

ORDINARY MEETING

11 FEBRUARY 2026

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GRANTS INWARDS STATUS UPDATE REPORT

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RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the Grants Inwards Status Update Report.

INTERESTED PARTIES:

Not Applicable

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The table below summarises grant applications submitted, successful grant applications and grant applications either unsuccessful or withdrawn in the three months to 31st December 2025.

Table 1: Grant activity summary (three months to 31 December 2025)

	Grant name/project	Grant body	\$'000's (ex GST)
New grant applications lodged			
*	2024-25 Environmental Cleanup - Northern Region	Department of Environment, Tourism, Science & Innovation	100
*	2024-25 Environmental Cleanup - Central Region	Department of Environment, Tourism, Science & Innovation	100
*	2024-25 Environmental Cleanup - Southern Region	Department of Environment, Tourism, Science & Innovation	100
*	Empowering Queensland Women	The State of Queensland	10
	Strengthening Community Safety	Department Of Industry Science Energy & Resources	1,500
	Coastal Recovery Works post 2023 TCJ Disaster	Department of Environment, Tourism, Science & Innovation	2,020
*	School Trans Infra Program (STIP) - White Rock Intersection	Department of Transport & Main Roads	240
*	School Trans Infra Program (STIP) - Gordonvale State School	Department of Transport & Main Roads	250

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*	Pest & Weed Mgmt Program - Tropical Cyclone Jasper	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	111
*	Australia Day 2026 - Great Australian Bites	Queensland Government Department of the Premier and Cabinet	20
	First Start Program 2024-25 (SQW)	Department of Trade, Employment & Training	285
	First Start Program 2025-26 (SQW)	Department of Trade, Employment & Training	90
	LitUp - Live Literature Program	Australian Publishers Association	5
	DRFA - North & Far North Tropical Low 29 Jan to 28 Feb 2025 – Emergency Works	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	304
	DRFA - North & Far North Tropical Low 29 Jan to 28 Feb 2025 – CDO	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	20
	DRFA - North & Far North Tropical Low 29 Jan to 28 Feb 2025 – Cottone Rd	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	3,908
	DRFA - North & Far North Tropical Low 29 Jan to 28 Feb 2025 – Stabilisation of Ross Rd	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	2,509
	DRFA - North & Far North Tropical Low 29 Jan to 28 Feb 2025 – Immediate Reconstruction Works	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	109
	DRFA - North & Far North Tropical Low 29 Jan to 28 Feb 2025 – Woopen Creek Rd	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	869
	DRFA - North & Far North Tropical Low 29 Jan to 28 Feb 2025 – Redden Creek Bridge	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	4,432
*	Multicultural Connect Program	Dept of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander & Multicultural	500
	Community Recovery & Resilience Officer (CRRO) 23/24 TCJ	Dept Families, Seniors, Disability Services & Child Safety	450
*	2026/27 Holloways Beach SES Support Grant (Stage 2)	Queensland Fire And Emergency Services	91
*	2026/27 Babinda SES Support Grant	Queensland Fire And Emergency Services	56
Successful grant applications			
	LRRG Local Recovery Resilience Grant - QRA - TCJ	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	1,000
*	CCTV Network - Secure Comm Partnership Program (SCPPLC)	Dept of Local Government, Water & Volunteers (DLGWV)	100
*	Australia Day 2026 Community Events Grant	National Australia Day Council	15

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*Denotes contestable grant stream

COMMENT:

Grants inwards from State and Federal Government agencies make a significant contribution to Council's capital and operating revenue streams. Many State and Federal Government grant programs are contestable meaning that applications for funding made by Council are assessed against competing applications from other applicants. Council maintains a grants inwards database ("the grants database") to track the progress and status of grant applications. An update report is provided to Council every three months.

Attachment one sets out a summary of the current status of grant applications extracted from the grant's database and split into the following categories:

- **Applications pending decision:** Grant applications that have been submitted but for which a decision (successful or unsuccessful) has not yet been made or advised to Council.
- **Successful/active grants:** Grant applications where Council has been awarded funding (successful) and the project has commenced (active).
- **Unsuccessful/withdrawn: (in last three months):** Includes (for the last three months) grant applications that were either unsuccessful or withdrawn/cancelled.
- **Closed/acquitted grants (in last three months):** Includes (for the last three months) successful grant applications where the project has been completed and the grant funding acquitted.

OPTIONS:

Option 1 (recommended):

That Council note the Grants Inwards Status Update Report.

Option 2:

That Council requests further information from Council Officers.

CONSIDERATIONS:

Council Finance and the Local Economy:

Grants and subsidies form a significant revenue stream for Council. Performance against budget is included in Council's monthly financial statements. The following table summarises performance in this regard for the 2025/26 financial year.

Table 3: Grants and subsidies financial performance to 26 December 2025

	YTD Actual \$'000s	YTD Budget \$'000s	Variance \$'000s
<i>Operating revenue</i>			
Grants, subsidies, contributions and donations	5,236	3,170	2,066
<i>Capital revenue</i>			
Subsidies and grants	131,401	133,687	(2,286)

Operating grants, subsidies, contributions and donations are favourable largely due to timing of grant receipts.

Capital subsidies and grants are unfavourable to budget mainly due to the timing of delivery of the relevant capital works projects, as revenue is recognised in line with expenditure.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Grants Inwards Status Update Report as at 31 December 2025



Jason Ritchie
Executive Manager Finance



Lisa Whitton
Chief Financial Officer

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Applications Pending Decision

Grant Name	Grant Body Name	Grant Type	Funding Body Type	Grant Status	Application Date	Grant Value \$'000	Directorate
2024-25 Environmental Cleanup - Northern Region	Department of Environment, Tourism, Science & Innovation	Operating	State	Application Submitted	08-Oct-2025	100	Planning, Growth & Sustainability
2024-25 Environmental Cleanup - Central Region	Department of Environment, Tourism, Science & Innovation	Operating	Other	Application Submitted	08-Oct-2025	100	Planning, Growth & Sustainability
2024-25 Environmental Cleanup - Southern Region	Department of Environment, Tourism, Science & Innovation	Operating	State	Application Submitted	08-Oct-2025	100	Planning, Growth & Sustainability
Empowering Queensland Women	The State of Queensland	Operating	Other	Application Submitted	30-Oct-2025	10	Lifestyle & Community
School Trans Infra Program (STIP) - White Rock Intersection	Department of Transport & Main Roads	Capital	State	Application Submitted	31-Oct-2025	240	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Engineering Services
School Trans Infra Program (STIP) - Gordonvale State School	Department of Transport & Main Roads	Capital	Other	Application Submitted	31-Oct-2025	250	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Engineering Services
2026/27 Holloways Beach SES Support Grant (Stage 2)	Queensland Fire And Emergency Services	Capital	State	Application Submitted	27-Nov-2025	91	People & Organisational Performance
2026/27 Babinda SES Support Grant	Queensland Fire And Emergency Services	Capital	Other	Application Submitted	27-Nov-2025	56	People & Organisational Performance

Successful / Active

Grant Name	Grant Body Name	Grant Type	Funding Body Type	Grant Status	Application Date	Grant Value \$'000	Directorate
Local Government Illegal Dumping Partnership Program Rnd 2A	Department of Environment, Tourism, Science & Innovation	Operating	State	Active	07-Dec-2021	258	Planning, Growth & Sustainability
North Qld Natural Disaster Mitigation Program 2021-22	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	Capital	State	Active	18-Feb-2022	175	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Engineering Services
First 5 Forever (F5F) - July 2022 to June 2026	State Library of Queensland	Operating	State	Active	31-May-2022	409	Lifestyle & Community
RADF 2022/23 & 2023/24 - Regional Arts Development Fund	Arts Queensland	Operating	State	Active	26-Jul-2022	205	Lifestyle & Community
TIDS RTA 2022/23 & 2023/24 Lake St Lighting Upgrade	Department of Transport & Main Roads	Capital	State	Active	16-Aug-2022	150	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Engineering Services
TIDS RTA 22/23 Pavement Rehabilitation Lake St & Maitland Rd	Department of Transport & Main Roads	Capital	State	Active	16-Aug-2022	237	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Engineering Services
Local Roads & Community Infrastructure (LRCI) - PHASE 4	Department Of Infrastructure Transport Regional Development	Capital	Federal	Active	13-Feb-2023	2,886	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Engineering Services
Reef Protection Package Reef Guardian Councils Clean Creeks	Department Of Industry Science Energy & Resources	Operating	Federal	Active	22-Aug-2023	487	Planning, Growth & Sustainability
Protecting our Communities (Disaster Resilience) Program	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	Capital	State	Active	24-Feb-2023	750	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Engineering Services
Regional Precincts & Partnerships Grants Prog - Major Events	Department Of Industry Science Energy & Resources	Capital	Federal	Successful	04-Jul-2024	851	Lifestyle & Community
Black Spot Program 2024-25 - Kenny & Dutton St Intersection	Department of Transport & Main Roads	Capital	Federal	Active	30-Jun-2023	102	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Engineering Services
Great Barrier Reef Masters Games 2025 & 2027 (QDEP)	Tourism and Events Queensland	Operating	State	Active	18-Oct-2023	80	People & Organisational Performance
Reef Protection Package - Reef Guardian Councils - EV Fleet	Department Of Industry Science Energy & Resources	Operating	Federal	Active	29-Nov-2023	416	Planning, Growth & Sustainability

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LRRG Local Recovery Resilience Grant - QRA - TCJ	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	Operating	State	Active	29-Mar-2025	1,000	People & Organisational Performance
DRFA 2022/23 Immediate Reconstruction Works - Monsoon & Flood	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	Capital	State	Active	01-Dec-2022	877	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Service Delivery
Clifton Beach Coastal Protection Works/Breakwaters (CERMP)	Department of Environment, Tourism, Science & Innovation	Capital	State	Active	20-Oct-2023	1,037	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Engineering Services
2024-25 Trinity Beach SES Support Grant	Queensland Fire And Emergency Services	Capital	State	Active	01-Feb-2024	197	People & Organisational Performance
2024-25 Machans Beach SES Support Grant	Queensland Fire And Emergency Services	Capital	State	Active	01-Feb-2024	150	People & Organisational Performance
Deadly Digital Community Program	State Library of Queensland	Operating	State	Active	26-Mar-2024	50	Lifestyle & Community
Strengthening Community Resilience Strategy - DRF R2	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	Operating	Federal	Active	20-Mar-2024	1,089	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Engineering Services
Cairns City Precincts Urban Regeneration	Department Of Infrastructure Transport Regional Development	Operating	Federal	Active	29-Apr-2024	655	Planning, Growth & Sustainability
RADF 2024/25 to 2027/28 - Regional Arts Development Fund	Arts Queensland	Operating	State	Active	02-May-2024	480	Lifestyle & Community
Works for Queensland (W4Q) 2024-27	Department of Housing and Public Works, Sport and Recreation	Capital	State	Active	13-May-2024	18,170	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Engineering Services
Public Library Book & Service Development Subs 24/25 & 25/26	State Library of Queensland	Operating	State	Active	24-Jun-2024	866	Lifestyle & Community
Live & Local Program - Live Music Office	APRA AMCOS	Operating	Federal	Active	16-Aug-2024	40	Lifestyle & Community
Walking Local Government Grant - Fisher Road	Department of Transport & Main Roads	Capital	State	Active	30-Sep-2024	152	Lifestyle & Community
Roads to Recovery 2024-2029	Department Of Infrastructure Transport Regional Development	Capital	Federal	Successful		16,109	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Engineering Services

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CNLGGP 2025/26 NBLT Kewarra Beach to Trinity Beach (Design)	Department of Transport & Main Roads	Capital	State	Active	30-Sep-2024	200	Lifestyle & Community
Walking Local Government Grant - Edge Hill / Whitfield	Department of Transport & Main Roads	Capital	State	Active	30-Sep-2024	20	Lifestyle & Community
Cairns Water Security Stage 1	Dept of Local Government, Water & Volunteers (DLGWV)	Capital	State	Active		302,500	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Service Delivery
Streamlining Housing & Maturing Local Resilience Policy SSF	Department of Infrastructure Local Government and Planning	Operating	State	Successful	16-Sep-2024	350	Planning, Growth & Sustainability
GR R2 - Cairns Community & Multicultural Centre White Rock	Department Of Infrastructure Transport Regional Development	Capital	Federal	Active	10-Oct-2024	4,000	Lifestyle & Community
GR R2 - Redlynch Community & Sports Precinct	Department Of Infrastructure Transport Regional Development	Capital	Federal	Active	10-Oct-2024	5,000	Lifestyle & Community
Cairns Meals on Wheels - Gatton Street (GVLDA)	Games Venue & Legacy Delivery Authority	Capital	State	Active	11-Sep-2024	5,000	Lifestyle & Community
Queensland Council Energy Partnerships Program	Local Government Association of Queensland	Operating	State	Active	11-Sep-2024	113	Planning, Growth & Sustainability
2025/26 SES Sand Pit Structures & Water Shedding Cover	Queensland Police Service	Capital	State	Active	28-Nov-2024	124	People & Organisational Performance
Ivan Evans Walking Track Rectification Works - SRRG02	Department of Sport, Racing, Olympic and Paralympic Games	Capital	State	Active	28-Feb-2025	291	Lifestyle & Community
Machans Beach School Park Renewal - SRRG02	Department of Sport, Racing, Olympic and Paralympic Games	Capital	State	Active	28-Feb-2025	145	Lifestyle & Community
Understory Film Festival 2025 - Screen Culture Funding	Screen Queensland Pty Ltd	Operating	Other	Active	21-Feb-2025	22	Lifestyle & Community
Rainy Mountain Park BMX Jumps - SRRG02	Department of Sport, Racing, Olympic and Paralympic Games	Capital	State	Active	28-Feb-2025	182	Lifestyle & Community
Ellis Beach Foreshore Recovery - SRRG02	Department of Sport, Racing, Olympic and Paralympic Games	Capital	State	Active	28-Feb-2025	395	Lifestyle & Community

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Northern Beaches Surf Life Saving Huts - SRRG02	Department of Sport, Racing, Olympic and Paralympic Games	Capital	State	Active	28-Feb-2025	466	Lifestyle & Community
Holloways Beach Foreshore Rectification - SRRG02	Department of Sport, Racing, Olympic and Paralympic Games	Capital	State	Active	28-Feb-2025	124	Lifestyle & Community
Growing the Recovery of Organic Waste (GROW FOGO)	Department of Environment, Tourism, Science & Innovation	Operating	State	Successful	06-Mar-2025	1,063	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Service Delivery
Employee Assistance Fund (EAF) Job Access	Job Access	Operating	Federal	Active	22-Jan-2025	12	Planning, Growth & Sustainability
Get Ready Queensland 2025/26	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	Operating	State	Active	29-Jul-2025	68	People & Organisational Performance
CCTV Network - Secure Comm Partnership Program (SCPPLC)	Dept of Local Government, Water & Volunteers (DLGWV)	Capital	State	Active	10-Jul-2025	100	Lifestyle & Community
Australia Day 2026 Community Events Grant	National Australia Day Council	Operating	Other	Active	05-Sep-2025	15	People & Organisational Performance
Jeff Pezzutti Park (2024 Election Commitment)	Dept of Local Government, Water & Volunteers (DLGWV)	Capital	State	Successful	01-Sep-2025	1,500	Lifestyle & Community
Strengthening Community Safety	Department Of Industry Science Energy & Resources	Capital	State	Successful	03-Nov-2025	1,500	Lifestyle & Community
Coastal Recovery Works post 2023 TCJ Disaster	Department of Environment, Tourism, Science & Innovation	Operating	State	Active	11-Apr-2025	2,020	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Service Delivery
Pest & Weed Mgmt Program - Tropical Cyclone Jasper	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	Operating	State	Successful	29-Aug-2025	111	Lifestyle & Community
Australia Day 2026 - Great Australian Bites	Queensland Government Department of the Premier and Cabinet	Operating	State	Active	05-Nov-2025	20	People & Organisational Performance

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First Start Program 2025-26 (SQW)	Department of Trade, Employment & Training	Operating	State	Active	06-Nov-2025	90	People & Organisational Performance
LitUp - Live Literature Program	Australian Publishers Association	Operating	Other	Active	12-May-2025	5	Lifestyle & Community
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Community Recovery & Resilience Officer (CRRO) 23/24 TCJ	Dept Families, Seniors, Disability Services & Child Safety	Operating	State	Active	28-Jul-2025	450	People & Organisational Performance

Unsuccessful/Withdrawn (in last 3 months)

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Playing Aust Audience Develop Program 2026-2028	Australia Council For The Arts	Operating	Other	Unsuccessful	05-Aug-2025	176	Lifestyle & Community
Multicultural Connect Program	Dept of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander & Multicultural	Capital	State	Unsuccessful	25-Nov-2025	500	Lifestyle & Community

Closed / Acquitted Grants (in last 3 months)

Grant Name	Grant Body Name	Grant Type	Funding Body Type	Grant Status	Application Date	Grant Value \$'000	Directorate
Freshwater Treatment Plant: Sodium Hypochlorite System Upgrd	Dept Of State Development Infrastructure Local Government &	Capital	State	Acquittal Accepted	23-Nov-2021	622	Cairns Infrastructure and Assets - Service Delivery
Creative Australia Occurrent Affair Exhibition at Courthouse	Australia Council For The Arts	Operating	Other	Acquittal Accepted	06-Mar-2024	82	Lifestyle & Community
Smithfield Mountain Bike Trails - Planning Design & Approval	Department of Sport, Racing, Olympic and Paralympic Games	Operating	State	Acquittal Accepted	18-Jun-2024	150	Lifestyle & Community
Lake Placid Recreational Area Reinstatement - SRRG02	Department of Sport, Racing, Olympic and Paralympic Games	Capital	State	Acquittal Submitted	28-Feb-2025	669	Lifestyle & Community