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New East West Corridor Proposal

Almost since its inception, BeCA has been fighting to have improved access to the estate. As was common practice of the former Caloundra Council, new developments were regularly built with just the one entry/exit road. Just ask the residents of Ridgewood Rd who still to this day have only one entry/exit. Other local residential estates suffered the same shortfall in their planning.

To further complicate the situation in Bellvista/Bells Reach, Council approval was given to build a 1400 student school on the estate despite there being but one entry/exit roadway. One shudders to think what the situation could be like in an emergency!

So roadways and access to the estate have been hot topics for BeCA. Now Stockland is at last building a second entry access to our estates. That they are unable to sell one block of land in Caloundra South until this access road is built (to allow for Caloundra South construction vehicles) This is a strong incentive for Stockland to complete this road as soon as possible.

Eventually the Bells Creek Arterial Road will travel all the way from the Corbould Park roundabout to the new Roys Road interchange on the Bruce Highway, regrettably this extension is not due for completion until around 2025 or later and is staged according to land sales trigger points.

This is all part of an agreement hammered out between Stockland and the

State Government. Being a 'state' road, the Sunshine Council had minimal input into this section of the agreement.

That this road could have been completed earlier would have meant some traffic could have been removed off the busy Bruce Highway sooner rather than later and allowed many residents to shorten their daily commute by car between the Sunshine Coast and Brisbane.

As Caloundra Rd reaches saturation point, any move to upgrade that road sends the dollar cost signs spinning!

A connecting road between Pelican Waters Blvd and Bellvista Blvd is also mooted to be eventually built by the state Government in approximately 12 years.

Then Pelican Waters/Golden Beach travellers could drive along the proposed road, connect into the Bellvista Blvd and connect with the first stage of the Bells Creek arterial road, or eventually turn left and follow the still to be built Bells Creek Arterial Road and enter the Bruce Highway at the Roys Rd Interchange.

Only then (in 12 years time) would there be a second east west corridor road connecting the southern end of the Sunshine Coast with the Bruce Highway.

If the connecting road between Pelican Waters Blvd and Bellvista Blvd Extension were built now, an interim solution to removing traffic from Caloundra Road sooner rather than later would allow Pelican Waters/Golden Beach traffic to travel the proposed road, then Bellvista Blvd Extension and link into the soon to be completed Stage 1 of the Bells Creek Arterial and emerge onto Caloundra Rd at the Corbould Park roundabout in the short term.

This would be an advantage to Bellvista, Bells Reach and Arbour residents and provide an alternative to Caloundra Road either heading east or west.

Earlier this week there was an informal meeting involving representatives of BeCA, Jason Hunt, The Golden Beach Progress Association and the Sunshine Coast Ratepayers Association (Southern) to discuss the merits of a new road between Bellvista Blvd Extension and Pelican Waters Blvd.

If the project was welcomed by the three groups then they would consider what pressure could be brought to bear on both major political parties and have the construction of a Pelican Waters Blvd/Bellvista Blvd Extension brought forward.

As an outcome of this informal meeting it was proposed that a meeting be requested with Regional representatives and planners from the Department of Main Roads to determine what kind of impact such a proposal would have on Pelican Waters Blvd traffic movements.

The creation of yet another roundabout on that road was not seen as desirable. If the three local community groups believed this new road was a worthwhile issue, they could join forces to bring the issue to the attention of both sides of State Government and seek a commitment.

Jason Hunt has previously arranged meetings with State Government representatives and BeCA to have discussions both locally and in Brisbane relating to traffic issues on Bellvista Blvd and Caloundra Road.

Cr Baberowski is a supporter of bringing this project forward, however this is a State Government responsibility.

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More Traffic Discussions

Representatives from BeCA met with local MP Mark McArdle and others on Tuesday March 9th to discuss several proposals designed to improve the movement of traffic on Caloundra Rd and into Caloundra itself. These roads below focus on the township itself and is only a section of the larger maps available on our website.

Projections have been estimated regarding future traffic growth along Caloundra Road.

Park Place to Bowman Rd (in front of Stockland) 2014-27,000, 2031-51,000

West Terrace to Park Place

2014-24,000, 2031-43,000

Nicklin Way to West Terrace

2014-35,000, 2031-50,000

Daniel St to Nicklen Way

2014-33,000, 2031-34,000

Latham Drive to Daniel St

2014-31,000, 2031-30,000

Bellvista Blvd to Latham Drive

2014-30,000, 2031-31,000

Sugar Bag Rd to Bellvista Blvd

2014-30,000, 2031-33,000

Pierce Ave to Sugar Bag Rd

2014-32,000, 2031-37,000

Kawana Link Way to Pierce Ave

2014-37,000, 2031-38,000

Racecourse Rd to Kawana Line Way

2014-35,000, 2031-35,000

Bruce Hwy to Racecourse Rd

2014-35,000, 2031-46,000

The major traffic problem is traffic travelling along Caloundra Rd into the township of Caloundra itself, particularly after leaving the Nicklin Way/Caloundra Rd roundabout. It seems quite obvious there is a need for alternative entry roadways into the Caloundra Township.

The map (right) has some suggestions on how this can be achieved.

BeCA's First Public Meeting of the New Year

Around 40 residents & guests were in attendance at the Bellvista Meeting Place for the first BeCA Public Meeting of 2016. Sunshine Coast Council's Mel Ferguson gave a presentation on the Sunshine Coast Council's 'Disaster Hub'.

The 'Disaster Hub' is actually a website setup by Council as its major source of information to residents should a disaster occur. It would be the first port of call for residents in such a situation.

<http://disaster.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/>

The website has the latest information on Road Closures, Current Warnings, Evacuation Centres, Useful Contacts and a wide range of information.

There are extensive maps showing rainfall totals, road closures and warnings. Take a few minutes and check out the Sunshine Coast Council Disaster Hub.

BeCA President Les Thomas brought those in attendance up to date on BeCA's

plan to bring forward the construction of a link road between Bellvista Blvd and Pelican Waters Blvd via the State Government.

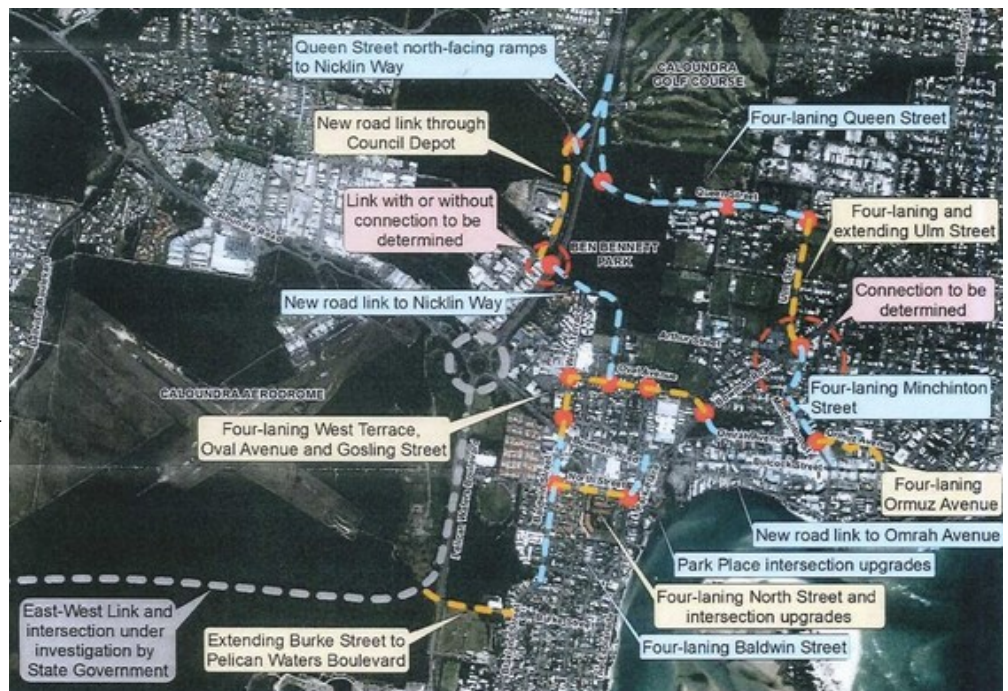
A meeting has been sought with the Department of Main Roads advisors and planners in Maroochydore to seek more information on where a proposed road would go.

The State Government has a road reserve in place but any construction is not expected to begin before 2028.

BeCA is hoping to join with Sunshine Coast Ratepayers and Golden Beach Progress Association to provide a combined community voice on this issue.

Bill Gissane the ALP candidate for the Federal seat of Fisher was presented to those in attendance.

Bill sees technology as a major influence into the future and he is an advocate of Technology Based Industries, whilst working with the Sunshine Coast University to develop new commercial opportunities for Queensland.



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Some Clarifications

The photo (right) provides a further update on the progress of construction of the bridge across the Lamerough Creek.

Eventually it will connect with the new Bells Creek Arterial road currently under construction beginning at the Caloundra Rd roundabout near the Corbould Racecourse. The dirt road in the foreground is the "Haul Road".

The arrangements for lot sales in Caloundra South and the completion of the Stage 1 of the Bells Creek Arterial have been clarified for BeCA.

BeCA understands that sales for blocks just south of Bellvista, Bells Reach and Arbour will be available shortly for those wishing to buy 'off the plan'. The extension of Bellvista Boulevard south into Aura will be required to be completed prior to the first stages being registered.

Builders will be able to commence construction as blocks register, which is forecast towards the end of the year.

The internal connection road to Bells Creek Arterial is not required to be completed for first stages to be registered and construction of homes to commence.

Builders' traffic will utilise Bellvista Boulevard once this road is completed.

No builders traffic will be able to utilise the haul road from Caloundra Industrial Estate due to HSE risks.

Completion of the Bells Creek Arterial Road is required to be completed by June 2017 however is forecast to be completed by the end of 2016, prior to any new home being occupied in Caloundra South.

At this stage sometime around October is the earliest road construction could be completed according to early estimates. Weather will play a major role in the eventual completion date of Stage 1 of the Bells Creek Arterial.



Over the next 12 months or so, Stockland will stage its move from the current Sales Office site at Bells Reach, to Aura.

Sunshine Coast Council has taken over the process of maintaining some parks, gardens and pathways etc) in Bells Reach with the continued assistance and input from Stockland.

BeCA thanks Councillor Rick

The BeCA President Les Thomas thanked Cr Rick Baberowski for his efforts while Councillor over the past three years.

Cr Baberowski's efforts in assisting with the removal of the vast majority of repetitive circuits by helicopters from above our homes, the Bellvista meeting Place facility, his contributions to the planning of Caloundra South and the eventual construction of a second/entry exit for the estates as his major achievements for this community.

Smaller issues such as missing pathways, bus stops, shade over play equipment & new pathways were also acknowledged. Then there were the occasions when he

had assisted residents with individual issues and these efforts had been greatly appreciated.

Cr Baberowski who was re-elected at the Council elections on March 19th, provided a quick update on issues from Council and made a presentation to those in attendance on his achievements to date.

He predicted that the new Bells Creek Arterial road (or an alternative) would be built through to the Bruce Highway sooner rather than later.

He believes that as Caloundra South grows, new residents wishing to travel to Brisbane will not accept driving north to Caloundra Rd, along that road to the Bruce Highway, and then turning south.

When this has a detrimental effect on house lot sales, Stockland will be encouraged to build a new connection through to the Bruce Highway.

We also wish to acknowledge that Mark McArdle has kindly agreed for us to print our regular Newsletter 'The Connector' in his Caloundra office.

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We eagerly await the Second Major Entry/Exit Road

Take a few seconds and familiarize yourself with the map. You should be able to locate the two lakes in the centre of Canavan Gracie Recreational Reserve, that most of Bells Reach and Arbour look blank and empty in the map, and find where Bellvista Blvd meets Caloundra Rd (the top end of the turquoise coloured road).

The turquoise coloured road is Bellvista

Blvd. In the map it goes all the way south through Arbor and to where the bridge is currently under construction crossing the Lamerough Creek.

The red coloured road is the Bells Creek Arterial, Stage 1 currently under construction and expected to be completed late 2016.

The orange coloured road will be the interim connection road between the end of Bellvista Blvd and Bells Creek Arterial Stage 1 until the larger Bells Creek Arterial

No new homes in Aura (Caloundra South) can be occupied until the red and orange sections have been completed and connected to the southern end of the turquoise coloured Bellvista Blvd.

BeCA is currently lobbying for a connecting road from where the orange and turquoise roads meet, across to Pelican Waters Blvd.

This road is in state government plans but it is not expected to be built for another 12 years or so.

BeCA believes bringing forward the construction of this road would provide some relief to traffic congestion along Bellvista Blvd and Caloundra Rd.

The yellow spot DC just near the orange oval sign "Internal Connection Road" indicates where a shopping centre (or District Centre) approximately the size of the current Currumbundi Shopping Centre will be built.

The green spot marked NS (and near the DC spot) are the sites for two new state schools, one is expected to be primary, the other secondary. 2018 is mooted as a possible opening date for a P-6 school.

See the full report and an extra large map of the entire project on our website. The original, if you wish to download it, is around 6MB and is a HD A3 publication.



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