

Adaptation Goals

Fact Sheet 04

Sunshine Coast Council is working with the community to plan for the future of Golden Beach and Caloundra (Bulcock Beach) through Coastal Hazard Adaptation Precinct Planning (CHAPP). These coastal places are deeply valued not just for their public spaces and infrastructure, but for their intrinsic environmental, cultural, and social significance. They help shape our coastal lifestyle, sense of identity, and connection to nature. The CHAPP project is exploring practical ways for our coastal communities to adapt to increasing coastal and flooding hazards, while retaining the character of what makes these places so special.

What you told us

In November 2024, we invited you to tell us about our coastal places, how you use them, what you value about them, and how they might better adapt to future coastal hazards and flooding. Your input has been an important consideration in developing long term adaptation options. Below provides a brief overview and the full engagement summary can be found [here](#).

Your values



Contribute to your health and wellbeing



Appreciating the natural features



Socialising / Community



Existence of natural features / nature

Core adaptation goals

The core goal of adaptation is to ensure Golden Beach and Caloundra remain liveable, safe and functional places for our community. To achieve this, we need to protect these areas by looking after the infrastructure, public spaces, and natural systems that support daily life. When we preserve the functionality of these spaces, we also protect the things our community values most, such as access to nature, recreation and safe places to gather. Adaptation is about making practical, effective changes now so we can continue to enjoy and use these areas into the future.

Other adaptation goals

Alongside the core adaptation goals, a range of other goals have been developed. These goals reflect the many values and uses that the community holds for Golden Beach and Caloundra (Bulcock Beach). They include protecting cultural values, maintaining and improving public open space, providing safe and reliable parking and transport connections, and ensuring the area is protected from flooding, wave action, and saltwater intrusion. They also focus on improving drainage, water quality, and biodiversity, while making sure views, recreation access, and natural character are maintained. These goals will help shape solutions that are resilient, affordable, practical and flexible, providing time for private properties to also adapt to a changing climate.



Core Adaptation Goal 01 **Protected from erosion**

Protecting public spaces from erosion helps safeguard a vital community asset, ensuring these areas remain safe, functional and enjoyable into the future.

By managing erosion, we support the community's values of recreation, connection, and appreciation of the natural coastal environment, while also protecting the character and identity of much-loved public places. Preserving and adapting these spaces enhances liveability and safety. It also secures their long-term value, enabling future generations to enjoy and connect with the coast.



Core Adaptation Goal 02 **Roads accessible at high tides**

Making sure our roads remain accessible during high tides protects a vital community asset, safeguarding the functionality of our coastal spaces into the future.

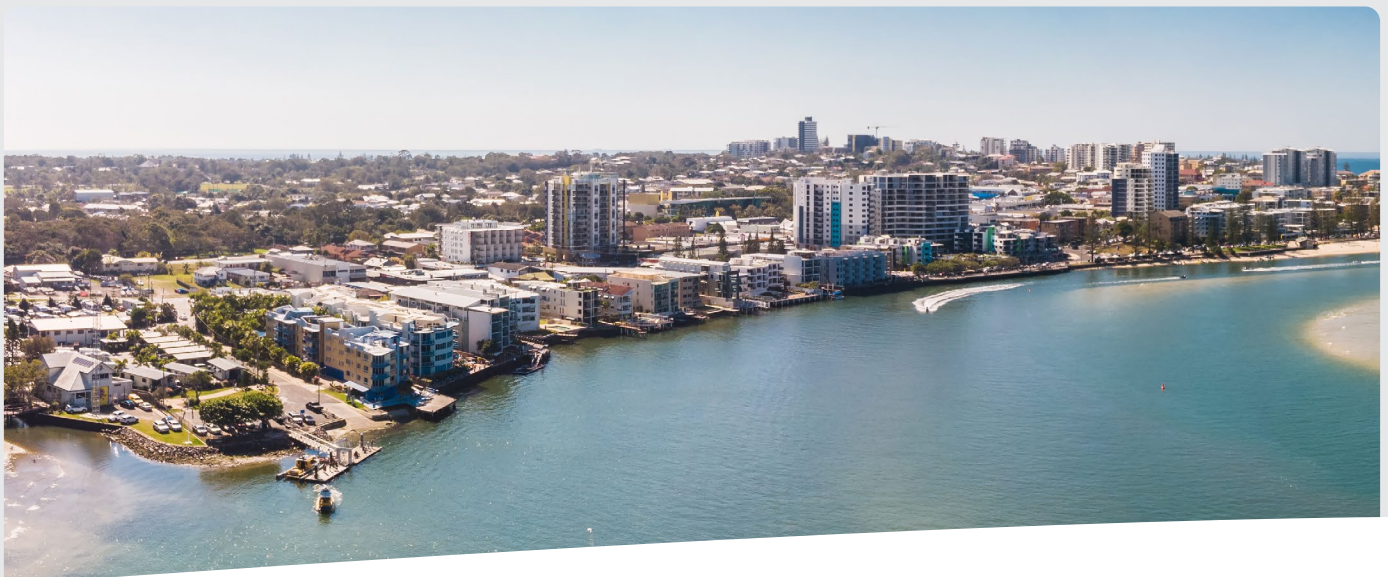
By maintaining reliable road access, we support the community's values of recreation, socialising, health, and wellbeing, while also ensuring essential travel to homes, businesses, and services remains possible. Protecting and adapting these roads enhances liveability and safety. It also secures the long-term functionality of our urban spaces, enabling future generations to enjoy and connect with the coast.



Core Adaptation Goal 03 **Well drained**

Ensuring public areas drain effectively reduces the risk of flooding and protects important community assets.

By improving drainage, we support the community's values of safety, recreation, relaxation and connection with nature, while also protecting homes, roads, and natural spaces. Protecting and adapting these areas not only improves liveability and water quality. It also secures the long-term functionality of our urban spaces, enabling future generations to enjoy and connect with the coast.





How to stay informed



Keep an eye on the **CHAPP web page** and Council's social media pages for the latest news, invitations, and progress updates.



Register for regular updates. These updates will include invitations to a range of opportunities to have your say and provide feedback to Council.



Further details of what areas may be subject to future coastal hazards can be found on Council's MyMaps flood mapping.



Ask a question about coastal hazards and Council's coastal planning activities by emailing **ourresilientcoast@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au**

Visit **haveyoursay.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au** for more information and engagement.

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