



Trinity Beach Community Activity Space

Fostering a vibrant and healthy community where everyone feels they belong.

The Trinity Beach Community Activity Space (CAS) in the Coastwatchers Park precinct is more than 40 years old, no longer fit for purpose, and has insufficient capacity to meet community demand.

In its current state, the CAS is an unattractive building with sections added on over the years, the size of the main hall is inadequate, toilets do not meet Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) requirements, and the layout does not suit the primary purpose.

A feasibility study (2021) showed considerable extensions would

be required to meet community needs making demolition and construction of a new, purpose-built facility more cost effective.

Hosting 450 events with 8,903 attendees last year (2022), the Trinity Beach Community Activity Space is adjacent to the Trinity Beach Kindergarten and Northern Beaches Youth Activity Space, making it a focal point for community and cultural activities for the northern beaches and Smithfield area.

A new Community Activity Space will become a focal point for local residents to connect, gather, learn, share and play.

At a glance

\$935k

Capital investment:

Matched funding of \$935k from the State Government in 2023/2024 to partner with Council for delivery of the Trinity Beach Community Activity Space.

Electorate:

Barron River

Government Alignment:

DCHDE Strategic Plan 2022-26; Thriving Cohesive Communities Action Plan 2022-24; State Infrastructure Strategy; Queensland Multicultural Policy and Action Plan 2022-24

Government Minister:

Leeanne Enoch, Minister for Communities and Housing

Vision

Detailed design plans for a 330m² Trinity Beach CAS have been completed to deliver Council's commitment to create a space for residents to connect, gather, learn, share and play. The CAS project is shovel ready (subject to funding) and includes:

A 148m² hall that can be divided into two meeting spaces for dual occupancy

Kitchenettes in each meeting space

Red Cross Op Shop (meeting room if not needed by Red Cross)

Dedicated storage areas

Keyless entry system to improve access and security

Energy and water saving design, including solar panels and rainwater tanks

Toilets

Accessible to all

60 car parks

A covered outdoor area will be added in Stage 2

Project costs cover demolition of the existing structure and construction of the new building and amenities. When completed, the Trinity Beach CAS will be Council's model building for all future CAS facilities.





Community benefits

Council's Community Activity Space Strategy determines a CAS of a minimum of 300m² is needed for each community of more than 10,000 residents. Residents should have access to a CAS within 5km of their home.

1 With the population set to grow 25% to 52,882 in the next 15 years, the northern Cairns beaches and Smithfield areas are home to a combined 42,130 people (2021 Census data), this purpose-built space will facilitate the development of social networks as the community grows, bring increased participation and community pride to the area.

2 This important community centre is used extensively by diverse groups from the Red Cross (thrift shop) and Alcoholics Anonymous to playgroups, and exercise, martial arts and art classes.

3 It is anticipated a larger, more inviting facility could accommodate a greater range of community activities an address pent up demand in the northern beaches area.

What we need

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Current users



Storytime,
kindy



Boot camps,
martial arts



Sewing, art,
singing classes



Rotary, Alcoholics
Anonymous



Faith-based
gatherings

Weddings,
birthday parties,
anniversaries

Timeline

2021

Feasibility
study

2022

CRC Community
Activity Space
Strategy

2022

Detailed design
and costing

**September
2023**

Construction starts (pending
Government funding assistance)