Our Well-Planned Places
Our Goal:

By 2033, our Moreton Bay will be a network of well-planned and connected places and spaces, enhancing lifestyle, accessibility and employment choices.
A snapshot of our places today

Our communities are distinct and live and work in diverse places.

- **Nearing 500,000 residents and planning for an additional 200,000 residents by 2041**
- **185,000 dwellings and planning for an additional 90,000 dwellings by 2041** *(QGRLDA 2021)*
- **4,724 dwelling approvals on average each year** *(QGPP 2018)*
- **3,464 ha hectares of local parks**

- **8% resident trips made by active transport (walking or cycling)** *(SEQ HTS 2018)*
- **36% residents served by frequent public transport services** *(SEQ HTS 2018)*
- **3,714km of council-maintained roads**
- **1,600km of council-maintained footpaths**
- **$7,538,000 council road safety project expenditure** *(SEQ HTS 2018)*

Key services we deliver

- Land Use and Infrastructure Planning
- Growth Monitoring and Reporting
- Neighbourhood and Growth Area Planning
- Parks and Recreation Planning and Maintenance
- Drainage and Waterways Planning and Maintenance
- Coastal Infrastructure Planning
- Green Infrastructure Planning
- Urban Design and Place Making
- Planning Scheme Amendments
- Development Assessment and Compliance
- Building and Plumbing Compliance
- Transport Planning and Design
- Active Transport Planning
- Road Construction and Maintenance
- Landscape and Street Design
- Traffic Management
What we want to achieve together

Our outcomes

01 We have a clear urban growth boundary that protects our unique landscapes and environmental values.

02 We have a preferred sequence of growth that supports complete, sustainable and connected communities.

03 Our communities have access to safe, affordable and diverse living choices.

04 We have well-planned neighbourhoods that support changing communities, respect cultural heritage and enjoy a unique sense of place.

05 We have well-planned centres and precincts that support our progressive local economy and identity.

06 We have infrastructure that integrates with surrounding land use and supports our growing communities.

07 We have an efficient, connected and resilient transport network enabled by smart technologies and innovative design.

08 Our communities have access to safe, affordable and diverse transport choices that make active travel easy.

Our focus for the next five years

Our strategy and key plans

- **Growth Management Strategy** - Develop and deliver a new Growth Management Strategy to guide the achievement of our aspirations for ‘well-planned places’ over the next 20-years and beyond, and alongside our other key strategies, provides a framework within which the region’s growth will be managed.

- **Integrated Transport Strategy** - Develop and deliver a new Integrated Transport Strategy to guide the achievement of our transport aspirations over the next 20-years and beyond and provides a framework for integrated transport planning and management across the region.

- **Moreton Bay Planning Scheme** - Continue to implement and update the Moreton Bay Regional Council Planning Scheme 2016 which guides the vision for growth and development in the region to 2031 and includes a Local Government Infrastructure Plan that identifies and prioritises trunk infrastructure to support growth.

- **The Mill at Moreton Bay PDA Development Scheme** - Continue to deliver outcomes of the Priority Development Area (PDA) to achieve a major integrated education, residential and employment hub.

- **Moreton Bay Infrastructure Plan** - Develop and deliver a new Moreton Bay Infrastructure Plan to guide planning for all major asset classes and deliver integrated and sustainable outcomes for the region.

- **Transport Network Plan** - Review our suite of transport network plans and transition to a single Transport Network Plan that will guide planning for roads, active and public transport, and green infrastructure transport networks.

- **Open Space Plan** - Review and transition our Open Space Strategy 2012-2031 and Green Infrastructure Strategy 2012-2031 to a new Open Space Plan to enable the continued enhancement of our open space network including natural areas, recreational parkland, sports fields, civic spaces.
Our key initiatives

Development Assessment and Compliance
Continue to implement the region’s planning schemes and regulate growth and development in the region.

‘Reshaping Our Region’s Planning’ Program
Continue to implement the endorsed Reshaping Our Region’s Planning Program which recalibrates the current way in which growth and development is managed in the region. This program incorporates key initiatives including the following:

- **New Moreton Bay Regional Planning Scheme**
  Develop a new Moreton Bay Regional Council Planning Scheme that will integrate and respond to key directions and outcomes of council’s key strategies.

- **Neighbourhood Planning Program**
  Continue to implement and grow our Neighbourhood Planning Program rolling out neighbourhood plans in identified places.

- **Housing Needs Investigation**
  Investigate the region’s current and future housing needs to ensure matters such as housing choice, diversity and affordable living options are sufficiently planned for and are being delivered in the right locations.

- **Centres and Commercial Areas Investigation**
  Investigate supply and demand for the region’s current centres and retail lands and make recommendations to inform future employment, land supply delivery and policy directions.

- **Urban Areas Employment Lands Investigation**
  Investigate supply and demand for the region’s current urban employment lands (excluding centres and retail lands) to identify any implications and make recommendations to inform future employment land supply delivery and policy directions.

- **New Urban Growth Model**
  Deliver a single, integrated employment and residential development model that can provide long term development scenarios to inform land supply, land use, infrastructure and financial planning.

- **Great Places Program**
  Continue to support the delivery of best-practice built form and excellence in urban design, place making and heritage outcomes.

Transport Planning, Investigations and Advocacy
Deliver initiatives to plan the transport networks for current and future growth across the region. This initiative includes planning activities such as the Local Government Infrastructure Plan and other planning scheme amendments, transport corridor investigations, passenger rail planning study, infrastructure planning for key growth areas and advocacy with the State and Federal governments.

Transport Corridor, Road Safety and Capacity Improvements
Deliver upgrades to major transport corridors to improve safety, and capacity across the region to meet design standards and desired standards of service for vehicle speed, congestion, access and parking. This initiative includes programs such as road resurfacing, road capacity, road safety and green infrastructure.

Active Transport and Pedestrian Safety Improvements
Deliver active transport and pedestrian safety initiatives to improve connectivity across the region. This initiative includes programs such as pathway renewals, active transport improvements, missing links pathways program, pedestrian safety, bridges and boardwalks, accessible schools, and wayfinding signage.

Public Transport Improvements
Deliver public transport initiatives to improve public transport services across the region, including bus shelter and bus stop (renewal, upgrade and new) programs, development of a public transport action plan and advocacy for the community with the State and Federal governments.
How we will know we succeeded

Our measures of success

01 Achievement of ShapingSEQ dwelling targets.
02 Increased housing diversity across the region.
03 Increased housing within walkable distance of local employment, parks and public transport.
04 Increased community participation in public and active transport.
05 Improved local road safety.
06 Improved resilience of our road network to natural hazards.
07 Improved connectivity of open spaces with local destinations.
08 Increased tree shade cover provided to walking and cycle paths.

What our communities can do to contribute

Community contribution

- Become familiar with the plans in place for managing growth and development in the region including the Moreton Bay Regional Council Planning Scheme.
- Provide your input on planning scheme amendments and development applications in your neighbourhood.
- Get involved in neighbourhood planning activities to help shape and manage development in your neighbourhood.
- Consider living in a location that is close to the services and amenities that you need in order to reduce driving and related living expenses.
- Choose active or public transport over private vehicle usage where possible and participate in events such as ‘Ride-to-Work Day’ and ‘Ride-to-School Day’.