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Subject	Sunshine Coast Mass Transit Update	

Further to the Mass Transit update provided in March 2022, the team would like to update you about the progress of the Detailed Business Case (DBC) process for the Mass Transit Project - referred to by Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) as the Sunshine Coast Public Transport (SCPT) project.

Infrastructure Priority List

On the 24 June 2022, Infrastructure Australia announced that it had included the *Sunshine Coast transport connectivity and capacity – Caloundra to Maroochydore* proposal on the 2022 Infrastructure Priority List as a Stage 1: Early-stage proposal (refer to **Attachment 1**).

This proposal makes mention of the proposed Kawana Motorway connecting Kawana Way Link Road to the Mooloolah River Interchange (noting the MRI was evaluated by Infrastructure Australia in March 2022) and the Sunshine Coast Mass Transit project.

Infrastructure Australia is recommending that the multimodal needs in the Maroochydore to Caloundra corridor be considered in an integrated manner.

Detailed Business Case

The recently published annual Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program (QTRIP) shows that the Commonwealth Government has committed \$5.0M towards the \$15.0m cost of preparing the SCPT business case. QTRIP therefore shows the State and Council each contributing an equivalent \$5.0m to the preparation of the business case.

DTMR has appointed Matthias Schlotterbach as the Program Director (North Coast Public Transport, North Coast Region) to oversee the preparation of the business cases for the Beerwah to Maroochydore (B2M) project (i.e., rail in the CAMCOS corridor) and the SCPT project.

With DTMR leading both projects and noting the need for consistency of messaging given the interrelationship between the B2M and the SCPT projects, the communications role for both projects will be managed by DTMR, with suitable input from Council.

Urban Growth Projects has provided preliminary feedback to DTMR in relation to the content of a draft Memorandum of Understanding. This will be discussed in more detail with Council before it is executed by the Minister for Transport and Main Roads and the Mayor of Sunshine Coast Council. It is likely this Memorandum of Understanding will be supported by a Service Level Agreement that will specify the respective roles and responsibilities of the State and Council.

A Project Manager for the Detailed Business Case has been recently appointed by DTMR. The Project Manager will establish the project team and prepare and administer the following documents:

- The Project Management Plan
- The Governance and Assurance Plan
- The Procurement Plan
- The Project Risk and Opportunities Register
- The Stakeholder Engagement Plan.

Next Steps

A request for a Councillor Workshop in September or October 2022 has been submitted for approval. The workshop will provide Councillors with an understanding of:

- The Memorandum of Understanding
- The Governance Arrangements
- The SCPT Program
- The proposed Public Realm and Placemaking initiatives.

If you have any questions or would like a more detailed briefing, please contact Leah Bancroft, Sunshine Coast Mass Transit project team on 0458 822 331.



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