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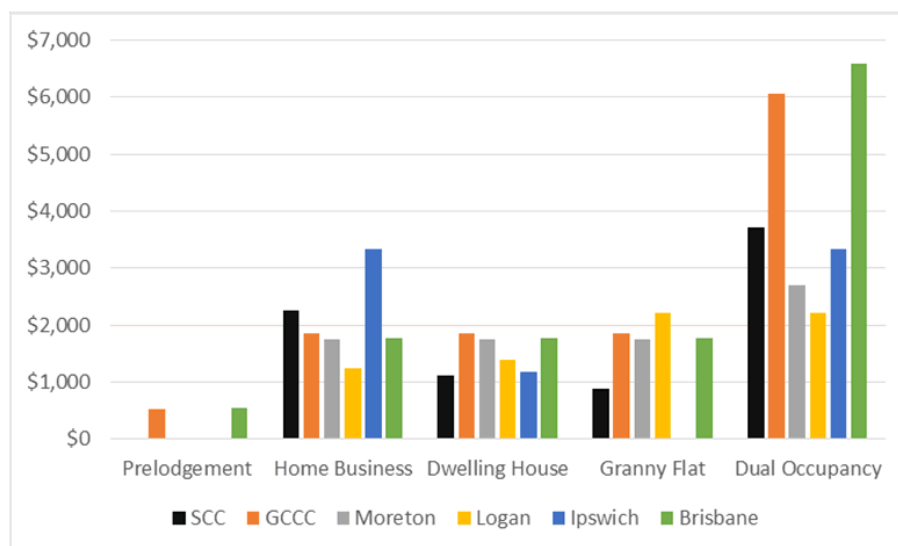
SEQ Benchmarking

The operation of Development Services fees and charges are dependent on a number of factors, including;

- The level of assessment defined by the planning scheme. Figure 1 includes self-assessable applications that will not incur a fee under the *Sunshine Coast Planning Scheme 2014*.
- For some applications;
 - The size of the application has a direct impact on the fee payable, this is due to a cost plus per unit cost charging methodology.
 - The complexity of an application also impacts on the fee charged, this is in line with full cost recovery principles.

It is important to note that the benchmarking data below is based on the 2016/17 published fee schedules of the comparison councils. With new legislation being implemented across both schedules in 2017/18 further benchmarking is scheduled once the relevant changes are fully implemented.

Figure 1 – Planning, Engineering and Environment Assessment



Note: this data and the use types are from the UDIA Benchmarking reports released in November 2016.

Figure 2 – Plumbing Services

