

The next BeCA Public Meeting will be held on the 6th June 2022 at 6.45pm at the Bellvista Meeting Place



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We're Back!

The Bellvista and Bells Reach Community Association (BeCA) is made up of a committee of enthusiastic community members first elected at a Public Meeting in November 2008. The Annual Meeting is now conducted in November of each year where the Committee is elected for the following 12 months. It represents the residents of Bellvista, Bells Reach and the most recent development, Arbour.

The BeCA Committee meets on the first Monday of each month. We also monitor events arising from the BeCA Public Meetings conducted quarterly. The BeCA newsletter is distributed to all Bellvista and Bells Reach residents up to 6 times per year.

The BeCA Facebook page welcomes feedback and comments via its 'Comments' feature on any item effecting the Bellvista and Bells Reach Communities.

General Meetings are usually conducted at the Bellvista Meeting Place and are open to all Bellvista, Bells Reach and Arbour residents and

landowners. These meetings are usually held four times per year. Our Sunshine Coast Regional Councillor provides a report to residents on SCC (Sunshine Coast Council) issues which may impact on Bellvista/Bells Reach/Arbour residents. The Councillor is also available to answer questions or take up issues on behalf of the Association or individual BeCA residents.



Caloundra Road roundabout intersection

Meanwhile, the State Government is working out how to improve terrible traffic problems at the major Caloundra Road roundabout, both now and in the future.

The roundabout is the busy intersection of Caloundra Road, Bells Creek Arterial Road and Kawana Way Link Road.

Kawana Way Link Road will eventually connect to the proposed Kawana Motorway, which will be a new four-lane motorway parallel to, and west of, Kawana Way — between Meridan Plains and Parrearra.

Together Bells Creek Arterial Road, Kawana Way Link Road and the Kawana Motorway will form a major north-south transport corridor.

A study is underway to find a short-term fix for traffic congestion at the key roundabout intersection as well as plan for a longer-term upgrade.

The State Government says a business case is due for completion next year.

However, there are concerns the quick short-term fix under consideration might include installing traffic lights on the approaches to the roundabout.

A similar idea at the other roundabout on the Caloundra Road intersection with Nicklin Way has proven unpopular with motorists.



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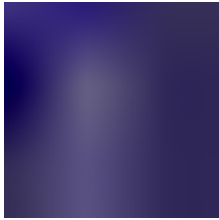


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Website Updated Thanks to Stockland Grant

The BeCA website is to be updated and reformatted thanks to a successful application for a Stockland Community Grant.

The website had become a little stale and badly in need of an update and clean up.

A successful grant application has been received from Stockland which has allowed the website to be updated and streamlined. It is expected a major revamp of the website will occur in the first half of 2022. The grant also covers costs to host the website as well as pay for the website domain name.

Stockland has always been there to support BeCA. It was Stockland which created BeCA all those years ago now and we have worked closely across all of those years ever since.

Thankyou Stockland and we look forward to many more years of partnership for the benefit of members of Bellvista, Bells Reach and Arbour.

Airport Master Plan Update

BeCA has represented the Bellvista, Bells Reach and Arbour residents as a member of the Caloundra Aerodrome Community and Aviation Forum since its creation by former Councilor Grosscreutz over 15 years ago. The Forum meets quarterly with representatives from Council, Local

Communities and Aerodrome industries.

The forum conducts reports on activities around the aerodrome and its operation, the needs and concerns of industries located at the aerodrome and reports from local resident communities.

As our community is a neighbour to the Aerodrome, our involvement on behalf of residents has played a major role covering the history of this area.

Over the intervening time there has been a vast change in attitude towards neighbouring residents by Council and Aerodrome industries. Attitude has moved from "you bought there so you suffer the consequences arising from aircraft movements" to one where it is crucial the aerodrome and its industries work hand in hand to meet the needs and concerns of residents.



Originally approval sought by the developer Lendlease to construct Bellvista was denied by the then Caloundra Council because of its proximity to the aerodrome.

The State Government granted approval for the estate to be constructed following an appeal to State Government authorities. Our estates were built on State Government guidelines rather than guidelines supplied by Caloundra Council.

In 2022 Council is seeking to create a

new Master Plan to plot the future direction of the Aerodrome and BeCA has been invited to participate in the process. Former BeCA President Les Thomas is representing BeCA in this process. Cr Baberowski requested Les remain involved because of his extensive experience with the Aerodrome Forum and issues relating to future planning.

Recently there was a preliminary 'online meeting' involving the BeCA representative, a Co-Ordinator appointed by the company charged with drawing up the Master Plan and two Sunshine Coast Council representatives. Time was spent sharing information on the history of Bellvista, Bells Reach and Arbour, activity surrounding the aerodrome and the impact the aerodrome has on residents' lifestyles.

Les confirmed the value in our representation on the Aerodrome Forum as a regular way of sharing information and feedback. BeCA highly values the having of a full time Council representative now situated at the aerodrome and the excellent access BeCA has to this representative. It provides an instant avenue for any resident concerns and feedback by having a Council representative onsite. Though some residents still voice concern over noisy aircraft movements, BeCA believes that the overall level of aircraft noise and activity arising from the aerodrome is not a major concern for most of our residents. We do acknowledge that our overall views on activity arising from the nearby aerodrome may not be shared by other local communities.



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A much-anticipated shortcut between Caloundra and the Bruce Highway that could save drivers up to 15 minutes on the drive to Brisbane is about 60 per cent finished.

New aerial photos (please refer to our Facebook site article 18/3/22 for photos) commissioned by Sunshine Coast News and captured by Brendan Smith of SkyShots Photography, offer a bird's eye view of the progress of the \$70 million Bells Creek Arterial Road, dubbed 'The Arterial'.

When finished, the 11km road will provide a new access from the Bruce Highway to the Coast that will save drivers between 10 and 15 minutes of travel time between Caloundra and Brisbane.

Starting at the roundabout on Caloundra Road, the route will cut through Stockland's sprawling Aura master-planned community, which will eventually be home to 50,000 people.

Currently, all southbound drivers are forced to battle Caloundra Road, which has become increasingly congested.

But the new alternative route will slice through the heart of Aura and

its city centre before popping out at the Roys Road exit on the Bruce Highway.

The Arterial is funded 50-50 between the State Government and Stockland.

Stockland's general manager, Queensland communities, David Laner, said construction had reached a milestone by passing the halfway mark.

"Construction of the Bells Creek Arterial Road is now around 60 per cent complete," he said.

"Bells Creek Arterial Road will create a vital second access to the Bruce Highway, reducing congestion for the 50,000

driving from Brisbane to Bells Creek, and vice versa."

Mr Laner said Aura's pioneer suburbs of Bells Creek, Baringa and Nimimba would be located either side of Bells Creek Arterial Road.

It will travel through the master-planned community's future city centre, with many shops and services located along the route.

These include retail, emergency services, bulky goods, business industry, sports facilities and broad hectare green reserves.

State Member for Caloundra Jason Hunt said the road was a "game changer" for Caloundra and especially for the residents of

Caloundra South and the nearby hinterland areas around Beerwah.

"This road will essentially move Caloundra 15 minutes closer to Brisbane and make it an even more attractive tourist destination," said Mr Hunt.

"It's has already played a major role in attracting investment to the area." The road has been built in two stages. Stage one was a 3km segment from the Caloundra Road

roundabout which came to a dead end at Baringa and Nimimba.

Stage two, currently underway, extends from there to the Bruce Highway.



motorists who use Caloundra Road and the Bruce Highway every day.

"Once in operation, we expect the new road will save about 10 minutes of travel time for people



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Council Service Request

You may have seen recent work being done by Council in the last two months in relation to the lake at Canavan Gracie Park and other public gardens as well as rain gardens in the BeCA area. It really looks to be a great spring clean.

Just a reminder, that if wish to report maintenance or damaged council property or parks, here are some handy contacts from Council:

Urgent Council enquiries

For all urgent enquiries, please call council on (07) 5475 7272. You can call this phone number 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for all urgent matters such as:

- . flooded roads
- . blocked drains
- . offensive graffiti
- . animal attacks
- . fallen / dangerous trees
- . potholes.

Council staff will respond to customer enquiries as quickly as possible. Please be patient if you experience delays, during emergency

events.

General Council enquiries for issues such as:

- . missing bins or missed bin collections
- . animal registrations
- . rates enquiries
- . other council services.

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Also you can
email: customerservice@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au

**Public Meeting Dates 2022**

Note because of Covid19 concerns there was no Public Meeting in March.

6th June 2022- General public meeting (1) -6.45pm

5th September 2022-General public meeting (2)-6.45pm

7th November 2022-General public meeting (3)and AGM - 6.45pm

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