

Ipswich City Council

2017-2018 Budget at a Glance



\$146 million

in total infrastructure
spending – up 46%



\$30.3 million

for road, park and
bridge improvements



\$19.7 million

for road upgrades, drainage
and flood mitigation



\$16.3 million

for landscaping and
vegetation management

Total 2017-2018 Budget is \$479 Million

More money than ever before will be invested in roads, bridges and community facilities under Ipswich City Council's 2017-2018 Budget.

The environment is another big winner with funding for conservation estates, supporting koala and platypus populations and promoting sustainability through popular community events. A bumper line-up of arts, cultural and heritage programs will also be delivered.

Average increase

Average residential owner occupier increase is **2.95% or \$0.85 per week.**

Concessions

Maximum pensioner concession continues on rates and charges of up to **\$245 per year.**

Early payment discount of up to **\$132 per year.**

Residential net rates and charges for 2017-2018*

Average residential owner occupier general rate	\$1,280.83
Wheelie bin collection charge	\$346
Enviroplan Levy	\$44

**based on average residential property*

City by numbers

The City of Ipswich covers an area of more than 109,000 hectares. With an area this size, it is often surprising the sheer amount of infrastructure needed to keep our city advancing.

- 1,383km of sealed roads
- 1,027km of footpaths / bikeways
- 2,158km of kerb and channel

Economic Snapshot

3,263 

new homes approved for construction

8,444 

businesses in Ipswich

2.2m 

total visitor arrivals to Ipswich

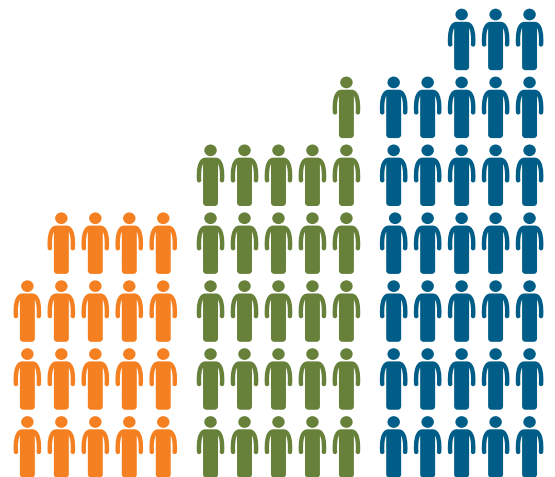
\$8.96b 

Gross Regional Product

4,357 

residential dwellings sold

Ipswich Population



200,000 residents

and increasing between
6,000 to 7,000 per annum

The City of Ipswich is projected to be home to
**484,716 persons as at
30 June 2036**

City at a Glance

Major Projects and Initiatives



	Roads, Drains and Bridges	32%
	Parks, Open Space and Green Environment	25%
	Economic Development	6%
	Waste Collection and Management	9%
	Cultural Services	14%
	Community Health and Safety	6%
	City Planning	4%
	Sport and Recreation	4%

\$8.5 million

for the continued rollout of the Accelerated Kerb and Channel Program

\$4 million

for upgrading a section of Old Toowoomba Road to four lanes

\$3.3 million

for building the Briggs Road criterium facility at Raceview

\$2.6 million

for starting upgrade works at the intersection of Blackstone Road and South Station Road

\$2.4 million

for upgrading local parks and sports facilities across the city

Top 5 Industries by Employment



14.6%

Manufacturing



13.3%

Health Care and Social Assistance



11.3%

Retail Trade



10.6%

Education and Training



10.4%

Public Administration and Safety

Sustainable Ipswich

Ipswich City Council Sustainability Strategy

Ipswich City Council's long-standing commitment to sustainability was reaffirmed in a comprehensive new strategy launched earlier this year.

Sustainable Ipswich sets out to 2021 how council will protect and enhance the environment and the city's liveability for current and future generations.

Its launch coincided with the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between council and the Queensland Government to assist with the ongoing development of sustainability initiatives.

With this strategy council has gone beyond detailing an overarching vision and principles for sustainability, it has set measurable targets in line with four key pathways.

Pathway 1

Bring awareness, shared stories and practical knowledge to the Ipswich community.

Pathway 2

Ensure Ipswich maintains and supports environmental sustainability into the future with programs and activities that encompass the natural environment and elements of urban ecology.

Pathway 3

Sustainable communities are supported through a demonstrated commitment to sustainable business practices and the delivery of quality services to the community.

Pathway 4

Existing and future sustainable industries and businesses in Ipswich are important partners to achieving city-wide sustainability.

Key Sustainability Highlights



Waterway rehabilitation through a number of plans (Integrated Water Strategy, Waterway Health Strategy and Floodplain Management Strategy).



Conservation Works Program managing **6,400ha** of Natural Area Estate.



Waste Management – **13,263** tonnes of waste diverted from landfill through domestic recycling services. **15,033** tonnes of green waste diverted from landfill through green waste services. Waste diverted from landfill from the Recycling and Refuse Centres per year – **18,619**.



Maintaining Biodiversity – supporting **1,600** native flora and fauna species of which 2% are listed as either endangered or vulnerable under state and/or federal legislation.



Energy Efficiency and Carbon Emissions – retrofitting of **2,500** streetlights to LED reducing Council's carbon emissions by **376** tonnes CO²-e per year.



Water Consumption Efficiency – **24** sports fields using alternative water sources for irrigation to reduce potable water use, representing about **32%** of all sports fields using alternative sources.