# **BARRON + KAMERUNGA**

Barron and Kamerunga are outer suburbs of Cairns CBD around the Barron River. Key features of these semi-rural low-density residential include the Kamerunga Nature Reserve, Lake Placid and Barron Gorge.





- The Barron River delta has changed since the mouth switched 1.5km to the north in 1939 from its former position adjacent to Ellie Point
- The area is predominately low-lying and is vulnerable to inundation

# **COMMUNITY ASSETS** AT RISK BY 2100

- Wetlands and Harley Street North Park)
- Environmental areas (e.g. Kamerunga Conservation Park and Stoney Street Environmental Reserve)
- Various roads (e.g. Kamerunga Road, Captain Cook Highway and Yorkeys Knob Road)
- Servicing (e.g. water pipes)

| <b>Local Adaptation Pathways to respond to coastal hazards</b><br>(For community assets, based on monitored sea level rise) |                                                                                                                                                                     | TIMING BASED ON SEA LEVEL RISE |                      |                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
|                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                     | SHORT TERM<br>0-0.3m           | MED TERM<br>0.3-0.6m | LONG TERM<br>>0.6m |
| BEACH &<br>FORESHORE<br>MANAGEMENT                                                                                          | <ul> <li>Existing public infrastructure that needs updating or new<br/>infrastructure to be installed should be resilient to coastal hazards</li> </ul>             | •                              |                      |                    |
|                                                                                                                             | <ul> <li>Relocate existing community assets in coastal hazard areas that<br/>need updating or locate new assets outside these areas</li> </ul>                      | <b>—</b>                       |                      |                    |
|                                                                                                                             | <ul> <li>Manually change land or road levels where are risk of coastal<br/>inundation and this is important to the community e.g. boat ramp<br/>car park</li> </ul> | •                              |                      |                    |
| MODIFY<br>INFRASTRUCTURE<br>AND HAZARD<br>RESILIENT DESIGN                                                                  | <ul> <li>Levee or bund wall around the waste water treatment plant to<br/>reduce exposure to coastal hazards</li> </ul>                                             | •                              |                      |                    |
|                                                                                                                             | • A training wall to maintain the position of the Barron River channel                                                                                              | <b>—</b>                       |                      |                    |
|                                                                                                                             | <ul> <li>A levee may be required to prevent low-lying land within Barron<br/>from becoming inundated</li> </ul>                                                     |                                |                      | •                  |
| ACCEPT THE RISK<br>AND EMBRACE<br>COASTAL<br>PROCESSES                                                                      | <ul> <li>Progressively review or relocate infrastructure as inundation<br/>encroaches on assets, particularly for low-lying rural areas</li> </ul>                  |                                |                      | ••                 |



• Community assets (e.g. Cattana

## WHAT THE **COMMUNITY VALUES**

- Culturally significant sites
- Traditional Custodian values
- Farmland
- Green belt separating urban areas
- Barron River delta

### **COMMUNITY ADAPTATION PRIORITIES**

- Modify existing infrastructure to be resilient to coastal hazards
- Planning considerations to retain rural zoning
- Protect vegetation along banks of Barron River and foreshore

