



Waste and Circular Economy Transformation

INVEST TO TRANSFORM QUEENSLAND'S WASTE INDUSTRY INTO AN INNOVATIVE, EFFICIENT AND SUSTAINABLE CIRCULAR ECONOMY

Ipswich is Queensland's oldest provincial city and one of the fastest growing local government areas. By 2041, Ipswich will reach an estimated population of 456,000 with an annual percentage growth rate of 3.4 per cent between 2021 and 2041, more than twice the state (1.4 per cent) and national (1.2 per cent) average.

A city of half a million people requires investment to support economic prosperity and self-sufficiency. Now is the time to invest to avoid a crisis in the future and to avoid entrenching social and economic inequality. The waste industry has expanded significantly in Ipswich through landfill developments, without due consideration of the impacts on residents, or the future outlook of South East Queensland and Queensland waste policy and strategy.

In 2019/20, Ipswich received 42 per cent, or 4.23 million tonnes, of Queensland's waste with little to no community benefit. There is an urgent need for intervention to ensure an efficient, sustainable, productive waste and circular economy sector in Queensland.

Council has adopted the Waste and Circular Economy Transformation Policy Directive to:

- ✓ Establish a Waste Code of Practice
- ✓ Drive industry best practice
- ✓ A strong compliance culture
- ✓ Strategic and sequenced remediation
- ✓ Protect our residential amenity
- ✓ Partner and collaborate
- ✓ Leading by example
- ✓ Leverage waste industry opportunities
- ✓ Create a better return for Ipswich
- ✓ Plan for the future

COMMITMENT REQUIRED

Partner with the Queensland Government to expedite the introduction of legislation to compel waste operators to in-vessel the composting of organic waste.



PROJECT BENEFITS

 <p>ECONOMIC INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITIES</p>	<p>IMPROVED ENVIRONMENTAL OUTCOMES</p> 	 <p>IMPROVED RESIDENTIAL AMENITY</p>	<p>NEW EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES</p> 
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IF WE DO NOTHING

 <p>IPSWICH CONTINUES TO RECEIVE DISPROPORTIONATE AMOUNTS OF WASTE</p>	<p>LIVEABILITY AND AMENITY INCREASINGLY IMPACTED</p> 	 <p>NEGATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL OUTCOMES</p>	<p>REDUCED HEALTH AND WELLBEING OUTCOMES</p> 
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