**AIRLIE BEACH FORESHORE REVITALISATION PROPOSAL**

**HAVE YOUR SAY...**

**WHO**

The Airlie Beach foreshore (the Foreshore) is an iconic and important place for locals and tourists alike and this is why Whitsunday Regional Council (Council) are taking action to look after the environmental welfare of this area. The palm fringed Foreshore and bay is an attraction for many who look to relax, swim and walk through. Another attraction is the Airlie Beach Lion’s Markets that is held every Saturday morning and during the week when cruise ships arrive.

**WHAT**

To keep the Foreshore a beautiful and attractive place for everyone, Council have allocated money in the Budget to undertake work to beautify this part of Airlie Beach. Council are in the process of planning how the Foreshore can be nurtured and returned to open space parkland so that everyone (locals, tourists and the markets) can use this space whilst keeping it beautiful.

**WHY**

The Foreshore is an important feature of Airlie Beach and at the moment it is being damaged. Council are proposing to revitalise the Foreshore by creating a multi-purpose parkland area that provides permanent facilities for the markets, an undercover seating area, new bus terminal, outdoor seats and tables, new shade trees and other landscaping.

**WHEN**

No work will start on this site until Council have considered feedback and developed a final design. Community consultation will be held for three (3) weeks to gather feedback on the proposed plan. During this time all feedback can be delivered in person, over the phone or in writing. The dates for community consultation are 2nd to 23rd June 2016.

**WHERE**

The area proposed as Stage 1 & 2 of the Airlie Beach Foreshore Revitalisation Proposal is the current temporary gravel car park and bus terminal, parking areas in the Sailing Club, Ocean Road and Coconut Grove and parkland behind the area currently being used for the Airlie Beach Lion’s Markets. You can get your own copy of the Stage 1 & 2 Airlie Beach Foreshore Revitalisation Proposal from Council’s website or libraries.