

# RAINBOW BEACH FORESHORE PARK DEVELOPMENT PLAN

## RAINBOW BEACH TODAY

Located only three hours north of Brisbane and gateway to the Fraser Coast, Rainbow Beach has become known as a quiet, idyllic holiday getaway for lovers of adventure and nature. Attractions such as the famous coloured sands, as well as fishing, boating surfing and camping surrounded by unspoilt wilderness has meant that approximately 70,000 people visit Rainbow Beach each year.

Due to a range of external changes and demands, we need to evolve and adapt to continue to improve the area; not only for the 900 permanent residents but also those who visit. The demands we currently face are ageing infrastructure, visitor increase and the changing nature of sporting and recreational needs of the community.

## RAINBOW BEACH FORESHORE VISION

The Rainbow Beach Foreshore Parks Development Plan vision responds to community interest in the future needs of the community surrounding the Rainbow Beach foreshore.

The plan recognises the existing use of the three parks, allowing the possibility of a number of new and upgraded recreational, community use and tourism based activities and intends to inform on the further developments and improvements that will be undertaken within the parks as resources and priorities permit.

This is a 'living plan' that will evolve and be updated over time. Whilst a number of projects in this vision are funded, to deliver fully on this vision we will be required to seek funding on a project by project basis. Staff will utilise the final adopted plan as a guide for the style of and location of new facilities and landscaping when these projects are approved.

### What the plan includes:

- upgrade of the playground and skate park in Lawrie Hanson Park
- improved pedestrian connection/pathway between Lawrie Hanson Park and Phil Rogers Park
- relocation and replacement of the public amenities in both Lawrie Hanson Park and Phil Rogers parks
- provision of improved pedestrian pathways throughout the esplanade parks
- possible beach access from Phil Rogers Park
- more user friendly car park behind Lions Park and access road to the beach
- implementation of similar style of furniture, building design, paint colours and plant palette throughout the esplanade as projects and resources permit to build in the "Rainbow Beach" experience for tourists.

## COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

This development plan contains elements that we hope will engage and inspire the community. Until the end of February Council will have brochures, leaflets, plans for public perusal and distribution at both the Tin Can Bay and Rainbow Beach libraries, as well as hold consultation events with Councillors and council staff. Feedback and ideas will be gathered and council will provide regular updates on the implementation of this plan.

To ensure you keep up to date with all the information relating to consultation and implementation of this exciting vision visit our website or like us on Facebook.

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