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## Queen's Wharf Brisbane Plan of Development on public notification

**The masterplan that will steer the design of Queensland's largest development, the multi-billion-dollar Queen's Wharf Brisbane integrated resort development, is now on public notification.**

After being lodged with Economic Development Queensland (EDQ), Destination Brisbane Consortium's Plan of Development has now commenced a 30 business-day notification period.

Consortium Project Director, Simon Crooks, has welcomed this next step for the transformational development, and is encouraging Queenslanders to use this period to learn more about what Queen's Wharf Brisbane will include.

"Our Plan of Development provides a clear vision for the Queen's Wharf Brisbane development," Mr Crooks said.

"Our plan seeks to activate the waterfront opposite South Bank and help connect the city with the river.

"New features at the river's edge will include places for people to sit and enjoy this part of the city, which has been an underutilised area yet is historically very significant for Brisbane.

"Our design captures the essence of Brisbane and includes green space for outdoor events, arts and culture while facilitating activity and employment across the new and revitalised 12 football fields of public space.

"We are upgrading the current cycleway facilities by removing hazardous pinch points, widening cycle lanes and building a dedicated pedestrian walkway along the mangroves that will attract people to the river's edge.

"The new pedestrian bridge we will build will improve connectivity with South Bank, and be an important new piece of public infrastructure for our city.

"Together with the existing CBD and Queen Street Mall retail offerings, Queen's Wharf Brisbane retail precincts will contribute to provide a larger integrated retail offering for the city.

"Queen's Wharf Brisbane is attracting new global hotel brands to Brisbane including the 6-Star Rosewood and The Ritz-Carlton, which will help attract international events, encourage tourism growth and raise Brisbane's profile.

"Queen's Wharf Brisbane will also feature 50 new restaurants and bars that will showcase and draw attention to our world-class local produce, many of them within the nine heritage buildings being revitalised and opened up to the public.

"This is the largest heritage restoration project in Queensland's history with nine buildings in total. We will restore these heritage buildings for locals and visitors to enjoy while establishing a new destination in Brisbane that will help attract a further 1.39 million visitors to the state and all the economic benefits they bring with them," Mr Crooks said.

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“The scale of Queen’s Wharf Brisbane is like nothing our city has seen before, and our plan captures and maximises the linkages and opportunities for Brisbane’s existing offerings with our future development.

“We are very proud of our design and what it will mean for Queensland, and have at all times gone above and beyond requirements to provide great outcomes for the city and broader community.

“When we open the doors, expected in 2022, we will require 8,000 people to operate the development, however well before then, more than 2,000 people will be needed (during peak construction) to make this development a reality.”

Destination Brisbane Consortium and a team of more than 100 expert consultants spent 12 months preparing the Plan of Development that will act as a framework for development of the Queen’s Wharf Brisbane precinct.

The Plan of Development consists of almost 40 reports and thousands of pages of design, planning and vision for the precinct, which is a currently under-utilised riverfront area of the CBD.

The Plan of Development application is now available to view on Economic Development Queensland’s (EDQ) website - [www.dilgp.qld.gov.au/pda-da-applications](http://www.dilgp.qld.gov.au/pda-da-applications) > search DEV2017/846. You can provide a comment to EDQ on the application via email or post (refer to EDQ’s website for details <https://www.dilgp.qld.gov.au/edq/development-assessment/how-to-make-a-submission.html>).

A general project overview can also be found by visiting [www.queenslandwharfbrisbane.com.au](http://www.queenslandwharfbrisbane.com.au).

#### **Queen’s Wharf Brisbane facts:**

- Queen’s Wharf Brisbane will employ more than 2,000 workers during peak construction, and more than 8,000 once it is opens, expected in 2022.
- The Queen’s Wharf Brisbane integrated resort development contains:
  - Five new hotels, including The Ritz-Carlton Brisbane and the 6-Star Rosewood, which will provide more than 1000 hotel rooms
  - 50 new restaurants and bars, and new retail space
  - Restored and repurposed heritage buildings
  - The equivalent of 12 football fields of free public space
  - A Sky Deck located 100 metres above William Street that will be free to the public
  - World-class gaming facilities to replace Brisbane’s existing Treasury casino, which will comprise less than five per cent of the development
  - 2000 apartments
  - A new pedestrian bridge to South Bank.
- The development stretches from George St to the Brisbane River, from Queen St to Alice St, Queen’s Wharf Brisbane will revitalise and reactive the riverfront between Victoria Bridge and Goodwill Bridge.

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