



## Indigenous Business Showcase

"Bambara: a pathway through the southeast" by Delvene Cockatoo-Collins, 2022



COMMITTEE FOR BRISBANE

**JOIN US AT OUR  
INDIGENOUS BUSINESS SHOWCASE EVENT  
5 OCT | 11:30AM - 3:00PM | BCEC**



Join us on October 5, at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre where we will be shining a light on Indigenous Businesses through our first ever showcase event.

Where innovation meets tradition. A celebration of Indigenous entrepreneurship through our Indigenous Business Showcase event.

Indigenous entrepreneurs have been crafting and innovating for generations, creating sustainable and community-driven enterprises. This showcase is a unique opportunity to discover their stories, products, and services, and meet the teams behind these incredible businesses.

There will be an exciting performance by Digi Youth Arts, a Welcome to Country from Shannon Ruska and a song by his brother Harry Whaleboat, along with an exciting panel of speakers.

Our thanks to Tract and Griffith University for their sponsorship of this event.

Follow the link to register your spot today - [Indigenous Business Showcase Tickets](#)



## Business of the Games #8: The Digital Experience

**Grant Thornton**

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**BUSINESS OF THE GAMES #8:  
THE DIGITAL EXPERIENCE**

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ENE.HUB  
an Indara Company

**28 September | 5PM - 6:30PM | GRANT THORNTON, LEVEL 18, 145 ANN ST**

The eighth instalment in our Business of the Games series will focus on the Digital Experience.

Our panel of experts will be discussing how we can ensure Brisbane is prepared to welcome international athletes and spectators to our region from a digital perspective, including reflections from the 2018 Commonwealth Games and the positive tourism profile that WiFi supported, as well the financial and logistical benefits of time-coded digital modelling on mega-event planning.

As we look ahead, we want to enlighten our members on the opportunity and give glimpses into the future of Brisbane, where technology will be at the forefront.

Our panel includes:

**Ingrid Proud** - Managing Director, Operations at Better Event PR

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**Chris Watson** - Partner, Cyber & Technology Risk at Grant Thornton; and

**Ian Hatton** - Regional Manage QLD & NT, at ENE.HUB an Indara Company

A big thank you to our event supporters, Grant Thornton who are hosting this event.

This is a member only event, so please register your spot today by following this link - [Business of the Games #8 Tickets](#)

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## **New Advisory Council Member**



The Committee for Brisbane is pleased to welcome a new member to its Advisory Council, Scott Emerson.

Scott is a business consultant specialising in business, media and political engagement. As a former Queensland Government Minister, he held the portfolio of Minister for Transport and Main Roads and the key finance role of Treasurer spokesperson in Opposition. As a journalist and commentator, he has held



senior roles across tv, radio and print for Australia's leading media organisations including the ABC, The Australian and the Nine Network.

The Advisory Council plays an important role in the overall vision and mission of the Committee for Brisbane and we look forward to working closely with Scott as part of the team.

## Responding to ShapingSEQ 2023 Update



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On 6 September, a select group of experts from the Committee's membership gathered for a three hour, facilitated Workshop to provide feedback on the draft *ShapingSEQ 2023 Update* to inform the Committee's submission.

The draft *ShapingSEQ 2023 Update* is the Queensland Government's plan to shape the future growth of SEQ. This Update to the 2017 SEQ Regional Plan, sets the framework for how the Government can respond to our growing and changing region.

Our submission responds to the areas of advocacy the Committee pursues across our four strategic "liveability" pillars and acknowledges that the challenges ahead are the shared responsibility of Government, business and community, as are the actions and solutions that are required to drive us forward.

A copy of the Committee for Brisbane's Submission will be made available on our website.

Our sincere thanks for the extensive time and expertise provided by our members in our shared pursuit of "creating the world's most liveable place".

Our thanks also to Nathan Williams, Director of Communications and Engagement at Ethos Urban for facilitating the Workshop and Archipelago Architects for hosting the Workshop at their new office space.

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## Housing Action Lab wins Social Impact Award

Congratulations to the Housing Action Lab for taking home the Social Impact Award at the Good Design Australia Awards.

In 2022, the Housing Action Lab and The Committee for Brisbane united forces, supported by sponsors such as Micah Projects, Brisbane Zero, QCOSS, Urbis, Peddlethorp, Business Models Inc., Queensland Meals on Wheels Ltd, and Q Shelter, to redefine Brisbane as the world's most inclusive city by 2032 by addressing homelessness comprehensively.

This partnership aims to establish a scalable blueprint known as the "Homeness Trust" (working title). This trust will:

- Generate, capture, and utilize data to monitor, identify, and predict housing and support services needed for informed decision-making, that can ultimately bring an end to homelessness.

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- Raise and secure funding to support the development of innovative housing initiatives.
- Embed “solving homelessness” as a contractual obligation (a pledge) for Olympic and Paralympic Host Cities, leaving a lasting legacy.
- Be a portal to facilitate pathways for vulnerable people into permanent housing, sheltered accommodation and access to support services.
- Make the invisible visible and reclaim homelessness as a community-owned responsibility through activation, communication, and postcode-based campaigns.

The Committee will remain involved as part of QShelter’s project reference group.

Any person interested in reading the Blueprint is invited to seek a copy by emailing [admin@committeeforbrisbane.org.au](mailto:admin@committeeforbrisbane.org.au)

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## Site tour of Lot Fourteen

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Barton had an inspirational visit with Committee for Adelaide colleague, CEO Sam Dighton, to the city's Lot Fourteen project in the CBD. Lot Fourteen resulted from the Adelaide City Deal some years ago, which used funds from the three levels of government to convert a former hospital site into a world class innovation centre.

Lot Fourteen attracted three anchor tenants in Machine Learning, Defence, and Space Technology and has now grown almost a whole city block of interlinked innovation and start up facilities, attracting tenants including Google and Amazon Web Services. There is also a solely First Nations Entrepreneur Hub on site (The Circle) with 100 FN businesses included.

Thank you, Tom Symonds, and Teresa Whitehorn from the Dept of Premier and Cabinet for the site tour.



## Workshops and Makerspaces Expressions of Interest

Are you an artist seeking the perfect atelier? A tech wizard inventing the next big thing? Or a small-scale retailer wanting to make a significant splash? [Northshore Brisbane](#) has the spaces and facilities to nurture your passion.

Housed in an assembly of warehouses and shipping containers, these spaces are teeming with potential, ready to be moulded into your dream workspace and with occupancy rights available from February 2024 and extendable through to 30 June 2030, it's time to envision your business thriving in the rich tapestry of the Northshore Workshops and Maker Spaces.

Economic Development Queensland (EDQ) is seeking Expressions of Interest from parties interested in becoming a tenant of The Workshops and Maker Spaces sub-precinct. The vision for Northshore's Workshops and Maker Spaces has evolved, with EDQ now seeking occupants and outcomes which establish and amplify:

- Connection and community
- Innovation and enterprise
- Sustainability and climate benefits
- Commercial and economic benefits for Indigenous individuals and businesses

If your organisation aligns with these objectives and values, we encourage you to submit a tender for this Expression of Interest – or share this with an organisation you know of that might be interested.

We believe that the diverse range of businesses and individuals we attract will create a dynamic ecosystem where ideas can flourish, and mutual success can be achieved.

Important Dates:

- Expression of Interest Open: 22 August 2023
- Expression of Interest Close: 29 September 2023
- Shortlist: 6 October 2023

The URL link to the EOI landing page is: [Expression of Interest – Northshore Dock C | Northshore Brisbane](#)

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## Implementing the SEQ City Deal



On Wednesday 20 September, the Committee for Brisbane welcomed 150 guests to the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre to hear from Federal, State and Local Government about the SEQ City Deal.

The next decade in Brisbane will be filled with city-shaping developments and opportunities as we lead up to the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games, having all three levels of government committed to solving problems and grasping opportunities for future years will be essential.

A special thank you to our panelists:

- Matthew Hendry, Manager of Advocacy and Engagement, Council of Mayors (SEQ)
- Jenny Lyons, Executive Director, Strategic Services & Insights, Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning
- Matthew Roper, First Assistant Secretary, Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts

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Thanks also goes to our keynote speaker Neil Glentworth, Managing Partner, DunneMedforth & Group Chairman, GWI.

You can find the photos from the event on our gallery [here](#).

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## **New Members**

The Committee for Brisbane recently welcomed three new Members and three new Affiliates:

### **Corporate Member**

- Hall & Wilcox
- CPL
- RPS

### **Affiliate**

- Youngcare
  - Queensland Cricket
  - Hockey Queensland
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