

Collinsville Masterplan 2021





INTRODUCTION

The Collinsville Masterplan sets out several actions to be achieved over the next few years for enhancing liveability, health, wellbeing, beautifying the Town and creating conditions for small business success.

The following strategic themes identified by local community input during the '*Shaping Collinsville's Future*' consultation were utilised to guide Masterplan actions for Collinsville and Scottville:

- Enhancements to public spaces;
- Improvements to infrastructure and services;
- Increasing liveability for residents;
- Improved health and wellbeing; and
- Attracting more families and residents to Collinsville.

Many of the projects and proposed timings are subject to available grant funding for completion, nonetheless, their proposed timing illustrates priorities for delivering on the above objectives.

We invite you to read on and discover the projects that will be delivered in the coming years to enhance resilience and create new opportunities within Collinsville and Scottville.

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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR MAYOR



I am pleased to announce the Collinsville Masterplan that will guide projects within Collinsville and Scottville over the next few years. The projects identified within have been informed by the community during the 'Shaping Collinsville's Future' consultation undertaken in late 2020 and I thank everybody for their valuable inputs.

The Collinsville Masterplan sets out several actions for enhancing health, wellbeing, parkland, town beautification, creating new activities for kids and establishing new offerings to attract visitors to engage with Collinsville small business.

Proposed investments in parkland, activities for kids and town beautification will improve liveability, health and wellbeing. Alongside stable employment, these contributing factors attract permanent residents and families to Collinsville and Scottville. Securing permanent residents provides a feedback loop to support more small businesses, which can create a more active Main Street and help attract more residents to Collinsville.

Proposed new visitor offerings, such as the investigation into drive trails, RV Tourism hub improvements and lookouts helps bring new economic inputs into Collinsville's economy during tourism season, building resilience to mining downturns and strengthening the roots of small business which families living in Collinsville and Scottville rely upon.

Community infrastructure investments including Collinsville Youth Coalition Upgrades and creation of a Waterpark adjoining the Collinsville Swimming Pool and Lions Park will strengthen these essential social hubs for locals to gather while kids play, helping to attract more families to Collinsville.

I am excited by the proposed projects for Collinsville and encourage you to learn more about the exciting projects in the pipeline that will make a big difference to the growth, sustainability and preservation of Collinsville for current and future generations.



COLLINSVILLE SWIMMING POOL UPGRADES AND WATERPARK

Overview

A waterpark was a key community priority within the 'Shaping Collinsville's Future' consultation and is proposed to be located next to the Collinsville Swimming Pool at the Lions Park. The Collinsville Swimming Pool's central location and position next to Collinsville's Lions Park makes it an ideal space for a future waterpark with the space catering for both parents and kids. Council intends construct a waterpark which bridges the functions of the Collinsville Swimming Pool and the Lions Park where parents may relax. Council are also utilising Works for Queensland grant money to upgrade the existing amenities block.

Amenities Block Timing: 2021

Waterpark Timing: 2021 - 2022

Implementation

Detailed design is underway to deliver the waterpark as a priority project under secured grant funding. Detailed design will include pathways, accesses and waterpark design similar in nature to the Proserpine Waterpark.

EST. COST (Grant \$): \$1,200,000 (Waterpark)

EST. COST (Grant \$): \$142,600 (Amenities)

STATUS: Planning

PROJECT CHAMPION: Infrastructure Services



Figure 1: Example of waterpark in Proserpine.

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PLAYGROUNDS

Overview

Improved playground equipment and more activities for older kids were key priorities of the ‘*Shaping Collinsville’s Future*’ consultation. It is proposed to enhance existing playgrounds within Scottville Lions Park, Darcy Munro Park and create a new Pump track in Collinsville.

Pump tracks are similar to BMX tracks and are suitable for kids of all ages, increase outdoor activity and social interaction. Pump tracks may be designed for varying scales of difficulty to challenge older and younger kids. The proposed Pump track will be located within Darcy Munro Park, which is centrally located and adjoining the proposed Collinsville Shared Circuit identified in Action 5.

Implementation

Detailed design has commenced and it is anticipated the proposed projects will be constructed in 2021/22 with grant funding from Bravus (Adani) and Works for Queensland. Detailed design will identify a preferred location of the proposed pump track to ensure sufficient buffer to adjoining residences.

EST. COST (Grant \$): \$631,000
STATUS: Planning
PROJECT CHAMPION: Infrastructure Services

Table 1: Proposed playground upgrades.

PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	COST
Collinsville Pump Track Timing: 2021 - 2022	Construct a new pump track within Darcy Munro Park.	\$300,000
Scottville Playground Upgrade Timing: 2021 - 2022	Upgrade existing playground.	\$145,000
Darcy Munro Playground Upgrade Timing: 2021 - 2022	Upgrade existing playground.	\$186,000



Figure 2: Example of pump track within Sutherland Shire Council.
Image source: Sutherland Shire Council.



COLLINSVILLE YOUTH COALITION UPGRADES

Overview

The Collinsville Youth Coalition (CYC) is a key community hub for the young people of Collinsville. Proposed projects identified in response to the 'Shaping Collinsville's Future' Consultation include:

EST. COST (Grant \$):	\$419,275
STATUS:	Planning
PROJECT CHAMPION:	Infrastructure Services

Table 2: Collinsville Youth Coalition upgrades.

TASK	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
Amenities Block Upgrade Timing: 2021 Council's role: Plan & construct	Upgrade amenities block.	\$99,000
Car park Timing: 2022 - 2024 Council's role: Plan & construct	Formalise 30 car parks (1,250m ² sealed), including access, lighting and safe pedestrian movement.	\$175,000
Recreation upgrades Timing: 2021 - 2023 Council's role: Plan & construct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refurbishment of two tennis courts; Additional shade trees (7), picnic seat (1) and park bench seating (3) around the skate bowl; and Shading, seating and beautification of land between tennis courts and Showground oval to better support events. 	\$116,000 \$7,570 \$20,000

Implementation

Proposed amenities block upgrade will occur in 2021 under existing Works for Queensland grant funding. Council will undertake detailed design of the proposed car park in-house in preparation for future grant funding applications in 2021/22.

Recreation facility upgrades will be delivered incrementally, with tennis courts to be refurbished in 2021 and additional shaded seating and event space beautification to be facilitated 2021-2023, subject to grant funding.

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COOL AND GREEN COLLINSVILLE

Overview

Collinsville has on average 292 sunny days a year, with an average annual temperature of 30 degrees Celsius, therefore, there is a need to provide significant shading throughout the Town to encourage people to get outside and utilise recreational infrastructure. It is proposed to plant 400 native shade trees adjoining existing and proposed footpaths shown in Figure 3 (over page) at a rate of 1 shade tree per 15m to ensure these pathways are well utilised and comfortable for the community.

Timing: 2023 - 2025 (Subject to funding)

Implementation

Council will seek grant funding for the cost of the trees, then facilitate the planting of 400 semi-mature trees and maintain them for 2 years until established. Plantings established prior to proposed footpaths within Action 5 will be sited to ensure space exists for pathway construction.

EST. COST (Grant \$): \$113,200
EST. COST (Council \$): \$67,340 Maintenance
STATUS: Planning
PROJECT CHAMPION: Infrastructure Services

Table 3: Implementation costs for Cool and Green Collinsville program.

TASK	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
On-ground works	Contractors/employees to project manage and plant the trees.	\$113,200
Year 1 maintenance	Monitoring, watering and fertilising.	\$54,760
Year 2 maintenance		\$10,980
Year 3 + ongoing maintenance		\$1,600 p/a
Total		\$180,540



The following pathways have been identified for additional native shade trees. Note, Stanley Street greening will occur as part of Action 7: 'Choose Collinsville' Town Centre Enhancements.

1. Scottville Road footpath (3,300m);
2. Proposed Railway Road/Stanley Street to RV Park pedestrian footpath (500m);
3. Sonoma Street footpath to Town Entrance (720m); and
4. Proposed Carpet Snake Creek Pedestrian Footpath (1,400m).



Figure 3: Proposed locations for shaded pathways in the Cool and Green Collinsville action and new pathways to be constructed as part of the Collinsville Shared Circuit Action.





COLLINSVILLE SHARED CIRCUIT

Overview

The proposed Collinsville shared pedestrian and cycle circuit seeks to connect community nodes and residential areas by utilising Carpet Snake Creek linear open space corridor and major roads to formalise a circuit.

The four major areas identified for improvement are outlined below and shown in Table 4 / Figure 3 (left).

EST. COST (GRANT \$): \$ 1,610,000
STATUS: Commenced
PROJECT CHAMPION: Infrastructure Services

Table 4: Collinsville Shared Circuit sections.

FOOTPATH SECTION	DESCRIPTION
1. Scottville Road missing pathway link Cost: \$230,000 Timing: 2021	The proposed 160m pathway will complete pedestrian link of the Scottville pathway to the Town centre, whilst also improving pedestrian access to the Lawn Bowls club from the RV Park and Town Centre.
2. Railway Road Cost: \$400,000 Timing: 2022/23 (Subject to funding)	Lighting and 360m of footpath will be provided to and from the Showgrounds RV park to improve amenity and the perception of safety for visitors.
3. Shared circuit: Sonoma Street, from Aberdeen Street to Sonoma Park Cost: \$300,000 (complete)	This link forms part of the proposed active transport circuit and connects the Hospital to the Main Street. This section of pathway was completed under the 2018-19 Works for Queensland program.
4. Shared circuit: Carpet Snake Creek linear open space corridor Cost: \$680,000 Timing: 2023 - 2026 (Subject to funding)	Carpet Snake Creek provides a natural corridor to link residential areas, recreational parks, Collinsville State School, Collinsville Showgrounds and RV park. 1.7km of proposed footpath will complete the circuit, including water bubblers.

Implementation

The proposed shared pedestrian and cycle circuit will be delivered by Parks and Gardens teams as prioritised by future Council annual budgets or State Government grants. Footpath Section 1 is anticipated to be completed early 2021 under Queensland Principle Cycle Network Funding and Section 3 is completed.



COLLINSVILLE & SOLAR FARM LOOKOUTS

Overview

Lookouts are a tourist attraction, providing an opportunity for visitors to take photos and share their journey, in turn freely promoting a destination to their friends online. In addition to the recently constructed Miller Street Reservoir lookout, an additional lookout is proposed on the corner of Strathmore and Curringa Road, overlooking the Solar farms and the Collinsville Coal Mine as shown by Figure 4 below.

The proposed Solar Farm lookout and recently completed Miller Street lookout will include:

- Formalisation of car parks within the road reserve (solar farm lookout);
- Raised viewing platform and pergola with tables and chairs (solar farm lookout);
- Interpretive placards to provide interesting information about the solar farm at the Curringa Road lookout and Collinsville history at the Miller Street lookout; and

- Improved signage to guide visitors to the Miller Street and Solar farm lookouts.

Implementation

The proposed Solar Farm lookout may require negotiation with the Whitsunday Solar Farm landowner, however, will predominately be located within the road reserve. The Solar Farm lookout will require support from grant funding.

Solar Farm Lookout Timing: 2023 - 2025

EST. COST (Grant \$): Collinsville Lookout \$329,000
Solar Farm Lookout \$300,000
STATUS: Collinsville Lookout complete
Solar Farm Lookout in planning
PROJECT CHAMPION: Infrastructure Services

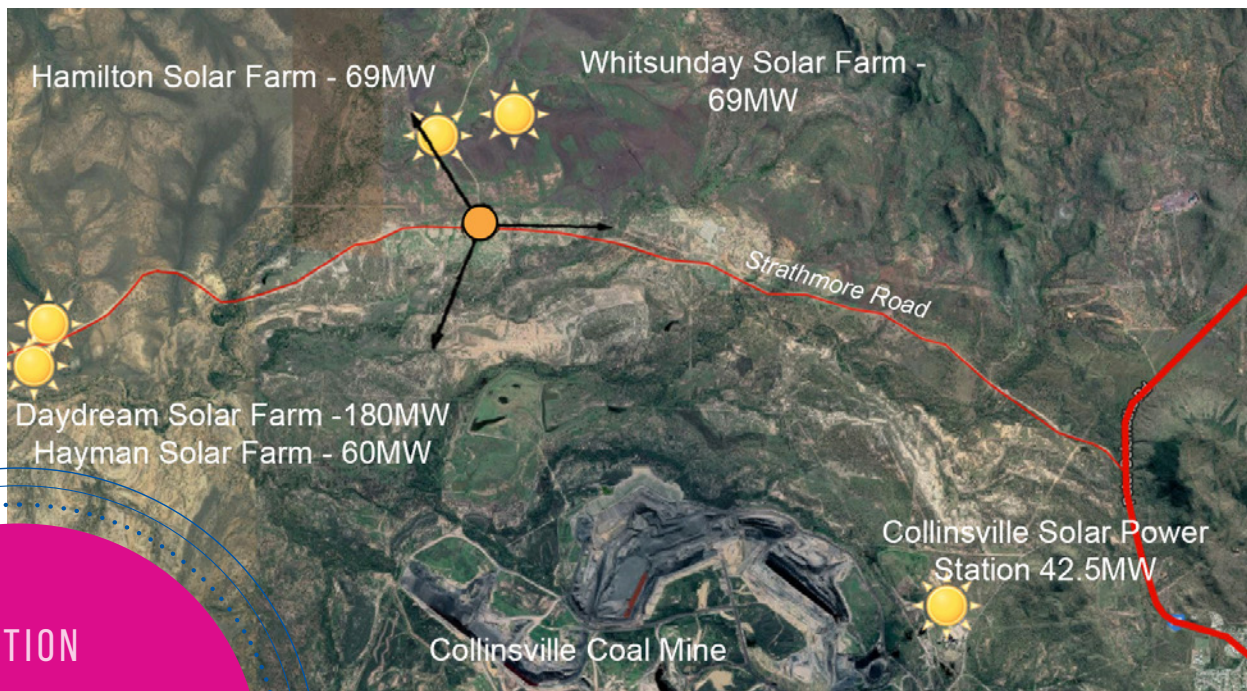


Figure 4: Location of the Solar Farm Lookout.





CHOOSING COLLINSVILLE: TOWN CENTRE ENHANCEMENTS

Overview

The Choosing Collingville Collingville Town Centre Enhancement Strategy seeks to create a green oasis by beautifying Sonoma Street, Stanley Street, Conway Street and the Main Street.

The proposed strategy outlined by Table 5 and Figure 5 identifies several town areas that will have improved infrastructure to promote amenity and create an attractive environment.

Upgrades will include significant landscaping, landmark / shade trees, road surface upgrades to signify Main Street entrances, new furniture and footpath upgrades.

EST. COST (GRANT \$): \$2,500,000

STATUS: Planning

PROJECT CHAMPION: Infrastructure Services

Timing: 2023 - 2025 (Subject to funding)

Table 5: Town Centre Enhancement Strategy.

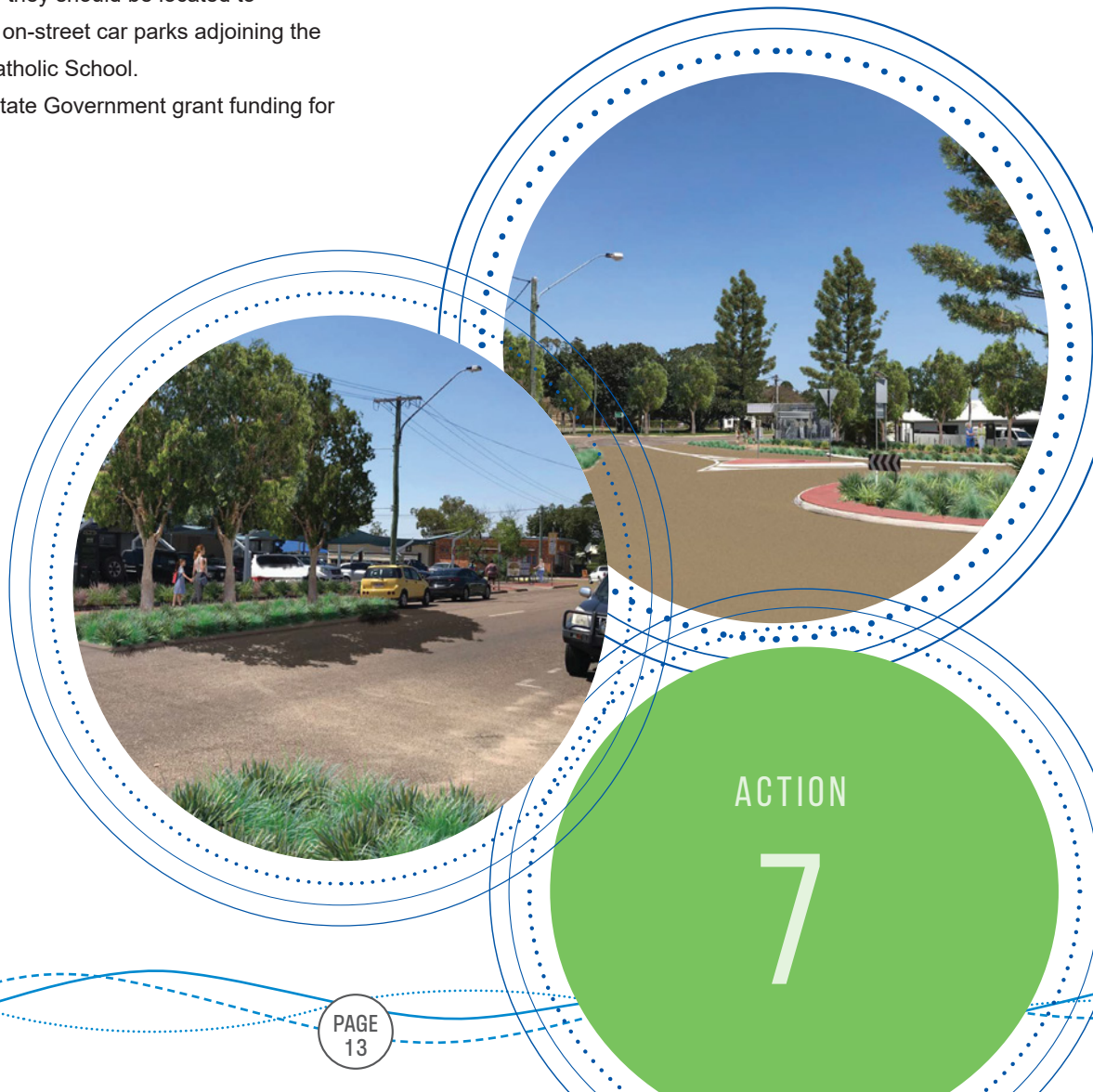
STANLEY STREET/TOWN CENTRE STRATEGY	
1	<p>Future Revegetation Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seedling plantings to provide green entrance gateway from Scottville and enhance creek line.
2	<p>Scottville Road Upgrade</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhance town entry point with landscaping and entry signage; and - New road finish at entrance to Stanley Street.
3	<p>Stanley Street Enhancement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Greening the heart of Collingville with an avenue of trees and new garden beds; - Enhance pedestrian connectivity and amenity; - New street furniture; and - Upgraded footpath areas.
4	<p>Conway and Stanley Street Intersection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Feature tree in roundabout centre; - Upgraded entry sign or feature in centre of roundabout; and - Upgraded road surface finishes.
5	<p>Sonoma Park and Town Centre Arrival</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhance as gateway into Stanley Street through landscaping and reduced asphalt width; and - Land mark trees in Sonoma Park as markers.
6	<p>Sonoma Street Enhancement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Shade tree planting along footpath, as per Action 4; and - Reduce the width of the asphalt and soften the road appearance.



Figure 5: Town Centre Enhancement Strategy

Implementation

Finer detailed design will specify the size of proposed planting beds and where they should be located to minimise the loss of any on-street car parks adjoining the IGA or St John Bosco Catholic School. This action will require State Government grant funding for completion in full.





RV TOURISM HUB & TOURISM DRIVE TRAILS INVESTIGATION

Overview

Collinsville RV Park Tourism Information Centre is the central hub for tourists in Collinsville and is the primary point of contact for visitors seeking to connect with places to eat, activities to do and local attractions.

Two rooms within the information centre will be enhanced to help visitors connect to Collinsville and promote surrounding tourist trails, through thematic storytelling.

Drive trails and tourist circuits within the broader Collinsville countryside have the potential to connect various heritage sites, creeks, lookouts, cultural tourism

and areas of high scenic amenity, with Collinsville the central node for supplies.

This action seeks to investigate the costs of developing trails as a new tourism attraction and build upon RV park investments, which capture more tourism dollars for small business.

RV Tourism Hub Timing: 2021 - 2022

Drive Trails Investigation Timing: 2022 - 2023

EST. COST (Grant \$):	\$25,000 Drive Trail Investigation
EST. COST (Grant \$):	\$20,000 RV Tourism Hub
STATUS:	Planning
PROJECT CHAMPION:	Economic Development

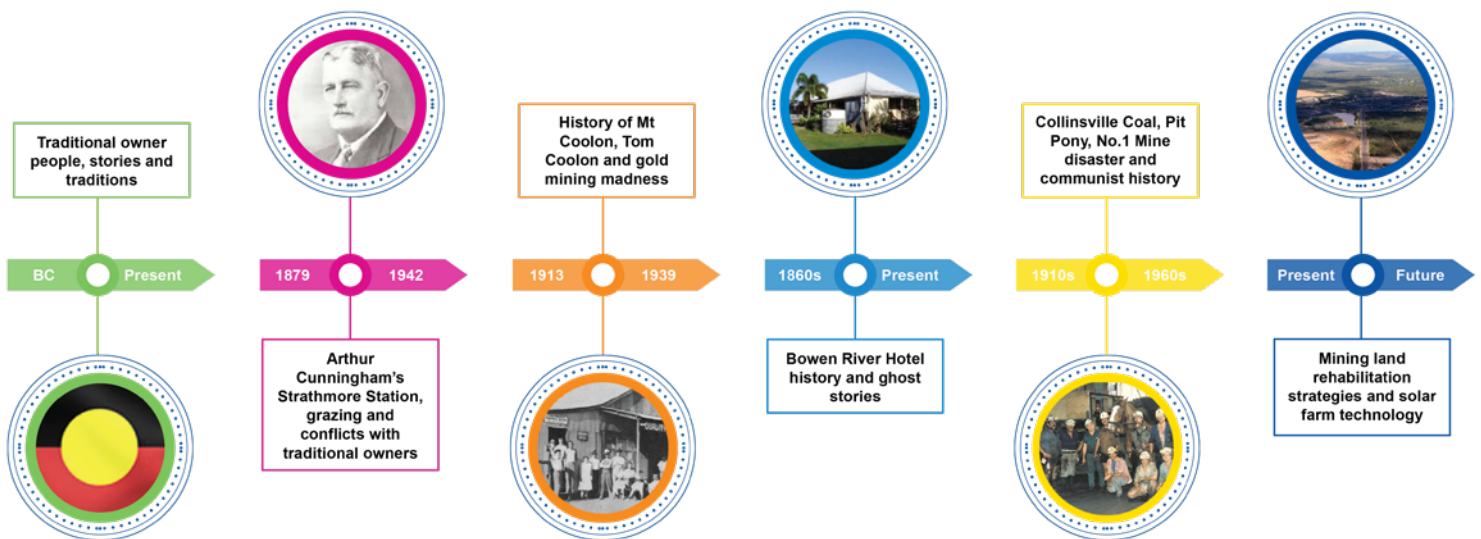


Figure 6: Snapshot of Collinsville Storytelling

Implementation

RV Tourism Hub improvements are proposed to incorporate the Collinsville historical society museum, which is nestled behind the Hospital. Thematic enhancements to the RV Tourism Centre will include the small museum, including enhanced lighting, sound and feature rooms that provide a multi-sensory experience of Collinsville's unique history. Enhancements will complement rather than compete with the adjoining Coalface Museum and link visitors to significant historic components located on future drive trails to be investigated for formalisation and marketing.

Collinsville and surrounds drive trails will be investigated in collaboration with Tourism Whitsunday,

RV Park Manager and local landowners to determine the viability of trails within the broader Collinsville countryside. The development of these circuits and trails is subject to landowner discussions to identify concerns and investigations into crocodile exposure risks. The project will investigate:

- Suitable tourist sites, including but not limited to, Solar farms, Coal mine viewpoints, Burdekin Dam, Bowen River Hotel, Mt Coolon and nearby cultural sites;
- Legibility signage, crocodile safety signage and visitor infrastructure requirements;
- the cost and requirements for acquiring access easements;
- analysis of maintenance and insurance costs; and
- intersection advice where necessary.



Figure 7: Jewels of Collinsville to be marketed within future drive trails under investigation.

FACADE IMPROVEMENT POLICY

Overview

The Façade Improvement Policy offers shop owners within Stanley Street an economic incentive to improve the appearance of their shop front.

This program involves an investment from the shop owner that may be matched by Council and involve anything from a new coat of paint, lighting or architectural improvements.

Implementation

The Façade Improvement Program was put in place and funded at the 4 September 2019 Council meeting. Improvements to facades aim to support small businesses in re-invigorating Stanley Street and provide an additional incentive for small

businesses to fill empty shops.

Subject to available budget, Council will contribute 50% of the works for each shop front to a maximum value, depending on the length of the shopfront:

- 12m long or less, a maximum of \$3,000 is to be contributed; or
- Over 12m long, a maximum of \$5,000 is to be contributed.

EST. COST (COUNCIL \$): \$50,000 (shared Bowen/Airle/Pros)

STATUS: Ongoing

PROJECT CHAMPION: Developmental Services



Figure 8: Stanley Street, Collinsville.

PROGRAM

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OVERVIEW

This Collinsville Masterplan seeks to identify a pathway to attract new permanent residents through the creation of family friendly infrastructure, enhancements of public space and investments, which build economic resilience into the future.

The majority of actions proposed will directly benefit the local community as per the general consensus within the *Shaping Collinsville's Future* consultation, with investments in tourism visitation offering indirect benefits to small business owners.

All actions will cultivate an improved outlook for Collinsville and Scottville by providing liveability factors and business conditions to attract permanent residents and families.

Council will endeavour to deliver the identified actions over the next decade, by incorporating projects into annual budgets, preparing detailed designs, creating grant applications and advocating for investments in Collinsville from State and Federal Governments.

Table 6: Summary of Collinsville Masterplan actions.

	PROJECT	COST	ESTIMATED TIMING
1	Collinsville Swimming Pool Upgrades & Waterpark	\$142,600** \$1,200,000**	Amenities upgrade - 2021** Waterpark - 2021/22**
2	Playgrounds	\$300,000** \$145,000** \$186,000**	Pump track - 2021/2022** Scottville playground - 2021/22** Darcy Munro playground - 2021/22**
3	Collinsville Youth Coalition Upgrades	\$99,000** \$175,000* \$116,000** \$7,570 \$20,000*	Amenities upgrade - 2021** Formalised and safe car park – 2022- 2024* Tennis court refurbishment - 2021** Future Recreation upgrades – 2021 – 2023* Event space beautification - 2021 - 2023*
4	Cool and Green Collinsville	\$113,200* \$67,340 (maintenance)	2023 – 2025*
5	Collinsville Shared Circuit	\$230,000** \$400,000* \$300,000 \$680,000*	Footpath Section 1 – 2021/22** Footpath Section 2 – 2022/23* Footpath Section 3 - Complete Footpath Section 4 - 2023-2026*
6	Collinsville Lookout and Solar Farm Lookout	\$329,000 \$300,000*	Collinsville Lookout – Complete Solar Farm Lookout - 2023-2025*
7	Town Centre Enhancements	\$2,500,000*	2022 – 2025*
8	RV Tourism Hub and Tourism Drive Trails Investigation	\$25,000* \$20,000*	Trails investigation - 2022* RV Tourism Hub - 2022 - 2025*
9	Facade Improvement Policy	\$50,000 (shared)	Ongoing
TOTAL		\$7,338,370	

DELIVERED \$629,000
FUNDING ALLOCATED \$2,468,600

* *Subject to grant funding*
** *Grant funding allocated*





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