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**SPARE** 

5 October 2017

Sir/Madam

You are advised that a meeting of the **CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** will be held in the **Council Chambers** on the 2nd Floor of the Council Administration Building, 45 Roderick Street, Ipswich commencing at **12.30 pm** *or* **10** *minutes after the conclusion of the* **Works, Parks and Sport Committee, whichever is the earlier** on **Tuesday, 9 October 2017**.

MEMBERS OF THE CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE		
Councillor Silver (Chairperson) Councillor Bromage (Deputy Chairperson)	Councillor Antoniolli (Mayor) Councillor Wendt (Deputy Mayor) Councillor Morrison	

Yours faithfully

Gary Kellar

ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

#### **CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA**

12.30 pm or 10 minutes after the conclusion of the Works, Parks and Sport Committee, whichever is the earlier on **Monday**, 9 October 2017 Council Chambers

Item No.	Item Title	Officer
1	Proposed Meeting Schedule for Conservation and Environment Committee	
2	Additional Cultural Element to the Hardings Paddock Bush Tucker Trail Upgrade	ILUPC
3	Little Liverpool Range Initiative and Harvey Locke Community Conservation Evening Event – Division 10	PO(NE)

#### **CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2017(01)**

#### **9 OCTOBER 2017**

#### **AGENDA**

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9 November	Thursday (as per Monday schedule above)

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With reference to a report by the Indigenous Land Use Partnership Coordinator dated 11 September 2017 concerning the incorporation of an additional Cultural element to the Hardings Paddock Bush Tucker Trail upgrade.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

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#### Report

3. <u>LITTLE LIVERPOOL RANGE INITIATIVE AND HARVEY LOCKE COMMUNITY</u>
<u>CONSERVATION EVENING EVENT</u>

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#### Report

and any other items as considered necessary.

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<b>Conservation &amp; Environment Committee</b>			
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Authorisation:	Bryce Hines		

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#### 11 September 2017

#### MEMORANDUM

TO: EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

FROM: INDIGENOUS LAND USE PARTNERSHIP COORDINATOR

RE: ADDITIONAL CULTURAL ELEMENT TO THE HARDINGS PADDOCK BUSH TUCKER

TRAIL UPGRADE

#### **INTRODUCTION:**

This is a report by the Indigenous Land Use Partnership Coordinator dated 11 September 2017 concerning the incorporation of an additional Cultural element to the Hardings Paddock Bush Tucker Trail upgrade.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Part 5 of the Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) contains the agreed commitment of Council with the Traditional Owners (T.O's) to develop and implement policies and programs relating both to the Jagera, Yuggera and Ugarapul People and the wider community in Ipswich.

Further to Part 5, specifically Section 53.1(b)(iii) the ILUA contains the mechanism (namely, *ILUA Consultative Committee*) through which Council and the T.O's are provided a forum at which either Party can put forward new ideas and proposals for mutual consideration.

The incorporation of the Kupmurri Pit/earth oven as an additional Cultural element to the Hardings Paddock Bush Tucker Trail upgrade, was a proposal developed by the Indigenous Land Use Partnership Coordinator. The purpose of the proposal is to finalise the upgrade of the Hardings Paddock Bush Tucker Trail, addressing one of the aspirations of the T.O's to be identifiable within the Ipswich Community and the constant call from community groups (eg. schools) for a location within Ipswich that contains Traditional elements and/or Traditional educational information/resources.

#### PROPOSAL:

The Indigenous Land Use Partnership Coordinator tabled the initial proposal at the ILUA Consultative Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 20 July 2016 where it was well received and accepted.

Further consultation has occurred with the Traditional Owners to finalise the *Kupmurri Pit Concept Design*, shown in Attachment A.

The estimated cost is \$71,340.00 and it is proposed that the project be listed for consideration in future capital works programs.

#### **BENEFITS TO COMMUNITY:**

Incorporating Traditional Landscaping Elements to Hardings Paddock Bush Tucker Trail provides the following benefits:

- Encouraging Ipswich Community (eg. school groups) to visit and utilise Hardings
   Paddock Bush Tucker Trail
- Educating the wider Ipswich Community of the Traditional Owners of Ipswich cultural traditions/practices.
- Provides the Traditional Owners of Ipswich the opportunity to continue their cultural practices; as per the spirit of the ILUA.

#### **ATTACHMENT/S:**

Name of Attachment	Attachment
Kupmurri Pit/Earth Oven _ Concept Design	Attachment A

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

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#### Tina-Maree Longford

#### INDIGENOUS LAND USE PARTNERSHIP COORDINATOR

I concur with the recommendation/s contained in this report.

**Sharon Smith** 

#### **EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT**

I concur with the recommendation/s contained in this report.

Bryce Hines

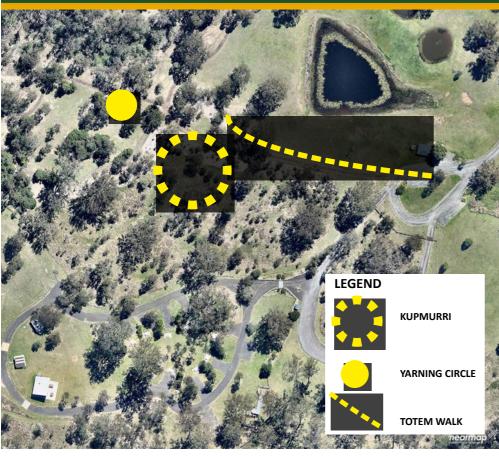
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### HARDINGS PADDOCK

Carmichaels Rd, PURGA
KUPMURRI CONCEPT DESIGN

**AUG 2017** 







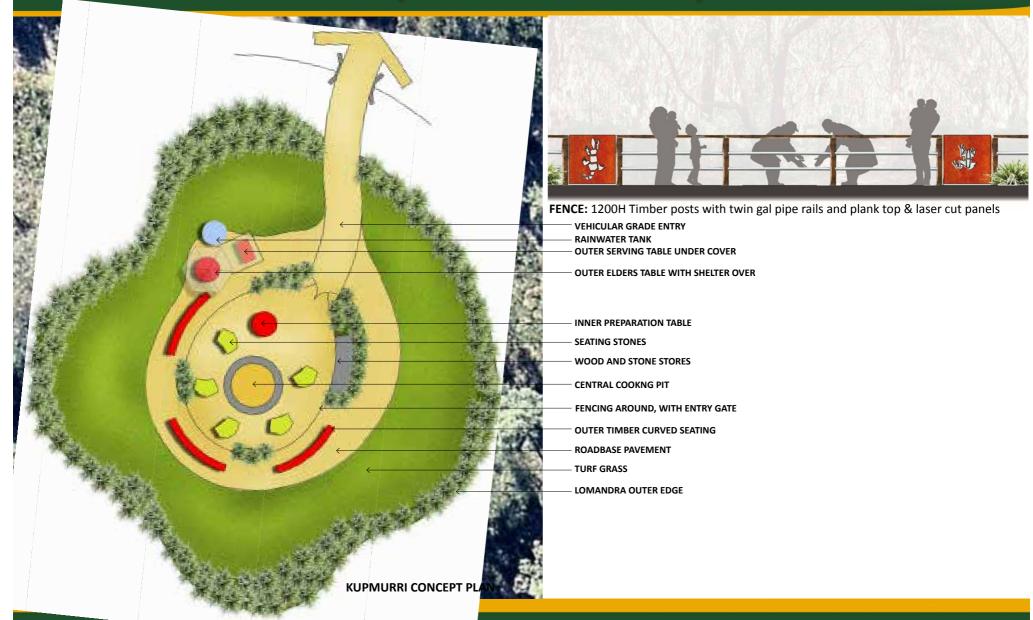
SITE PLAN: Kupmurri Location



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#### 11 September 2017

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: ACTING SPORT, RECREATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGER

FROM: PROGRAM OFFICER (NATURAL ENVIRONMENT)

RE: LITTLE LIVERPOOL RANGE INITIATIVE AND HARVEY LOCKE COMMUNITY

CONSERVATION EVENING EVENT

**DIVISION 10** 

#### **INTRODUCTION:**

This is a report by the Program Officer (Natural Environment) dated 11 September 2017 concerning the Little Liverpool Range Initiative and the Harvey Locke Community Conservation Evening Event on 22 November 2017.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Little Liverpool Range, located on the western boundary of the Ipswich local government area, adjoining Lockyer Valley and Scenic Rim Council local government areas, is a vegetated biodiversity corridor linking with the Main Range National Park and the Great Eastern Ranges.

The range is heavily vegetated and is made up of several mapped regional ecosystems providing habitat for a range of significant species including the Glossy-Black Cockatoo, Powerful Owl, Brush Tailed Rock Wallaby, Little Pied Bat, and Slender Milk Vine. The connectivity the range provides along with its high biodiversity value and low pressure from urban infringement makes it ideal for long-term conservation. Furthermore, the range also contains core habitat areas including Mount Grandchester Conservation Estate, Hidden Vale Nature Refuge and Mount Beau Brummell Conservation Park. The Little Liverpool Range has also been identified in the Ipswich Nature Conservation Strategy 2015 as a Priority Conservation Area.

#### **OVERVIEW OF THE LITTLE LIVERPOOL RANGE INITIATIVE:**

The Little Liverpool Range covers the Ipswich, Lockyer, Somerset and Scenic Rim local government areas, and includes large private landholdings dedicated to conservation. In partnership with key stakeholders, including The Gainsdale Group (Spicers Hiddenvale), the University of Queensland, Queensland Trust for Nature (QTFN), and Healthy Land and Water, the Little Liverpool Range Initiative was mooted to provide a collaborative approach to conserving and enhancing the environmental values within the area in collaboration with private landholders in the vicinity of the range.

Preliminary discussions with the key stakeholders have been held, and it is proposed that the Little Liverpool Range Initiative be launched at an upcoming community conservation event in November. A draft overview of the Initiative is provided in Attachment A.

#### **UPCOMING COMMUNITY CONSERVATION EVENT:**

On 22 November 2017, The Gainsdale Group is hosting a Community Conservation evening with internationally and nationally renowned speakers. It is proposed that Council partners with The Gainsdale Group for this evening, to promote Council's commitment to conservation within the Little Liverpool Range, and more broadly across the City, including Council's Conservation Partnership programs. Council's support for this event is through the venue booking and catering at the Ipswich Civic Centre. It is expected that ticket sales will offset the majority of the total cost of venue hire and catering, and the difference has been budgeted in the Conservation Partnership program incentives and workshops budget under Enviroplan. Ticket sales are at \$25.00 for an individual and \$40.00 for a couple.

The event will focus on the importance of conservation in the context of landscape conservation, such as the Little Liverpool Range, and emphasise the importance of including the community and private landholder involvement in these landscape conservation projects. Guest speakers for the event include:

- Harvey Locke An internationally renowned pioneer for conservation on a landscape scale, including private lands. Co-founder and Strategic Advisor to the Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative, which was formed with the goal to create a continuous wildlife corridor between the two (2) locations.
- Bob Debus Former politician and current Chairman of The Great Eastern Ranges
   Initiative, which was formed to link and restore habitats over 3600km from Western
   Victoria to Far North Queensland

#### **BENEFITS TO COMMUNITY AND CUSTOMERS:**

Community involvement has proven to be very successful when implementing conservation projects on a landscape scale, such as the Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative, and Australian's Great Eastern Ranges Initiative. The event to be held on the 22 November is an opportunity to showcase learnings from national and international examples, and to discuss

how these can guide landholder and community engagement in the Little Liverpool Range area.

Future events will also be held to continue to work in partnership with the community and private landholders. Dedicated workshops will help to support and educate landholders about different land management practices and how implementing these practices can benefit them as well as the range. The workshops and events will be used as an opportunity to promote the Land for Wildlife and Voluntary Conservation Agreement programs and the incentives that private landholders can access by signing up to an agreement.

Enhancing and expanding on the remnant vegetation within the range will improve the habitat values, thereby providing a means of increasing native fauna movement opportunities, especially iconic species such as koala and brush-tailed rock wallaby that inhabit the area.

#### **CONSULTATION:**

Consultation has been undertaken with the divisional Councillor and the Conservation and Environment Committee Chair.

#### **CONCLUSION:**

The Little Liverpool Range Initiative aims to conserve the range through a collaborative approach with private property owners, conservation organisations and adjoining local governments, and to facilitate open discussions on conservation management strategies to conserve and improve the environmental values of the area. Furthermore, the success of the Initiative will be driven by community involvement in workshops and events, as well Land for Wildlife and Voluntary Conservation Agreement programs.

Through this collaborative approach the Little Liverpool Range can remain an essential wildlife corridor by providing a link to the Main Range National Park and the Great Eastern Ranges.

#### ATTACHMENT:

Name of Attachment	Attachment
Little Liverpool Range Initiative	Attachment A

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

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Nicholas Swanson

PROGRAM OFFICER (NATURAL ENVIRONMENT)

I concur with the recommendation/s contained in this report.

Kaye Cavanagh

**ACTING SPORT RECREATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGER** 

I concur with the recommendation/s contained in this report.

**Bryce Hines** 

**ACTING CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER (WORKS, PARKS AND RECREATION)** 

# Little Liverpool Initiative

