

Revitalisation

# Mooloolaba Foreshore Revitalisation Project – Stage Two January 2024 update

Sunshine Coast Council is investing in the future of Mooloolaba with a major foreshore revitalisation project.

This project will create more beachfront parkland, new community facilities, improve access to the beach and foreshore, and enhance coastal protection for the benefit of residents, visitors and businesses.

The Mooloolaba Foreshore Revitalisation Project is an outcome of the 2015 Master Plan. It is a multiple-stage project that is being delivered over several years.

It represents the largest single investment in community parkland, facilities and coastal protection at this popular local and tourism precinct in 25 years.

Stage Two is the next stage to be delivered and is anticipated to start mid-2024.

# **Community Reference Groups**

While the process to secure an expert construction contractor is progressing, Council is seeking <u>expressions of interest</u> from individuals who want to be considered to be part of two groups:

- Mooloolaba Business Activation Group

   with a focus on local businesses
   including business operators,
   accommodation providers, landowners,
   business groups, events and tourism.
- Mooloolaba Stakeholder Interest Group

   with a focus on local residents, community/interest groups, the environment, beach, sporting and community facilities.

Council encourages those interested to apply by close of business, Tuesday February 13, 2024 by visiting Council's <u>EOI website</u>.





The two groups will bring together interested individuals to share information, insights and ideas aimed at making the construction phase as smooth as possible for businesses, locals and visitors.

Information received will enhance communication, relationships and information sharing for the future benefit of the Mooloolaba precinct.

Council has appointed specialist place strategy and activation company, Reactivate Consulting, to develop an activation strategy with input from local businesses and Council.

### Stage Two update

Council's Ordinary Meeting (January 18, 2024) was an opportunity for the project team to provide Councillors and our community with an update on the Mooloolaba Foreshore Revitalisation project, which was endorsed 12 months ago (January 25, 2023).

The report provided an update on the planning, design development and delivery of the Stage Two Central Meeting Place and Southern Parkland Seawall project, which included a report on the condition of the 'Loo with a View' structure.

The report discusses how in September 2023 the final Stage Two design was shared with our community showing how we refined part of the terraced seawall design and added in more shade trees and seating, which aligned with the community's feedback of the endorsed concept. The terraced seawall provides vital coastal protection, connects 'beach to business' by reducing physical and visual barriers and enhances access for our community with an all-abilities access ramp for people using wheelchairs, prams or mobility devices.

The report also discusses the pressing nature of the ageing Loo with a View, which has reached the end of its usable life.

Experts have advised it is not feasible to maintain and operate the existing facility long-term. Ongoing checks are occurring to ensure community safety is prioritised.

### Stage Two at a glance

To learn more about the project you can:

- Visit Council's <u>website</u>
- View the <u>aerial plan</u>
- Watch the fly through video
- Apply for the <u>Community Reference</u> <u>Groups</u>
- Immerse yourself in the 360-degree view via signage in place along the foreshore.

For the latest diagrams and information for the terraced seawall please visit Council's <u>'Replacing the existing seawall</u>' webpage.





# Stage Two project timeline

Council is currently in the construction tender phase and will work with the successful contractor to guide the project's timing, sequencing and how it will be constructed.

At Council's Ordinary Meeting (January 18, 2024), Council requested a further report be presented to the new Council prior to the tender being awarded.

The focus of the construction tender and contract is based on an anticipated mid-2024 start.

# Estimated project timeline is as follows:

#### January to April 2024

- Community Reference Groups formed and meetings underway.
- Business Activation Planning
- Background investigations underground services identification (e.g water, telecommunications).

#### Mid-2024

- Early works Beach Terrace temporary turnaround facility.
- Construction commencement on new parkland and replacement seawall.

# Please share this information and register for updates

Council's commitment to sustainability means that all updates are available on the project website and emailed to those people who register to receive them.

Please share this information with family, friends, landlords, property owners, business owners, staff or anyone who may have an interest in Mooloolaba.

It's easy to stay informed, simply <u>subscribe</u> for email updates.

## **Further information**

You can find further information about the Mooloolaba Foreshore Revitilisation project on Council's website at www.sunshinecoast.gld.gov.au

To contact Council's project team you can email **mfr@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au** or contact Council's customer service via the details below (please quote Mooloolaba Revitalisation Project).

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