



Brisbane Development Association
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Creating a better Brisbane

Brisbane Development Association
2016 YEAR IN REVIEW

About the BDA

The Brisbane Development Association was founded in 1957 and is Brisbane's leading independent organisation.

We engage all levels of government, industry and the community to make Brisbane Australia's best city.

The BDA is a not-for-profit, public interest organisation, comprising members from across Brisbane who are committed and motivated to create a better Brisbane.

The BDA initiates regular events for members and non-members for the discussion of matters that promote the development of a better Brisbane.

Vision

A great and distinct Australian city

Mission

To be the most influential and visionary voice for Brisbane

Objectives

- To host Brisbane's leading seminar, education sessions, debates and events, focussing on topics that help make Brisbane a more liveable city.
- To become a reference point to the broader community on strategic Brisbane issues.

Values

- Apolitical and independent
- Integrity
- Representative of a broad range of interests, activities and industries
- Inclusive
- Influence through discussion, debate and advocacy
- We respect and are open to all views
- Strong and open governance

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President's Message

The Brisbane Development Association (BDA) has a proud history of contributing to the creation of a better Brisbane and next year will celebrate our 60th anniversary of making a difference.

As Brisbane's leading independent member-based organisation, the BDA brings together people, businesses and groups from a variety of backgrounds and interests who share a common passion for our City, to be the most influential and visionary voice for Brisbane.

Brisbane continues to grow and mature quickly as a City, resulting in a variety of exciting opportunities and significant challenges facing its future. These were reflected in the diversity of topics addressed within the BDA's events programme in 2016, which included themes ranging from the contribution of art to our City and the importance of sub-tropical design to our brand and identity as a city, to changes in housing, new approaches to urban design, the exploration of new investment opportunities, transformational transport infrastructure and the importance of trees. Our members and their guests embraced the opportunity to participate in the discourse on these important topics, with nearly every event over-subscribed. I'd like to thank all of our speakers for their contributions and also the sponsors of our events for their support.

The BDA also made some changes in how we conduct our events in 2016. We held our events in a greater variety of formats and at more venues throughout the City than ever before. We also introduced an Acknowledgment of Country at the beginning of our events to pay our respects to Traditional Owners. We also successfully transitioned to a new on-line ticketing platform and embraced social media as a tool to not only generate interest in the BDA's activities, including events, but to provide further opportunities for ideas to be shared and discussion generally about the future of our City.

The BDA is fortunate to be supported by Brisbane's leading organisations as its members and in 2016 we continued to strengthen our membership base, particularly in the Corporate Partner category and with the addition of three new Patron members by invitation in Architectus, Economic Development Queensland and ISPT Pty Ltd. On behalf of the Management Committee I'd like to thank all of our members for their continued support of the BDA and for their enthusiastic engagement throughout the year.

This year the BDA also expanded its reach with the introduction of a new sub-committee framework. Covering the key themes of events, membership and policy and engagement, these sub-committees provided our members with a greater opportunity to engage with the BDA and contribute to the success of our activities. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the sub-committees for their contribution and in particular the members of the Management Committee who chaired those groups.

The BDA is proud to be a Founding Partner of Brisbane Open House and the 2016 Brisbane Open House event was another success with over 100 buildings in the programme and over 68,000 visits recorded.

The BDA also continued our engagement with key decision makers and policy leaders throughout the year, including:

- **Hon Angus Taylor MP**, Assistant Minister for Cities and Digital Transformation;
- **Hon Jackie Trad**, Deputy Premier and Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade and Investment;
- **Hon Curtis Pitt**, Treasurer and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships and Minister for Sport;
- **Hon Stirling Hinchliffe**, Minister for Transport and the Commonwealth Games, Member of the Committee of the Legislative Assembly and Leader of the House;
- **Lord Mayor of Brisbane Graham Quirk**;
- **Cr. Julian Simmonds**, Chairman of Planning at Brisbane City Council;
- Participation in various industry reference groups, including the Smart Cities and Suburbs Program roundtable; and
- The Committees for Cities and Regions Network, including attendance at and participation in their biannual conference with like-minded groups including the Committee for Melbourne.

I'd like to thank all of the members of the Management Committee for their dedication to the BDA and its vision. In particular I'd like to thank Vice Presidents Robert Allan and Cathryn Chatburn, Secretary Liana Heath and Treasurer Chris Skelton, for their support. The 2016 Management Committee of the BDA was a remarkable composition of leaders from a variety of fields across Brisbane and the gender diversity achieved sets a leading example.

I'd also like to acknowledge the significant contributions behind the scenes of our Executive Director, Mark Doonar and Secretariat, Lorelei Broadbent throughout the year. I'd particularly like to thank Lorelei Broadbent and her husband David for their ongoing support of the Association over the past 15 years. It was a great honour to recognise Lorelei's contribution to the success of the BDA at her 200th BDA event this year.

It has been a great honour and a privilege to serve as President of the BDA for the last two years. As I come to the end of my term, I look forward to the ongoing success of the BDA and to sharing in the 60th anniversary celebrations in 2017 as we not only reflect on the past, but also focus on the important role the BDA will continue to play in contributing to the creation of a better Brisbane into the future.

On behalf of the Management Committee, I'd like to thank you for your support throughout the year and wish you, your colleagues and family a safe and enjoyable festive season and a successful and rewarding 2017.



Ben Lyons
President



BDA President Ben Lyons (right) with Cr. Julian Simmonds, Chairman of Planning, Brisbane City Council

2016 Members

The BDA is supported by a membership network of Brisbane's most passionate and innovative individuals, businesses and not-for-profit organisations whom are dedicated to the creation of a better Brisbane.

The BDA offers membership in the following categories:

- Patron
- Corporate Partner
- Corporate
- Individual
- Student

In 2016 the BDA continued to strengthen its membership base and welcomed a number of new additions in every membership category, including the elevation of corporate members Architectus, Economic Development Queensland and ISPT Pty Ltd to Patron member status.

Patron Members

Patron membership of the BDA is the highest level of recognition within our membership framework and is offered only by invitation to those organisations that have demonstrated their commitment to the creation of a better Brisbane and in support of the BDA.



APP Corporation

APP is a leading provider of consulting services to the Property and Infrastructure industries. We operate across a broad range of industries and combine innovation, knowledge and technology with the best people to deliver outstanding results for our clients. Our point of difference is 'delivery'. As one of the largest and most respected industry leaders for the management and delivery of projects for private and public sector clients, APP has a recognised track record in delivering hospitality, entertainment, casino, residential, food and beverage and retail facilities.

architectus™ Architectus

Architectus is a leading Australasian design studio that brings together more than 250 architects, interior architects, urban designers and urban planners. With a strong history across architecture, interior and urban disciplines, Architectus teams have specialist expertise across all industry sectors, on projects from the smallest to largest scale.

ARUP

Arup

Arup established a presence in Australasia in 1963, when entrusted with the structural design of the Sydney Opera House. We now employ over 1,300 staff working from 12 offices across Australia, Singapore, Indonesia and New Zealand and have developed a diverse practice through delivering a wide range of projects for public and private sector clients. Globally, Arup is over 11,000 people strong, operating out of more than 90 offices in over 38 countries. Arup provides consultancy services for every stage of a project - from inception to completion and beyond.



BDO

BDO is a world wide network of public accounting firms. Each independent BDO Member Firm serves local and international clients in its own country. We offer a wide range of accounting and business advisory services to individuals, clients ranging from large corporates, to small and medium growth-focused organisations - representing a broad range of industry sectors, as well as government departments and the public sector.



BHC

A not-for-profit organisation, BHC is the largest non-government affordable housing provider in Queensland. Since incorporation in 2002, BHC has developed in excess of 1,000 units of affordable accommodation and has assisted more than 2,000 low income households. Their philosophy is to set the benchmark in terms of excellence in project delivery and housing and property management by providing a holistic and integrated service via a model which is both financially and socially sustainable enabling the company to create quality, diverse developments in highly sought after locations.



Brisbane Airport Corporation

Brisbane Airport is operated and developed by Brisbane Airport Corporation Pty Limited (BAC) under a long term (50+49 year) lease from the Commonwealth of Australia. BAC is part of a holding company group corporate structure, the ultimate shareholders of which are major Australian and international organisations (including Amsterdam Airport Schiphol and the Port of Brisbane Corporation), Brisbane City, and significant institutional investors.



Cardno

Cardno are an ASX-listed professional infrastructure and environmental services company, with expertise in the development and improvement of physical and social infrastructure for communities around the world. The Cardno team is comprised of leading professionals who plan, design, manage and deliver sustainable projects and community programs. Our diverse skills and experience allow us to offer integrated services in ten market sectors to clients both locally and across the globe. Our vision is to be a world leader in the provision of professional services to improve the physical and social environment.



Devine Limited

Devine Limited is a major force in Australia's residential property market offering affordable housing products in Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia and is also active in the high-rise residential unit market in the Brisbane CBD. The company is also actively involved in medium density developments and has an in-house mortgage loan origination, securitisation and servicing business.



Economic Development Queensland

Economic Development Queensland, (EDQ) is a specialist land-use planning and property development unit within the Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and operates within the Economic Development Act 2012. As a business unit, EDQ plays a key role in streamlining and delivering property and project solutions for the benefit of Queensland communities.



GHD

GHD is an international professional services company. Our people deliver innovative solutions by combining technical skill and experience with an understanding of our clients' objectives and aspirations. GHD employs over 6,000 people in a network of offices throughout Australia, New Zealand, Asia, the Middle East, the Americas, the United Kingdom and Europe. We serve the global market sectors of Infrastructure, Mining & Industry, Defence, Property & Buildings and the Environment.



ISPT

ISPT is one of Australia's largest unlisted property fund managers with over \$11.9 billion of funds under management through our investments in commercial, retail, industrial and residential properties. Today, more than 50% of Australian workers have their retirement savings invested in property through ISPT.



Lend Lease

Lendlease is one of the world's leading companies in the project management and construction services industry. They offer a broad range of skills that can be tailored to match client's specific requirements. These skills can be applied over a number of sectors where they hold specialist understanding and experience.



Minter Ellison

The MinterEllison Legal Group is the largest law firm in Asia and amongst the largest law firms in the world. It has offices in Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Perth, Adelaide, Canberra, the Gold Coast, Auckland, Wellington, London, San Francisco, Hong Kong, Bangkok and Shanghai. Since 1995 the firm has more than doubled in size, has over 2,000 people working in seven countries and an annual revenue of some A\$300 million.



PDT Architects

Established in 1938, PDT Architects is an award-winning, multidisciplinary architectural practice offering intelligent design solutions and a responsive service in Architecture, Interior Design, Landscape Architecture, Master planning and Urban Design. As a team, we design spaces which balance the natural and built environments and positively shape the urban landscape of Brisbane and beyond.



Port of Brisbane Pty Ltd

The Port of Brisbane is Queensland's largest general cargo port, and Australia's fastest growing container port. Managed by the Port of Brisbane Pty Ltd, the main port complex is located at the mouth of the Brisbane River, and is the only purpose-built, capital-city, intermodal port complex in Australia. The port's limits extend geographically from Caloundra to the southern tip of Moreton Island. Our responsibility extends 16km up the Brisbane River to Breakfast Creek.



Rider Levett Bucknall

Rider Levett Bucknall, Queensland's leading property and construction consultancy group, provides a range of services and systems to the construction and property industries to optimise cost, time, quality and value outcomes. With offices in Brisbane, Gold Coast, Sunshine Coast, Townsville and Cairns, its goal is to protect Clients' investments by providing independent professional advice for controlling and reducing the acquisition, development, ownership and disposal costs associated with their assets.



RNA Showgrounds

The RNA Showgrounds has long been an integral element of Queensland life. From the venue for a World War II field hospital to international sporting events and music festivals, the RNA Showgrounds has moved with the times. That's the exact vision of a group of colonists had when they met at the Brisbane Town Hall in August 1875, to form the National Agricultural and Industrial Association of Queensland (the RNA).



Three Plus

Three Plus is a full-service business and marketing communications consultancy established in 2002 by three of Queensland's most experienced and respected communications professionals. Three Plus directors Peter Kelly, Robert Allan and Barton Green each have more than 30 years' communications experience and have provided strategic planning and communications advice at the highest levels in both the public and private sectors.



Tract

Tract, by virtue of the breadth of its integrated planning and landscape design skills, and also its national presence in Australia's largest three cities, participated in this building boom to the extent that most Australians now come into contact with Tract's work on a daily basis. Tract's story is of a leading contemporary planning and design practice built on uniting two professional disciplines that developed in isolation from each other for over half a century: planning and landscape design.



Urbis

Urbis is a consulting firm offering a unique range of skills, expertise and knowledge in planning, urban design, property, social planning, economics and research. Working with clients on integrated or standalone assignments, Urbis provides the research and analysis upon which major landuse, social, and commercial decisions are made. With over 350 staff across Australia, Asia and the Middle East, Urbis is uniquely positioned to handle complex projects that involve significant transformation to a place and/or community.

Corporate Partners

The BDA was supported by the following Corporate Partners in 2016.



E2DESIGNLAB



Events

The BDA hosted a variety of seminar events throughout 2016 on a broad range of topics. Ranging from breakfast events to evening cocktail-style functions, the BDA's events were hosted in venues across Brisbane including the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, The Grove at 480 Queen Street, Artisan, The Hive, Blackbird, Tattersall's Club and at a number of our Patron's offices.

In 2016 the BDA successfully transitioned to an online booking system.

EVENT 1 **Designing Brisbane: The Draft Buildings that Breathe Design Guideline**

Breakfast Seminar: Wednesday 3 February 2016

Featuring:

- **Cr. Amanda Cooper**, Chairperson of the Neighbourhood Planning and Development Assessment Committee of Brisbane City Council
- **Andrew Gutteridge FRAIA**, Principal of Arkhefield
- **Michelle Fitzgerald**, Development Manager of CBUS Property
- **Malcolm Middleton**, Architect of the Queensland Government

Proudly sponsored by Arkhefield



EVENT 2 Art and the City

Evening Cocktail: Thursday 17 March 2016

Featuring:

- Paul Spiro, Chair of Brisbane Festival, Member of The Lord Mayor's Creative Brisbane Advisory Board, Partner at Gadens
- Sue Street, Chair of QAGOMA, Executive Director of QUT Precincts
- Mark McClelland, Creative Strategy Director of artmap studio
- Robert Allan, Vice-Chair of Artisan and Executive Director of Three Plus (Moderator)

Proudly sponsored by Artisan



ART AND THE CITY
The contribution of the arts to the identity and prosperity of Brisbane

The Brisbane Development Association and Artisan present a panel discussion on the role of the arts in shaping our contemporary and future city. How do we as citizens and city shapers tap into the arts to create a great city that openly reflects our collective identity – a new world city? The panel will explore how the arts can contribute to city life and prosperity, through economic drivers such as tourism and urban renewal as well as enhancing our city identity and the experience of Brisbane's culture for all.

THURSDAY EVENING MARCH 17th

Early evening event | 5.30pm for 6:00pm start (concludes 8:00pm)
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE DISCUSSION
Artisan Gallery | 381 Brunswick St, Fortitude Valley

MODERATOR
Rob Allan – Vice-Chair of Artisan, Executive Director at Three Plus

PANEL MEMBERS
Paul Spiro – Chair of Brisbane Festival, Member of The Lord Mayor's Creative Brisbane Advisory Board, Partner at Gadens
Sue Street – Chair of QAGOMA, Executive Director of QUT Precincts (including the William Robinson Gallery and the QUT Art Museum)
Mark McClelland – Creative Strategy Director of artmap studio

IN ASSOCIATION WITH:
artisan

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE. BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT.

BOOK YOUR SEATS TODAY!
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EVENT 4 A New Paradigm for Urban Design and Place Making

Evening Cocktail: Thursday 2 June 2016

Featuring:

- **Bruce Wolfe**, Australian Institute of Architects, Qld Chapter President, Managing Director, Conrad Gargett Architects
- **John Loneragan**, Urban Design Alliance President, Director, Studio Tekton
- **Professor Margaret Petty**, Head of School – Design, Creative Industries Faculty QUT
- **Cathryn Chatburn**, Vice President BDA (Moderator)

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A new paradigm for urban design & place making ...

Thursday 2 June 2016
5:30pm for a 6.00pm start
(concluding at 7:30pm)

Sponsor
QUT Institute for Future Environments

Hosted by The Hive
Level 4, 295 Ann St, Brisbane (next to ANZAC Square)

Will the Queensland Government's new Urban Design and Places Panel usher in a new paradigm for the way Governments approach urban design and place making?

Join us to hear from the Queensland Government Architect, Malcom Middleton, and a panel of respected practitioners to discuss new approaches to the way we shape Brisbane's future.

Keynote Speaker

Malcom Middleton
Qld Government Architect

Expert Panel
Bruce Wolfe
Australian Institute of Architects, Qld Chapter President
Managing Director, Conrad Gargett Architects

John Loneragan
Urban Design Alliance President
Director, Studio Tekton

Professor Margaret Petty
Head of School – Design, Creative Industries Faculty QUT

Moderator
Cathryn Chatburn
Brisbane Development Association, Vice President
Urban Enquiry Director

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EVENT 5 The Lord Mayor's State of the City Address

Luncheon Seminar: Wednesday 29 June 2016

Featuring The Lord Mayor Graham Quirk

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STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS
LORD MAYOR GRAHAM QUIRK

The Brisbane Development Association is honoured to once again host Lord Mayor Graham Quirk for his annual **State of the City** address.

Following his recent re-election and with the support of a new civic cabinet, the Lord Mayor remains focused on maintaining the momentum within our energetic and enterprising City and is committed to delivering a number of positive outcomes and City-changing initiatives over the next 4 years.

Join us for this important opportunity to hear directly from Lord Mayor Graham Quirk on his priorities for our great City and how business and community leaders can assist in delivering the shared vision for Australia's New World City.

— WEDNESDAY JUNE 29, 2016 —

WHERE
Tattersall's Club | 215 Queen Street, Brisbane

WHEN
Luncheon Seminar | 12:00 noon for 12:30pm start (concludes 2:00pm)

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STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS

NOTICES AND ADVICES:

REGISTRATION DETAILS:

PAYMENT DETAILS:

NAME: _____ **COMPANY:** _____

PHONE: _____ **EMAIL:** _____

DATE: _____ **TIME:** _____

EVENT 6 Transforming Brisbane

Breakfast Seminar: Tuesday 2 August 2016

Featuring the Hon. Jackie Trad MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade and Investment

Proudly sponsored by ARUP



TRANSFORMING BRISBANE

Cross River Rail is the Queensland Government's highest priority infrastructure project. Connecting northern and southern rail networks, the 70.2 kilometre link is more than just a second river crossing. Cross River Rail is a significant investment in the future of the City of Brisbane and will be a catalyst for the urban revitalisation of the South East Queensland region.

- What will be the role of the new Delivery Authority and what innovative funding models will they explore?
- How will the assets around the proposed stations be transformed?
- What role can the private sector play?

Join us for this important breakfast seminar event with the Hon. Jackie Trad, Deputy Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade and Investment to learn just how this project will transform the City of Brisbane, the South East Queensland region and the State of Queensland more broadly and how business and community groups will benefit from this City-building project.

TUESDAY 2ND AUGUST 2016
Breakfast Seminar Event | 7.00am for 7.30am start (concludes 9:00am)
 Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre
 South Brisbane

Hon. Jackie Trad MP
 Deputy Premier,
 Minister for Infrastructure,
 Local Government and Planning and
 Minister for Trade and Investment

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EVENT 7 Exclusive Patron Briefing event

Breakfast Event: Friday 19 August 2016

Featuring Adam Beck, Executive Director at Smart Cities Council Australia New Zealand.

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EVENT 8 Market-led Proposals: Your Opportunity

Breakfast Seminar: Thursday 1 September 2016

Featuring

- Hon. Curtis Pitt MP, Queensland Treasurer, Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships and Minister for Sport
- Warwick Agnew, Deputy Under Treasurer, Commercial Advisory, Queensland Treasury
- Joanne Paterson, Director, Policy and Advisory, Commercial Group, Queensland Treasury
- Peter Keyte, Chief Operating Officer, Port of Brisbane
- Graeme Garrett, Deputy Under Treasurer, Commercial Projects, Queensland Treasury

Proudly sponsored by Articulous Communications



EVENT 9 Exclusive Patron Briefing event

Evening Cocktail: Thursday 15 September 2016

Featuring Cr Julian Simmonds, Chairman of City Planning, Brisbane City Council

Proudly sponsored by Architectus



EVENT 10 Exclusive Patron Briefing event

Cocktail Event: Thursday 5 October 2016

Featuring Hon Stirling Hinchliffe MP, Minister for Transport and the Commonwealth Games, and Leader of the House

Proudly sponsored by Minter Ellison



EVENT 11 Shady Stories of Brisbane

Breakfast Seminar: Thursday 3 November 2016

Featuring

- Cr. David McLachlan, Chairman of Brisbane City Council's Environment, Parks and Sustainability Committee
- Dr Catherine Bull AM, Emeritus Professor
- Ian Shears, Manager Urban Sustainability at City of Melbourne
- Adam Terrill, Senior Town Planner, Tract Consultants

Proudly sponsored by Tract Consultants and supported by venue host DEXUS



EVENT 12 Exclusive Patron Briefing event

Evening Cocktail: Thursday 17 November 2016

Featuring John Aitken, CEO, Brisbane Marketing

Proudly sponsored by Minter Ellison



EVENT 13 Brisbane Residential Development Opportunities Through the NDIS

Breakfast Seminar: Wednesday 30 November 2016 in collation with Q Shelter

Featuring

- Tracy Barrell OAM, Keynote speaker
- Harry Carrick, Director - Multicap
- Andrea Galloway, CEO - Evolve Housing
- Leona Crayden, Q Shelter (Moderator)

Brisbane residential development opportunities through the NDIS

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Q Shelter
Moderator

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) will provide support services to 420,000 people with a significant disability. But it is estimated there will be an undersupply of 45,000 properties for disability housing once the scheme finishes rolling out across the State by 2019.

Early estimates put the value of this emerging residential market to be in the order of billions for the Brisbane area alone.

This event will be a terrific opportunity for:

- Residential property interests,
- Financial services,
- Community housing providers,
- Government agencies, and
- Disability and community service industries

to get to know each other and find out how cross-sector collaboration can benefit all parties, and in particular the delivery of appropriate housing for people with a disability.

Q Shelter and the Brisbane Development Association are collaborating on this signature business breakfast as the first of several forums on this topic.

Please note 20% of the ticket price will be used to subsidise the ticket price for those attending from the not-for-profit sector.

Date and Time
Wed 30 November 2016
7:00 AM - 9:00 AM (Brisbane time)

Location
Blackbird Private Dining & Events
Riverside Centre, 123 Eagle St,
Brisbane CBD

Register here
Or at www.bda.org.au
Or at www.qshelter.ash.au/events-and-training/

Brisbane Open House

BNE OPEN HOUSE
8 & 9 OCTOBER 2016

The BDA is proud to be a founding partner of Brisbane Open House.

Over the weekend of Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th October 2016, the seventh annual Brisbane Open House invited the public to explore many of Brisbane's most-loved and admired buildings.

The free event continued to grow as a culturally valuable community event and a must-do highlight on the city's calendar, welcoming 68,641 visits – close to 5 per cent increase from 2015 – to 101 buildings and other key Brisbane Open House initiatives. In addition to 30 new buildings, many favourite places returned this year such as the Masonic Memorial Centre, the Queensland Performing Arts Centre, ABC Brisbane, and the Brisbane City Council managed Spring Hill Service Reservoirs. The architectural profession continued to support the initiative with 10 design studios opening their doors.

The 2016 program included the following activities:

- Brisbane Open House Speaker Series including six events over five weeks
- Increased number of guided walking tours
- "Made in Brisbane" series which explored thriving businesses and industries that operate from local warehouses and commercial buildings
- Free concerts at select venues
- Brisbane Open House Children's Program and free activity booklet
- Focus on Architecture Photography Competition, including the secondary students competition
- Several special events involving collaborations with several organisations and featuring Man About Brisbane Open House performances with Tim Ross and Kit Warhurst, the Studying Architecture Workshop, and Live Storytelling at select venues.

Geographically, the event stretched across greater Brisbane and criss-crossed many suburbs, from the Port of Brisbane, Chermside and Wacol to the CBD, South Bank, Toowong and Archerfield.



Launching of Brisbane Open House 2016

Brisbane Open House reached out to visitors through a comprehensive marketing communication program and continued media partnerships with Architecture Media's HOUSES magazine and ABC Brisbane, as well as establishing a new partnership with Radio 4KQ.

The Brisbane Open House team fostered partnerships with a diverse range of sponsors including the Queensland Government, the Brisbane City Council and national Open House sponsors Dulux and Brickworks. About \$220,000 in cash and \$130,000 in-kind was raised to help execute the event and grow brand presence. Guide book sales raised \$8,000.

The Open House online experience continued to evolve.

- The e-newsletter subscriber database increased to 7,616 people.
- Facebook fans increased from 3957 to 5359 (35 per cent increase from 2015).
- Instagram fans increased from 3669 to 5946 (62 per cent increase from 2015).
- Twitter followers jumped from 1037 to 1202 (16 per cent increase from 2015).
- From launch date to the weekend there were 412,087 page views and 73,787 sessions. On Thursday 6, Friday 7, Saturday 8, Sunday 9 October and Monday 10 October (alone) the website attracted 30,265 sessions and 170,189 page views.

Brisbane Open House has an indefinable spirit and energy that is generated by our small army of participating organisations and volunteers who come together each year to unlock the many buildings and welcome visitors. About 400 people from the community volunteered at Brisbane Open House, assisting approximately 957 staff and volunteers from the participating buildings. Online research demonstrates the Brisbane Open House visitor experience continued to grow and improve in quality.

- 30 per cent of respondents attended Brisbane Open House for the first time in 2016. 58 per cent attended the event in 2015, demonstrating the event's potential for growth and its attractions for returning visitors.
- 43 per cent of those surveyed had visited between 1 to 3 buildings, 23 per cent had visited between 4-5 buildings and 34 per cent visited more than 5 buildings.
- 100 per cent they would attend Brisbane Open House again.
- 98.5 per cent of respondents said they would recommend Brisbane Open House event to family/friends.
- 96 per cent said they would be interested in BOH events if they ran throughout the year.



Brisbane Bicycle Explorers Club Cycle Tour: Bycyclists explored some of the participating Brisbane Open House buildings on two wheels. They joined Brisbane Bicycle Explorers Club as they took a ride along the river and investigated some of Brisbane's great buildings and spaces.

Brisbane Open House is the result of a unique partnership between government, the corporate and community sectors. It was founded by the Queensland Government through the Office of the Queensland Government Architect, the Brisbane Development Association and the National Trust of Australia (Queensland). Brisbane Open House was organised by a volunteer Management Committee including:

- **Robert Allan**, Director, Three Plus Department of Environment and Heritage Protection
- **Stewart Armstrong**, General Manager Heritage and Advocacy, National Trust of Australia (Queensland)
- **Mary Burns**, Manager Research and Strategic Projects, Department of Environment and Heritage Protection (retired October 2016)
- **Cathryn Chatburn**, Director, Urban Enquiry
- **Mark Doonar**, Executive Director, Brisbane Development Association
- **Arthur Frame AM**, Director, National Trust of Australia (Queensland)
- **Dr Ian Galloway**, President, National Trust of Australia (Queensland)
- **Fiona Gardiner**, Director, Heritage, Department of Environment and Heritage Protection
- **Ben Lyons**, Office Manager/Principal, Cardno HRP
- **Meg Macaulay**, Senior Communications Officer, Department of Housing and Public Works
- **Stuart Macnaughton**, Partner, McCullough Robertson
- **Kim Mayberry**, Urban Planner, Urban Design, Brisbane City Council (resigned October 2016)
- **Malcolm Middleton OAM LFRAIA**, Queensland Government Architect
- **Don Rivers**, Assistant Director-General, Department of Housing and Public Works

The Management Committee contracted Ann Rainbow as Manager, and Kim Wilson and Annie Macnaughton as part-time Event Coordinators.

The 2016 Brisbane Open House weekend continued to encourage visitors to interpret and celebrate the places and spaces that define our city. The event included a number of activities designed to complement the rhythm of urban life in the city and reflect a growing enthusiasm and passion for Brisbane. Founded on the principles of inclusivity and accessibility, Brisbane Open House has grown to become a culturally significant event for Brisbane.



Roma St Parkland
'From Compost to Flowering Beauty'
Tour: Visitors enjoyed a guided walk through Roma Street Parkland, one of the best contemporary display gardens in Australia.



Clockwise from top: 'Made in Brisbane' Austral Bricks showcase; BOH Children's Lego Hub; 'Made in Brisbane' The Hub Bar showcase; Speaker Series PechaKucha Vol 46 at the Brisbane Powerhouse; Within & Without These Walls (Live Storytelling) at The Windmill in Spring Hill.



'Thinking of Studying Architecture' event: High school students (aged 14-18 years) thinking about studying architecture and design had an opportunity to learn more about the profession at a special workshop in South Brisbane

For further information visit www.brisbaneopenhouse.com.au

Social Media

Brisbane Development Association grows online reach and engagement

In May 2015 the Brisbane Development Association engaged the services of Shirley Powell and Megan Houston to grow its digital media presence and engagement on social media platforms.

The work has increased the digital media presence and reputation of the BDA by:

- activating social media channels relevant to the BDA target audience
- connecting and engaging with the BDA target audience via new media channels
- providing advice and assistance in transitioning BDA to an online ticketing system

Strategy and approach

The focus of the new digital media strategy has been to strategically engage existing, potential and aspirational members, patrons and sponsors of the BDA using new media tools.

The team has grown the audience across each of the active channels by:

- “talking” and including the BDA patrons, sponsors and event hosts in social media activity
- publishing timely and specific content
 - news updates and sharing research via the BDA’s Linked In Company page
 - engaging with event and industry news on Twitter
 - sharing event news and images on BDA’s Facebook page

The audience response shows a high level of engagement and association with the BDA. By using targeted and newsworthy content, in addition to a controlled and targeted advertising spend for event promotion, the channels have consistently acquired followers who are relevant, influential and add value to the BDA. The channels have, to date, remained mostly free of spammers and internet “fillers”.



Profiling growth

The BDA Twitter profile was started in April 2016 and the follower base is growing by 15 -30% each month. In six months the “reach” has increased by 60%. In October 2016 the number of “impressions” for BDA tweets reached up to 16,400 people.

Targeted event advertising campaigns run for two recent events on twitter increased exposure to the event by reaching an additional 14,000 impressions, resulting in a total of 164 visits to the event ticketing website page.

Linked In Company page was also established in April 2016 and the follower base is growing by an average of 15% per month (essentially doubled the follower base in six months, 121 to 235). Linked In advertising campaigns for four recent events increased event reach by an additional 22,911 impressions, resulting in 68 visits to the event ticketing website page.

The BDA Facebook Page has increased its fan base in six months by 38%. Post reach on this channel has declined despite the increase in fan base due to Facebook algorithm changes and the channels growing emphasis on paid advertising. Facebook advertising for one recent BDA event increased exposure to the event by reaching 3,000 people, resulting in 48 visits to the event ticketing website page.

The BDA Instagram channel fan base has grown 50% in the past six months.

Much of the online activity has been driven by event related content. Growth and engagement patterns will be more consistent if future activity is broadened to reflect more policy activity, news and issues relevant to the BDA.

The image shows two screenshots of social media posts. The top screenshot is a tweet from Brisbane Development Association. The text of the tweet reads: "Brisbane Development Association 'Major infrastructure reshapes and remakes cities' — in the Courier Mail's Opinion page this week, Deputy Premier Jackie Trad says Cross River Rail will define Brisbane. Hear more about the project at our next event — the role of the Delivery Authority, the impact on areas surrounding the stations, and the role of the private sector. Register for the Aug 2 event at the BDA website." Below the text is a photo of a modern building. To the right of the photo is the text: "'This is not just a rail project' buff.ly · CROSS River Rail is Queensland's number one infrastructure priority and will transform the way we live and move around southeast Queensland." Below the photo and text are statistics: "Organic Targeted to: All Followers 1,828 impressions 27 clicks 14 interactions 2.24% engagement". There is a "Sponsor update" button and "Like (13) · Comment · Pin to top · 4 months ago" text. At the bottom, it says "Mark Doonar, Arminda Roberts +11".

The bottom screenshot is a tweet from Planning Institute of Australia. The text of the tweet reads: "Brisbane Development Association What are the megatrends that will impact us over coming decades? PIA takes a critical look in its new report 'Through the lens: megatrends shaping our future'. The report is the first part of an initiative intended to get policy makers and communities thinking hard about the growth challenges ahead. It takes a close look at nine megatrends — big shifts in environmental, social and economic conditions. PIA's advocates have their eyes on a coordinated national strategy to manage population growth, with integrated planning and infrastructure." Below the text is a graphic with a red and yellow bar chart. To the right of the graphic is the text: "Planning Institute of Australia buff.ly · Latest News". Below the graphic and text are statistics: "Organic Targeted to: All Followers 590 impressions 8 clicks 2 interactions 1.69% engagement". There is a "Sponsor update" button and "Like (2) · Comment · Pin to top · 4 months ago" text. At the bottom, it says "Ben Lyons and Carr Charalambous".

Summary of opportunities going forward

Going forward there is still enormous scope to increase ticket sales, community engagement, brand recognition and reputation for the BDA via its online presence.

Key elements of the strategy proposed for the year ahead includes:

- Continued activity on the current digital channels inclusive of members, patrons and sponsors
- Efforts to broaden the online activity, so that the content reflects policy activity, news and issues relevant to the BDA membership
- Additional investment in an online “home base” — i.e. a revitalised and more effective website
- Training in, and promotion of the benefits of online engagement, with committee and members.

Shirley Powell is an experienced communications professional with an active interest in design and urban affairs. She is familiar with the BDA's audiences and interests and is also communications manager for design practice Deicke Richards.



Megan Houston is a social media, online community and content marketing specialist. Formerly a journalist and public relations coordinator, Megan has both digital and traditional media experience.

Executive and Management Committee



President
Ben Lyons

Ben is the Manager of the Brisbane Office of Cardno Planning and is a Principal of the Cardno Group. Ben is an experienced town planning consultant and has worked on a wide range of strategic and statutory planning projects in the public and private sectors, both locally and abroad. With multiple qualifications in urban and regional planning, Ben has been the recipient of State and National Awards for Planning Excellence. In addition to his role as President of the Brisbane Development Association, Ben is an active member of a number of industry associations, committees and reference groups.



Vice President
Robert Allan

Robert is a founding Director of strategic communications consultancy. He is a strategic communications planning and community and stakeholder engagement specialist, and has worked on multidisciplinary teams delivering complex and controversial public and private sector infrastructure and master planning projects. Robert has 16 years experience as a Director on not-for-profit Boards. As well as serving on the Brisbane Development Association, Robert is trustee of the Queensland Trust for Nature and Vice Chair of Artisan.



Vice President
Cathryn Chatburn

Cathryn is an enthusiastic and creative Urban Designer with a diverse portfolio of experience gained over 23 years practice across the UK and Australia. She has extensive experience working with, and effectively engaging, diverse professional disciplines, stakeholders and clients in the process of successful integrated design development. She is a passionate team player and believes in the power of collaboration to ensure outcomes are effective and sustainable. Until recently, Cathryn led the AECOM Australia and New Zealand Master Planning team undertaking a wide-ranging portfolio of projects across the region. Cathryn left AECOM in late 2014 to commence her PhD and consult independently. She is the founding Principal of the design consultancy 'Urban Enquiry', specialising in the collaborative development of spatial strategies to guide sustainable change.



Treasurer
Chris Skelton

Chris has over 33 years' experience in professional services encompassing Audit and Advisory services to a diverse range of industry areas. Chris has a strong focus on the Resources and Not for Profit sectors. He is very experienced in the audits of listed and unlisted entities including exploration and mining companies, schools, colleges, churches, large charities, research companies, senior living and sporting organisations. With a special interest in technical accounting issues, Chris provides expert advice on the application of financial reporting standards to clients and is BDO's National Lead Partner for NFP sector and responsible for coordination of the firm's support to that sector.



Secretary
Liana Heath

Liana is the Director of the Asia Pacific Council at the Queensland Art Gallery/ Gallery of Modern Art. She is responsible for overseeing a membership network of businesses and organisations interested and active in building greater economic and cultural ties in the region. Previous to this role, Liana was the Chief Executive Officer of artisan, Queensland's centre for Design and Craftsmanship. Liana commenced with artisan in 2011 after holding a management position within KPMG's Management Consulting Group, specialising in business and strategic planning, stakeholder engagement and consultation, and business process analyses and improvement. Combining this background with professional qualifications (Masters of International Business) and a passion for Queensland art and design, Liana brings a balanced approach to driving Queensland's arts sectors forward.



**Immediate
Past President**
Michelle Lee

Michelle is General Manager, Precinct Development for our city's economic development board - Brisbane Marketing. In this role she is focused on strategic projects, investment and initiatives that enhance the development of Brisbane's key economic precincts. Originally commencing her career as an architect, Michelle is a highly experienced professional who has held senior management, business development, strategic planning and design roles in the corporate business, construction and property sectors. Michelle is a passionate advocate for Brisbane and a long-standing member of the BDA Management Committee, including two years as President from 2012 - 2014.



Vaughn Bowden
Member

With significant experience in property development, town planning and master planning; Vaughn Bowden is adept at the processes and vision required for city building, and the pragmatics of successfully delivering urban development. He has a passion for playing a part in Brisbane continuing to develop as a great place to live, work and play. As Development Manager with Fiteni Homes, he has an active role in the day to day shaping of Brisbane's greater metropolitan area.



Brendan Christou
Member

Brendan was appointed Chief Executive of the RNA in 2012 after serving as Deputy Chief Executive / Chief Operating Officer since 2009. A Certified Practising Account, Brendan started at the RNA in 2004 as the Association's Financial Controller. His previous experience spans across the retail, engineering and financial services industries. He completed his Master of Business Administration from Curtin University in 2008. Brendan is a member of the Brisbane Development Association's Executive Committee and is Treasurer for the Ambassadors of St John's Cathedral.



Dr Mike Gillen
Member

Mike is an experienced land use planner with 25 years of project experience in urban and regional development and transport infrastructure. Mike is responsible for the leadership, management and performance of architecture, planning, urban design and landscape teams across Queensland for AECOM. These teams work in a range of markets including urban development, infrastructure, energy, mining and resources and environment, delivering design and planning advice, strategies, plans and guidelines.



Penny Hall
Member

Penny is a Registered and Chartered Landscape Architect with experience in both Landscape Architecture and Urban Design, and leads the Landscape + Urban team in Australasia for Arup. Penny believes in a rigorous approach to landscape and urban design and promoting practical and economically sustainable designs on projects. She has extensive experience and involvement in designing and delivering City shaping, masterplanning and infrastructure projects both in Australia and Internationally. She believes that design should address 21st Century issues: making cities more liveable, designing in resilience to climate change and promoting biodiversity and design for health and well-being.



Cory Heathwood
Member

Cory is the Government and Public Affairs Manager within the Corporate Relations team of Brisbane Airport Corporation (BAC). Cory has built a strong reputation for developing timely and successful government, stakeholder and communication strategies. In this role, the focus is on ensuring government and industry representative bodies remain informed, updated and aware of key Brisbane Airport projects including progress of the New Parallel Runway and attracting new international flights to Brisbane. Cory also established and is a Founding Director of BNE Enterprise, an organisation that promotes business growth at Brisbane Airport and provides information, forums and updates on developments on and around the airport precinct. Cory is a Director of Brisbane Major Festivals (Brisbane Festival) and on the business advisory board of the Brisbane Bullets.



Antra Hood
Member

Antra is a Partner at MinterEllison lawyers who specialises in planning, environment and infrastructure. She has worked on many of Queensland's landmark property developments and strategic transactions, from the development of large residential estates and infrastructure to urban renewal projects and the sale of significant State assets. Antra was formerly General Counsel and Company Secretary with Springfield Land Corporation, the developer of Australia's largest master planned community. She has been named as one of Australia's top lawyers in the respected Australian Corporate Lawyers Association's Legal Department Benchmarking Report, is 'very highly regarded' in Asia Pacific Legal 500 and has been listed in Best Lawyers since 2015. In addition to being a member of the BDA management committee, Antra is also a member of the Property Council's Queensland Planning and Infrastructure Committee and has been appointed by the Queensland Government to its expert panel working to protect koalas in Queensland.



Michael Kerry
Member

Michael has worked as an Urban Planner across Australia and internationally for over 40 years. He has experience in both the public and private sectors in strategic and regional planning, master planning, infrastructure and development projects, with a passion for creating great places and improving the quality of our towns, cities and public places. For 12 years he was head of planning and urban management for Brisbane City Council and is committed to Brisbane as a great place for live, invest and work. Michael currently works as an independent Urban Management Advisor and is a Director on two major project boards.



Kim Markwell
Member

Kim is a freshwater ecologist from E2Designlab, who is passionate about Brisbane's continued transformation into a resilient, vibrant and liveable city. She strongly believes that this requires innovative design and planning that is strongly underpinned by an understanding of the natural and built infrastructure which is required to support it. She brings this enthusiasm and expertise to her day-to-day work, partnering with clients and collaborators to create thriving and sustainable places through the integrated management of water and the natural environment.



Chris McCluskey
Past President

Chris is the General Manager – Development Services, ISPT. Chris has over 25 years experience in the Australian property markets in both major project development and advisory fields. For the past 20 years, Chris has worked on developments for ASX top 50 public companies and has delivered projects across the residential, commercial and retail sectors. He joined ISPT in May 2010 as Development Director and successfully delivered the Wintergarden redevelopment in 2012 and oversight of ISPT's Queen Street Mall strategy which has delivered national retail flagships to Brisbane. In June 2013, he was appointed General Manager, Development Services and now leads ISPT's national development business overseeing a \$2.5 billion diversified development pipeline with major office and retail projects in Perth, Melbourne, Brisbane and Sydney. Chris holds Bachelor Degrees in Commerce and Arts from The University of Queensland, is a Past President of the Brisbane Development Association and current Board member of Brisbane's CBD Economic Development Board.



Tanya Neville
Member

Tanya has over 20 years' experience in the property industry. Her passion for memorable, beautiful, safe and democratic places is evidenced in her work at the South Bank Corporation and Brisbane City Council's City Centre Master Plan delivery. She has recently returned from Christchurch where she was working for the New Zealand Government's Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority as Project Director, undertaking the reconstruction of the earthquake devastated City Centre. Upon returning to Australia, Tanya joined Lendlease's Urban Regeneration business and is now working for Economic Development Queensland to focus on economic development opportunities associated with Cross River Rail. Tanya continues to be a strong advocate for great design and is passionate about delivering great places as part of city building and connecting communities; to ensure Brisbane and South East Queensland is a wonderful place to be.



Gavan Ranger
Member

Gavan is a widely experienced architect who has worked on significant projects in both the public and private sectors, and as a principal of major architectural and design practices in Adelaide, Melbourne, Canberra and Brisbane. He has degrees in architecture from the University of Adelaide and a Master of Science in Engineering Science, majoring in transportation, from UC Berkeley in USA. His span of work covers strategic input to urban, transport, institutional, commercial and residential projects around Australia, with roles ranging from key designer and design manager through to overall development manager and project director for significant projects. Gavan's professional roles have been complemented by long term involvement with the Australian Institute of Architects at state and national levels, recognised by the Institute's award of Life Fellow. He continues to contribute to professional, industry and NFP organisations at a senior level.



Kim Richards
Member

Kim has considerable experience in the Brisbane development industry and expertise in the management of large professional service firms gained over the past 20 years, most recently in her role as Architectus Chief Operating Officer. Kim is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Management, and is focused on process improvement and strategic vision development and implementation. Kim has been involved in a number of charitable organisations including as Vice President of the Brisbane Club of Zonta and Queensland based mental health organisation Wesley Mission's Group61. Kim is a passionate advocate for Brisbane and seeks to contribute through her involvement in the BDA to the city's growing reputation as one of the world's most liveable cities.



Steve Wilson
Member

Steve a qualified solicitor, had a 35 year career in the investment industry, 5 years with investment bank JP Morgan Cazenove in London and 30 years at Wilson HTM and Pinnacle Investment Management in Brisbane. As Chief Executive for 26 of those years he lead the successful transformation of Wilson's from a regional stockbroker to an innovative national leader in emerging company finance and wealth management. Pinnacle today has Funds Under Management of \$12.3b. Steven Wilson Moved from CEO in 2011 and now sits on each of the WHTM Investment Group and Pinnacle boards. Steve has held a range of public and private sector Board positions, and was honoured in 2011 as a Member of the Order of Australia for services to finance and the community.



Mark Doonar
Executive Director

Mark has been the Executive Director since 1 July 2013, and is a former BDA President. Mark is also a Project Director with APP Corporation where he helps his clients improve their assets and deliver their infrastructure. Mark is a born and bred Brisbane, and has established an enviable reputation for exceptional service in the areas of strategic planning of organisations, projects and programs; project delivery and asset improvement; stakeholder engagement and independent facilitation; statutory planning and development approvals; and master planning and urban design.



Lorelei Broadbent
Secretariat

Lorelei is the BDA's Secretariat. She has a significant amount of experience working with professional Associations, including the AMA and Engineers Australia, before founding her own Association management company, Agenda Management in 1988. Agenda Management is a specialist provider of secretariat, Association management and event management services for professional Associations and peak body industry groups. Lorelei is a member of the Australasian Society of Association Executives.



Sub-Committees

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The BDA is supported by a framework of sub-committees comprised of representatives from across our membership who generously contribute their time and energy to the core activities of the BDA in term of Policy and Engagement, Events and Membership.

In 2016 the BDA's Sub-Committee members were as follows:

Policy and Engagement Sub-Committee

- **Co-Chair:** Robert Allan (Three Plus)
- **Co-Chair:** Mike Gillen (Aecom)
- David Fagan
- Mitchell Hendricks (Wolter Consulting)
- Yatra Forudi (BDO)
- Trevor Gallienne (McInnes Wilson Lawyers)
- David Hertweck (Port of Brisbane)
- Glenn Bourner (RCP)
- Natalie Hoitz (Urbis)
- Fraser Hardman (Shand Taylor Lawyers)

Events Sub-Committee

- **Co-Chair:** Cathryn Chatburn (Urban Enquiry)
- **Co-Chair:** Tanya Neville (Economic Development Queensland)
- Michelle Wooldridge (Lendlease)
- Trent Forrest (Cardno)
- Will Back (Brisbane City Council)
- Shy Tay (Arkhefield)
- Peter Gill (Urbis)
- Samuel Mayze (UAP)
- Annie Yang (PDT Architects)
- Penelope Layton (Lendlease)

Membership Sub-Committee

- **Co-Chair:** Gavan Ranger (Arkhefield)
- **Co-Chair:** Liana Heath (QAGOMA)
- Blake Davis (BDO)
- Nathan Clausen (PDT Architects)
- Dai Gwynne-Jones (Portfolio)

Engagement

In addition to engaging with our members throughout the year, including at our events and forums, the BDA also engaged, on behalf of our members, with all levels of government in 2016 on issues related to the creation of a better Brisbane.

The BDA enjoyed direct engagement with the Assistant Minister for Cities and Digital Transformation Angus Taylor MP and also participated in the Smart Cities and Suburbs Program.

In addition to providing input to and feedback on major projects as a key stakeholder and through being an active participant in a number of industry reference groups, the BDA also provided submissions to government on key policies and carried out surveys of our members on key issues.

Committees for Cities and Regions Network

The Committee for Cities and Regions Network (C4CRN) is a collective of the various 'Committees for..' around Australia and New Zealand. The network meets twice a year to share challenges and experiences.

The C4CRN is a collaborative alliance that brings together these individual organisations to maximise and empower their policy strength, knowledge base and advocacy power.

Each Committee represents a membership of organisations from their city or region and works beyond electoral cycles and partisan politics with the aim of enhancing their social, economic and environmental sustainability to improve liveability over the long term.

All network partners agree to abide by the guiding principles outlined by the C4CR:

1. They operate in a collegiate and cooperative manner.
2. They seek to be part of the solution, not part of the problem.
3. They are politically astute but steadfastly non-partisan.
4. They are a unifying voice and do not advance the self-interest of any individual member organisation.
5. They welcome new members who are prepared to abide by our guiding principles.

The BDA Management Committee supports the exploration of the opportunity to join the C4CRN in the interests of the growth and further development of the BDA through engagement with like-minded groups.

The Brisbane Development Association (BDA) has been engaging with various members of the C4CRN throughout 2016, as we approach our 60th anniversary of contributing to the creation of a better Brisbane. That engagement included discussions on the process for the BDA to become a member of the C4CRN. The process for joining the C4CRN includes the requirement to attend a C4CRN conference as an 'observer'.

In response to the engagement with the C4CRN members and our expression of interest to join the network, the BDA's Ben Lyons (President) and Mark Doonar (Executive Director) attended a conference of the C4CRN, in Greater Shepparton Victoria from 2nd-4th October 2016. The conference was a great opportunity to engage directly with members of the C4CRN and to discuss the issues facing our respective cities and regions. The BDA's remains interested in joining the C4CRN and will be further exploring this opportunity in early 2017.





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