Hi Gerard,

Last night we ran a ReachTel Poll on the Final Strong Choices Plan.

CCIQ used identical questions in May and October with ReachTel but amended wording from sale to lease. This has enabled us to do longitudinal analysis on how businesses have shifted their views following the change in approach from the State Government.

Key points to be discerned are:

- Queensland small business support for the State Government’s Strong Choices Plan
• Results of the Poll indicate that there has been a dramatic increase in support for the Strong Choices Proposal following a shift from asset sales to asset leasing
• Leasing is substantially favoured over reducing Gov services or increasing taxes.
• Majority support for leasing CS Energy, Stanwell, Powerlink, Energex, Ergon and Townsville and Gladstone Ports
• Remaining concerns about prices and services that warrant addressing through terms and conditions of leasing arrangements and other initiatives.
• Apportioning of the $37 billion is supported across retiring debt, reinvesting in infrastructure and cost of living funds.

We plan to release these results tomorrow and will forward our media release later today.

Based on the results CCIQ will be publicly shifting its position to outright support of the Strong Choices proposal.

Cheers

Nick

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ReachTEL conducted a survey of 1,118 Queensland small business owners on the night of 8th October 2014.

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Please let me know if you require any further information.

Kind regards

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Carers Week celebrates <Electorate’s> dedicated carers

Member for <Electorate> <Name> is encouraging residents to acknowledge the hard work of local carers during Carers Week, which will be held from 12 to 18 October.

'<Name MP>' said there were a wide range of activities planned across the state including tea parties, picnics, awards ceremonies, breakfasts and more.

"In Queensland, about half a million people provide care to a person who, because of disability, old age or chronic illness, requires assistance with everyday tasks.

"These exceptional people devote their time and efforts to make a positive difference to the lives of many Queenslanders.

"The invaluable role they play deserves to be recognised and celebrated—Carers Week is an important opportunity to do this."

'<Mr/Ms Name MP>' said this year’s theme for the week ‘Take a break for carers’ reminded people to think about the tireless work being done by our carers around the clock.

"The Queensland Government recognises the vital work of carers and is proud to support Carers Week.

"As part of our commitment to revitalising frontline services, our government has partnered with Carers Queensland to deliver regional events throughout the week."

'<Mr/Ms Name MP>' said the Queensland Government supported carers all year round with access to the Carers Business Discount Scheme.

"Our government is committed to lowering the cost of living for carers and the concession scheme does exactly that.

"The Carer Business Discount Scheme provides eligible carers with discounts on a wide range of goods and services at thousands of businesses across the state," <he/she> said.

For more information on Carers Week and to access a calendar of events, go to http://carersqld.asn.au/news-and-events/carers-week

Media Contact: Electorate Office XXXX XXXX
Good afternoon Members and Staff,

Please find attached shareables and information relating to Get Playing Plus and Get Started programs.

It would be great if you could share both programs via social media and any other ways you stay in touch with your constituents.

Please find below draft social media posts, as well as information to encourage local clubs to apply and raise interest in the closing days of the programs.

**Get Playing Plus:**

Facebook: Applications for Get Playing Plus close at 5pm on the 20th October, providing sport and recreation clubs with funding for vital infrastructure projects. For more info visit [www.nprsr.qld.gov.au](http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au)

Twitter: Last call for local sport clubs with Get Playing Plus applications closing on the 20th October. For more info visit [www.nprsr.qld.gov.au](http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au)

Info:

Applications for Get Playing Plus close at 5pm on the 20th October, aiming to support grassroots sport and recreation by assisting local clubs.

The $20 Million program will provide larger scale infrastructure such as change rooms, new or upgraded fields or grandstands that are not currently provided by Get Playing.

State contribution will be between $400,000 and $1.5 million, which provides funding opportunities that were previously out of reach.

**Get Started:**

Facebook: There are only a few more days to apply for Get Started vouchers of up to $150 vouchers, which can help towards kids sport and recreation club membership. For more info visit [www.nprsr.qld.gov.au](http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au)

Twitter: Only a few more days to claim Get Started sporting vouchers before this round closes. For more info visit [www.nprsr.qld.gov.au](http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au)
Info:

There is less than a week to go before Get Started voucher applications close for the current round.

With over 12,000 vouchers already issued, there are a limited number vouchers remaining in the allocation in the current round.

Get Started remains committed to assist children and young people who can least afford or may otherwise benefit from joining a sport or recreation club.

Please feel free to contact the office if you require any further information.

Regards,

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Get Playing Plus to kick goals for Queensland clubs

Queensland children could be playing in new or vastly improved sporting facilities through the Queensland Government’s new $20 million Get Playing Plus program.

Recreation and Sport Minister Steve Dickson said the initiative was an extension of the Government’s successful Get in the Game program that had delivered on the Government’s election promise to lower the cost of living for families.

“This initiative is another shot in the arm for families watching their kids at sport and recreation clubs across the state,” Mr Dickson said.

“Get Playing Plus will provide $20 million in State Government funding over two years to support grassroots sport and recreation by assisting local clubs.

“Investments ranging from $400,000 and $1.5 million will be granted for projects that provide new sport and recreation facilities or improve on existing facilities.

“Projects that target the increased participation of women and girls, accommodate multi-purpose, shared or co-located facilities, or that involve participation in outdoor recreation activities will be highly regarded.”

Councillor Krista Adams, Chairman of Brisbane City Council’s Lifestyle Committee, said Council welcomed the financial support for local sporting groups.

“This commitment will be a great benefit to the 2000 sporting groups utilising nearly 600 Council sports and recreation sites across Brisbane.

“Council looks forward to working with local clubs to help them take advantage of opportunities to improve or expand their existing sporting facilities.”

AFL Queensland Chief Executive Michael Conlan has welcomed the State Government’s investment in major sporting infrastructure.

“Our game has again witnessed double-digit growth in 2014 and our Facilities Plan identifies a critical need to provide quality playing ovals and amenities to support the thousands of new participants playing Australia’s Game,” Mr Conlan said.

“Get Playing Plus will enable the development of many key projects that will support the strong growth of female AFL across Queensland.

“One significant project is a trial of AFL Synthetic Turf at Morningside AFC, which will dramatically increase the capacity of one of our biggest community football clubs.”
Bulimba MP Aaron Dillaway said the Queensland Government was committed to increasing grassroots participation and developing the capacity of community sport.

"The Get Playing Plus program is a great opportunity for Government to work together with local council and sport and recreation clubs to deliver better service and participation opportunities to Queenslanders," Mr Dillaway said.

“I will certainly be ensuring that sporting clubs like the Morningside Panthers throughout the Bulimba Electorate apply for this welcomed additional funding.”

Applications open today and close on October 20th at 5pm.

For more information visit www.nprsr.com.au

[ENDS] 10 September 2014

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Cr Krista Adams: Amanda Templeton

AFL Queensland: Lisa McKoy
What is Get Playing Plus?

Fact sheet

What is Get Playing Plus?
Get Playing Plus will assist councils and community not-for-profit sport and recreation organisations to identify, develop and deliver, infrastructure projects to encourage more Queenslanders to participate in the sport and recreation activity of their choice.

What funding is available?
The minimum departmental funding contribution towards projects begins at $400,000 (GST exclusive) up to a maximum of $1,500,000 (GST exclusive). With no maximum total project cost for this program, these projects will demonstrate a strong ability to meet service gaps in existing infrastructure, address regional needs (such as population growth) and increase participation opportunities within Queensland communities.

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Who can apply?
Organisations eligible to apply are:
- councils constituted under the Local Government Act 2009 and the City of Brisbane Act 2010
- a local or regional level Queensland not-for-profit sport or recreation organisation or not-for-profit community organisation (whose primary objective is sport or recreation) incorporated under the:
  - Associations Incorporation Act 1981 (Qld)
  - Corporations Act 2001 (Cwlth)
  - Cooperatives Act 2002 (Cwlth)
  - Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (Cwlth)
- a sport or recreation club formed within a Queensland university.

Organisations must also be compliant with all acquittals and milestones for projects currently funded by the department. Any outstanding compliance requirements need to be met by no later than the closing date for proposals of 20 October 2014.

Councils can apply for one project per population of 100,000 or part thereof, up to a maximum of FIVE projects per round. All other organisations can apply for ONE project only per funding round.

Need further information?
For further information on the funding program, contact a local Sport and Recreation Services advisor on 1300 656 191 or the Sport and Recreation website at http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/funding/overview/index.html

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Get Playing Plus
Guidelines
Minister’s message

There’s no denying that Queenslanders love their sport and active recreation. Nor is there any doubt that regular physical activity has proven health benefits. It’s for these reasons that the Queensland Government is committed to creating more opportunities for everyone to get physically active.

As the Minister for Recreation and Sport, I am determined to ensure our State has the infrastructure that is needed to give all Queenslanders the opportunity to participate now and in the future.

We, as a government are collaborating with industry to identify infrastructure projects that will provide new or improved sport and recreation facilities and we are driving this through a new program known as Get Playing Plus.

This $20 million program has been developed to meet the infrastructure needs of communities across Queensland, and has the potential to inject approximately $40 million worth of infrastructure development over the next two years.

Over the next two years, this program will provide local councils, clubs and community organisations with funding to support regionally significant sport and recreation facilities.

As a government, we want to ensure every Queenslander has the opportunity to enjoy the benefits that come with being physically active, regardless of their ability, lifestyle constraints or location.

Developing regional sport and recreation facilities through Get Playing Plus is another positive step forward to achieving our goal—to get more Queenslanders more active more often.

Steve Dickson
Minister for Recreation and Sport
1. What is Get Playing Plus?

Get Playing Plus will assist councils and community not-for-profit sport and recreation organisations to identify, develop and deliver infrastructure projects that encourage more Queenslanders to participate in the sport and recreation activity of their choice.

The program will provide funding for developing new and upgrading existing infrastructure that demonstrate a strong ability to increase participation opportunities, meet service gaps in existing infrastructure and address regional needs (such as accessibility and population growth).

Get Playing Plus will provide between $400,000 and $1.5 million to build new or improve existing sport and recreation infrastructure.

2. Objectives

The objectives of Get Playing Plus are to support the development and improvement of sport and recreation infrastructure that will:

- increase Queenslanders’ participation in sport and recreation activities
- address current and future regional needs for community sport and recreation infrastructure.

3. Key definitions

Active recreation activities are those engaged in for the purpose of relaxation, health and wellbeing or enjoyment with the primary activity requiring physical exertion, and the primary focus on human activity. For the purpose of this program, any reference to ‘recreation’ is defined as ‘active recreation’.

Maintenance is defined as work on existing facilities undertaken with the intention of reinstating to a specified standard, preventing deterioration or failure or temporary repairs for immediate health, safety and/or security reasons.

Organisation is interchangeable with a ‘club’, ‘association’ or ‘council’, including those bodies that meet the eligibility criteria, and provides sport and/or recreation programs and services at the local community level.

Sport is a human activity involving physical exertion and skill as the primary focus of the activity, with elements of competition where rules and patterns of behavior governing the activity exist formally through organisations and is generally recognised as a sport.

Upgrade is an enhancement to existing infrastructure, such as to meet new statutory requirements or minimum safety/competition standards or change a surface or infrastructure component that results in an enhanced function.

4. Important dates

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5. Funding available

The minimum departmental funding contribution for projects is $400,000 (GST exclusive).

The maximum departmental funding contribution for projects is $1,500,000 (GST exclusive). Maximum departmental funding contributions are dependent on geographic location in Queensland and may vary per submission.

Exceptions to these contribution levels may only be considered in extraordinary circumstances where the proposed infrastructure has state or national-level sport or recreation significance.

There is no limit to the maximum total project cost for this program.

The percentage of departmental funding is designed to counter increased costs in delivering infrastructure projects in remote and small population areas, making projects more viable to these communities. The following funding contributions apply to the total eligible project costs (GST exclusive).

Organisations must secure the remaining funds required to complete the project, including any ineligible project costs.

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6. Who is eligible to apply?

Organisations eligible** to apply for funding are:

- councils constituted under the Local Government Act 2009 and the City of Brisbane Act 2010
- a local or regional level Queensland not-for-profit sport or recreation organisation or not-for-profit community organisation (whose primary objective is sport or recreation) incorporated under the:
  - Associations Incorporation Act 1981 (Qld)
  - Corporations Act 2001 (Cwlth)
  - Cooperatives Act 2002 (Cwlth)
  - Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (Cwlth)
- a sport or recreation club formed within a Queensland university

Organisations must also be compliant with all acquittals and milestones for projects currently funded by the department. Any outstanding compliance requirements need to be met by no later than the closing date for proposals of 20 October 2014.

Councils can apply for one project per population of 100,000 or part thereof, up to a maximum of FIVE projects per round. All other organisations can apply for ONE project only per funding round.

** Other organisations may be deemed eligible by the department. Organisations must contact the nearest regional office to seek advice on eligibility and departmental approval.

7. Who is not eligible to apply?

Individuals and organisations NOT eligible to apply for funding are:

- not-for-profit organisations that do not have a primary objective relating to sport or recreation
- unincorporated organisations
- for-profit groups
- religious groups
- political organisations / government departments
- schools / TAFE colleges
- state or national sport and recreation organisations.
The department encourages a collaborative approach. For organisations that may not meet the eligibility criteria, such as state level sport or recreation organisations, establishing partnerships with eligible organisations may strengthen submissions by providing strategic and/or financial support.

8. Eligible projects
A wide variety of sport and recreation infrastructure projects will be considered for funding. To be considered eligible for funding under Get Playing Plus, the project must be a new infrastructure development or upgrade of an existing facility that can clearly demonstrate how the proposal addresses the current and future regional need for community sport and recreation infrastructure and increases participation in sport and recreation activities.

9. Ineligible projects
The following projects and components are ineligible for funding:
- project expenses incurred prior to project approval date
- maintenance or operating costs of existing facilities
- purchase of land
- development of privately-owned infrastructure
- facilities or fixtures for the express purpose of serving alcohol or operating gaming machines
- projects that do not meet Australian design standards.

Local Sport and Recreation Services offices will be able to assist organisations in determining the eligibility of project/s. Elements within the project/s which are deemed ineligible may be deducted from the total eligible project cost. The total eligible project cost determines the final funding contribution from the department.

The department reserves the right to determine what constitutes renovation, maintenance, enhancement, replacement, repair or upgrade, and in making this determination will also consider how the need for the works arose. Components that are considered outside the scope of the program or considered core operational costs not directly linked to the project will be deemed ineligible.

10. Submission process
The project submission process will be undertaken in two stages:

Stage 1 – Project Proposals
Stage 2 – Detailed Project Submissions

This approach involves an initial shortlisting of proposals. It gives organisations the chance to get early feedback and advice on their proposed project and provides the opportunity for shortlisted organisations to work more closely with Sport and Recreation Services and other relevant stakeholders to develop and refine their proposals while reducing work involved in developing full submissions.

Stage 1 – Project Proposals
Separate Project Proposal forms must be completed for each proposed project and are available by contacting your local Sport and Recreation Services office (refer to Appendix 1). Organisations are required to submit Project Proposals containing the project details directly to their local Sport and Recreation Services office.

Project Proposals must be submitted by 20 October 2014 via email, in person or by post to the nearest Sport and Recreation Services office. If delivering in person or via mail, a minimum of two (2) copies are required. If delivering in person, check the office closing time. All organisations will be notified in writing of the outcome of their Project Proposal.

Stage 2 – Detailed Project Submissions
Organisations with shortlisted Stage 1 Project Proposals will be invited to submit a detailed Project Submission. The Project Submission forms must be completed in full, attaching all required documentation. Submissions are expected to be high quality as well as demonstrate and substantiate the ability to deliver the project within budget and within the program timeframes.
The department may seek (in its discretion) further information or clarification from an organisation (either as part of Stage 1 or Stage 2) in relation to a proposal or submission (including but not limited to information about any other State government funding received by the organisation), where the provision of such further information may assist in assessment. The department reserves the right to refuse a proposal or submission for any reason, irrespective of whether the eligibility and assessment criteria have been met.

11. Assistance

Interpreting services are available for people who have difficulty communicating in English. Sport and Recreation Services will engage an interpreter to talk with clients. Information on how to access interpreter services is located here: www.datisma.qld.gov.au/datisma/cultural-diversity/resources/translation-and-interpreting-services/interpreter-services.

12. Planning your Stage 1 Project Proposal

Sport and Recreation Services will be able to provide advice to eligible organisations in identifying regional and community needs, and assist organisations with addressing their proposed project’s suitability and alignment against the program objectives.

To be considered for funding, Project Proposals must demonstrate strong need for the project, confirm initial ability to deliver requirements and clearly identify strong links to program objectives (increasing participation outcomes, addressing regional needs for community sport and recreation infrastructure).

Additional consideration may be given to projects that clearly demonstrate:
- the ability to accommodate multi-purpose, shared and co-located usage
- support for participation in outdoor recreation activities
- support for women’s and girls’ active participation in sport and recreation.
- state or national significance of the infrastructure (where applicable).

Considerations during the planning phase

Consultation
Consultation during the planning phase is essential to ensure the proposed project addresses current and future regional community sport and recreation infrastructure needs and encourages and supports lifelong participation. Consultation must be undertaken with your local Sport and Recreation Services office (refer to Appendix 1), user groups, community and education organisations, state or national peak bodies and, if relevant, other councils.

Collaboration
Projects that demonstrate collaboration with councils, sport and recreation clubs, state or national sport and recreation organisations, universities, community groups, and/or local businesses are encouraged. Collaboration may be essential to identify and analyse regional needs, support the project rationale and the ability to deliver strong outcomes for the community.

Assessment Criteria 1 – Need
Organisations must clearly demonstrate the need for the project and how it links to the program objectives. Projects should have strong links to local and regional needs, participation trends, emerging community issues, gaps in existing service provision and infrastructure, and the capacity to service areas of population growth (or potential growth). Projects must demonstrate community and stakeholder consultation and be prioritised in relevant planning documentation (where relevant).

Usage
The organisation must consider how the new or upgraded infrastructure will be used and what advances or increases in participation are expected in the future life of the infrastructure. Detailing how the
infrastructure will encourage broad community participation in sport and recreation activities is also important.

Service gaps
Organisations should provide a gap analysis relating to the proposed project and the surrounding community to clearly identify and demonstrate regionally significant requirements; address gaps in infrastructure services provided within the community to meet current and future needs, and identify impacts the new infrastructure may have on other facilities in the local and regional area.

Strategic and operational planning
Proposed projects should provide evidence of community and stakeholder consultation, be referenced in relevant state, local or organisation strategic planning documentation (where relevant) and clearly demonstrate links to the program objectives.

Outcomes
The organisation must demonstrate how the proposed project will meet the objectives of the program and detail expected outcomes. Consideration should be given to implications for the local and wider community, how the project may maximise any multi-use or shared activity space and the potential for new activities and user groups.

Assessment Criteria 2 – Ability to deliver
To be considered for approval under this program, the following ability to deliver criteria will have to be met:

- land tenure/current right to occupy/renewable lease arrangements/licence agreement for a minimum of three years
- land owner’s permission to build
- quantity surveyor’s estimate
- construction schedule (scope of works)
- sketch design
- site plan
- confirmed capital funds/funding contribution
- recurrent infrastructure operation and maintenance estimate and plan
- joint development plan for projects on school land (where applicable)
- confirmed Development and Building Approvals (where applicable).

In Stage 1, organisations must accurately identify the current status of each of the Ability to deliver criterion and provide minimal mandatory evidence.

In Stage 2, organisations must provide evidence that all Ability to deliver criteria have been fully met. Organisations shortlisted and invited to progress to Stage 2 will be provided with a Project Submission form to provide detailed project information.

13. Approval and compliance process
All organisations will be advised in writing of the Stage 1 Project Proposal outcome. Stage 1 successful organisations will be invited to submit Stage 2 Project Submission. If a project that has been shortlisted to Stage 2 is not able to satisfy the Stage 2 requirements, the department may choose not to proceed any further and will notify the organisation in writing. Organisations that are unsuccessful will be notified in writing, and can seek specific feedback from the department on any unsuccessful proposal.

The department may cancel or vary the assessment process, program or these guidelines at any time, whether before or after the closing dates for each stage. An invitation to submit under Stage 2 or satisfaction of the Stage 2 requirements does not guarantee the approval of funding or receipt of funding. Approval and receipt of funding is subject to the organisation entering into a grant deed with the department. Upon executing a grant deed, projects can commence construction. Expenses incurred prior to this date will not be eligible for funding.

The department will retain all documents submitted, and documents will not be returned to the organisation. The organisation must ensure that its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors do not make any public announcement or advertisement in any medium in relation to the process without the prior written consent of the department.
14. Project delivery and reporting
Organisations are required to demonstrate that the project can be delivered within Get Playing Plus timeframes. Projects that cannot be delivered by 31 December 2016 may be deemed a lower priority by the department.

Approved organisations will be required to comply with project milestones and submit periodic project reports over the life of the project. A final report and acquittal documentation will be required on project completion (until received, a 5% retention of the total approved funding amount will be held by the department). Funded organisations will be required to acknowledge the department's contribution.

15. Audit and records management process
Approved organisations may be subject to an audit from the department. The department will undertake an audit of up to 20 per cent of approved projects to ensure that projects are delivered as approved. All organisations funded by the department are required to keep accurate records to support the development and delivery of the approved project. These records are to be made available to the department should the organisation be selected for an audit. Full details of records that should be maintained will be included in the grant deed.

16. Privacy disclaimer
The Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing is collecting the information from Get Playing Plus to assess submissions for funding under the program. Information will also be used to help the department monitor and evaluate programs and resources. This information will only be accessed and used by authorised employees within the department.

The department will disclose details of approved funding and of accountable officers (such as name, position in the organisation and telephone number) to local members of Parliament. Information on approved organisations and details of approved projects, such as funding approved and location of the project will also be made available on the department’s website and may be provided to local governments and relevant sport and recreation organisations for the purpose of advice on approved project information. Your information will not be disclosed to any other parties unless authorised or required by law, subject to the above.

If you have any further questions regarding privacy, please contact the department's Privacy Contact Officer at privacy@nprs.qld.gov.au.
Appendix 1 – Local Sport and Recreation Services offices

Departmental offices are located across the state, with staff available to offer advice and assistance with your project. Please direct enquiries to your nearest Sport and Recreation office or alternatively phone 1300 656 191.

**Brisbane Region**
*Email: srs.bris.sportrec@nprsr.qld.gov.au*

**Brisbane regional office**
*Address: Level 1, 1176 Sandgate Road, Nundah QLD 4012*
*Postal: PO Box 359, Nundah QLD 4012*
*Phone: (07) 3199 2300*

**South East Region**
*Email: south.east@nprsr.qld.gov.au*

**South East regional office**
*Address: Level 1, 6 Ewing Road, Woodridge QLD 4114*
*Postal: PO Box 236, Woodridge QLD 4114*
*Phone: (07) 4077 317 531*

**Gold Coast area office**
*Address: Tallebudgera Recreation Centre 1525 Gold Coast Highway, North Palm Beach QLD 4221*
*Postal: PO Box 50, Burleigh Heads QLD 4220*
*Phone: (07) 5507 0214*

**South West Region**
*Email: southwestsportrec@nprsr.qld.gov.au*

**South West regional office**
*Address: Toowoomba Sports Ground, Ground Floor, Clive Berghofer Stadium, 47 Arthur Street Toowoomba QLD 4350*
*Postal: PO Box 2259, Toowoomba QLD 4350*
*Phone: (07) 4615 3600*

**Dalby area office**
*Address: 132 Cunningham Street, Dalby QLD 4405*
*Postal: PO Box 5, Dalby QLD 4405*
*Phone: (07) 4662 3277*

**Warwick area office**
*Address: Corner Guy and Fitzroy Street, Warwick QLD 4370*
*Postal: PO Box 13, Warwick QLD 4370*
*Phone: (07) 4657 5100*

**Ipswich area office**
*Address: Level 4, 117 Brisbane Street, Ipswich QLD*
*Postal: PO Box 2259, Toowoomba QLD 4350*
*Phone: (07) 3437 0403*

**North Coast Region**
*Email: north.coast@nprsr.qld.gov.au*

**North Coast regional office**
*Address: Level 6, 12 First Avenue, Maroochydore QLD 4558*
*Postal: PO Box 3008, Maroochydore QLD 4558*
*Phone: (07) 5459 6176*

**Central Queensland Region**
*Email: srecentralqld@nprsr.qld.gov.au*

**Central Queensland regional office**
*Address: 61 Yeppoon Road, Parkhurst QLD 4702*
*Postal: PO Box 822, Rockhampton QLD 4700*
*Phone: (07) 4936 0510*

**Bundaberg area office**
*Address: 16 Enterprise Street, Bundaberg QLD 4670*
*Postal: PO Box 618, Bundaberg QLD 4670*
*Phone: (07) 4131 2702*

**Hervey Bay area office**
*Address: Ground Floor, 50-54 Main Street, Hervey Bay QLD 4655*
*Postal: PO Box 3054, Hervey Bay QLD 4655*
*Phone: (07) 4125 9352*

**Emerald area office**
*Address: 99 Hospital Rd, Emerald QLD 4720*
*Postal: PO Box 346, Emerald QLD 4720*
*Phone: (07) 4982 1510*

**North Queensland Region**
*Email: northernsportandrec@nprsr.qld.gov.au*

**North Queensland regional office**
*Address: 3-9 Redpath Street, North Ward QLD 4810*
*Postal: PO Box 871, Townsville QLD 4810*
*Phone: (07) 4799 7010*

**Mount Isa area office**
*Address: Suite 16 Mount Isa House Mary Street, Mount Isa QLD 4825*
*Postal: PO Box 1605, Mount Isa QLD 4825*
*Phone: (07) 4747 2186*

**Mackay area office**
*Address: Level 5, 44 Nelson Street, Mackay QLD 4740*
*Postal: PO Box 239, Mackay QLD 4740*
*Phone: (07) 4999 8520*

**Far North Queensland Region**
*Email: srfarnorth@nprsr.qld.gov.au*

**Far North Queensland regional office**
*Address: Level 2, Building 2, William McCormack Building 5B Sheridan Street, Cairns QLD 4870*
*Postal: PO Box 2494, Cairns QLD 4870*
*Phone: (07) 4222 5236*

**Atherton area office**
*Address: Professional Centre, 2/53 Mabel Street, Atherton QLD 4883*
*Postal: PO Box 494, Atherton QLD 4883*
*Phone: (07) 4091 9230*
## Appendix 2 – Local Government Area Population

Estimated resident population Queensland 2013

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(C) = City  (R) = Regional Council  (S) = Shire  (T) = Town
Source: ABS 3218.0, Regional Population Growth, Australia, 2012–13 and Queensland Treasury and Trade estimates.
Attention local councils and sport and recreation clubs

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Gerard Benedet

Begin forwarded message:

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Members and Staff,

Attached you will find talking points in relation to today’s ABS labour force data release and a copy of the Treasurers’ media statement.

Note due to issues regarding the seasonal adjustment of the monthly ABS labour force estimates, this commentary relates to the trend data series only.

Regional labour force data will be released a week from today (16 October).

If you have any questions or concerns, please don’t hesitate to let me know.

Kind regards,

Kirk

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Policy Advisor
Office of the Hon. Tim Nicholls MP | Treasurer and Minister for Trade
Phone: 07 | Fax: 07 3211 0122 | Mobile: | Executive Building | 100 George Street | Brisbane | QLD 4000
GPO Box 611 | Brisbane | QLD 4001
Great State. Great Opportunity.
TALKING POINTS – Treasury – Jobs Data (September 2014)

CONTEXT:
- The Australian Bureau of Statistics has released the September 2014 Labour Force data.

HEADLINE TALKING POINTS:
- We’ve created the second highest number of jobs of any Australian state in the last twelve months (31,600 jobs) and our participation rate is higher than the national average.
- Since the election of the LNP Government more than 61,800 jobs have been created in Queensland.
- The State’s economy is on the cusp of strong growth, but we know not all Queenslanders are sharing in that growth yet and there’s more to do.

FURTHER INFORMATION:
Trend:
- Unemployment rate increased 0.1% to 6.4%
- 2,900 jobs lost in the month of September

If asked about rising unemployment:
The LNP government is committed to growing the economy and creating jobs.

We are doing this by:
- Growing a four pillar economy
- Cutting red tape and regulation
- Investing in skills and training
- Having a strong plan to reduce Labor’s $80 billion debt to free up funds to invest billions into new infrastructure projects.

These jobs figures highlight the need for Queensland to reduce debt so we can increase funding for job-creating infrastructure projects.

If the Government is given a mandate to implement our $8.6 billion Strong Choices Investment Program up to 25,000 new jobs will be created.

FORMER GOVERNMENT’S RECORD:
- Under Labor Queensland consistently had the highest unemployment rate on mainland Australia.

ELECTION COMMITMENT:
- 4% unemployment target over six years

If pushed:
- It’s a stretch target that we are working every day to achieve.

FURTHER INFORMATION:
Kirk Stubbs, Treasurer’s Office – 3719 7209
Strong Choices will boost Queensland jobs

Jobs figures out today highlight the need for Queensland to reduce debt so it can increase funding for job-creating infrastructure projects.

Treasurer Tim Nicholls said while the ABS figures showed Queensland’s annual trend jobs growth was higher than the national average at 1.4 per cent, there was still more to be done.

“Regardless of uncertainty over recent ABS figures*, what we know is the strong fiscal strategies our Government put in place has seen more than 61,800 jobs created in Queensland since the LNP came to office,” Mr Nicholls said.

“We’ve created the second highest number of jobs of any Australian state in the last twelve months and our participation rate is 1.3 per cent higher than the national average.

“We also expect to see the economy grow at 6 per cent in 2015-16 – which means thousands of new jobs and new income for Queenslanders.

“However we know that while the State’s economy is still growing strongly, the benefits are not being felt by all Queenslanders.”

Mr Nicholls said employment would be further bolstered if the Government was given a mandate to implement its $8.6 billion Strong Choices Investment Program which could create up to 25,000 new jobs.

“If we can reduce our $4 billion a year interest bill on the State’s $80 billion debt we can start to invest in the sorts of projects that generate those jobs,” he said.

“Our plan includes significant investment in regional Queensland, creating more jobs in local communities.

Mr Nicholls said comments today from Commonwealth Bank Chief Economist Michael Blythe underlined the importance of the Government’s strong plan to invest in job creating infrastructure for the future.

Speaking on ABC radio, Mr Blythe said investing in other sectors of the Queensland economy as current mining construction related activity winds down would be vital to taking the State forward.

“This mirrors the Government’s planned and methodical approach to building our four pillar economy, with our Strong Choices final plan to pay down Labor’s $80 billion debt, invest in vital infrastructure and lower the cost of living for Queensland families,” Mr Nicholls said.

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Greetings from Washington DC. We are about to start the Washington G20 meeting and I wanted to share The Treasurer’s address ‘The path to Brisbane – Setting up the G20 to make a difference’ delivered at the Center for Strategic & International Studies (CSIS) (http://ibh.ministers.treasury.gov.au/speech/019-2014/)

In relation to the growth target, The Treasurer said, “In Brisbane, members will present their new policy actions to lift growth. With these actions, we will lay down a credible policy monitoring process involving the IMF and OECD. This will constitute the Brisbane Action Plan.”

From the infrastructure perspective, here are the main parts of the speech:

“In Sydney, we thought carefully about initiatives that lift infrastructure investment, with an emphasis on fostering more private sector involvement. Some months later in Cairns, we agreed to a Global Infrastructure Initiative, which is about increasing quality infrastructure not just among the G20 membership but across the world. The Initiative includes members’ individual commitments to improve domestic investment climates, as well as collective actions to facilitate the development of infrastructure as an asset class, improve project planning and preparation, and reduce information asymmetries. We committed to developing a database of infrastructure projects to help match potential investors with projects. We also want to create a knowledge platform that helps to build public sector expertise and develop standardised documentation that reduces the costs of new investment. We agreed to a set of best practices to help countries promote and prioritise quality investment, and foster flows of long-term institutional investment. And we will support work to help grow new sources of finance for investment.

“In Brisbane next month, we hope to announce a mechanism that will help us deliver this important, multi year initiative: the Global Infrastructure Centre. This Centre can bring together in a single hub, governments, international organisations and the private sector, to facilitate a knowledge and information platform – for new infrastructure, or upgraded infrastructure, across developed and emerging economies. The Centre already has the strong support of the international business community, including the B20. In fact, the B20 estimates that establishing a global infrastructure hub could help facilitate tens of billions of dollars of annual infrastructure investment. It’s clear that with the cost of capital at record lows, the time is right for action on infrastructure investment.”

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