the human rights limited? | | |
| (d) Is there a good reason for limiting the relevant rights? Is the limitation fair and reasonable? | | |
| (e) Conclusion | The decision is consistent with human rights. | |

ATTACHMENTS AND CONFIDENTIAL BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 1. Regionally Significant Project Brief Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities
- 2. Regionally Significant Project brief criteria template Brisbane 2032 🗓 🖺

Kate Adams

ADVOCACY LEAD

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Dan Heenan

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Ben Pole

GENERAL MANAGER (COMMUNITY, CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

"Together, we proudly enhance the quality of life for our community"

SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS - PROJECT BRIEF



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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities

The Olympic and Paralympic Games is the world's biggest event. The Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games is a once in a lifetime opportunity and it promises a legacy that can be experienced locally, regionally and nationally. Broadcast to over three billion people globally, this is our opportunity to engage collectively, refine and advocate to deliver priorities for our city profiled on the world stage. The Federal Government's commitment of \$7 billion to the delivery of the Games is the catalyst to elevate lifestyles and ambitions through improving the health and wellbeing of our communities. The redevelopment of existing sporting venues and creation of new sporting venues will be both accelerated and amplified due to the success of securing the Games. The State Government is invested in the importance of legacy before the Games, during and after, through momentum continuum and impact.

It is important to note that the Federal and State Government funding envelopes for venues and transport are already allocated. However, future opportunities for funding investment will occur particularly around grassroots sports infrastructure.

From the City of Ipswich's perspective there are opportunities to secure a Games event venue, pregames training venues, upgrades to grassroots sporting infrastructure, increased tourism visitation and procurement opportunities for local businesses.

The economic benefits for Queensland are \$8.1 billion, 91,600 jobs per year, \$4.6 billion uplift in tourism and trade and \$3.4 billion in social benefits. The Games is the catalyst for the region's transition to a more connected, integrated, liveable, sustainable and innovative place, providing a lasting legacy for future generations. The opportunities present by the 2032 Games to the City of Ipswich cannot be overlooked, which warrants its elevation to a Regionally Significant Project.

2. RECOMMENDATON

That the project be considered as regionally significant.

3. RELATED PARTIES

Council Key Departments:

- Asset and Infrastructure Services Department
 - $\circ \quad \text{Infrastructure and Strategy Branch}$
 - o Capital Delivery Branch
- Community, Cultural and Economic Development Department
 - o Office of Economic Development
 - o Community and Cultural Services Branch
 - o Marketing and Promotion Branch
 - o Media, Communications and Engagement Branch
- Office of the Mayor
- Executive Services Branch
- Strategy and Performance Branch

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Leveraging Projects:

The 20 legacy outcomes identified in *Leveraging 2023 – Our Roadmap to the Olympic and Paralympic Games* could be further advocated for though the Regionally Significant Project status.

The following projects already identified as Regionally Significant Projects could be advanced or benefit from the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games:

- North Ipswich Sport and Entertainment Precinct
- Critical and Enabling Infrastructure
- Ipswich to Springfield Central Public Transport Corridor

A synthetic athletics track for the Ipswich region has also been identified by Council as an advocacy priority in the lead up to the 2032 Games.

The following Ipswich sports clubs have already been identified to receive funding as part of the Queensland Government's Game On! Funding package:

- Ipswich Musketeers Baseball Club
- Norths Tigers Ipswich Senior Rugby League Football Club
- Rosewood Showgrounds

4. BACKGROUND

A feasibility study commissioned by the Southeast Queensland Council of Mayors in 2019 suggested that the Games could be a catalyst for increased transport and infrastructure investment. On 24 February 2021, the Future Host Commission named Brisbane as its preferred candidate for the 2032 Summer Olympics, and the International Olympic Committee (IOC) formally invited the Brisbane bid committee and Australian Olympic Committee to engage in targeted dialogue. At the 138th IOC Session in Tokyo on 21 July 2021, the IOC's delegates passed a referendum to officially award the 2032 Summer Olympics to Brisbane. The City of Ipswich has officially been named a co-host city and Brisbane 2032 Games Delivery Partner.

In March 2025, the Queensland Government 2032 Delivery Plan was released, confirming the Games venues across the state. In June 2025, the Federal Government finalised a new funding agreement with the Queensland Government to allocate their \$7.1 billion contribution to the Games to defined venues.

Following an update provided on the *Leveraging 2023 – Our Roadmap to the Olympic and Paralympic Games* at the 8th May 2025 Advocacy Advisory Committee meeting, an action was agreed to by Council to elevate the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities to a Regionally Significant Project.

5. STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

Relevant Queensland Government plans and documents:

- The 2032 Delivery Plan
- Future Host Commission bid commitments document
- Elevate 2042 Legacy Strategy

Relevant Ipswich City Council plans and documents:

• Leveraging 2032 – Our Roadmap to the Olympic and Paralympic Games

· City of Ipswich submission to the Queensland Government Sports Strategy

6. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

While the Federal and Queensland Governments funding envelopes for venues and transport have been allocated, Games opportunities still exist for the City of Ipswich. The Queensland Government has committed to releasing its Sports Strategy in November 2025 with a funding envelope for grassroots sports infrastructure. Elevating Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities to a Regionally Significant Project would enable further advocacy for the following important priorities for the City of Ipswich:

Brighton Homes Arena

While Brighton Homes Arena is listed as an existing venue in the 2032 Delivery Plan subject to the final sports program, its use in the leadup to and during the 2032 Game remains undefined.

Further advocacy is required to the Queensland Government on how best to position Brighton Homes Arena as a 2032 Games venue as the Olympic and Paralympic Games sports program is finalised over the next 12 months.

With the likely inclusion of cricket in the sports program Brighton Homes Arena would be an ideal oval stadium to utilize alongside the Gabba, Carrara Stadium, Harrup Park in Mackay and Cazaly's in Cairns.

It is worth noting that venues for Paris continued to change up until a few months before the Games.

Games Training Venues

Pre-Games training opportunities are identified as a key legacy in the City of Ipswich's *Leveraging 2032 Our Roadmap to the Olympic and Paralympic Games* document. The 2032 Games creates immense opportunities for pre-Games training camps across South East Queensland, particularly in the two year period leading into the Games. Ipswich is well poised to host international teams who are looking for a low-distraction environment, for highly-focused training camps in close proximity to Brisbane.

Ipswich City Council has undertaken an audit of all public and private sporting facilities across the city at a state, national and international standard. While some venues in the Ipswich region are ready to host international teams as training venues, other venues have been identified as needing infrastructure investment to ensure they are ready for elite athletes. Some of these venues and the upgrades required are list in the table below.

Further advocacy is needed to the Queensland Government for sports infrastructure funding to bring identified pre-Games training venues up to standard. This would be a beneficial legacy which would provide the economic benefits of hosting international teams and the community legacy of improved sports facilities for the region post-Games.

IPSWICH CITY COUNCIL VENUES PROPOSED FOR 2032 GAMES TRAINING

| PARK | SPORT | UPGRADES REQUIRED |
|----------------------|--|--|
| Brighton Homes Arena | AFL, Rugby League, Rugby 7s, soccer, flag, cricket | Olympic and elite sport ready, listed as an existing venue in the 2032 Delivery Plan |

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| North Ipswich Reserve | Rugby League, Rugby7s, soccer, flag | Investment required to ensure elite readiness. \$40M in upgrades due to commence in November 2025 | |
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| Ipswich District Junior Tennis Association | Tennis and wheelchair tennis | Investment required to ensure elite readiness. Funding provided for resurfacing | |
| BMX Track – Willey Street Park | BMX Cycling | Requires minor works to meet elite athlete standards | |
| Silver Jubilee Park | 3x3 Basketball | Some investment required to meet elite standards. | |
| Grande Park | Tennis | Minor improvement works required | |
| Redbank Plans Recreation Reserve | Skateboard | Has hosted elite events, minor works required to prepare facility | |
| Redbank Collingwood Park Sport Complex | Badminton, wrestling, indoor volleyball, various para sports, fencing | Some upgrades required to host elite able and para athletes | |
| Limestone Park | Cricket, Rugby League, Rugby7s, soccer, flag | Major upgrades required to ensure elite readiness | |

North Ipswich Sport and Entertainment Precinct

This \$40 million tripartite investment will deliver initial modernisation and upgrades to the North Ipswich Sport and Entertainment Precinct in the form of a new western grandstand and field lighting. The Western Grandstand is currently out to tender and detailed design with a preferred tender to be selected this year. Demolition is anticipated to commence early 2026.

Further advocacy to the Queensland and Australian Governments is needed to seek funding for the next stages of the development to deliver a Northern, Eastern and Southern seating area, upgrades to Len Johnson Oval and improved connectivity to the Ipswich Train Station and Ipswich Central.

Synthetic Athletics Track

Council has resolved to advocate for a synthetic athletics track to be built in the city. Previously, Council had advocated in recent years for a new athletics track, proposed to be built at the University of Southern Queensland's Ipswich Campus in partnership with Bremer State High and to be funded by the State and Federal Governments – but it never got out of the starting blocks.

Council is in the process of identifying appropriate council-owned properties where a synthetic track could be located. This work is anticipated to be completed in the second half of 2025 and Council would then require support from the Queensland and/or Australian Governments to help deliver this project.

Sports Hub

A key outcome from the City of Ipswich's Leveraging 2032 Our Roadmap to the Olympic and Paralympic Games document is a Sports Hub – regional parkland and multi-sport complex. With Ipswich growing faster than any other council in Queensland over the next twenty years the region is seeing incredible demand from sporting clubs and families seeking access to sports facilities. The co-location of various disciplines and sporting clubs through a multi-faceted sporting complex mitigates the pressure clubs face in remaining sustainable and provides a cost-effective approach to meeting the growing demand for new sporting facilities. The Sports Hub could include ovals, sporting fields, a synthetic athletics track, aquatic centre, indoor sports facility, all directly supporting Brisbane's 2032 commitment to

boost participation in local sports as a powerful tool to promote health and wellbeing. State and/or Federal Government funding is required to develop the Sports Hub. Council has conducted some early work to identify potential sites for the Sports Hub with further work required before the site will be known in March/April 2026.

Legacy Forest

Another key outcome from the City of Ipswich's Leveraging 2032 Our Roadmap to the Olympic and Paralympic Games document is a Legacy Forest. Council will progress the establishment of a Legacy Forest in Ipswich, creating urban habitat and biodiversity and cooler places for future generations. Partnerships will be sought with the Queensland Government to identify priority areas of high value habitat and biodiversity corridors for protection and rehabilitation through partnerships, offsets, impact investment and acquisition.

To assess the maturity of each selected infrastructure project a progress table has been developed to show the completed stages and next steps required

| Project | Brighton Homes Arena | Western Grandstand NISEP | Stage 2 NISEP | Synthetic Athletics track | Sports Hub |
|--|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Concept | ٧ | ٧ | ٧ | √ | ٧ |
| Site selection | ٧ | ٧ | ٧ | Geotech occurring | March/April 2026 |
| Preliminary business case | V | V | ٧ | | |
| Business Case | ٧ | ٧ | | | |
| Funding source identified | ٧ | ٧ | | | |
| Funding received | V | V | | | |
| Design and Tender | V | V | | | |
| Construction start | ٧ | Early 2026 | | | |
| Construction Complete | V | | | | |
| Identified as Games Venue or training venue | ٧ | | | | |
| Olympic Sport/Team allocated | Late 2026 | | | | |

Future opportunities

As the runway to the 2032 Games evolves so will the opportunities presented to the City of Ipswich. Some of them are known opportunities such as procurement for local businesses and increased nature-based and eco-tourism to the region. Others are unable to be defined at this moment, however, having Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities identified as a Regionally Significant Project will enable council to agilely respond to future advocacy needs and opportunities associated with the games and ensure Council is in a position to best leverage these opportunities and funding.

7. IMPACTS / BENEFITS

The Brisbane 2032 Games economic benefits for Queensland are \$8.1 billion, 91,600 jobs per year, \$4.6 billion uplift in tourism and trade and \$3.4 billion in social benefits.

8. PROJECT STATUS

Ongoing advocacy on above defined projects within the scope of "Olympic and Paralympic Games Opportunities"

9. PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

As the sports program for Brisbane 2032 is being finalised over the next 12 months, advocacy to the Queensland Government and Brisbane Organising Committee is needed to ensure Brighton Homes Arena is secured as a Games Venue. Once other funding sources are announced further Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities can be more clearly defined.

10. KEY STAKEHOLDERS

Queensland Government

- Premier David Crisafulli
- Deputy Premier Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning Jarrod Bleijie
- Minister for Sport and Racing and Minister for the Olympic and Paralympic Games Tim Mander
- Minister for Transport and Main Roads Brent Mickelberg
- Brisbane 2032 Organising Committee President Andrew Liveris
- Brisbane 2032 Organising Committee CEO Cindy Hook
- The Games Independent Infrastructure and Coordination Authority CEO Simon Crooks
- Director-General Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning John Sosso
- Director-General Department of Sport and Racing and the Olympic and Paralympic Games
 Andrew Hopper
- Deputy Director-General Olympics and Paralympics Games Office Eugenie Buckley
- Director-General Department of Transport and Main Roads Sally Stannard

Australian Government

- Prime Minister Anthony Albanese
- Minister for Communications and Sport Anika Wells
- Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government Catherine King

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- · Office of Sport within the Department of Health, Disability and Ageing
- Department of Infrastructure

11. CONSULTATION

On May 8, 2025, the Advocacy Advisory Committee requested that Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities be added to the Regionally Significant Projects list.

On July 22, 2025, the Executive Leadership Team (ELT) endorsed Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities to be added to the Regionally Significant Projects list for progression to the Advocacy Advisory Committee, Economic and Cultural Development Committee and Council for approval.

The contents of this brief was also consulted with:

- Ben Pole, GM CCED
- Dan Heenan Economic Development Manager
- Don Stewart Manager, Community Cultural Services

12. RISKS

The significant risk of not adding Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games opportunities to the Regionally Significant Projects list is the City of Ipswich missing out on the once in a lifetime economic, sporting, cultural and community benefits presented by hosting the Games.

13. CONCLUSION

To best elevate and advocate for the millions of dollars of opportunities the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games presents to the City of Ipswich it should be added to the list of Regionally Significant Projects.

14. ATTACHMENTS - PROJECT ASSESSMENT MATRIX

The completed Regionally Significant Projects criteria template is attached.

Project Sponsor

Kate Adams

ADVOCACY LEAD – OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Dan Heenan

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER – OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER – COMMUNITY, CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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Ben Pole

GENERAL MANAGER - COMMUNITY, CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT



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Does the project benefit the broader Ipswich local government area?

Yes, opportunities will evolve in the lead up to Brisbane 2032. But current opportunities involve the use of Brighton Homes Arena, associated transport upgrades including Centenary Highway upgrades, Cunningham Highway upgrades, Ipswich Central to Springfield Public Transport corridor, further upgrades to North Ipswich Reserve, upgrades to sporting infrastructure to be potential Games training venues across the LGA, the delivery of a synthetic athletics track, delivery of the Sports Hub and Legacy Forest.

Does the project have a positive economic impact?

Yes, the economic benefits to Queensland are forecast to be \$8.1 billion. Ipswich would be able to benefit from some of this forecasted return.

Does the project have a positive social/community impact?

Yes, upgrades to Ipswich sport infrastructure will have a positive impact on the broader communities health and well-being.

Does the project have a positive environmental impact?

Yes, associated transport upgrades would have a positive environmental impact, as they would reduce congestion and improve public transport offerings resulting in less cars on the road. The Legacy Forest project would also showcase Councils actions towards creating a green, sustainable and carbon neutral city.

If realised does this project align to a Council strategic priority?

Vibrant and growing – well connected public transport options, active and healthy, respond to growth, increased employment

IPSWICH CITY COUNCIL | Regionally Significant Project and Locally Significant Project criteria

Locally Significant Project criteria

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| Which region/division of Ipswich will this project benefit? |
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| Does the project have community support? Is it being championed by a local community group or |
| support from the Mayor or local Councillor? |
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| Is the project shovel ready or has some design work been progressed? |
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| Does the project have either a positive economic, social/community or environmental impact? |
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| If realised does this project align to a Council strategic priority? |
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Process

Responses to these criteria questions need to be attached to the Significant Projects – Project Brief.

New projects can be nominated at any time, please refer to the Significant Projects Policy and the Significant Project Prioritisation Procedure.

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ITEM: 4

SUBJECT: LEVERAGING 2032: VENUE AUDIT FOR ELITE TRAINING READINESS

AUTHOR: SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER - MAJOR PROJECTS

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is a report detailing progress on Leveraging 2032: Our Roadmap to the Olympic and Paralympic Games, specifically Outcome 7: Pre-Games Training Opportunities (Venues, Teams Attraction). It includes progress on the venue audit, next steps, short list of venues with elite training capabilities and approval of a Team Attraction brochure for the city.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- A. That Committee note the progress made as part of *Outcome 7: Pre-Games*Training Opportunities (Venues, Team Attraction) through the delivery of a venue audit of Council and non-Council sporting venues.
- B. That Committee discuss the opportunity for a potential team attraction brochure based on the venue audit shortlisting, promoting venues with Games training capabilities.

RELATED PARTIES

There were no declared conflicts of interest.

IFUTURE THEME

Vibrant and Growing.

PURPOSE OF REPORT/BACKGROUND

Leveraging 2032¹ is Council's roadmap to the Olympic and Paralympic Games. Formally approved in December 2023, it presents an approach for council to deliver on its collective ambitions for community betterment, leveraging the Games and legacy it intends to leave for the generations of today and tomorrow.

Legacy Outcome 7: Pre-Games training opportunities (venues, team attraction) includes the following three key actions:

¹ <u>Leveraging 2032: Our Roadmap to the Olympic and Paralympic Games</u>, Ipswich City Council

- 7.1 Undertake an audit of all public and private sporting facilities across the city at a state, national and international standard.
- 7.2 Work with Springfield City Group to secure commitment from international teams to relocate to Springfield and surrounding areas for the Games.
- 7.3 Identify the gaps which exist across Ipswich for sporting facilities to define the pitch from a public and private lens for required investments

Ipswich Sporting Venue Audit

Progress on 7.1 and 7.3 have been made, as per the following. A comprehensive, venue audit was undertaken to determine the feasibility of council and non-council venues which could be used as training bases for visiting teams, before, during and after the Games, including other major events scheduled in Brisbane (i.e. Rugby World Cup). The scoring of current state of readiness, and proximity to supporting services formed part of the two phased audit criteria.

A high-level methodology was developed to score aspect one, perceived elite sport readiness against the following criteria:

- Elite ready now (score of 50)
- Low investment required to bring to an elite standard (score of 35)
- Fundamentals in place, further investment is required (score of 15)
- Excessive investment required to bring the facility to an elite standard and / or site constraints make it unviable (score of 1)

The second aspect was based on the proximity of the venue to:

- Strength and wellness facilities (strength and condition gym), rehab facility, exercise physiology)
- Hospital emergency department
- Public transport and motorway intersections
- Accommodation including star ratings

Score were awarded as follows:

0-1km distance from venue: 5

- 1-5km distance from venue: 3

- 6-10km distance from venue: 2

- 10+km distance from venue: 1

Of the 35 council venues and 23 non-council venues audited, one was identified as Games ready, and a further eight requiring varying levels of investment to be elite training ready.

Ipswich Sport Venue Shortlist

Council Venues

Brighton Homes Arena is Games ready and has been listed as a venue in the 2032 Delivery Plan released by the Queensland Government in March, subject to the finalisation of the sports program over the next 12 months. Its use as a Games venue should not preclude it from being used as a pre-Games training venue, it elevates its status as a training venue for nations to familiarise themselves with the site.

This purpose-built stadium offers a unique blend of elite sport infrastructure and community access making it both Olympic and elite sport ready. With an overall score of 94% (elite readiness 100%, proximity analysis 88.

There are six other Council venues which require varying but minimal investment to bring them to elite standard and recognition, include the below which are also for consideration as outlined in Attachment 3. Those that scored more than 55% are considered appropriate for consideration as a training venue.

A direct outcome of this audit is the shortlisting of council ready venues that scored above 55% for discussion and consideration by the committee.

Non-Council Venues

The majority of non-council venues require further investigations through the audit process. Currently five venues (those that scored more than 55%) are considered appropriate as only minimal investment would be required to make them elite ready. Refer to *Attachment 4: Non-Council Venue Audit Snapshot* for further information.

There are many non-Council venues that require further investigation, including site visits, to determine the level of investment required to make them elite ready. The scoring for non-Council venues for those that have not yet been inspected for elite training readiness is incomplete. As part of next steps officers intend to complete inspections of all venues listed and will update the scoring accordingly.

Team Attraction Brochure

The development of a team attraction brochure could elevate and promote the city's venues for elite games training opportunities. Sunshine Coast and Gold Coast councils have both released team attraction brochures (attachment 1 and 2), showcasing their offerings and providing a framework for other local government areas.

One of the lessons learnt from Paris 2024 was that teams were opting to train in quieter locations, away from the distractions of major cities. By way of example, Team USA opted to train 15 kms out of Paris in a location considered away from the hustle and bustle². If the

² Reuters, <u>Team USA ready to settle in quiet</u>, state-of-the-art training centre near Paris

goal is to create a focused, distraction-free environment for international teams, while remaining close to the centre, Ipswich has an opportunity.

There is an opportunity for Ipswich to develop a sporting and Olympic and Paralympic Games team attraction brochure to showcase our local training venues and promote our city. This concept is presented for consideration and discussion by the Committee.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

This report and its recommendations are consistent with the following legislative provisions: *Not Applicable*

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This report and its recommendations relate to the implementation of Leveraging 2032: Our Roadmap to the Olympic and Paralympic Games, specifically Outcome 7.1 and 7.3.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The venue audit was undertaken with departmental resources.

COMMUNITY AND OTHER CONSULTATION

Preliminary engagement was undertaken with the non-Council venue owners as part of the venue audit. Sporting clubs and organisations have not yet been engaged.

The Sport and Recreation team was engaged during the venue audit process.

CONCLUSION

Leveraging 2032 aims to position the region as a pre-Games training hub for international teams leading into the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games. As part of Outcome 7, an audit of 35 sporting venues to assess elite training readiness and proximity to athlete services has been undertaken.

One venue—Brighton Homes Arena—is Olympic-ready, with eleven others requiring minor investment to meet elite standards.

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPACTS

RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORT

The Recommendation A, B and C states that the report be received and the contents noted. The decision to receive and note the report does not limit human rights. Therefore, the decision is compatible with human rights.

ATTACHMENTS AND CONFIDENTIAL BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 1. Gold Coast Sport Attraction Guide 🗓 🖫
- 2. Sunshine Coast Australia's Elite Sporting Destination 🗓 🖺

CONFIDENTIAL

- 3. Council Venue Audit snapshot
- 4. Non Council Venue Audit snapshot

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SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER - MAJOR PROJECTS

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Dan Heenan

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

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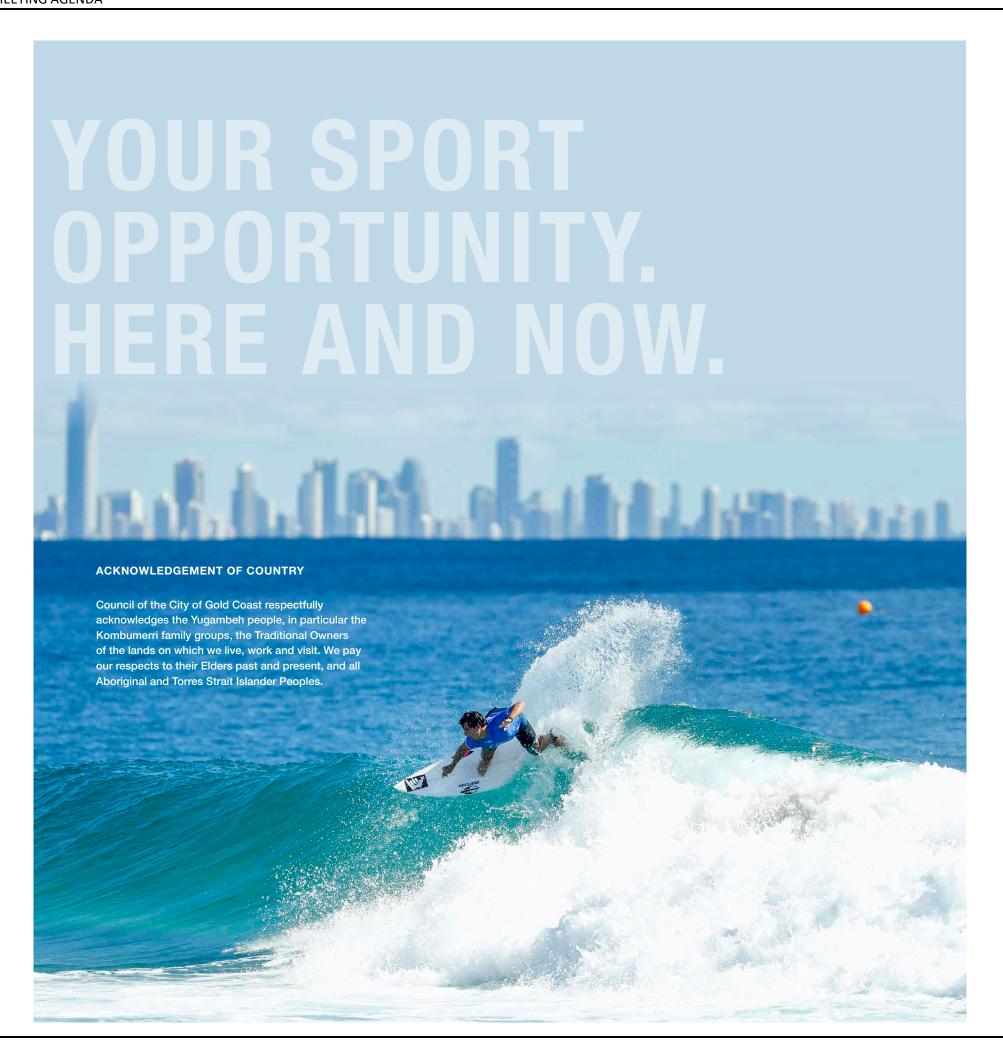
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GENERAL MANAGER (COMMUNITY, CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

"Together, we proudly enhance the quality of life for our community"



AUSTRALIA'S GOLDCOAST.



MAYOR'S FOREWORD

Sport is in our DNA and we boast a proud history of delivering some of the world's biggest sports events and festivals.

From the 2018 Commonwealth Games and 2019 Sport Accord, to Lifesaving World Championships, Supercars motor racing and World Parachuting Championships – we can deliver the best facilities and support services to make it happen.

Our world-class facilities are backed by three universities to ensure visiting squads are provided the best logistical, sports science and nutritional support needed.

Now, as co-host of the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games, we will again get to showcase why the Gold Coast is the best place to live, play, compete, work, invest and raise a family.

Our position on world rankings as a Global Sports City is on the rise and we have set in place funding – and partnerships – to take us to the next level.

I invite you to be a part of our story – and join Team Gold Coast!

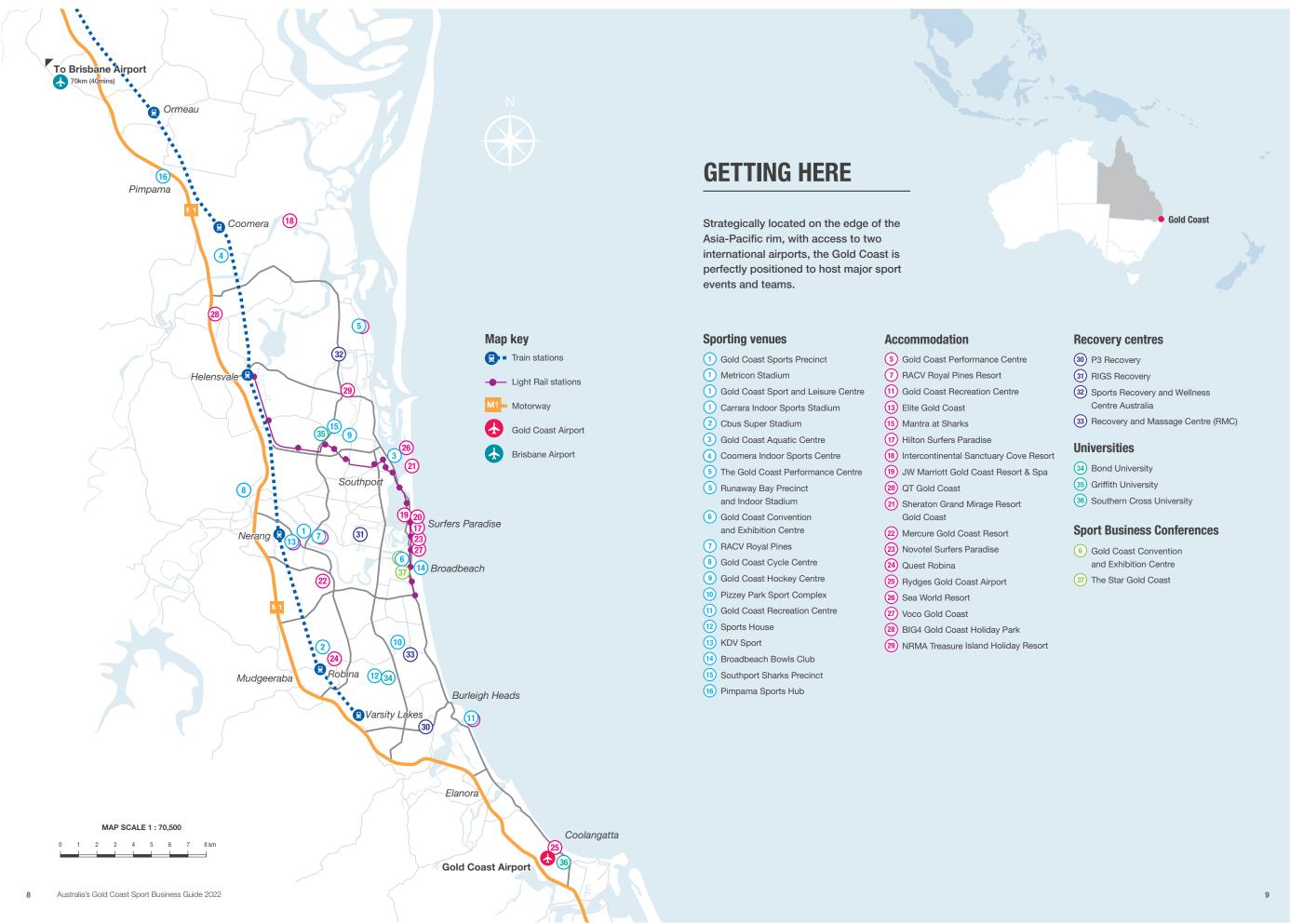
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FEATURING



SPORTING VENUES

Sporting teams from across the world come to the Gold Coast to train and compete in our facilities.



ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

Australia's leading holiday destinations, the Gold Coast has a large range of hotels and resorts with many offering customised accommodation options tailored for sporting teams, including room selection, training facilities and nutritional support.



UNIVERSITIES AND SPORT SCIENCE

The Gold Coast is fortunate to have three universities all with a sport and sport science focus, working closely with national and international teams in high-performance sport.



RECOVERY CENTRES

As the Gold Coast continues to grow as a destination for sport, the city is now home to four state-of-the-art recovery centres.



SPORT BUSINESS CONFERENCES

Following on from the success of hosting the world's biggest sports conference, SportAccord, in 2019, the Gold Coast is geared to host sports conferences no matter how big or small.



A WORLD BEYOND SPORT

As one of Australia's favourite places to holiday, the Gold Coast is renowned for its lifestyle, entertainment and attractions off field.





Metricon Stadium

Sport: AFL, soccer, cricket, touch, rugby union, rugby league.

The \$144 million stadium was host venue for the GC2018, hosting the opening and closing ceremonies along with the athletics competition. With two large AFL size fields, athlete change rooms and multiple large function rooms, it is a host venue for the Australian Football League, Cricket Australia, and other seasonal sports fixtures.

Capacity: 25,700

W metriconstadium.com.au



Carrara Indoor Sports Stadium

Sport: squash, basketball, netball, volleyball, table tennis, badminton, freestyle BMX, Futsal, roller skating, indoor hockey, martial arts and boxing.

This multi-purpose facility includes one indoor court and two grandstands. It caters for a range of sporting activities and is capable of hosting exhibitions and tradeshows.

Capacity: 1200

W cityofgoldcoast.com.au/ carraraindoorsportsstadium



Gold Coast Sports and Leisure Centre

Sport: basketball, netball, futsal, volleyball, cheer and dance, table tennis, badminton, gymnastics, boxing and martial arts.

This architecturally designed venue is the City's main indoor sports facility and is recognised for its flexibility and ability to effortlessly transform from one major sporting event to another. With 14 multipurpose courts, a show court, grandstand seating, eight change rooms, ticket office, onsite catering and parking.

Capacity: 6500

W cityofgoldcoast.com.au/ goldcoastsportsandleisurecentre

SPORTING VENUES





RACV Royal Pines

Sport: golf, tennis, football, rugby, AFL, touch football.

World class golf and tennis facilities, multi-purpose sporting field equipped with night lights, accommodation and supporting facilities.

W racv.com.au/travel-leisure/racv-resorts/ our-destinations/royal-pines-gold-coast-resort.html

Sports House

Sport: rowing, sailing, dragon boating, canoeing.

Situated on Lake Orr this venue features launching and storage facilities for watercraft, space for fitness and recreation programs, meeting rooms and office space for sports organisations.

W sportshouse.com.au



The Gold Coast Performance Centre

Sport: athletics, hockey, soccer, rugby, swimming, triathlon, beach volleyball and para-sport.

Located in Runaway Bay, the Gold Coast Performance Centre is unrivalled as a destination for high performance athletes, sporting teams and school sporting groups to train, play and stay. Facilities include a 50-metre outdoor pool, 20-metre indoor pool, IAAF track and field, beach volleyball and FIH hockey pitch.

Capacity: 5000

W goldcoastperformancecentre.com.au



Runaway Bay Sports Precinct and Indoor Stadium

Sport: rugby, soccer, cricket, tennis, cycling, basketball, BMX, skateboarding, squash, netball, volleyball, badminton, roller sports, boxing and martial arts.

Runaway Bay Sports Precinct is an extensive field sport precinct with an indoor stadium, located at the northern end of the Gold Coast, with the Gold Coast Performance Centre at its heart.

Runaway Bay Indoor Stadium is a flexible, multipurpose facility. The venue can also be used for sports, expos and small exhibitions.

Capacity: 500

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SPORTING VENUES



Coomera Indoor Sports Centre

Sport: netball, basketball, gymnastics, futsal, volleyball, table tennis and badminton.

Coomera Indoor Sports Centre is a \$35 million multipurpose venue built for GC2018. It was designed to world-class competition standards to accommodate a range of elite and community indoor sports and is highly versatile. There are eight multipurpose courts, a gymnastic arena, mobile grandstands, mezzanine seating and six change rooms. The centre is adjacent to a range of outdoor sporting fields.

Capacity: 2500

W cityofgoldcoast.com.au/ coomeraindoorsportscentre



Cbus Super Stadium

Sport: soccer, rugby, entertainment.

This multi-purpose stadium is the home of the Gold Coast Titans National Rugby League team plus hosts a range of entertainment events, future athletes and the Gold Coast community. It features one main field and four athlete change rooms.

Capacity: 27,690

W cbussuperstadium.com.au



Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre

Sport: basketball, netball, sports related conventions and trade shows.

The \$167 million Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre is conveniently located in Broadbeach and features a main arena, conference rooms, state of the art technology and infrastructure on site. It specialises in the management of sporting and special events, corporate and association conferences, meeting and national and international exhibitions and concerts.

Capacity: 6000

W gccec.com.au



SPORTING VENUES





Broadbeach Bowls Club

Sport: bowls.

Upgraded for GC2018, Broadbeach Bowls Club provides four international standard bowls greens and first-class clubhouse facilities to create Australia's premier lawn bowls venue.

W broadbeachbowlsclub.com.au

Gold Coast Cycle Centre

Sport: cycling.

The Gold Coast Cycle Centre has a criterium circuit, outdoor velodrome, grandstand seating and a clubhouse. Located beside Nerang National Park, it which played host to the GC2018 mountain bike event utilising the Gold Coast Cycle Centre as the finish line.

Capacity: 2000

W cityofgoldcoast.com.au/goldcoastcyclecentre



Gold Coast Hockey Centre

Sport: hockey.

Redevelopment of the Gold Coast Hockey Centre for GC2018 has established the centre as Queensland's premier hockey venue, providing an international standard competition and training venue.

Capacity: 5000

W gchmg.org



KDV Sport

Sport: golf and tennis.

KDV Sport is a modern, state-of-the-art complex providing high-quality tennis courts, golf facilities and coaching utilising the latest technology.

W kdvsport.com



SPORTING VENUES



Pizzey Park Sport Complex

Sport: rugby league, rugby union, swimming, water polo, athletics (grass), football, soccer, tennis, skateboarding, cricket, gymnastics, canoeing, kayaking.

A hub of sporting activity that capitalises on the city's natural assets with beautifully manicured ovals, two Olympic-size swimming pools, tennis courts, walkways and cycleways, canals and a skate and BMX park.

The Pizzey Park Skate Park is currently being expanded to include both world-class street and park courses, enabling it to host events ranging from grass roots through to international standard competitions. The 3000 square-metre extension and upgrade, due for completion in early 2022, was concept designed by Tokyo 2021 Skate Park designer California Skateparks and is being constructed by leading Australian skate park developer CONVIC.



Southport Sharks Precinct

Sport: AFL, soccer, boxing, UFC

Capacity: indoors – 1000, uutdoors – 3500

Professional Sports precinct with on-site accommodation.

Featuring a 2000sqm fitness centre, expertise in catering for elite dietary requirements, an extensive green space for all outdoor fields sports, supported by a 120-room Mantra hotel, onsite coach parking and within walking distance to major transport links

Walking distance to Gold Coast Hockey Centre, Keith Hunt Park (soccer), Parkwood Sharks Rugby League, Griffith University and Gold Coast Titans High Performance Centre.





Pimpama Sports Hub

Sport: swimming, netball, tennis, fully equipped gymnasium with functional training areas.

Conveniently located next to the M1, Pimpama Sports Hub covers 14 hectares and includes an aquatic centre, netball facility, tennis centre, community centre and outdoor event space and green space.

W cityofgoldcoast.com.au/pimpamasportshub



Gold Coast Recreation Centre

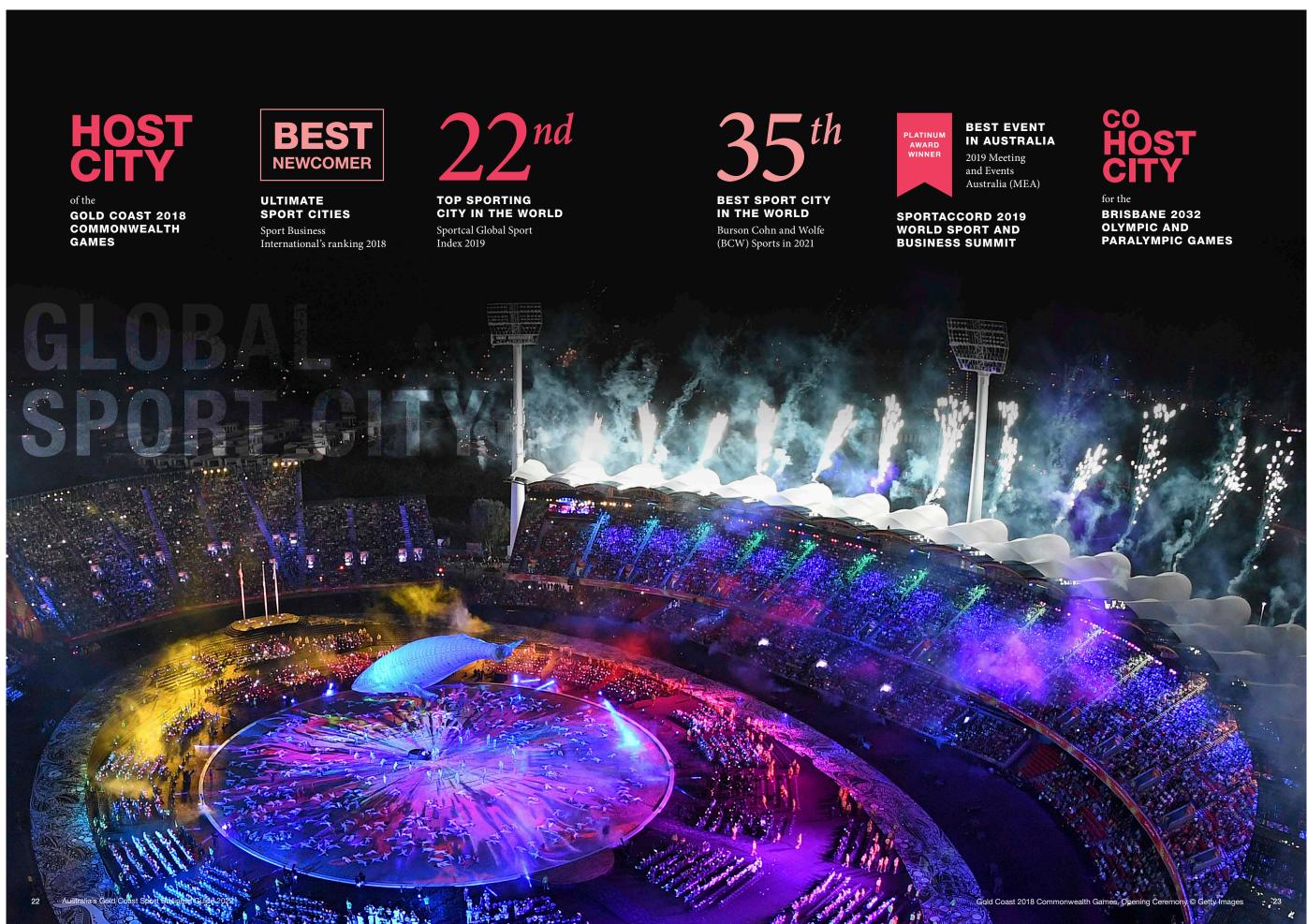
Sport: netball, volleyball, basketball, judo, tennis, badminton and futsal.

The Gold Coast Recreation Centre is a multi-purpose sport and outdoor recreation venue with unlimited options and flexibility for small and large events. The centre has direct surf and creek access which are great for cross-training and team recovery sessions, and can also offer accommodation, catering and team-building exercises to suit any occasion.

Facilities include 75 air-conditioned cabins with ensuite bathrooms, five multi-purpose international standard indoor courts, 100-metre by 150-metre outdoor field with lighting for rugby union, rugby league and football, a 25-metre pool, ropes course, gymnasium and rock climbing wall.

Capacity: 480









Hilton Surfers Paradise

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Close to major sporting venues, make use of Hilton's fitness centres and pools, and the spa, sauna and day spa with everything from relaxation to deep tissue for sports recovery.

Facilities: Restaurant and bar, private conference spaces, semi-private dining rooms, four pools, sauna, spa, two 24/7 fitness centres, day spa.

W hiltonsurfersparadise.com.au



Intercontinental Sanctuary Cove Resort

Positioned on the northern end of the Gold Coast, Sanctuary Cove unlocks unprecedented access to three championship golf courses, Sanctuary Cove Country Club, a world-class marina, and can cater to elite sporting teams.

Facilities: One-acre saltwater beach lagoon pool, heated terrace pool, 25 metre lap pool, tennis courts, professional sports training field and gym, golf course lawns and private gardens.

W sanctuarycove.intercontinental.com



JW Marriott Gold Coast Resort & Spa

Luxury accommodation in a covetable location close to the City's major sporting venues and easily accessible public transport. Enjoy outdoors activities with multipurpose sports courts, tennis courts, fitness centre and multiple pools, the perfect venue catering to elite sporting teams.

Facilities: Gym, pool, day spa, multiple restaurants and bars, tennis court, multipurpose sports court, grand ballroom in additional to 10 conference rooms.

W marriott.com

SAMPLE ACCOMMODATION



QT Gold Coast

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Set along the coastline in the heart of the Surfers Paradise, situated 100 metres to the beach and close proximity to various sporting fields, Gold Coast Aquatic Centre, CBUS Super Stadium and Metricon Stadium.

Facilities: Day spa with steam room, heated outdoor swimming pool and spa, gymnasium, conference and event facilities, three restaurants, three bars, lobby cafe.

W qtgoldcoast.com.au



RACV Royal Pines Resort

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RACV Royal Pines Resort is the original Gold Coast sporting camp venue with over 10 years' experience in hosting some of Australia's (and the world's) elite and professional teams.

Facilities: Multi-purpose sporting field (110 metre x 60 metre) with a dedicated team room, 27-hole golf course, five tennis courts, resort pool, ice baths and high performance designed gymnasium.

W racv.com.au



Sheraton Grand Mirage Resort Gold Coast

Ideally suited for sporting travellers with direct access to the beach and minutes from Surfers Paradise. Close to public transport, major sporting venues and world-class golf courses.

Facilities: Gym access, tennis courts, resort pool with swim-up bar, seafood buffet and a-la-carte restaurant, cocktail bar, 14 conference/event rooms, high-speed WIFI, concierge service, on-site parking, EV charging bays.

W marriott.com



Elite Gold Coast

Elite Gold Coast is a purpose-built hotel offering a variety of rooms which cater for business travels, short term and long-term guests and groups of all sizes. It is walking distance from KDV Sport and Gold Coast Sports Precinct

Facilities: Gym, lap pool, sauna, golf, tennis, mini golf, driving range, day spa, conference and event facility, restaurant and bar.

W elitegoldcoast.com.au



Mantra at Sharks

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Located in the Southport Sharks Precinct, Mantra at Sharks is purpose built for events and travelling sporting teams.

Facilities: 120 rooms, indoor conference facilities up to 500 guests (COVID Capacity), two gyms, AFL-grade oval, extensive green space, player change rooms and recovery ice baths, sports camp facilities.

W mantra.com.au



Mercure Gold Coast Resort

Mercure Gold Coast Resort can cater specifically to elite training squads in a peaceful setting.

Facilities: 2000 square-metre training green, golf course, two outdoor pools, two tennis courts, gymnasium, sauna and spa.

 ${\bf W} \ \ {\bf mercure gold coast resort.com.au}$

SAMPLE ACCOMMODATION



Novotel Surfers Paradise

Novotel Surfers Paradise has considerable experience working with sporting organisations ranging from Queensland Rugby League, Queensland Rugby Union, The Commonwealth Games Committee, National Rugby League, International Rugby Union and the Australia Football League.

Facilities: Swimming pool and spa, gymnasium, multipurpose sports court, conference rooms, steam rooms, media room, massages, ice baths for recovery, menus prepared in alignment with elite nutrition requirements.

W novotelsurfersparadise.com.au



Quest Robina

Quest Robina is close to Cbus Stadium, Gold Coast Sports Precinct, Robina Town Centre shopping mecca, as well as being centrally located with direct public transport to Brisbane City.

Facilities: Onsite fitness centre, guest access to Anytime Fitness Gym, heated outdoor pool, BBQ facilities, meeting rooms and event facilities, various parking options, spacious balcony apartments and modern self-contained apartments.

W questrobina.com.au



Rydges Gold Coast Airport

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Rydges Gold Coast Airport is a leisure-themed hotel located just a one-minute walk to the terminal and a five-minute walk to the beach. It is also a 30-minute drive to both Byron Bay and the Gold Coast's famous theme parks.

Facilities: Rooftop bar with ocean views, pool, restaurant, gym, conference and events facilities.

W rydges.com/accommodation/gold-coast-qld/ gold-coast-airport



Sea World Resort

Stay, play and relax at Sea World Resort, Australia's only theme park resort. Located on the stunning Gold Coast Broadwater, Sea World Resort offers the perfect combination of fun, adventure and relaxation.

Facilities: 400 rooms, gym, conference and event facility.

W seaworld.com.au



Voco Gold Coast

Teams can have exclusive use of pool and relaxation area that could house ice baths or massage tables. Light rail is right outside, and the Gold Coast Airport a short 30-minute drive away.

Facilities: 24 hour in-room dining, two outdoor swimming pools, onsite gymnasium, concierge services, day spa, three restaurant and bar spaces.

W goldcoast.vocohotels.com



Gold Coast Performance Centre

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With so many facilities onsite, the Gold Coast Performance Centre is a "one-stop shop" for training camps, travelling sports teams and athletes. With nine lodges that can accommodate groups of up to 292 people, with up to 36 people per lodge.

Facilities: Gym, lap pool, sauna, conference and event facility.

W goldcoastperformancecentre.com.au

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SAMPLE ACCOMMODATION



BIG4 Gold Coast Holiday Park

Set on 32 acres of land this venue offers a range of accommodation for all sporting groups. A large field at the rear of the park for training in a peaceful bush setting, as well as a conference centre for meetings and group meals.

Facilities: Cabins, villas, retreats, caravan and camping sites and motel rooms. café, camp kitchen, other catering options, heated pool, commercial size laundry facilities and amenities block, and lots of in park activities for the whole family.

W big4.com.au



NRMA Treasure Island Holiday Resort

NRMA Treasure Island Holiday Resort offers customised group packages and a wide variety of accommodation including spacious villas, comfortable cabins, studios, glamping style safari tents, caravan and campsites for your groups stay.

Facilities: Group catering and onsite restaurant, tailored team building activities, resort style swimming pools, waterpark, mini-golf course, BBQ areas and camp kitchen.

W nrmaparksandresorts.com.au/treasure-island



Gold Coast Recreation Centre

75 air-conditioned ensuited cabins which include bunk beds, tables, chairs, storage bays and wall fans. Leader's rooms contain microwave, kettle, mini fridge, kitchenette, cutlery and crockery. Wheelchair accessible rooms fully adapted for persons with a disability.

Facilities: Five multi-purpose indoor courts, two outdoor multi-purpose indoor courts, 25 metre pool, ropes course, gymnasium, rock climbing wall.

W qld.gov.au/recreation/activities/areas-facilities/ centres/tallebudgera-leisure-centre







Bond University

Sport: rugby, soccer, cricket, AFL, swimming, beach volleyball, tennis, basketball, badminton, netball and futsal.

Bond University High Performance Training Centre provides award-winning strength and conditioning facilities supporting the Faculty of Health Sciences and Medicine teaching and research programs.

Capacity: 2600

W bond.edu.au/hsmP +61 7 5595 4100



Griffith University

Sport: swimming, athletics, tennis, basketball, beach volleyball, rugby, rowing.

Griffith University is one of Australia's leading sporting universities achieving excellence in sport science, medical research and clinical practice.

Capacity:1000

W griffith.edu.auP +61 7 5552 8552



Southern Cross University

Southern Cross University provides a program that supports Australia's elite athletes to achieve academic excellence whilst pursuing a sporting career. The university undertakes a wide range of research including projects examining aspects of surfing; analysis of exercise techniques using 3D motion capture technology; hamstring injury and rehabilitation strategies; and coaching practice.

W scu.edu.au P +61 7 5589 3000

Q4RECOVERY CENTRES



P3 Recovery

P3 Recovery is the Gold Coast's premier recovery and well-being centre. Its world class facility provides state-of-the-art technology and equipment, usually reserved for elite athletes, including hot and cold therapy pools, infrared saunas, compression garments and a Hyperbaric Chamber. P3 supports you so you can be at your best every day.

W p3recovery.com



Rigs Recovery

Rigs Recovery is a popular hub for the Gold Coast's fitness community, combining elite sport recovery technology with a holistic approach to health and wellbeing. They offer hot and cold magnesium hydrotherapy, hyperbaric oxygen therapy, infrared saunas, cryotherapy, Normatec compression, osteopathy and more. You can visit their Bundall centre, just minutes from Surfers Paradise, or their brand-new location steps back from beautiful Palm Beach on the southern Gold Coast.

W rigsrecovery.com.au



Sports Recovery and Wellness Centre Australia

This state-of-the-art centre is home to TGA approved cryotherapy treatments along with the world-famous normatec compression therapy. Couple this with 1.5 metre deep soft sparkling magnesium pools, and you have a perfect recipe for all sporting recovery requirements.

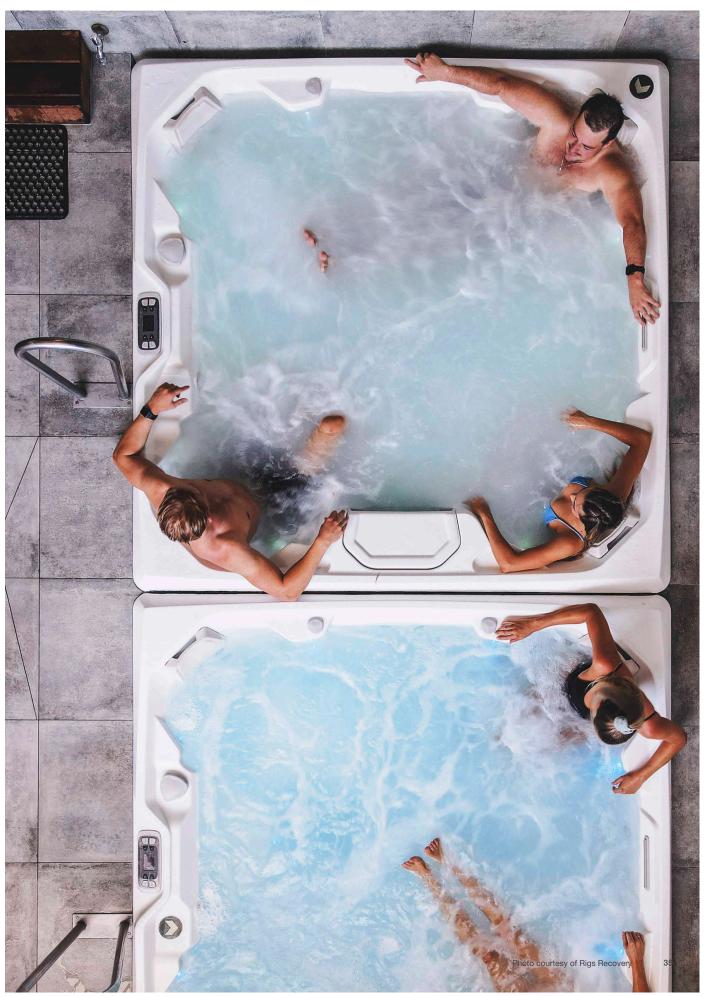
W sportsrecoverycentresaus.com



Recovery and Massage Centre (RMC)

Recovery and Massage Centre offers a wide range of allied health services including acupuncture, osteopathy, remedial massage, sports massage, relaxation massage, hot stone massage, dry needling and traditional cupping. The centre has four mineral pools for optimum hot and cold therapy, one of the southern hemisphere's largest full-spectrum infrared sauna and normatec compression therapy.

W recoveryandmassagecentre.com.au





SPORT BUSINESS CONFERENCES

Stadiums and sports fields aren't the only venues drawing sports industry professionals to the Gold Coast, with the best and brightest minds in the sector congregating in the city for a number of major sporting conferences.

Off the back of Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games, the Gold Coast successfully hosted SportAccord 2019, and has since been growing a calendar of conferences with the likes of the Australian Sport Tech Conference in 2021 and the annual Gold Coast Elite Sport Conference.

The wide range of outstanding venues, coupled with competitive accommodation and service providers adds to the allure of the city to stage innovative and memorable conferences.

Gold Coast Elite Sport Conference

The Gold Coast Elite Sports Conference is an online and in-person event that connects, inspires and educates those with a passion for sport. With a strong focus on development and networking, delegates hear from leaders within the global sporting industry as well as receive access to invaluable networking opportunities.

"It was my first opportunity to attend the Gold Coast Elite Sports Conference.
The presenters and format over the period of the conference were world class. The on-line execution and delivery was flawless and sets a benchmark for future events if travel restrictions remain."

DAVID POURRE BRISBANE ROAR CEO





The Star Gold Coast

One of Australia's largest residential conferencing properties, The Star Gold Coast's event centre can host up to 2,300 guests. With 13 break out rooms and a stunning permanent Event Centre Marquee, the space can be tailored to suit any style event.

W star.com.au/goldcoast



Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre

The Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre (GCCEC) is Australia's largest regional conference centre. A multi award-winning venue, GCCEC has been home to all kinds of events, and was host of SportAccord 2019. GCCEC can host up to 6000 in its arena and smaller groups in any of 22 meeting rooms, halls, foyers and outdoor areas.

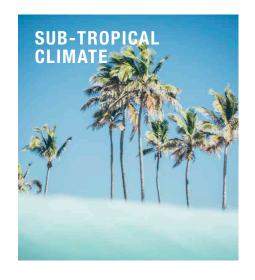
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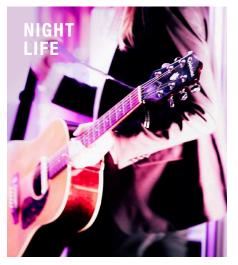
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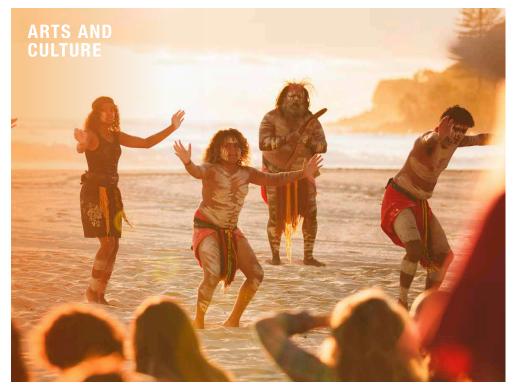
As one of Australia's favourite places to holiday, the Gold Coast is renowned for its lifestyle, entertainment and attractions off the field.













ADVOCACY ADVISORY COMMITTEE 14 AUGUST MEETING AGENDA

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2025















SUPPORT

The City of Gold Coast has a range of funding opportunities for sporting organisations and businesses from across the globe.*

We provide support and incentives for:

Relocation of sports businesses, national organisations and centres of excellence to the city

Holding elite sport camps, exhibition games and conferences on the Gold Coast

Growth and development of local sport businesses and major event supply chain

Domestic and international trade missions for local business to attract new opportunities

*Eligibility criteria applies

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The City of Gold Coast works with partners across the Gold Coast to create one of the best sporting cities in the world who can assist you with:

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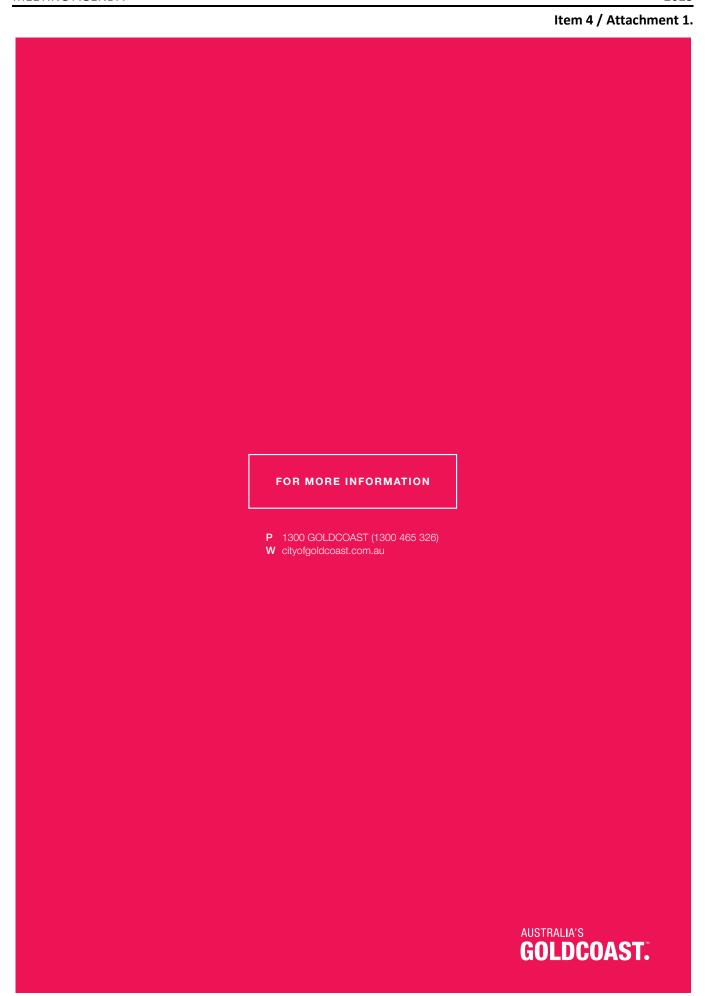
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Our training environment

Providing an unrivalled training environment, the beautiful Sunshine Coast beaches and natural surrounds offer coaches and athletes a remarkable training environment and respite from the rigours of training and the pressures of an approaching competition.

The Sunshine Coast boasts training facilities to suit a wide range of sports – national or international standard facilities including:



An Australian Institute of Sport accredited facility at the University of the Sunshine Coast that is the training base for many visiting elite athletes



High performance gym facilities including a state-of-the-art testing lab and world class equipment, situated in The Sports Hub, Bokarina



14,000 businesses that can supply products or services to the sports industry

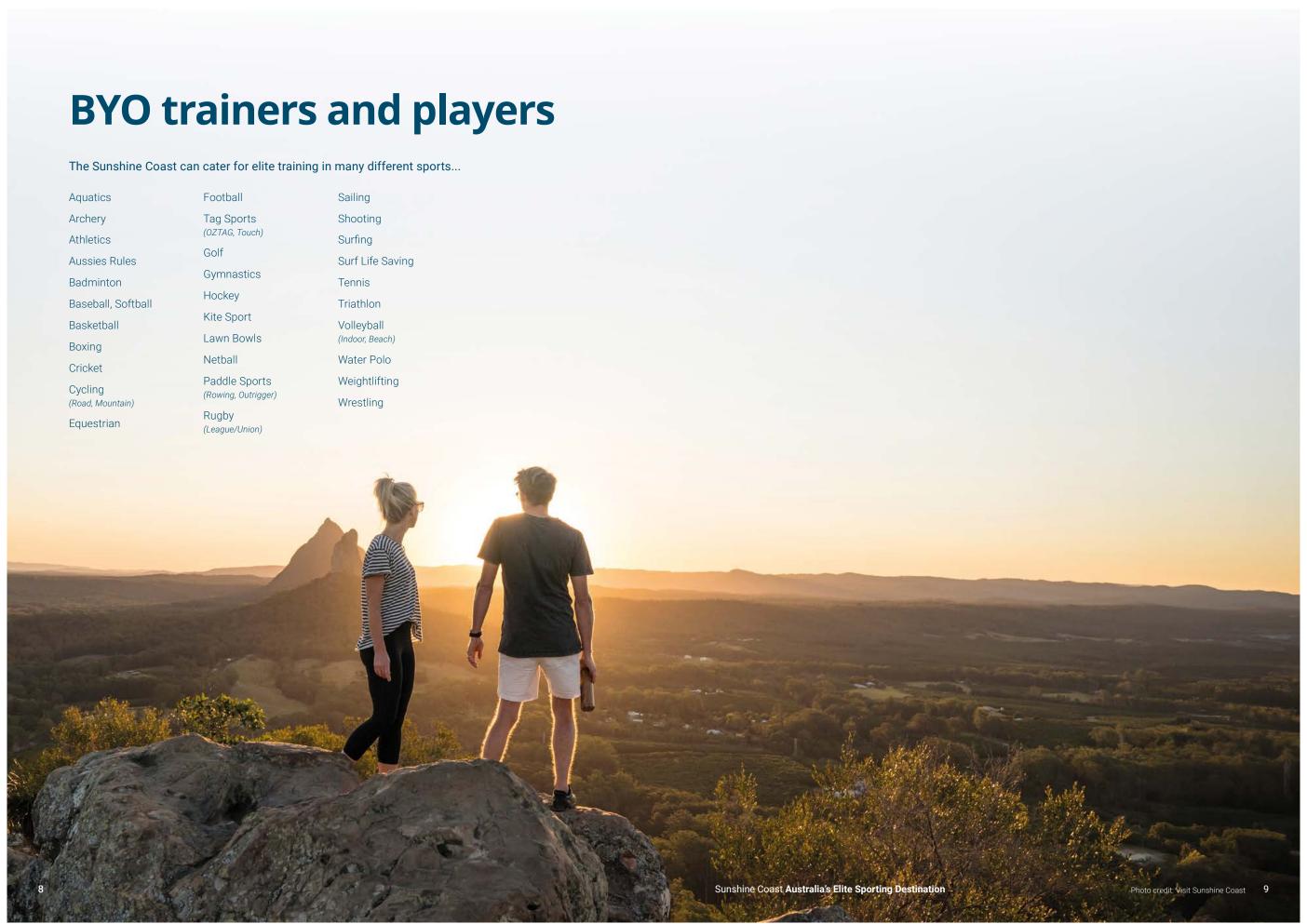


Concentration of high calibre health and wellbeing practitioners located at the health precinct adjacent to the Kawana Sports Precinct



Our natural assets provide the perfect cross-training opportunities, with kilometers of beaches to run, and majestic mountains to climb





Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games

Sunshine Coast Council welcomed the International Olympic Committee's (IOC) announcement that Brisbane has secured the rights to host the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The Olympic Games are scheduled to be held from 23 July to 8 August 2032 and the Paralympic Games from 24 August to 5 September 2032. South East Queensland will host the 2032 Games with events to be held across Brisbane, Sunshine Coast and Gold Coast.

Events

Sunshine Coast Council is proud to be a Co-Host City of the Games and several events are proposed across the region, including:

Paralympic

Marathon

Cycling

competition events

Olympic competition events

- Athletics marathon
- Athletics race walk
- · Cycling road
- Cycling mountain bike
- Sailing kiteboarding
- Football
- Basketball

Venues

Four venues have been identified to host the Olympic and Paralympic events on the Sunshine Coast for the Games. These are:

- Kawana Sports Precinct will host football preliminaries at an upgraded Sunshine Coast Stadium, and basketball preliminaries at a new indoor sports centre
- Alexandra Headland will be the staging area for Olympic kiteboarding and Olympic Road based events (cycling, marathon and race walking), and Paralympic marathon and cycling
- Sunshine Coast Mountain Bike Centre at Parklands will host the Olympic mountain bike competition
- Sunshine Coast Athlete Village to be located in the heart of the new Maroochydore city centre and will host almost 1,400 athletes during the Games



Kawana Sports Precinct

The Kawana Sports Precinct caters for a wide array of sports codes, training camps, as well as music and entertainment events. With an abundance of flexible space, the venue can cater to a large variety of site plans and a crowd of up to 20,000.

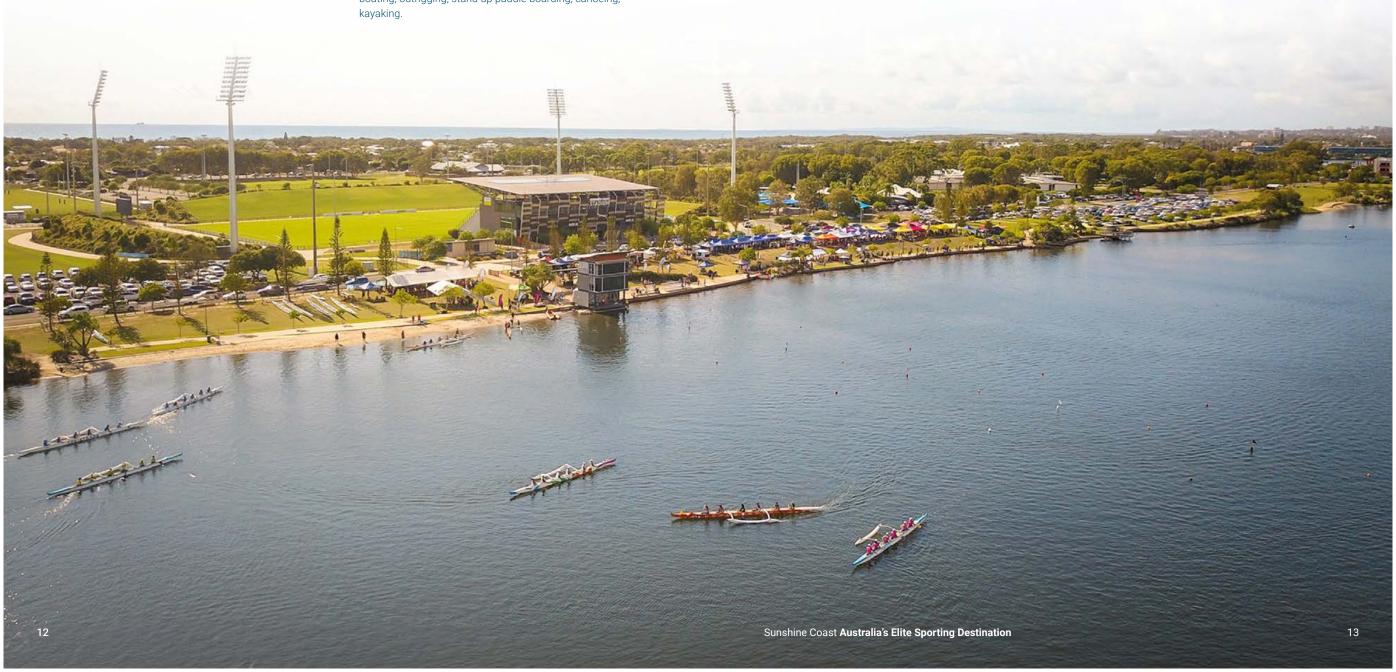
Team sports take to our quality fields on a weekly basis, participating in rugby union, rugby league, soccer, touch and more.

Lake Kawana offers five kilometres of pristine waterway for local, national, and international training with a 500 metre, eight laned, buoyed course. Facilities include a two-storey, air-conditioned Finish Tower and convenient boat ramp and trailer parking.

Training and events held on the lake include dragon boating, outrigging, stand up paddle boarding, canoeing, kayaking.

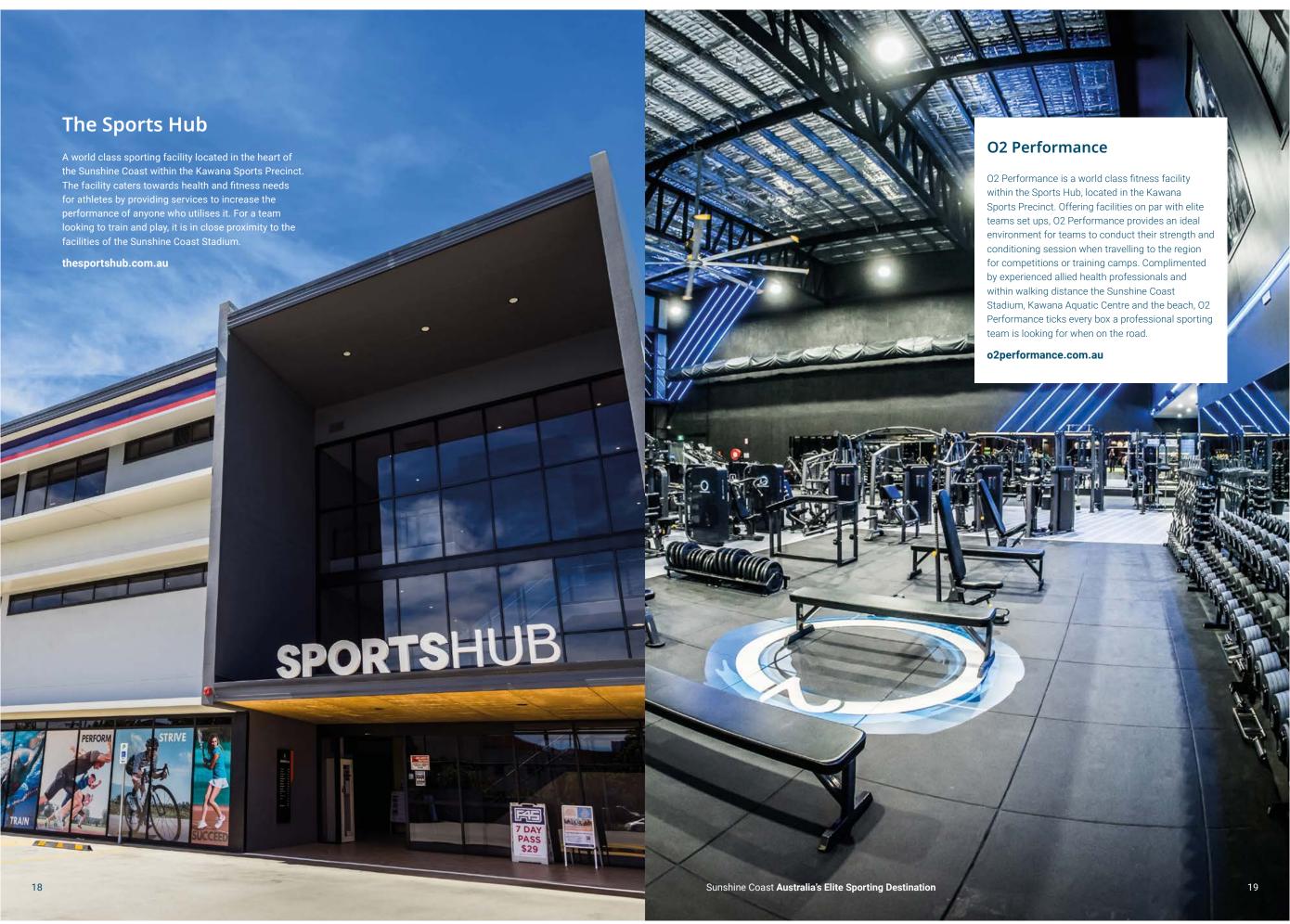
The regional Kawana Aquatic Centre offers five heated pools and a dive tower, and is located within the Kawana Sports Precinct next door to the Sunshine Coast Stadium.

Located within easy walking distance to The Sports Hub, the wider Kawana Sports Precinct is an ideal destination for events and elite sports training. For enquiries contact sunshinecoaststadium.com.au/contact-us









The Sports Hub





Recovery Room

The 'Recovery Room's' suite of modalities provides athletes with the opportunity to recharge and replenish themselves after training. Offering a suite of services that relieve tension, unlock sore muscles, relieve stress and optimise people's bodies and minds to be at their best. Services include infrared saunas, contrast hydro-therapy (hot/cold water therapy), normatec compression therapy, percussion therapy, and access to mobility tools.

recoveryatthehub.com.au

Stay Elite

Stay Elite's mission is to elevate a elite team's performance with unique offerings like ice baths and float therapy, accelerating recovery and enhancing mental resilience. They offer the chance to recover in an expansive Sauna Suite offering Nordic therapy, traditional Finnish saunas, 0° ice baths & a big steam room, fostering team camaraderie and relaxation.

stayelite.com.au



FloCryo

FloCryo is an innovative practice offering rapid recovery and relief for people dealing with pain, injury or fatigue and athletes in peak performance.

Whole Body Cryotherapy is a state-of-the-art recovery modality being utilised by the world's top athletes. It uses cryogenic temperatures to kick-start your body's recovery process.

flocryo.com.au



Deliciously Clean Eats

Deliciously Clean Eats specialise in catering to high performance teams and athletes, creating pre and post training, and game day catering options that suit specific dietary requirements. Being dietitian's, they prioritise working closely with other dietitians and team managers to make the catering process as smooth and targeted as possible ensuring the product delivered is of the greatest quality.

deliciouslycleaneats.com.au



University of the Sunshine Coast

By leveraging UniSC's strong partnerships with
UniSC Arena elite athletes and professional sports teams, visiting teams have unparalleled access to high-performance sports experiences including keynote speakers, team-building workshops, fitness drills, and comprehensive exhibitions.

The fully air-conditioned UniSC Arena with courtside seating for 3,000 spectators offers facilities rated at national standards for indoor sports including netball, basketball, futsal, hockey and badminton.

Pools

UniSC offers Olympic and Paralympic champions a comprehensive training ground and facilities including an Olympic standard swimming pool, a six-lane 25-metre swimming pool, one cold plunge pool, one warm plunge pool and a Swimex hydrotherapy pool.

Gyms

UniSC's two fully equipped indoor gyms include a high-performance gym with the latest equipment and technology used by local and visiting athletes including the Sunshine Coast Lightning professional netball league

Athletics Track

The World Athletics standard track has eight and ten lane running tracks and equipment for hurdles, steeplechase, javelin, shot-put, discus, hammer- throw, high jump, long jump, triple jump, pole vault and disabled throw events.

High Performance Support

When you train with UniSC, you get the full support of the qualified High-Performance staff, with industry-leading sport scientists and physical performance coaches who combine research excellence with decades of professional experience.

For enquiries contact usc.edu.au/sport/contact-uniscsport-and-fitness







Caloundra Indoor Stadium

Basketball, Netball, Futsal, Volleyball, Badminton, Table Tennis, Pickleball, Gymnastics, Cheerleading, Wheelchair Basketball, Wheelchair Rugby, Indoor Bowls, Indoor Hockey and Martial Arts

The venue has four indoor multi-purpose courts with an international standard playing surface and eight outdoor netball courts, four with lights. The venue has spectator seating for up to 1,200 pax, facilities, community meeting space and kiosk.

Sunshine Coast Recreation Precinct

Rugby Union, Rugby League, Touch Football, Basketball, Gymnastics, Pickleball, Netball and Swimming

Featuring two new indoor courts, two grass fields, a 25m swimming pool, catering, and conference facilities. The all-inclusive facility offers accessible accommodation and catering services. The facilities are also tailored to individuals with disability and accessibility needs.

The precinct is known for hosting training camps and sporting tournaments of all levels.



Sunshine Coast Tennis Centre

Tennis

Home to local, state, national and international events. With a 20-court facility (15 hard and five synthetic grass) it ranks among Queensland's premier venues.

The new multi-million-dollar clubhouse has tournament facilities, first aid room, catering kitchen, main court viewing, fully stocked shop, restring hub, change rooms, lockers, and full disability access around the complex.



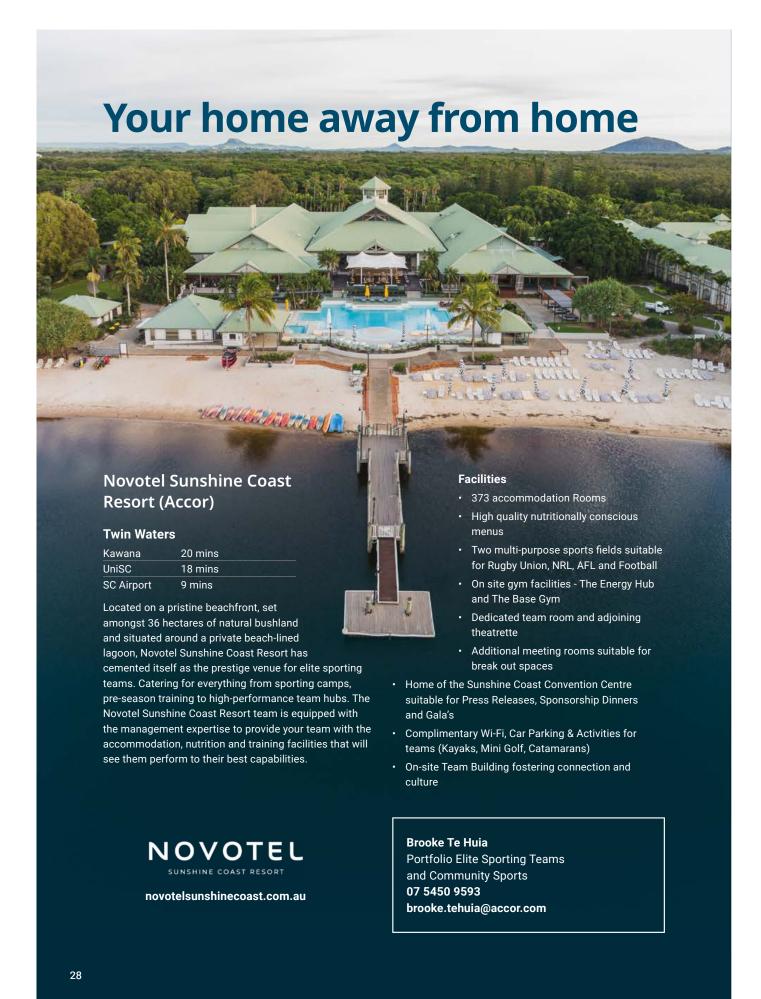
Ballinger Park Sports Complex

Hockey and Soccer

The complex features one international standard synthetic hockey pitch, four grass hockey pitches, a archery target range, three senior and two junior soccer fields as well as four small-sided soccer fields. The facilities also include lighting and double home and away change room facilities, licensed clubhouse, as well as spectator viewing for up to 1,000 people.









Mantra Mooloolaba Beach (Accor)

Mooloolaba Beach

| Kawana | 18 mins |
|------------|---------|
| UniSC | 12 mins |
| SC Airport | 14 mins |

Mantra Mooloolaba Beach is located on the waterfront and on the doorstep of Mooloolaba's best restaurants, cafes and shopping. It offers 191 fully furnished One, Two and Three Bedroom Apartments each with a private balcony and amazing ocean or hinterland views.

Facilities

- · 24-hour reception
- · Internet (fee applies)
- Room service (external company)
- · A selection of BBQ areas
- · Room service
- · Fully equipped exercise room
- Heated indoor and outdoor lagoon-style pools and spas
- Sauna
- · Conference facilities

all.accor.com

There are seven Accor hotels located on the Sunshine Coast. To find what hotel suits your requirements best, please contact reservations: 1300 987 604 groups.pacific@accor.com



Ramada by Wyndham

Marcoola Beach

| Kawana | 22 mins | |
|------------|---------|--|
| UniSC | 19 mins | |
| SC Airport | 7 mins | |

Ramada Marcoola Beach is situated on a patrolled, pristine swimming beach, this home away from home will give you easy access to the region's renowned major attractions. This resort offers hotel rooms, one-, two- and three-bedroom condo-style resort suites that comfortably sleep two to six guests plus standard hotel rooms. You will also appreciate the convenience of separate living/dining areas, a full kitchen and laundry facilities.

Facilities

- Hotel rooms
- One, two and three bedroom self-contained apartments
- · Conference facilities
- Six meeting rooms that can cater up to 240 delegates
- 60m heated lagoon pool
- Day Spa
- Gym

ramadamarcoola.com.au

Sunshine Coast Australia's Elite Sporting Destination





Oaks Sunshine Coast Oasis Resort

Caloundra

| Kawana | 17 mins | |
|------------|---------|--|
| UniSC | 20 mins | |
| SC Airport | 35 mine | |

Oaks Sunshine Coast Oasis Resort is ideally located in the coastal suburb of Caloundra and is the ideal destination for your next Sunshine Coast event. Explore our expansive resort grounds and onsite facilities including a bar, restaurant, leisure facilities and five conference and event spaces.

Facilities

- Studio, one and two bedroom apartments and villas
- Five meeting and event venue spaces
- · Leisure swimming pool
- · Onsite restaurant and bar
- Catering options

oakshotels.com

Oaks Sunshine Coast Seaforth Resort

Alexandra Headland

| Kawana | 18 mins |
|------------|---------|
| UniSC | 15 mins |
| SC Airport | 14 mins |

Oaks Sunshine Coast Seaforth Resort is located along the famous "Sunshine Strip", just footsteps from the sand and a short distance to Alexandra Headland. Boasting spacious holiday apartments, the property offers rooms with balconies, full kitchen, laundry facilities, and open plan living areas.

Facilities

- One, two and three bedroom self-contained apartments
- · Lagoon style swimming pool, lap pool and sauna
- Fully equipped gymnasium
- BBQ areas

oakshotels.com



Holiday Inn Express (IHG)

Maroochydore

| Kawana | 20 mins | |
|------------|---------|--|
| UniSC | 17 mins | |
| SC Airport | 16 mins | |

Located in Maroochydore City, the Sunshine Coast's new Central Business District, Holiday Inn Express & Suites Sunshine Coast is the ideal hotel for High Performance

Located only 900m from Cotton Tree Beach and 11km to Sunshine Coast Stadium, Holiday Inn Express & Suites Sunshine Coast is conveniently located.

Facilities

- Heated roof top swimming pool
- 24 hour fitness centre
- Complimentary fast and uncapped WiFi
- Complimentary EXPRESS Start breakfast or choose a grab & go option to enjoy on the move
- One large or two small meeting rooms accommodating up to 32 people
- Access to local catering companies which provide dining packages and cater for all dietary requirements
- 181 rooms equipped with a walk-in power shower, black-out blinds, an efficient work station and highquality bedding with a choice of firm or soft pillows

ihg.com/holidayinnexpress



Mercure Sunshine Coast

Kawana Waters

| Kawana | 6 mins |
|------------|---------|
| UniSC | 14 mins |
| SC Airport | 26 mins |

Mercure Sunshine Coast Kawana Waters is a full-service hotel located in the heart of the Sunshine Coast. A short drive from Sunshine Coast Stadium and The Sports Hub. Well experienced in working with High-Performing teams and the Food and Beverage team are able to work together with team nutritionists to achieve the ultimate experience for the teams.

Facilities

- Across the Lake from Sunshine Coast Stadium, Sports Hub, O2 Performance Elite Fitness
- Private Lake View Group / Dining Room that can meet specific group needs and dietary requirements
- Three Lakeside Event Rooms that can be opened into one large room
- 81 accommodation rooms
- · 2km from the beach
- $\bullet\ \ \ \mbox{Free easy parking for both cars, mini vans and busses}$

all.accor.com

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Sunshine Coast Recreation Precinct

Currimundi

| Kawana | 10 mins |
|------------|---------|
| UniSC | 21 mins |
| SC Airport | 31 mins |

The Sunshine Coast Recreation Precinct is located between Currimundi Beach and the mouth of the Currimundi lake. It offers accommodation and outdoor recreation for a variety of sporting teams and clubs. The precinct accommodates groups of up to 324 guests in a range of cabin options that vary from one to two bedrooms with four to 12 beds in each.

Facilities

- Conference facilities for up to 300 people
- ${\color{blue} \bullet}$ In house catering that can be individually tailored
- Five meeting rooms with projector and screen
 Scating for up to 200 people across our group diplications.
- Seating for up to 380 people across our group dining spaces
- New multipurpose indoor facility including two courts
- One timber court, 30 metres by 20 metres
- One full size oval suitable for rugby league, rugby union, touch football, and events
- One floodlit smaller oval suitable for training or warm up activities
- Outdoor, eight lane, 25 metre swimming pool

qld.gov.au



Alex Beach Cabins and Tourist Park

Alexandra Headland

| Kawana | 18 mins |
|------------|---------|
| UniSC | 15 mins |
| SC Airport | 15 mins |

Alex Beach Cabins Sunshine Coast Caravan Park is located in the heart of the Sunshine Coast at Alexandra Headland in-between Maroochydore and the iconic Mooloolaba. The tourist park has 70 self-contained cabins ranging from Studio Style to two Bedroom Holiday Home and specialise in Group Bookings.

Facilities

- Heated Pool
- · Uncovered BBQ area
- · Self-contained cabins

alexbeach.com.au



Maroochy River Bungalows and Cabins

Diddillibah

| Kawana | 21 mins |
|------------|---------|
| UniSC | 17 mins |
| SC Airport | 12 mins |

Located on the banks of the Maroochy River Lake amongst eight acres of lush tropical gardens, this peaceful resort is centrally located to pristine beaches and the hinterland. The accommodation features 19 one bedroom self-contained Bungalows that can sleep three people.

Facilities

- BBQ areas
- Fully serviced 180 seat dining room and function centre
- Small and medium function rooms
- Private lagoon with direct river access
- Double bed accommodation rooms with private ensuite available
- Break out rooms
- · Complimentary Wi-fi

maroochyriverbungalows.com.au



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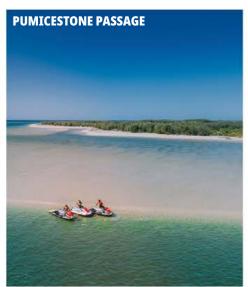
Attractions and Leisure

Feel like a local from the moment you arrive where the people are friendly and genuine.

The Sunshine Coast is Australia's authentic and immersive subtropical destination. Rich in diversity, the destination is brimming with the best that Australia has to offer.

For more information: visitsunshinecoast.com

















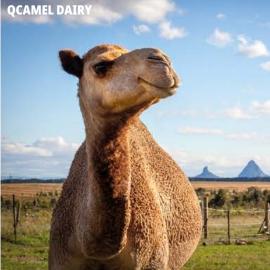












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EventsConnect

A platform for event managers and Sunshine Coast event suppliers to connect. Find your local Allied Health services here.

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Events Sunshine Coast

Find out what's happening on the Sunshine Coast

events.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au



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For more information on why the Sunshine Coast is Australia's elite sporting destination and to plan your next training camp, competition or event, contact us at trainplaystay@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au

