



Planning and Development Update

Bradfield Bridge Officially Opened

On 16 October 2010, Ipswich residents, Federal, State and Local Members joined in the festivities and celebrated the official opening of the Bradfield Bridge - the new pedestrian bridge which links the Riverlink Shopping Centre and Ipswich City Square.

The pedestrian bridge was named after John J C Bradfield, a former resident of Ipswich and was the Engineer responsible for the design of Brisbane's Story Bridge and the Sydney Harbour Bridge, and it seemed fitting to have a river crossing named after him.

John Bradfield was born in Sandgate in 1867 and educated at North Ipswich State School and Ipswich Grammar School before his academic and engineering career allowed him to take on the most significant and visionary infrastructure projects of their time.

The Bradfield Bridge has quickly become a vital part of the city's infrastructure.

"As the population grows and the network of bikeways and footpaths extends, Ipswich Central is destined to become the major regional business and recreational centre of the western corridor.

"The new Bradfield Bridge will give pedestrians a safer river crossing which will provide all-weather protection, improved safety and

a shorter route than via the David Trumpy Bridge.

"It is not commonly known that Bradfield was previously acknowledged for his bridge building prowess with the naming of the southern approach road and all traffic lanes of the Story Bridge, and the road traffic lanes of the Sydney Harbour Bridge. Both are officially named the Bradfield Highway.

"The new Bradfield Bridge in Ipswich is the first bridge to carry his name," Cr Tully said.

Descendants of John Bradfield were also present at the opening and played an important part in the official naming ceremony.



John Bradfield



Photo: Lyle Radford

New Ventures for the Ipswich Mall

November saw the opening of 2 well-known brands in Ipswich - Harvey Norman and R M Williams. Since opening, these stores have received great support from residents.

Jamie Oliver will be bringing his **first Ministry of Food for Australia** to Ipswich. The former River Heart office in d'Arcy Doyle Place has been selected as the venue for this venture.



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Mayor's Message



The excitement continues to build in Ipswich Central with the recent opening of the Bradfield Bridge, Jamie Oliver's first Ministry of Food for Australia and 2 new major retailing offerings in Harvey Norman and R M Williams. I can hardly wait for the opportunity to announce the full details of the redevelopment of the Ipswich City Square site.

There is also lots of other exciting development news happening in the rest of the City. An impressive list of significant development projects is included on Pages 4 and 5. The employment creating projects, particularly industrial uses, augur

well for our City's future. The City's population has recently topped 170,000, with more than 10,000 new residents in the past 15 months.

With the festive season rapidly approaching, I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year.

Mayor Paul Pisasale
City of Ipswich

PS Good planning is about everyone working together in partnership in the best interests of the City.

Message from the Chair



Council's Planning and Development Department has recently received a number of major accolades:-

- firstly, an 'Award of Excellence' for the Ripley Valley Master Planning and Traditional Neighbourhood Design Code from the Planning Institute of Australia; and
- secondly, from an even tougher audience, high praise from 70+ local development industry practitioners at a recent Development Industry Forum (see Page 6).

Council is managing to kick important goals at both the strategic planning and development assessment levels.

This edition of Planning and Development Update is full of news about significant projects, improvements to development assessment processes, the new swimming pool legislation and heritage places.

As this will be the last edition of our newsletter for this year, I would like to thank our development industry members for their support during 2010 and wish everyone all the best for 2011.

Councillor Paul Tully
Chairperson - Planning and Development Committee



McMahon's Soft Drink Factory 1947
Source: Picture Ipswich



Ipswich Railway Station 1970
Source: Picture Ipswich

Strategic Planning News

The Strategic Planning Branch has a number of projects currently underway. The status of these projects are:

Ripley Valley Urban Development Area

In October this year, Ripley Valley was one of 3 areas declared by the Minister for Infrastructure and Planning as an Urban Development Area (UDA). The other 2 UDAs were Greater Flagstone and Yarrabilba, both located within the City of Logan.

The Ripley Valley Urban Development Area (UDA) covers 4,680 hectares and is located adjacent to existing urban development on the southern outskirts of Ipswich approximately 5 kilometres south-west of the Ipswich CBD. The UDA does not however include all of the land originally included within the Ripley Valley Structure Plan Area (declared Master Plan Area) and Part 15 - Ripley Valley Master Planned Area Structure Plan of the Ipswich Planning Scheme.

Once a UDA is declared the Urban Land Development Authority (ULDA), which is a State Government planning and development body established in 2007, has planning and development assessment responsibility.

An Interim Land Use Plan (ILUP) has come into effect which provides a temporary planning regime for the area until a Development Scheme is prepared by the ULDA. The ILUP includes 7 early release development areas.

The ULDA will:

- Prepare a Development Scheme for the UDA by October 2011 that outlines the type of development for the area. It will include:
 - a land use plan;
 - an infrastructure plan; and
 - an implementation strategy.
- Assess and decide all development applications against the Interim Land Use Plan (ILUP) and then the Development Scheme once it becomes effective.
- Identify priority infrastructure in the UDA.

- Ensure a portion of the housing delivered within the UDA is affordable for people on low to moderate incomes to purchase or rent.
- Work with stakeholders to deliver urban developments that include a range of housing styles and densities at a variety of price points, incorporating best practice sustainability and where possible transit oriented principles.

- alterations (ie expansion) to the Bushfire Risk Areas Overlay Map (OV1) and introduction of the Transitional Bushfire Risk Area Category;
- the revision of the Mining Influence Areas Overlay Map (OV3);
- the expansion of the Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Areas Overlay Map (OV7E);
- changes to the Springfield Structure Plan;



The ULDA will consult with Local and State Government agencies, landowners, other key stakeholders and the public when planning for the Ripley Valley UDA throughout the preparation of the Development Scheme, and where feasible, will build on existing planning work which has been undertaken by Ipswich City Council, State Government, landowners and the community.

A copy of the Interim Land Use Plan and details of the UDA and ULDA are available on the ULDA website www.ulda.qld.gov.au.

Ipswich Planning Scheme Amendment Package No 4 of 2009 - Operational Amendments

Amendment Package No 4 of 2009 is the first major operational review of the Ipswich Planning Scheme since its consolidation in 2006. There are a range of amendments proposed including:

- the formal introduction of the Auxiliary Unit (small second dwelling) concept;
- the introduction of the Business Incubator Zone in Raceview;

- changes to reflect the transition of the Warrill Creek Water Treatment Plant to a Wastewater Treatment Facility; and
- other general operational amendments to the planning scheme.

The public display for this amendment package occurred between 12 July 2010 and 25 August 2010, with 8 public submissions received. The submissions were considered by Council and the amendment package is currently with the Department of Infrastructure and Planning for its final State Interest Review.



Ipswich Planning Scheme Amendment Package No 5 of 2009 - Traditional Neighbourhood Design (TND) Code

The proposed amendments are to insert in Part 12 of the planning scheme a new Division 3 – Traditional Neighbourhood Design (TND) Code.

The TND Code:

- Provides for the creation of a predictable urban environment through stipulating the physical form and intensity of development in accordance with Traditional Neighbourhood Design and Transect Based Planning principles;
- controls the visual outcomes shaping the experiences for residents and visitors, supporting the creation of a strong sense of place;
- uses a form based building typology rather than a conventional single function land use based zone code;
- addresses the relationship between buildings and the public realm, the form and scale of buildings in relation to one another and the types and layout of streets and allotments;

- reflects Ipswich conditions to achieve localised built form outcomes; and
- relies on a Neighbourhood Master Plan having being adopted by Council in accordance with Traditional Neighbourhood Design principles.

The public display of this amendment package occurred from 22 July 2010 to 3 September 2010 with 2 public submissions received. The submissions were considered by Council and the amendment package is currently with the Department of Infrastructure and Planning for its final State Interest Review.



Ipswich Planning Scheme Minor Amendment Package No 1 of 2010

Council at its meeting of 6 December 2010 adopted 'minor amendments' to the Ipswich Planning Scheme, with a commencement date of 10 January 2011.

The minor amendment process is a new innovation under the Sustainable Planning Act 2009 (SPA) offering significantly reduced timeframes for certain 'minor amendments' to the planning scheme. A 'minor amendment' to a planning scheme is defined by the statutory guidelines as an amendment that "...the Minister is satisfied reflects a current development approval, a master plan for a declared master planned area, or an approval under other legislation..."

The minor amendment package was prepared to reflect the outcomes of existing development approvals. The amendments particularly resolve conveyancing, insurance and private certification issues that have arisen where residential lots have been created in non residential zones or designations eg recreation or open space where a 'shifting' zone boundary exists which becomes 'fixed' following development approval.

For further information in relation to any of these projects, please contact the Strategic Planning Branch on 3810 6251.

Development News

A number of significant applications have been processed since the last Newsletter.

Further information regarding these applications can be accessed via Council's web site and following the links to PD Online. When prompted, insert the application reference number which appears below (eg DA 1234/10).

Commercial / Industrial

- Orion: Expansion of Gymnasium at Main Street, Springfield Central (DA 4953/10)
- Temporary Sales Office at The Springs Estate, Augustine Heights (DA 3544/10)
- Temporary Sales Office at The Outlook Estate, Bellbird Park (DA 5234/10)

- Extension to General Industry at 176-180 Cobalt Street, Carole Park (DA 5537/10)
- Extension to Steel Fabrication Plant at 117 Toongarra Road, Wulkuraka (DA 423/09)
- Spiral Mill at 115 Ella Street, Blackstone (DA 649/08)
- Preliminary Approval: Business and Industry, Centre Uses and Sport and Recreation Uses and Park at 639 Redbank Plains Road, Redbank Plains (DA 1250/07)
- General Industry at 92 Briggs Road, Raceview (DA 1461/09)
- Business Use at 60 Brisbane Road, East Ipswich (DA 2101/10)
- General Industry at 15 Argon Street, Carole Park (DA 2366/10)

- Meat Processing Factory at 57-61 Mica Street, Carole Park (DA 2952/10)
- Extensions to R T Edwards at 200 Brisbane Road, Booval (DA 3322/10)
- Extensions to Ian Boettcher Motors at 15 Brisbane Road, Bundamba (DA 3463/09)
- 26 industrial lots at 92 Chum Street, New Chum (DA 3590/09)
- Extensions to Steel Fabrication Plant at 87-99 Antimony Street, Carole Park (DA 3789/10)
- Shopping Centre at 338-344 Redbank Plains Road, Bellbird Park (DA 4158/10)
- Veterinary Clinic at 18 Claus Road, Haigslea (DA 4533/09)

Development News Continued

- Extension to General Industry at 7 Sonia Court, Raceview (DA 4563/10)
- Child Care Centre at 225 Brisbane Terrace, Goodna (DA 4704/08)
- Office, Cafe and Warehouse at 225 Brisbane Terrace, Goodna (DA 5045/08)
- Shopping Centre and Offices at 1B Edward Street, One Mile (DA 5418/09)
- Extension to General Industry at 176-180 Cobalt Street, Carole Park (DA 5537/10)
- General Industry at 7 Sonia Court, Raceview (DA 5698/10)
- General Industry at 55 Mica Street, Carole Park (DA 5838/10)
- Office at 18 Mill Street, Goodna (DA 5905/10)
- Storage Shed at 10 Warrell Street, West Ipswich (DA 6501/09)
- Extension to General Industry at 14 Hansells Parade, Riverview (DA 6711/09)
- Extension to General Industry at 91-95 Cobalt Street, Carole Park (DA 8114/09)
- Extension to Shopping Centre at 157 Collingwood Drive, Collingwood Park (DA 8142/09)
- Service Station, Fast Food Outlet, Restaurant at 2306 Warrego Highway, Haiglea (DA 8227/06)
- General Industry at 72-74 Mica Street, Carole Park (DA 8272/09)
- Office at 40 Thorn Street, Ipswich (DA 8287/09)
- 57 Units and Shopping Centre at 78 Grace Street, Wulkuraka (DA 8692/06)

Residential

- Aspect Estate Stage 7: 51 lots at Lakeside Avenue, Springfield Lakes (DA 5974/06)
- The Summit Estate Stage 19: 18 lots at Lakeside Avenue, Springfield Lakes (DA 5976/06)
- Tea Trees Estate Stages 6, 14 and 15: 59 lots at Grande Avenue, Springfield Lakes (DA 5475/10)
- 67 lots at 80 and 84 Leon Cara Drive, Augustine Heights (DA 3398/10)



- 6 Units at 33 Bergin Street, Booval (DA 4997/10)
- 39 Units at 16 Law Street, Bundamba (DA 5504/09)
- 36 Units at 8 Bruce Street, Redbank Plains (DA 5591/10)
- 102 lots at 68 South Deebling Creek Road, Deebling Heights (DA 5707/09)
- 30 lots at 156 Pine Mountain Road, Brassall (DA 5769/09)
- 100 Units at 21A North Street, North Ipswich (DA 6293/09)
- 96 lots at 225 Edwards Street, Flinders View (DA 9/09)
- 42 lots at 84 Chubb Street, One Mile (DA 323/10)
- 76 Units at 47 Naomi Street, Bundamba (DA 363/09)
- Preliminary Approval: 104 lots at 237 Edwards Street, Flinders View (DA 727/09)
- 192 lots at Rohl Road, Walloon (DA 1301/10)
- 12 Units at 2 Cotton Street, East Ipswich (DA 1335/10)
- 19 lots at 51 Ashbourne Avenue, Goodna (DA 1985/10)
- 12 Units at 1 Salisbury Road, Ipswich (DA 2038/10)
- 15 Units at Jane Street, Leichhardt (DA 2232/10)
- 34 lots at 151-161 Redbank Plains Road, Bellbird Park (DA 2365/08)
- 18 Units at 21A North Street, North Ipswich (DA 2727/10)
- 20 Units at 153 Pine Mountain Road, Brassall (DA 4017/09)
- 12 Townhouses at 158 Eric Street, Goodna (DA 6928/08)
- 13 Display Homes and Temporary Sales Office at 9 Ballow Crescent, Redbank Plains (DA 7290/08)
- 18 Units at 380 Redbank Plains Road, Redbank Plains (DA 7292/07)
- 21 Units at 1B Samford Road, Leichhardt (DA 8130/09)
- 7 Units at 40 Brisbane Road, Redbank (DA 8150/09)
- 12 Units at 65 South Station Road, Booval (DA 8187/09)
- 65 lots at 52-64 Henry Street, Brassall (DA 10155/07)

Community Uses

- Master Plan for St Peters Lutheran College at Springfield Central (DA 6472/09)
- Extension to School at 19 Cothill Road, Booval (DA 4995/10)
- Function Centre at 82 Chermiside Road, Ipswich (DA 7506/09)



PIA Award for Planning Excellence

Council has been presented with an Award for Excellence in the category of Urban Planning Achievement by the the Planning Institute of Australia (PIA) for the Ripley Valley Master Planned Area Structure Plan and Traditional Neighbourhood Design Code.

The Ripley Valley Master Planned Area Structure Plan is one of Australia's largest master planning projects catering for a residential population of 120,000 persons and represents the application of best practice planning

principles to encourage innovative new urban development at an impressive scale.

The plan implements latest best planning practice and integrates fundamental planning principles in urban design, land use, transport, greenspace, urban form and density in a comprehensive planning framework.

PIA recognised that the Ripley Valley Master Planned Area Structure Plan was a benchmark for major greenfield planning in Queensland.



During the 2009/10 financial year, Council issued 781 development approvals.

In our last Newsletter, we touched on initiatives introduced by Council which are aimed at improving development assessment processes and reducing processing times for development applications.

The following provides an overview of further initiatives introduced.

Development Assessment Industry Forum

On 2 December 2010, over 70 development industry practitioners attended a Development Assessment Forum with senior staff from the Planning and Development Department, to provide feedback on our DA performance.

An overview was given in regards to the success of improvement initiatives over the past 12 months, including Council's prelodgement program, the success of the fast track pilot project (which achieved an average turn around from lodgement to approval of 6 business days for 25% of applications), performance reporting and electronic lodgement.

During this Forum, Council outlined a proposal for a 'development ready' operational works initiative which will test the concept of fast tracking engineering approvals where up front master planning is undertaken at the MCU and RAL stage.



The feedback from the forum was encouraging, recognising Council's experienced staff and high level of customer service.

In particular, the Forum praised Council for the ability to contact assessment officers direct, enabling resolution of issues quickly, as well as Council's prompt and high quality prelodgement service.

The Forum provided a few suggestions for consideration including minutes for prelodgement meetings (even if it meant paying a fee), improvements to PD online so large documents may be more easily downloaded, improved linkages between Council and Queensland Urban Utilities, access to Council's standard conditions, and

draft conditions of approval being provided before a final decision, including an estimate of contributions.

If you have further feedback to provide on what the Planning and Development Department does well, and what we could do better, please do not hesitate to contact John Adams, the City Planner.

All suggestions from the Forum and those received subsequently will be carefully considered and will assist in informing Council's priorities in the 2010-2012 Business Improvement Strategy.

Further information will be provided in upcoming Newsletters.

Development Initiatives Continued

Changes to Development Assessment Teams

Amendments have recently been made to the Development Planning Branch development assessment teams. These changes include new Team names as well as different geographical areas being assigned to each Team.

The changes to the Teams have primarily been driven by the continued roll out and expansion of the fast track approach to development assessment of 'minor' applications to improve efficiency for Council's customers; ensuring knowledge and expertise is shared across all Teams and to ensure all

Teams are adequately resourced in order to respond to the fluctuations in the number of development applications.

The Teams are made up as follows:

- **West Team**
Team Co-ordinator:
Jo Pocock

Other Team Members:

Brett Davey
Sandeep Nanjappa
Sue Taylor
Luke Conroy
Mira Pavey
Jacob Hart

- **East Team**
Team Co-ordinator:
Tim Foote

Other Team Members:

Lara Wheatley
Noel Doyle
Sean Dickson
Ben Williams
Jayden Cave

- **Central Team**
Team Co-ordinator:
Natalie Plumbe

Other Team Members:

Michael Simmons
Mitchell Grant
Artemis Phipps
Luke Johnson
Rebecca Pinches

The following provides a breakdown by suburb name to clarify the areas covered by each Team.

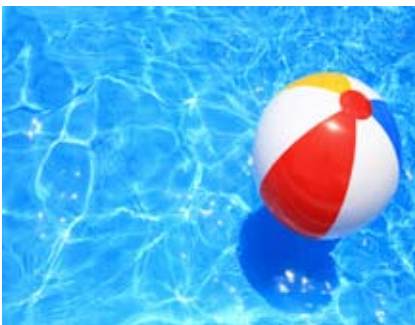
Development Assessment Teams by Suburb

Suburb	Post Code	Team	Suburb	Post Code	Team
Amberley	4306	West	Mt Forbes	4340	West
Ashwell	4340	West	Mt Marrow	4306	West
Augustine Heights	4300	East	Mt Mort	4340	West
Barellan Point	4306	Central	Mt Walker	4340	West
Basin Pocket	4305	Central	Muirlea	4306	West
Bellbird Park	4300	East	Mudlapilly	4307	West
Blacksoil	4306	West	New Chum	4303	West
Blackstone	4304	Central & West	Newtown	4305	Central
Booval	4304	Central	North Booval	4304	Central
Brassall	4305	Central & West	North Ipswich	4305	Central
Brookwater	4300	East	North Tivoli	4305	Central
Bundamba	4304	Central	One Mile	4305	West
Calvert	4340	West	Peak Crossing	4306	Scenic Rim
Camira	4300	East	Pine Mountain	4306	Central
Churchill	4305	West	Purga	4306	West
Coalfalls	4305	West	Raceview	4305	West
Collingwood Park	4301	Central	Redbank	4301	Central & East
Carole Park	4300	East	Redbank Plains	4301	Central & West
Chuwar	4306	Central	Ripley	4306	West
Deebling Heights	4306	West	Riverview	4303	Central
Dinmore	4303	Central	Rosewood	4340	West
East Ipswich	4305	Central	Sadliers Crossing	4305	West
Eastern Heights	4305	Central	Silkstone	4304	Central
Ebbw Vale	4304	Central	South Ripley	4306	West
Ebenezer	4340	West	Springfield	4300	East
Flinders View	4305	West	Springfield Central	4871	East
Gailes	4300	East	Springfield Lakes	4300	East
Goodna	4300	East	Spring Mountain	4124	East
Goolman	4306	West	Swanbank	4306	West
Grandchester	4340	West	Tallegalla	4340	West
Haigslea	4306	West	Thagoona	4306	West
Ipswich	4305	West	The Bluff	4340	West
Ironbark	4306	West	Tivoli	4305	Central
Jeebropilly	4340	West	Walloon	4306	West
Karalee	4306	Central	West Ipswich	4305	West
Karrabin	4306	West	White Rock	4306	East & West
Lanefield	4340	West	Willowbank	4306	West
Leichhardt	4305	West	Woodend	4305	West
Lower Mt Walker	4340	West	Woolshed	4340	West
Marburg	4346	West	Wulkuraka	4305	West
Moores Pocket	4305	Central	Yamanto	4305	West

New Requirements for Swimming Pools

Drowning is the leading cause of accidental death for children aged 1 to 4. The average age for childhood drownings in a pool is 2 years of age. Between 1 January 2004 and 18 May 2010, 35 children under 5 years of age drowned in Queensland's residential swimming pools.

The number of pools in Queensland has more than doubled since 1991. Child drownings have halved since Queensland introduced swimming pool safety laws in 1991. The Queensland Injury Surveillance Unit estimates that the pool safety legislation has prevented at least 70 toddler drownings. However, a significant number of children are still drowning in swimming pools.



On 14 December 2008, the Honourable Anna Bligh MP, Premier of Queensland, announced the most comprehensive review of the state's swimming pool safety laws in nearly 20 years. The review focussed on reducing the number of drownings and serious immersion injuries in swimming pools involving children under 5 years of age.

What has happened

As a result of the review, the Pool Safety Laws have been changed in a 2 stage approach.

Stage 1

Stage 1 of the Pool Safety Laws was introduced on 1 December 2009 which adopted the latest Australian Standard (AS 1926:2007 Parts 1 and 2) with modifications specific to Queensland to improve and clarify its application using Mandatory Part 3.4 of the Queensland Development Code. Generally, the changes related

to the Pool Standards in regards to pool fencing requirements, temporary pool fencing during construction, Building Certifier responsibilities and implementing uniformity with other States.

Stage 2

Stage 2 of the Pool Safety Laws commenced on 1 December 2010 and includes the following:-

- Implement a sale and lease compliance system requiring Pool Safety Certificates to be obtained from licensed Pool Safety Inspectors. Pool Safety Certificates will be valid for 1 year for a shared pool or 2 years for a non-shared pool;
- Require all existing and new pools to comply with a single Pool Safety Standard (replacing 11 existing standards) within 5 years unless sold or leased first;

Most comprehensive review of the State's swimming pool laws

- Phase out the use of child-resistant doors as pool barriers for existing pools (self-closing and self-latching doors) over 5 years unless sold or leased first;
- Widen application of Pool Safety Laws to include indoor pools and pools associated with hotels, motels, caretaker residences, caravan parks, backpacker hostels, mobile home parks and homestays;

- Require all swimming pools to be registered within 6 months;
- Require all portable pools and spas 300mm or more in depth to be fenced;
- Require local government inspections of pools following immersion incidents in swimming pools involving children under 5. These incidents will be reported by hospitals and the Queensland Ambulance Service.

Stage 2 also delivers the requirements for Pool Safety Inspectors, Pool Safety Certificates and the State Pool Register. These changes include:-

- Form 23 Pool Safety Certificate to be used when selling or leasing a property with a regulated pool (Form 17 Final Certificate from a Building Certifier can be used in lieu of the Form 23 providing the Certificate has been issued within 1 year for a shared pool and 2 years for a non-shared pool);
- Licencing requirements for Pool Safety Inspectors;
- Required format and information for the State Pool Register.

The following links are provided for further information regarding the new pool safety laws and how they affect pool owners.

New Pool Safety Laws Overview

Pool owners have until 30 November 2015 to comply with the pool safety laws, or earlier if they sell or lease their property before this time. Visit the Department of Infrastructure and Planning website on www.dip.qld.gov.au/resources/poolfencing/pool-safety-brochure.pdf for further details.



Selling a Property with a Swimming Pool

Where a property is being sold with a swimming pool the pool owners are to comply with the new pool safety laws by obtaining a Pool Safety Certificate. Different rules apply depending on whether the pool is a shared pool or non-shared pool. Further information can be found on the Department of Infrastructure and Planning website at www.dip.qld.gov.au/resources/factsheet/pool_safety/pool-safety-seller.pdf.

Leasing a Property with a Swimming Pool

Where a property is to be leased with a swimming pool the pool owners are to comply with the new pool safety laws by obtaining a Pool Safety Certificate. Different rules apply depending on whether the pool is a shared pool or non-shared pool. Further information can be found on the Department of Infrastructure and Planning website at www.dip.qld.gov.au/resources/factsheet/pool_safety/pool-safety-leasing-a-property.pdf.

Pool Safety Inspections / Certificates

If selling, buying or leasing a property with a pool, a Pool Safety Certificate is required, owners can engage Council's Pool Safety Inspector (a fee applies - refer Council's Planning and Development fees and charges "Pool Fencing Compliance Inspections") to conduct the inspection or they can engage a private PSI. A list of Pool Safety Inspectors can be found on the Department of Infrastructure and Planning website at www.dip.qld.gov.au/poolsafety.

Pool Safety Register

A state-based pool safety register has been developed under the new laws. The register will contain a list of regulated pools in Queensland including pool safety certificates if one has been issued for a pool. Existing pools may not be entered into the pool register until March 2011. Pool owners can check the register to see if their pool is registered at www.dip.qld.gov.au/pool-safety/pool-safety-register.html.

Enquiries regarding information contained in the pool register should be directed to Department of Infrastructure and Planning on 3227 8548.

Tips to make your Pool Safer

Pool owners can source information about some of the most common non-compliance issues for existing pools and simple cost effective tips to make their pool comply with the pool safety laws by visiting the Department of Infrastructure and Planning website at www.dip.qld.gov.au/resources/guideline/building/pool-safety-top-tips.pdf.

Who's doing your Plumbing?

The Department of Infrastructure and Planning, through the Plumbing Industry Council (PIC) is launching a public awareness campaign to increase the community confidence that licensed plumbing tradesmen protect public health, safety and the environment.

Only licensed plumbers and drainers should undertake regulated plumbing and drainage work in accordance with the Standard Plumbing and Drainage Regulation 2003 and applied provisions.

In some instances, it may be necessary for a tradesperson to hold both an occupational licence with the Plumbing Industry Council and also a contractor licence with the Building Services Authority.

Regulated work undertaken by a plumber or drainer requires approval from the relevant local government in the form of a Compliance Permit, Compliance Certificate or for minor work, a Notifiable Minor Work Form 4.

In Queensland from 1 January 2011, it will be mandatory for all plumbers, including provisional plumbers who install, test, maintain, repair or replace a solar hot water system or a heat pump hot water system to obtain a solar and heat pump endorsement.

Plumbers with the solar and heat pump endorsement on their licence

in accordance with the Plumbing and Drainage Regulations 2003 must lodge a Form 4 (Notifiable Minor Works) with the relevant local government within 40 days after the installation.

Below is a list of unregulated work that can be performed by an unlicensed person.



For sanitary plumbing and sanitary drainage:

- Cleaning or maintaining ground level grates and traps on sanitary drains;
- replacing caps to ground level inspection openings on the sanitary drains;
- maintaining an above or below ground irrigation system for the disposal of effluent from an on-site sewerage facility.

For water plumbing:

- Installing or maintaining an irrigation or lawn watering system downstream from an isolating valve, tap backflow prevention device on the supply pipe for the irrigation or lawn watering system;
- replacing a jumper valve or washer in a tap;
- changing a shower head;
- replacing, in a water closet (WC) cistern, a drop valve washer, float valve washer or suction cup rubber.

All other plumbing and drainage work must be undertaken by an appropriately licensed person.

Council has launched Smart eDA - a system which enables the electronic lodgement of development applications.

Why use Smart eDA?

Smart eDA assists the Applicant to:-

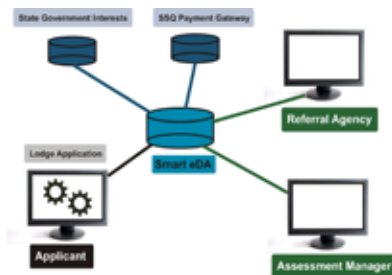
- Prepare state requirements for Development Assessment (ie site selection), identify land triggers and complete the IDAS forms through guided interviews supported by intuitive help;
- Electronically lodge a development application direct to the Assessment Manager;
- Pay fees electronically;
- Track the progress of an application through IDAS;
- Maintain efficient online communication between all parties.

Smart eDA supports 2 types of users:-

- Registered single user;
- Registered organisation with

options for multiple offices and multiple users.

Registration for Smart eDA is free.



Registered Users

Registration as an Individual

Registration as an individual provides the following benefits:-

- Secure area to manage multiple applications in various stages of preparation and processing;
- Lodge and pay electronically to the Assessment Manager;
- One click lodgement to Referral Agencies;
- Communicate efficiently with all Agencies involved and at any stage;

- Track the progress of an application including view history ie who did what and when.

Registration as an Organisation

Organisations can efficiently manage the progress of applications where more than one business unit or individual is involved. Smart eDA supports the assignment of an application to the right officers and users at any stage of the process.

Further Information

Further information regarding Smart eDA can be obtained as follows:-

- Visiting the web site at www.smarteda.qld.gov.au;
- Emailing smarteda@dip.qld.gov.au;
- Phoning 3235 4812.

Ipswich City Council is a strong supporter in the use of Smart eDA as it allows our assessment officers to assess applications more quickly and speeds up the overall assessment process.

Bell Street Upgrade

A \$2.6 million upgrade to Bell Street will revitalise the City centre and enhance safety.

The upgrade, jointly funded by Ipswich City Council, the State Government through TransLink and the Federal Government, will include kerb extensions, footpath resurfacing, new seating and street furniture, enhanced lighting for more effective Safe City camera coverage, public art, landscaping and increased signage for public transport users.

Ipswich Mayor Paul Pisasale said the upgrade to the public transport hub

was a vital step in creating a world-class City centre.

"The Bell Street upgrade is a small but significant step in positioning Ipswich as the major regional centre servicing the Western Corridor," Cr Pisasale said.

"The upgrade will revitalise the Bell Street precinct.

"For many arriving in Ipswich by public transport, Bell Street is their first impression of the City. It is important that this area of the City creates a good first impression to visitors and is a safe and welcoming

place for regular public transport users."

Cr Pisasale said the project was an example of Council, government and the community working in partnership.

The State Government contributed \$1 million to the upgrade and the Federal Government contributed \$400,000 with Ipswich City Council providing the balance of \$1.6 million.

Work on the Bell Street upgrade is expected to start in the first half of 2011.



World's Smartest Community Award

Ipswich was honoured again recently. At the Intelligent Communities Smart21 function held in South Korea, Ipswich was named as Australia's Smartest City and as one of the world's most intelligent cities.

Each year, the Intelligent Community Forum (ICF) defines a theme that guides the nominations for the Intelligent Community of the Year. The 2011 theme was 'Health in the Intelligent Community'. Ipswich's focus on creating a modern City centred on information and communication technologies had earned it a spot among the 21 finalists.

Ipswich Mayor Paul Pisasale said that the Award was tremendous news for Ipswich and recognises the hard work Council has invested into creating a technology renaissance.

"In 1995, Ipswich took a huge step towards the future, creating Global Information Links (GIL) and becoming the first local authority to provide internet access.



"Now we have 2 university campuses, an unemployment rate below the State average, thriving development, an award winning master planned community with a data centre and fibre network at its heart.

"This is great news however we can't rest on our laurels. Ipswich City Council has introduced a 20 year InfoCityPlan and successfully lobbied the National Broadband Network to locate 2 of its initial rollouts in the region.

Ipswich was the only Australian City short listed in the Awards program

"Being named a finalist is a coup for the City, especially as we celebrate our 150th anniversary since becoming a municipality. The theme for the year has been our **proud past and exciting future**. The future looks even brighter now."

Ipswich was the only Australian City short listed in the Awards program run by the ICF, a non profit think tank that focuses on job creation and economic development in the broadband economy.

The naming of the 21 finalists is the first step in finding the world's most intelligent community. The finalists will be whittled down to 7 in January with the final winner being announced in June at ICF's Building the Broadband Economy Summit being held in New York City.

The Smart21 finalists are:-

- Birmingham, UK;
- Chattanooga, Tennessee, USA;
- Chongqing, China;
- Curitiba, Parana, Brazil;
- Dakota County, Minnesota, USA;
- Danville, Virginia, USA;
- Dublin, Ohio, USA;
- Eindhoven, Netherlands;
- Ipswich, Queensland, Australia;
- Issy-les-Moulineaux, France;
- Jaipur, Rajasthan, India;
- Northeast Ohio, USA;
- Quebec City, Quebec, Canada;
- Riverside, California, USA;
- Shanghai, China;
- Sopron, Hungary;
- Stratford, Ontario, Canada;
- Taoyuan County, Taiwan;
- Trikala, Greece;
- Windsor-Essex, Ontario, Canada;
- Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

Ipswich reaches new population milestone

Ipswich's reputation as a desirable place to live and work has grown with the City's population now reaching more than 170,000.

The City reached the milestone during the September quarter.

Ipswich Mayor Paul Pisasale said that population figures show Ipswich is growing at a rapid rate and this growth is setting the City up to be the major regional centre within the Western Corridor.

"Ipswich reached 160,000 residents in July last year. To have attracted another 10,000 new residents within 15 months is something Ipswich should be proud of.

"That means more than 150 people every week or nearly 22 every day started to call Ipswich home."

The announcement by the Urban Land Development Authority (ULDA) that Ripley Valley will be one of the 3 master planned developments to combat the population explosion in South East Queensland, will ensure Ipswich continues to grow.

Ipswich's population is expected to more than double to 435,000 in the next 21 years.

The Mayor stated that Ipswich's continued growth showed the confidence new residents had in the region.

"Ipswich is big enough to make a difference, yet small enough to care," he said.

"The City warmly welcomes new residents and all they can offer to the community."



IPSWICH CITY COUNCIL Awards for Excellence 10 innovation conservation culture

On 5 October 2010, Council held its 19th annual Awards for Excellence in Heritage Conservation, Design and the Environment. The guest presenter for the evening was Professor John Brannock, the inaugural Adjunct Professor in town planning at the University of Queensland and former Chairperson of the Queensland Heritage Council.



Awards MC: Mr Ashleigh Mac

The aims of the Awards are to:-

- promote and develop awareness of the unique built and environmental heritage of Ipswich;
- profile locally and externally the unique attributes of the natural and built heritage of Ipswich;
- recognise those individuals and corporations who are committed to promoting and producing excellence in the design of new development, the conservation of our built heritage

and conservation of our natural environment;

- recognise and promote major sponsorship support; and
- promote excellence in academic achievement.



Guest Presenter: Prof John Brannock

Ron Brown Heritage Conservation Awards

Chairperson's Awards were presented to:-

- Pamela Lamb and Josh Darrah (UQ Boilerhouse) for the publication 'Mines, Mills and Shopping Malls'; and
- Donald and Dianne Van Cooten for 6 Mary Street, Woodend.

Silver Awards were presented to:-

- J M Pearce Architects and Ipswich Grammar School for the Ipswich Grammar School Conservation Plan; and



10 Burnett Street, Sadliers Crossing

- J M Pearce Architects and Kim Goss for the Professional Office at 10 Burnett Street, Sadliers Crossing.

Gold Awards were presented to:-

- J M Pearce Architects, St Mary's Church, Thurlow's Stone Masonry, Gerry Cummins and Jill Stehn for St Mary's

Church repointing and window conservation; and

- Project Services and Queensland Health for the Jubilee Building (formerly named the A E Wilcox Building).

National Trust 'Best Maintained Heritage Property' Awards were presented to:-

- Marcella Beaumont for Beau-Guest, 59 Salisbury Road, Eastern Heights;
- Tim and Jenny Rush for 4 Blackstone Road, Eastern Heights;
- John and Judy Leggat for 88 Brisbane Road, East Ipswich; and
- Arnold and Deane Kracht for 23 Harlin Road, Coalfalls.



4 Blackstone Road, Eastern Heights



The Jubilee Building

The Overall Heritage Award for Excellence was presented to Project Services and Queensland Health for The Jubilee Building (formerly named A E Wilcox Building). The Jubilee Building is the last remaining 19th century building in the historic Ipswich Hospital Precinct. In 2005, an electrical fire roared through the roof and top floor of the building causing significant fire and water damage. Queensland Health decided that such a significant building should not be lost to the hospital or to Ipswich, thus a major reconstruction and restoration project was commenced. The prominent and historic significant northern and eastern facades and verandahs were refurbished, returning the building to its former glory of the late 19th century and early 20th century.

Awards for Excellence Continued

Amex Corporation Design Awards

A Silver Award was presented to Watbuild for 28 Green Street, Booval.

Gold Awards were presented to:-

- Tower Central Partnership for Tower Central; and
- Project Services and Queensland Health for The Jubilee Building (formerly named the A E Wilcox Building).

The Overall Design Award for Excellence was presented to Tower Central Partnership for Tower Central. The judges were impressed with the way this new addition to the Ipswich skyline in the heart of Ipswich refocuses the commercial life of the City back to the centre of the CBD. In the process, it introduces new pedestrian connections between historic Brisbane and Limestone Streets. The Tower's mass and materials nestle comfortably beside the modern zinc clad Ipswich Art Gallery.



Tower Central

Enviroplan Environment Awards

Bronze Awards were presented to:-

- Rosewood Golf Club for the revegetation of the Rosewood Golf Club; and
- Powerlink Greenwork Program for the riparian rehabilitation of the Purga Nature Reserve.



Rosewood Golf Club

A Silver Award was presented to Tom O'Neill for his property at 80 Strongs Road, Lanefield.

A Gold Award was presented to Jocelyn Bailey for 627 Riverside Drive, Pine Mountain.

The Overall Environment Award was presented to Jocelyn Bailey for her property located at 627 Riverside Drive, Pine Mountain.



627 Riverside Drive, Pine Mountain (before and after)



Student Awards

Silver Awards were presented to:-

- Goodna Special School for the Westfalen Community Garden; and



Westfalen Community Garden

- West Moreton Anglican College for The Picking Patch.



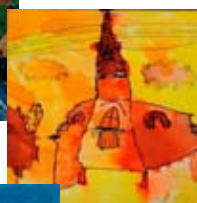
The Picking Patch

Gold Awards were presented to:-

- Primary Arts Network for 150 Views of Ipswich; and
- Primary Arts Network for The Numbellie Seat.



150 Views of Ipswich



The Overall Student Award for Excellence was presented to the Primary Arts Network for the Numbellie Seat in Queens Park.



The Numbellie Seat

Ipswich 150 Local History Scholarship Reports

An anniversary is usually a time for reflection as well as celebration. Whether it is for an individual, an organisation or a whole community, the attainment of a significant milestone has the power to make people pause and consider both their past and their future.

For community anniversaries, the process of looking back often includes collecting and recording history.

In 1910, Ipswich celebrated its Jubilee - its 50th anniversary as a municipality. During that year, a private publisher issued a book "under the auspices of the Ipswich City Council" which combined history, reminiscences and a survey of current industry and business.

For the 100th anniversary in 1960, Leslie E Slaughter produced a general history for Ipswich City Council titled *Ipswich Municipal Centenary*.

For the 150th anniversary in 2010, a publication was again considered. Planning began in 2001 when the Ipswich Heritage Consultative Committee suggested that Council commission a series of academically-researched reports covering various topics or time periods in the history of Ipswich.

Council supported the recommendation and offered an annual scholarship to assist a postgraduate or honours student connected with the University of Queensland Ipswich Campus. The first scholarship was awarded in January 2002.

A collection of 6 reports has now been published and is available through Council's library – one of many activities and events which celebrate Ipswich 150 in 2010.

The report topics are diverse and reflect the richness of Ipswich history.

The first recipient Andrew Blythe produced *A retailing history of the Ipswich CBD from the mid-1970s to 2003*.

This was a time of great change in Ipswich and the report analyses the introduction of supermarkets, the

impact of the destruction by fire of Reids (formerly Cribb & Foote), the redevelopment of the city centre, the negative effects of the recession of the 1990s, and the early debate surrounding the Riverlink development.

Sarah Davey chose as her subject *Depictions of Women in the History of Ipswich*. The report presents a theoretical background, then examines and interprets a selection of images from the online archive Picture Ipswich and 3 Ipswich publications. It concludes that "a patriarchal stereotype of women is shown throughout history and is evident in present photographic records".

In the 1970s and 80s, before the emergence of Gympie or Tamworth, Ipswich was *The Country Music Capital of Queensland*. Rosie Adsett's research follows the early initiatives which included setting up a country music venue "Dusty's" and the establishment of annual awards. The report then analyses the reasons for the eventual decline in local involvement which allowed the initiative to pass to other places.

Toni Risson's report *Aphrodite and the Mixed Grill – Gender and Ethnic Relations in Ipswich's Greek Cafes from 1900 to 2005* has already created considerable interest. It was published as a book and was the subject of newspaper and television interviews. The report studies an aspect of Australian life which is often taken for granted – the prevalence of cafes run by Greek families. The research included oral history interviews.

Erin Coster's report is titled *A Tributary But a Highway – the significance of the Bremer River during the Settlement and Development of Ipswich 1823-1900*. This report examines the role of the Bremer River in the development of South East Queensland. It also situates the Bremer within the colonial landscape by examining broader settlement and development patterns, offering explanations of how and why the

Bremer was significant and related to wider development trends.

Annette Sharpe's report *Sketches of the Dining Hall: Working Lives* examines the cultural value of the Dining Hall at Ipswich Railway Workshops. The building, constructed in 1911, was used to provide meals for workers but also had an important social role in the daily routine of the Workshops. As part of the research, oral history interviews were conducted with former Workshops employees and catering staff.

The collection of reports, with its detailed examination of a range of subjects, makes an important contribution to the study of Ipswich history.

In previous Editions of this Newsletter, summaries of the various scholarship reports were provided.

The complete reports have now been incorporated into one digest which is available for viewing at Council's library.

The digest was officially released by Councillor Tully on 9 December 2010.



Heritage Sites

Ipswich is very fortunate to have a number of heritage sites.

In an effort to promote public awareness of identified places of cultural heritage significance, a number of historical markers have been installed to identify these sites. To date, over 100 markers have been installed in various areas throughout Ipswich.

Council's Heritage Trail Booklets detail Council's history and how these significant sites have played an important role in our past. These booklets as well as a detailed listing of marker locations can be viewed by visiting Council's web site.

The following is a listing of the sites where markers have been installed:-

- Aberfeldy;
- All Saints Anglican Church, Marburg;
- Almondsbury;
- Arrochar;
- Baile Mor;
- Baptist Church, Ipswich;
- Belmont;
- Blackstone State School;
- Blackstone United Welsh Church;
- Blythe Villa;
- Booeebie;
- Booval House;
- Brighton House;
- Bundamba Methodist Church;
- 1 Burnett Street;
- Brynhyfryd Park;
- Canaan and Anorage Farm;
- Carrington Guest House;
- Central Congregational Manse;
- Central Congregational Sunday School;
- Chestnuts and Mona Lodge;
- City View Hotel;
- Claremont;
- Colthup Home;
- d'Arcy Doyle Place;
- Depression Relief Work Paintings;
- Dorrington;
- Ebbw Vale War Memorial;
- Elmsworth and Clonlara;
- Fairy Knoll;

- Former Ipswich and West Moreton Building Society;
- Former Police Station and Lockup, Redbank;
- Former Walloon Shire Council Hall;
- Ginn Cottage;
- Glenalough;
- Goodna Cemetery;
- Gooloowan;
- Grandchester Cemetery;
- Grandchester Sawmill;
- Harrisville School of Arts;
- Hereward;
- Hitching Rings, Woodend;
- Hotel Cecil;



- Ipswich Cemetery;
- Ipswich Club;
- Ipswich Girls Grammar School;
- Ipswich Grammar School;
- Ipswich Walloon Railway Line;
- Little Ipswich School;
- Keiraville;
- Manson Park;
- Marburg Community Centre;
- Marburg Hotel;
- Mary Tregear Hostel;
- Merryfields;
- Merton;
- Mines Rescue Station;
- Notnel;
- Nurse Domrow's House;
- Oakleigh;
- Old Court House;
- Old Flour Mill;
- Ozanam House;
- Parkview;
- Penrhyn;
- Price's Corner;
- Peppers Hidden Vale;
- Purga Church;
- QCWA Girls Hostel;
- Queen Victoria Silver Jubilee Memorial Technical College (TAFE);
- Railway Stores Building;
- Road Distance Marker, North Ipswich;
- Rockton;
- Sacred Hearth Catholic Church, Booval;
- Sacred Hearth Catholic Church, Harrisville;
- Sid Cotton Grave, Tallegalla Cemetery;
- Soldiers Memorial Hall;
- St Brigid's Catholic Church, Rosewood;
- St Francis Xavier Church, Goodna;
- St Mary's Catholic Church, Woodend;
- St Michael's Catholic Church, Woodend;
- St Paul's Anglican Church, Ipswich;
- St Paul's Young Men's Hall;
- St Peters Catholic Church, Grandchester;
- St Stephen's Presbyterian Church, Ipswich;
- St Patrick's Convent, Goodna;
- St Thomas Anglican Church, North Ipswich;
- Tallegalla Cemetery;
- Tallegalla Primary School;
- The Workshops;
- Tivoli Hill Horse Trough;
- To Me Ree;
- Toronto;
- Training Wall, Joseph Brady Park;
- Ulster Hotel;
- University of Queensland Ipswich Campus (former Challinor Centre);
- White Rock;
- Woodend War Memorial;
- Woodlands.



Staff Profile: Marty Wallis



Marty Wallis is Council's Team Co-ordinator (Building). This position reports to the Building and Plumbing Manager (Michael Bond).

Marty started his career studying architectural drafting before being employed at the Ipswich City Council in 1997 as a Cadet Civil Designer.

In 2002, Marty accepted a position as a Customer Service Officer in the Planning and Development Department.

Within 12 months, Marty moved to a position in the Building and Plumbing

Branch as a Cadet Building Certifier and later became the Team Co-ordinator.

Marty has a qualification in Building Certification and is a Licenced Building Certifier.

Marty's Team provides a building certification and regulatory function for Council, processing building applications, referral agency responses, pool safety inspections and other required functions under the Building Act.

The Whitehead Legacy

The Whitehead Legacy is an 80 page coffee table book which presents a photographic journey of the City of Ipswich since the late 1800's as seen through the lenses of the cameras of the Whitehead Photographic Studios.

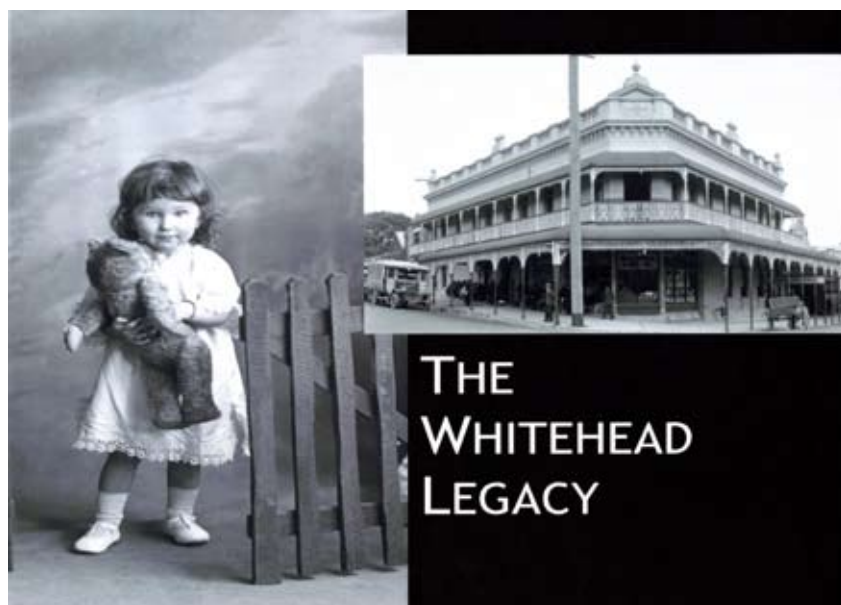
The family-run studio has been in the city since 1883 and was used by the community to capture important moments such as weddings, sporting and school events, as well as portraits, streetscapes and photos of Ipswich's businesses past and present.

The book is the result of the donation of 6,000 negatives and photographs to the Ipswich City Council by the Whitehead Family.

As part of the Ipswich 150 Celebrations, the collection of images is being digitised by the Ipswich Library and Information Service for display on Picture Ipswich.

The Whitehead Legacy was produced in collaboration with the Whitehead family, the Whitehead Studio and assistance from local historian John Rositer and various community donors.

Hardcover books can be purchased from the Library for \$50. Softcover books are also available and can be ordered via the Ipswich Library website.



A photographic journey of Ipswich since the late 1800s

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Council also operates one of the most sophisticated electronic databases in Australia for development applications and planning and development information.

This information (including details of processing of development applications, zoning and development constraint information) is available 24/7 by accessing PD Online on Council's web site
www.ipswich.qld.gov.au.