

East Shores Stage 1B \$29.5M Project Approval Announced

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Gladstone Ports Corporation (GPC) has welcomed the announcement by Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk approving the \$29.5M East Shores Stage 1B development including a new cruise passenger interface, with works expected to commence in the second half of 2017.

With the support of the State Government GPC will provide \$7.5M in addition to the already secured corporate funding of \$22M, enabling the \$29.5M development to progress.

GPC Chairman, Leo Zussino said the funds will be used to extend on the already established multi-award winning recreational precinct, facilitating the completion of the \$75M Auckland East Shores parklands for the Gladstone community to enjoy.

“Stage 1A of the East Shores Precinct was completed in 2014, providing the community with exceptional access to the Gladstone harbour and a world-class recreational facility. This additional funding will be used to extend the parklands and complete Stage 1B,” Mr Zussino said.

“Stage 1B includes the development of an Interpretative Centre, a waterfront café, a revamped and much larger Patsy Lee Place fishing platform, an amphitheatre and the Gladstone Maritime Museum.”

The Interpretative Centre will be the cornerstone of Stage 1B celebrating the rich history of GPC, the Port of Gladstone maritime industry and the culture of the Traditional Owners of the region.

In addition, the funding will facilitate the construction of a cruise passenger interface at our Auckland Point wharf facility, to cater for our fast growing cruise tourism industry.

“GPC thanks Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk and the Queensland Government for giving the green light for this exciting development.

“The Board has given its assurance to the Premier that the vast majority of the work created for this development will be provided to Gladstone contractors to help ensure the 100 plus jobs created will be filled by Gladstone locals.” Mr Zussino concluded.

GPC will continue to keep the community informed throughout the development process, and will manage the project to ensure continued community use of Stage 1A of the popular East Shores Parklands.

For more information visit GPC’s website www.gpcl.com.au.



Photo caption: Today Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk and Treasurer Curtis Pitt announced approval for the \$29.5M East Shores Stage 1B development.

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