

Improvements planned for Recreational Precinct

The Bundaberg Regional Council 2020-21 Budget includes \$3.32 million to upgrade facilities at the Bundaberg Recreational Precinct and create a "wow factor".

The precinct is a popular venue for large events including the Bundaberg Show, Agrotrend, Carols by Candlelight, canine and equestrian uses.

A master plan completed earlier this year suggested improvements including an entry statement, flexible event spaces, expanded accommodation and landscaping.

Council's sport and recreation portfolio spokesman Cr Vince Habermann said the first stage would include a new administration/entrance building with ticket booths, meeting rooms for events and community organisations, and office space for event coordination.

"There will be gates installed with a pedestrian plaza leading into the precinct," he said.

"It will be a pedestrian-friendly avenue with space to install public art, historical images, banners, event-specific displays and information.

"First impressions matter and we want to make sure that visitors have a positive view of the Bundaberg Region when they come here for events."

Cr Habermann said the main entrance plaza would have a "wow factor".

"Pedestrians will be visually drawn to the gates and then walk through a plaza and covered walkway to the event spaces," he said.

"The plaza will enable informal gatherings and mobile food vendors.

"Seating, lighting and landscaping will create a sense of anticipation of what lies beyond."

Cr Habermann said the project will be funded with support from Federal and State Government grants including Works for Queensland.

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