

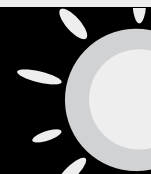
# HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS Issue: 2.4 Community 'Open Spaces'

## Objective(s):

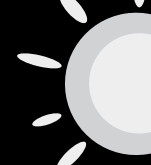
- To increase community ownership and facilitate a higher level of 'user friendliness' in public open spaces
- Develop a concept of 'guardian networks' for public open spaces
- Develop proposals for Security Improvement Program (SIP) funding

Strategy	Lead Agency and Key Partners	Timeframe	Performance Indicators/ Desired Outcomes
<p>2.4.1</p> <p>Redevelopment of existing community open space focusing on user friendliness and safety issues</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Townsville City Council Parks Services</b></li> <li>• <b>Townsville City Council City Safe</b></li> <li>• Department of Natural Resources and Mines</li> <li>• Department of Housing</li> <li>• Queensland Transport</li> <li>• THSD Community Health</li> <li>• THSD Primary Health Care</li> <li>• Department of Premier Community engagement Crime Prevention Program</li> <li>• Department of Families</li> <li>• Education Queensland</li> <li>• Sports &amp; Recreation Qld</li> <li>• Townsville City Council Community Development</li> </ul>	<p>Medium - Long</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community needs analysis updated</li> <li>• Community feedback received</li> <li>• Community Open Space redevelopment projects completed</li> </ul>
<p>2.4.2</p> <p>To develop funding submissions for projects to improve the functionality of community open spaces in consultation with local community groups</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Townsville City Council Parks Services</b></li> <li>• <b>Townsville City Council Environmental Management Services</b></li> <li>• <b>Townsville City Council Community and Cultural Services</b></li> </ul>	<p>Short - Medium</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding submissions generated collaboratively</li> <li>• Increase in funding</li> </ul>

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2.4.3	Support initiatives of the Townsville and Thuringowa Safe Community Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Townsville Thuringowa Safe Community Project Management Team</b></li> <li>• <b>Townsville City Council City Safe</b></li> </ul>	Short - Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Representation on committees</li> <li>• Consideration of community safety assessments across Townsville City Council</li> </ul>
2.4.4	Increase community ownership of open spaces (existing facilities) through increased general awareness via sharing information on safety and the implementation of a community guardian network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Townsville City Council City Safe</b></li> <li>• Townsville City Council Parks Services</li> </ul> <u>Stakeholders</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Schools</li> <li>• Neighbourhood watch</li> <li>• Queensland Police Service</li> </ul>	Short	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved safety audit results</li> <li>• Vibrant and safe/sustainable safe community public space</li> </ul>
2.4.5	Increase community ownership in open spaces by involving local community groups on forums in the design of facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Townsville City Council Parks Services</li> <li>• Townsville City Council Planning and Development Services</li> <li>• Townsville City Council Public Relations</li> <li>• Townsville City Council Community and Cultural Services</li> </ul> <u>Stakeholders</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developer Organisations</li> <li>• Department of Housing</li> </ul>	Long	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of consultations</li> <li>• Decrease in reportable incidences</li> <li>• Sponsored parks</li> <li>• Visitation levels</li> </ul>
2.4.6	Facilitate community access to public spaces for events in the city	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Townsville City Council Community and Cultural Services</b></li> </ul> <u>Stakeholders</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Organisations</li> </ul>	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased number of events</li> <li>• Increase in park usage by people identified as having special needs in relation to people with a disability/ mobility issue</li> </ul>



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2.4.7	Develop proposals for security in parks funding in collaboration with keystakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Townsville City Council City Safe</li> <li>• Townsville City Council Parks Services</li> </ul>	Short	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of successful grants received</li> <li>• Increased funding for lighting and surveillance cameras</li> </ul>
2.4.8	Expand community visits to local natural habitats and implement environmental projects across all social groups not exclusively environmental groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Townsville City Council Environmental Management Services</li> </ul> <u>Stakeholders</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Environment Agencies</li> <li>• Social groups</li> <li>• Environmental groups</li> </ul>	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased visitors and participation by broader community in environmental events, projects and habitats</li> </ul>
2.4.9	Retain existing natural areas and support policies that provide integration of biodiversity into urban environments and acquisition of key environmental sites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Townsville City Council Environmental Management Services</li> </ul> <u>Stakeholders</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Environment Agencies</li> <li>• Social groups</li> <li>• Environmental groups</li> </ul>	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Degree of retention and acquisition of natural habitats</li> </ul>
2.4.10	Maintain the Beach Safety Committee and provide support for research into of the hazards of marine stingers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Townsville City Council Park Services Beach Safety Committee</li> </ul>	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beach Safety Committee is active</li> <li>• Research funding established</li> </ul>
2.4.11	Health education and promotion programs on the hazards of marine stingers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• THSD Institute of Community Health and Ambulatory Care</li> <li>• Townsville City Council Parks Services</li> </ul>	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Programs conducted</li> </ul>