

Additional Information

Ordinary Meeting

Wednesday, 10 November 2021

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Related Report / Additional Information Request

Meeting:	Ordinary Meeting	Date:	10 November 2021
Requesting Councillor:	Councillor Johnston		
Item:	8.1 – Sunshine Coast Council Annual Report 2020/21		
Circulation	8 November 2021		
Officer (title):	Chief Strategy Officer		

In response to a question raised by Councillor W Johnston, please note the following additional information for your consideration.

Question:

Provide a breakdown of the performance measures that were not met.

Response:

Please find the extract of Performance Measures from the Annual Report. Each of the performance measures that was not achieved has an Asterisk and supporting footnote.

2020/21 Annual Report Performance Measures

A strong community

2020/21 Goal measures

Measure	Target	2020/21 result
Increase in annual patronage at Council owned community facilities and events, inclusive of major venues, aquatic facilities, libraries, and the gallery	5%	5.3%
Customer satisfaction with Council venues provided for hosting community events and programs	90%	99%
Investment in community capital projects for every \$1 contributed from Council's grants program	3:1	2:1*
Customer satisfaction with library and cultural programs	80%	89%

*Adjustments to the Community Grants Program were made in line with Council's COVID-19 Community Relief Plan which reduced co-funding requirements in the August 2020 and March 2021 major grant and community response rounds.



A healthy environment

2020/21 Goal measures

Measure	Target	2020/21 result
Maintain the size of the Regional Inter-urban Break at its 2017 extent	32,034 ha	32,034 ha
Hectares of land per 1000 residents acquired through Environment Levy for conservation and preservation purposes maintained	9.6 ha	10.82 ha
Hectares of land per 1000 residents for sport and recreation purposes maintained	4.74 ha	4.11 ha*
The region's renewable energy capacity increased	124.8 MW (baseline)	318.6 MW**
Council's greenhouse gas emissions reduced (tCO ₂ e – tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent)	0.58 tCO ₂ e per resident (baseline)	0.57 tCO ₂ e*** per resident

* The annual provision rate is expected to fluctuate from year to year due to the timing of open space delivered under Infrastructure Agreements and the ability of Council to purchase land in the open market that keeps pace with population growth within the year.

** An increase of 97.51MW on 2019/20 results

*** Decrease in emissions from 2019/20 is due to a recalculation for scope 3 emissions against the Climate Active Standard.

A smart economy

2020/21 Goal measures

Measure	Target	2020/21 result
Estimated economic benefit from Council supported major and regional events	\$70 million	\$61.1 million*
Value of construction from building approvals	\$1.4 billion	\$1.91 billion**
Support the local economy through spending annual contracts with local businesses	70%	75%
Satisfaction with industry and business programs to support the growth of the regional economy	80%	84%



*The estimated economic benefit from Council supported major and regional events was impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and public health restrictions.

**It has been a significant year for the building industry, including continued social and economic implications of the COVID-19 pandemic, Federal Government HomeBuilder Grant Scheme, increased interstate migration and growth in the region.

Service excellence

2020/21 Goal measures

Measure	Target	2020/21 result
Customer satisfaction with Council services (customer response)	80%	96%
Development applications decided within statutory decision timeframes	90%	87%*
Percentage of total waste collected diverted from landfill	40%	36%**
Percentage of waste services collected on schedule	99%	99%
Capital works program delivered on time and within the adopted budget	90%	87%***

*Development applications times are marginally below target due to COVID-19 pandemic event, increased demand on resourcing from the Federal Government HomeBuilders Grant Scheme and increased interstate migration and growth in the region.

**Landfill diversion through kerbside collection is below target due to the ongoing effectiveness of the Container Refund Scheme.

***The volume of this program increased by \$19 million during the year due to the inclusion of projects funded through Queensland and Federal stimulus grants and delivery was impacted by contracting and material availability resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.



An outstanding organisation

2020/21 Goal measures

Measure	Target	2020/21 result
Operating surplus ratio (extent to which operating revenues cover operating expenses)	Between 0% and 10%	-5.9%*
Asset sustainability ratio (extent to which spending on Council infrastructure is allocated to existing assets as they reach the end of their useful lives)	Greater than 90%	75.7%**
Net financial liabilities ratio (extent to which Council relies on operating revenues to pay liabilities)	Not greater than 60%	54.3%

* The Operating Surplus Ratio was impacted this financial year by one-off costs of \$34 million incurred from the early repayment and refinancing of fixed rate borrowings, undertaken to secure lower interest rates for the longer term.

** The Asset Sustainability Ratio is a strong result considering Council's relatively young asset base. The region has experienced exponential growth in recent periods, leading to an increase in new and contributed assets. This influx of new assets is reducing the collective age of Council's assets, lowering the requirement of renewals expenditure and the Asset Sustainability Ratio forecast.

Refer to Section 4 Financial Information for more detail.

Related Report / Additional Information Request

Meeting:	Ordinary Meeting	Date:	11 November 2021
Requesting Councillor:	Cr Suarez		
Item:	8.10 – Proposed Planning Scheme Amendment – Additional South East Queensland Regional Plan Sites and Other Zoning Matters		
Circulation	8 November 2021		
Officer (title):	Interim Coordinator Planning Scheme Amendments	Approving GE (title):	Customer Engagement and Planning Services

In response to a question raised by Councillor Suarez, please note the following additional information for your consideration.

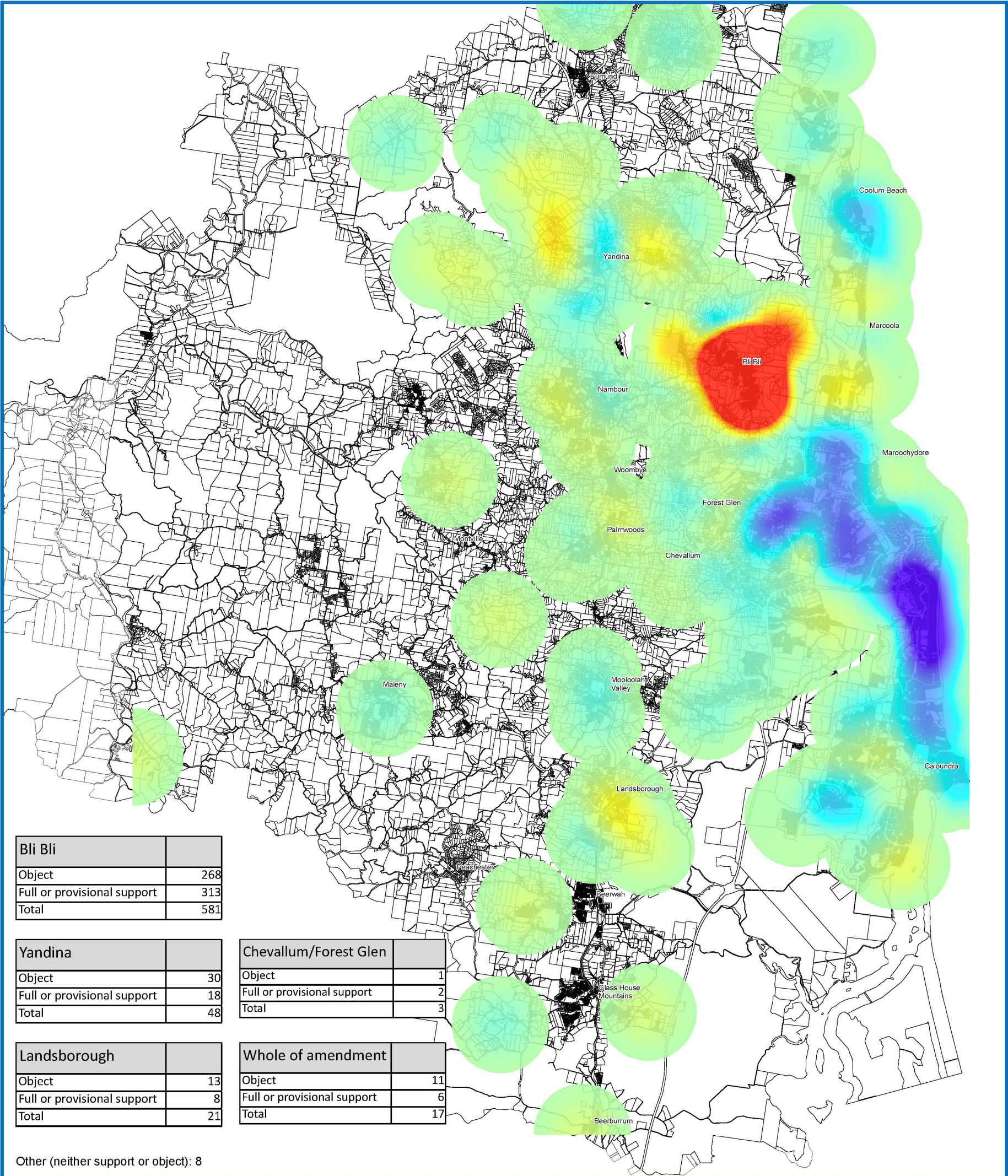
Question:

Request for a map showing the distribution of submissions (for and against) the proposed amendment.

Response:

Please refer to the attached heat map showing the distribution of submissions received in relation to the Proposed Planning Scheme Amendment – Additional SEQRP Sites and Other Zoning Matters.

SCPS2014 - Proposed Additional SEQRP Sites and Other Zoning Matters Amendment (Heat Map)



Bli Bli	
Object	268
Full or provisional support	313
Total	581

Yandina	
Object	30
Full or provisional support	18
Total	48

Chevallum/Forest Glen	
Object	1
Full or provisional support	2
Total	3

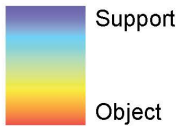
Landsborough	
Object	13
Full or provisional support	8
Total	21

Whole of amendment	
Object	11
Full or provisional support	6
Total	17

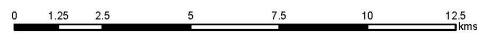
Other (neither support or object): 8

Legend

Responses related to Proposed Additional SEQRP Sites and Other Zoning Matters Amendment



OVERALL	
Object	324
Full or provisional support	354
Total	678



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Related Report / Additional Information Request

Meeting:	Ordinary Meeting	Date:	10 November 2021
Requesting Councillor:	Cr Cox		
Item:	8.11 – Canal Maintenance Program Review		
Circulation	08 November 2021		
Officer (title):	Principal Coastal Engineer	Approving GE (title):	Group Executive Liveability and Natural Assets

In response to a question raised by Councillor Cox, please note the following additional information for your consideration.

Question:

Noting there will be a change from post dredge to lower profiles and a perceived change to residents' access to the sand, some residents might want to put steps in and that will be illegal, have we sought external advice regarding accessibility for residents?

Response:

During the consultation process there were no matters raised relating to perceived changes to residents' access to beach profiles.

Advice was sought from Development Services in relation to the legality and process for installing access structures to adjacent canal beaches. The advice was that residents may apply for Operational Works – Prescribed Tidal Works for any structure, including stairs to adjacent beaches.

Related Report / Additional Information Request

Meeting:	Ordinary Meeting	Date:	10 November 2021
Requesting Councillor:	Cr Hungerford		
Item:	8.11 - Canal Maintenance Program Review		
Circulation	8 November 2021		
Officer (title):	Principal Coastal Engineer	Approving GE (title):	Group Executive Liveability and Natural Assets

In response to a question raised by Councillor Hungerford please note the following additional information for your consideration.

Question:

What are we spending on canal maintenance programs?

What it will mean in the budget context and the CPI for the future?

Provide a forecast figure on where we are heading.

Response:

Original Budget

The total original budget for 21/22 is \$1.135 million across all canal maintenance programs, total forecast increase in CPI over 5 years with this budget is \$78,550 (based on average 1.7% CPI).

Under this budget provision the capacity to meet the service level dredging cycle of 3-4 years is 75%.

Revised Budget

The total budget for 21/22 if CPI and core is reinstated would be \$1.305 million across all canal maintenance programs, total forecast increase in CPI over 5 years within this budget is \$90,303 (based on average 1.7% CPI).

Under this budget provision the capacity to meet the service level dredging cycle of 2-3 years is 100%, over a 4 year implementation horizon.

Related Report / Additional Information Request

Meeting:	Ordinary Meeting	Date:	10 November 2021
Requesting Councillor:	Councillor Natoli		
Item:	8.12 - Commercial Use of Community Land - High Use Process		
Confidential	No		
Circulation	8 November 2021		
Officer (title):	Manager Customer Response	Approving GE (title):	Customer Engagement and Planning Services

In response to a question raised by Councillor Natoli, please note the following additional information for your consideration.

Question:

Are we limited to issuing a 3-year permit?

Response:

Commercial High-use / High-impact Permits are required to meet several pieces of legislation. As part of approving the permits Council is required to adhere to the *Land Act 1994, section 60 (Trustee Permits)*. This section of the legislation states that a permit must not be issued for more than 3 years.

Question:

What is the length of tenure for the current permit holders?

Response:

Please see the below table for the length of time the current permit holders have held a permit under the current Commercial High-use / High-impact Permit process. This time has been calculated from the adoption of the Policy noting that each permit holder has been through the Expression of Interest and assessment process if they were awarded consecutive permits.

Some permit holders operated similar activities in similar locations prior to the adoption of the permit. These cases have been marked with a footnote in the tables below.



Division 2

Reference	Activity category	Permitted activity	Permitted location	Permitted hours of operation	Fee per sqm	Discount rate	Current duration of operation (since policy adoption in 2011)
2.1	Surf Based Business	Kite Surfing Lessons, with up to four (4) students and two (2) kites flying at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson ** Approval subject to the successful applicant supplying proof of state government approval, for the use of Pumicestone Passage for the purpose of conducting kite surfing lessons	Bulcock Beach (Happy Valley), between Beach Access 293 & 296	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	8 years ¹
2.2	Surf Based Business	Learn to Surf Lessons, with the number of students per instructor not to exceed eight (8) at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson ** Approval subject to the successful applicant supplying proof of state government approval, for the use of Pumicestone Passage for the purpose of conducting learn to surf lessons	Bulcock Beach (Happy Valley), between Beach Access 293 & 296	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	2 years ²
2.3	Miscellaneous Business	Tandem Skydiving & Parachute Landings, with all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each landing	Bulcock Beach (Happy Valley), between Beach Access 293 & 296	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	Proposed to be removed. This opportunity has been vacant since 30 June 2016.

¹ Note: The operator for this permit conducted a similar business at a similar location prior to the Policy adoption

² Note: This permit holder has held the same permit for different permit periods, but not consecutively.

Reference	Activity category	Permitted activity	Permitted location	Permitted hours of operation	Fee per sqm	Discount rate	Current duration of operation (since policy adoption in 2011)
2.4	Surf Based Business	Learn to Surf Lessons & Elite Surf Coaching, with the number of students per instructor not to exceed eight (8) at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson	Dicky Beach north of Ann Street, between Beach Access 261 and 263	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	2 years ³
2.5	Surf Based Business	Learn to Surf Lessons, with the number of students per instructor not to exceed eight (8) at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson	Dicky Beach, between Beach Access 263 and 267	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	2 years ³
2.6	Surf Based Business	Learn to Surf Lessons, with the number of students per instructor not to exceed eight (8) at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson	Kings Beach, between Beach Access 288 & 291	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	2 years ³
2.7	Miscellaneous Business	Tandem Skydiving & Parachute Landings, with all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each landing	Kings Beach, between Beach Access 290 & 291	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm, between the months of May and August, excluding school holidays and public holidays	\$97.00	50%	Proposed to be removed. This opportunity has been vacant since 30 June 2016.
2.8	Miscellaneous Business	Tandem Skydiving & Parachute Landings, with all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each landing	Moffat Beach, between Tooway Creek & Beach Access 272	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	Proposed to be removed. This opportunity has been vacant since 30 June 2016.

³ Note: This permit holder has held the same permit for different permit periods, but not consecutively.

Existing permit holders – as at November 2021

Reference	Activity category	Permitted activity	Permitted location	Permitted hours of operation	Fee per sqm	Discount rate	Current duration of operation (since policy adoption in 2011)
2.9	Miscellaneous Business	Kayak Tours, with all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, at the end of business each day.	Moffat Beach and Moffat Beach Boat Ramp, Moffat Beach	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	Proposed to be removed. This opportunity has been vacant since 30 June 2016.
2.10	Miscellaneous Business	Jetski Hire, undertake business transactions and storage of watercraft on council-controlled land	Bulcock Beach and Foreshore, Caloundra	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	0%	5 years

Existing permit holders – as at November 2021

Division 3

Reference	Activity category	Permitted activity	Permitted location	Permitted hours of operation	Fee per sqm	Discount rate	Current Status / Duration of operation (since policy adoption in 2011)
3.1	Surf Based Business	Learn to Surf Lessons, with the number of students per instructor not to exceed eight (8) at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson	Currimundi Beach, between Beach Access 259 & 260	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	2 years ⁴
3.2	Miscellaneous Business	Tandem Skydiving & Parachute Landings, with all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each landing	Currimundi Beach, between Beach Access 253 & 254	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	5 years
3.3	Snacks & Drinks Business	Refreshment Van, offering hot and cold beverages and pre-packaged goods from a self-sufficient vehicle, including provision of water and electricity. Vehicle to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, at the end of business each day	Buderim Street Car Park, Currimundi Beach	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	0%	5 years
3.4	Surf Based Business	Stand Up Paddle Lessons, with the number of students not to exceed eight (8) at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson	Currimundi Lake and Currimundi Beach, between Beach Access 252 & 255	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	8 years ⁵

⁴ Note: This permit holder has held the same permit for different permit periods, but not consecutively.

⁵ Note: The operator for this permit conducted a similar business at a similar location prior to the Policy adoption.

Existing permit holders – as at November 2021

Division 4

Reference	Activity category	Permitted activity	Permitted location	Permitted hours of operation	Fee per sqm	Discount rate	Current Status / Duration of operation (since policy adoption in 2011)
4.1	Surf Based Business	Learn to Surf Lessons and Elite Surf Coaching, with the number of students per instructor not to exceed eight (8) at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson	Alexandra Headlands Beach, between Beach Access 156 & 163	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	8 years ⁶
4.2	Surf Based Business	Learn to Surf Lessons and Elite Surf Coaching, with the number of students per instructor not to exceed eight (8) at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson	Mooloolaba Beach, between Beach Access 182 and 183	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	8 years ⁶
4.3	Surf Based Business	Stand Up Paddle Lessons, with the number of students not to exceed eight (8) at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson **Approval subject to the successful applicant supplying proof of state government approval for the use of Mooloolah River for the purpose of conducting stand up paddle lessons.	Charles Clarke Park, Mooloolaba	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	Proposed to amend approved activity to Pedal Boat Hire. Low-use / low-impact operating under this permit arrangement since July 2020.
4.4	Shaved Ice & Cold Drinks	Refreshment sales including shave ice and cold drinks. Vehicle to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, at the end of business each day.	Mooloolaba Beach between Beach Access 181 and 194	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	0%	7 months

⁶ Note: The operator for this permit conducted a similar business at a similar location prior to the Policy adoption.

Existing permit holders – as at November 2021

Reference	Activity category	Permitted activity	Permitted location	Permitted hours of operation	Fee per sqm	Discount rate	Current Status / Duration of operation (since policy adoption in 2011)
4.5	Beach Equipment Hire Business	Beach Equipment Hire (Stand Up Paddle Boards only) with all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, at the end of business each day	Maroochy River, between First Jetty and Boat Shed Restaurant	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	0%	8 years
4.6	Surf Based Business	Stand Up Paddle Lessons, with the number of students not to exceed eight (8) at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson	Maroochy River, between First Jetty and Boat Shed Restaurant	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	8 years
4.7	Surf Based Business	Learn to Surf Lessons and Elite Surf Coaching, with the number of students per instructor not to exceed eight (8) at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson	Maroochydore Beach, between Beach Access 143 & 146	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	8 years ⁷

⁷ Note: The operator for this permit conducted a similar business at a similar location prior to the Policy adoption.

Existing permit holders – as at November 2021

Division 6

Reference	Activity category	Proposed activity	Proposed location	Proposed hours of operation	Fee per sqm	Discount rate	Current Status / Duration of operation (since policy adoption in 2011)
6.1	Miscellaneous Business	Mobile Dog Washing, with all equipment, including car parks, to be removed from council-controlled land at the end of business each day.	Elizabeth Daniels Park Car Park, Buderim	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	0%	This location and activity has been vacant since 1 July 2013.
6.2	Snacks and Drinks Business	Refreshment Van, offering hot and cold beverages and pre-packaged goods from a self-sufficient vehicle, including provision of water and electricity. Vehicle to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, at the end of business each day	Elizabeth Daniels Park Car Park, Buderim	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	0%	3 years ⁸

⁸ Note: The operator for this permit conducted a similar business at the location under a different permit scheme

Existing permit holders – as at November 2021

Division 8

Reference	Activity category	Permitted activity	Permitted location	Permitted hours of operation	Fee per sqm	Discount rate	Current Status / Duration of operation (since policy adoption in 2011)
8.1	Surf Based Business	Learn to Surf Lessons, including surf awareness, with the number of students per instructor not to exceed eight (8) at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson	Marcoola Beach, between Beach Access 100 & 117	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	8 years ⁹
8.2	Snacks & Drinks Business	Refreshment Van, offering hot and cold beverages and pre-packaged goods from a self-sufficient vehicle, including provision of water and electricity. Vehicle to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, at the end of business each day	Mount Coolum Car Park	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	0%	1 year
8.3	Surf Based Business	Learn to Surf Lessons, with the number of students per instructor not to exceed eight (8) at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson	Mudjimba Beach, between Beach Access 117 & 132	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	8 years ⁹
8.4	Miscellaneous Business	Seaplane flights, including the use of Council-controlled land for business transactions	Maroochy Riverbank, Bradman Avenue, Maroochydore (adjacent to Minti Street intersection)	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	0%	7 years

⁹ Note: The operator for this permit conducted a similar business at a similar location prior to the Policy adoption

Existing permit holders – as at November 2021

Division 9

Reference	Activity category	Permitted activity	Permitted location	Permitted hours of operation	Fee per sqm	Discount rate	Current Status / Duration of operation (since policy adoption in 2011)
9.1	Beach Equipment Hire Business	Beach Equipment Hire, including the hire of watercraft from trailer, with all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, at the end of business each day	Coolum Beach, between Beach Access 69 & 81	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	0%	8 years ¹⁰
9.2	Surf Based Business	Learn to Surf Lessons and Elite Surf Coaching, with the number of students per instructor not to exceed eight (8) at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson	Coolum Beach, between Beach Access 69 & 81	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	8 years ¹⁰
9.3	Surf Based Business	Kite Surfing Lessons, with up to four (4) students and two (2) kites flying at any one time and all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each lesson	Lake Weyba Foreshore	7 days per week, 6am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	8 years ¹⁰
9.4	Miscellaneous Business	Tandem Skydiving & Parachute Landings, with all equipment to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, following each landing	Stumers Creek, Coolum Beach between Beach Access 68d & 76	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	50%	4 years

¹⁰ Note: The operator for this permit conducted a similar business at a similar location prior to the Policy adoption

Existing permit holders – as at November 2021

Division 10

Reference	Activity category	Permitted activity	Permitted location	Permitted hours of operation	Fee per sqm	Discount rate	Permit Award/Status
10.1	Snacks & Drinks Business	Refreshment Van, offering hot and cold beverages and pre-packaged goods from a self-sufficient vehicle, including provision of water and electricity. Vehicle to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, at the end of business each day	Little Yabba Creek, Kenilworth	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	0%	8 years
10.2	Snacks & Drinks Business	Refreshment Van, offering hot and cold beverages and pre-packaged goods from a self-sufficient vehicle, including provision of water and electricity. Vehicle to be removed from council-controlled land, including car parks, at the end of business each day	Quota Park, Nambour	7 days per week, 7am to 7pm	\$97.00	0%	This location and activity has been vacant since 30 June 2019.

Existing permit holders – as at November 2021

Related Report / Additional Information Request

Meeting:	Ordinary Meeting	Date:	10 November 2021
Requesting Councillor:	Councillor W Johnston		
Item:	9.1 Climate Emergency		
Circulation	8 November 2021		
Officer (title):	Manager Environment & Sustainability Policy	Approving GE (title):	Group Executive Liveability and Natural Assets

In response to a question raised by Councillor W Johnston, please note the following additional information for your consideration.

Question:

Please provide factual comments regarding the following statement:

Modelling has indicated that emission reduction pledges by countries under the Paris Agreement will lead to an increase in global temperatures by 2.7°C by 2100. However, countries are not even meeting their pledges, indicating that unless action is ramped up temperatures will grow even higher. Sunshine Coast Council's emissions are also rising despite having pledged to reach net zero by 2041.

This must be taken as a danger requiring an emergency response from all levels of government equivalent to the way covid-19 was dealt with.

Response:

- Regarding pledges, this is a correct statement based on the pre-COP 26 pledges made by nation states and comes from the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) 'Emissions Gap Report 2021' – a report monitoring global action published annually – <https://www.unep.org/resources/emissions-gap-report-2021>.
- From Glasgow (COP 26) it is understood that the updated pledges currently being negotiated by nation states will limit warming to 1.9°C – still falling short of the target to keep temperature increases to 1.5°C degrees of warming (compared to pre-industrial levels) by 2050, under the Paris Agreement.
- Council's strategic directions to deliver a healthy environment and liveable Sunshine Coast are outlined in the Environment and Liveability Strategy (ELS), including our response to greenhouse gas emissions.
- Based on the best available information at the time on the future climate of the Sunshine Coast (provided by the CSIRO in 2016) and the Paris agreement target (to limit global warming to well below 2°C, preferably to 1.5°C degrees Celsius, compared to pre-industrial levels), Council determined an appropriate organisational target to be a 'zero net emissions organisation and low carbon community by 2041'.
- In 20/21 and having aligned our emission footprint to the Australian Government's Climate Active Standard, our organisational emissions showed a nominal decrease of 2.6% (5280



tCO₂e), primarily as a result of a technical emissions boundary realignment for our Scope 3 emissions.

- However, it should be noted that despite this decrease in total emissions, we had increases in most of our emissions sources including from waste (4%), electricity usage (10%), streetlights (8%) and fuel (1%) compared to 2019/20.
- In response to our target and emissions, Council continues to utilise the latest science and is progressing our zero-net emission planning by incorporating science based targets to build our understanding of emissions, guide our approach to reduce our emissions and bring about the required behaviour change necessary to achieve our target.

Related Report / Additional Information Request

Meeting:	Ordinary Meeting	Date:	10 November 2021
Requesting Councillor:	Councillor M Suarez		
Item:	9.1 Climate Emergency		
Circulation	8 November 2021		
Officer (title):	Manager Environment & Sustainability Policy	Approving GE (title):	Group Executive Liveability and Natural Assets

In response to a question raised by Councillor M Suarez, please note the following additional information for your consideration.

Question:

Are you aware of any “actions, policies and programs” associated with a Climate Change Declaration?

Response:

- Information on a climate emergency declaration can be found at <https://climateemergencydeclaration.org/>
- A Local Government Climate Emergency Toolkit has been developed and information on this can be found at <https://www.lgcet.com/>
- The website communicates that the toolkit offers practical recommendations for how local governments (also known as city councils and local councils) can take immediate action to address the climate emergency.