Mount Isa Regional Jobs Committee – Action Plan 2024-25 (updated 08.05.2025)

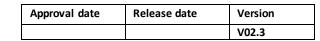
Purpose

This Annual Action Plan outlines local solutions being implemented by the Mount Isa Regional Jobs Committee (RJC). The Mount Isa RJC develop and deliver local solutions to local skilling and workforce challenges. Whilst delivering the RJC Annual Action Plan the RJC must remain agile and responsive to economic fluctuations and government responses throughout the time period. Progress against RJC Annual Action Plan activities and initiatives is updated quarterly and/or in response to meetings of the Mount Isa RJC.

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Initiatives

Challenge	Solution	Implemented	RJC solutions		Anticipated impact	Anticipated outcome	Driority	Initiative name
identified	focus area	by (date)	Activities	Complete	- Anticipated impact	Anticipated outcome	Priority	illidative fiame
This forum will address the lack of identification of local skilling and workforce challenges across various industries, including Camooweal and First Nations communities. It aims to bring together representatives from industry sectors, workforce stakeholders, government bodies and the community. The goal is to foster engagement, identify challenges and work collaboratively toward addressing	and into the	31 October 2024 30 November 2024	1. Mount Isa Regional Jobs Committee Local Workforce Community Forum a. 20240813_ Mount Isa Regional Jobs Committee Local Workforce Community Forum b. 20241001_Building Futures: Camooweal Community Employment, Education & Training Workshop 2. Document, distribute and publish Forum Outcomes a. RJC Local Workforce Forum Outcomes b. Building Futures: Camooweal Community Employment, Education		 Enhanced Workforce Development: Identifying and addressing specific local workforce challenges will lead to more targeted skilling and training initiatives, improving overall workforce capabilities. Increased Industry and Community Engagement: Bringing together diverse stakeholders will foster greater collaboration, leading to more effective solutions for workforce development across various sectors. 	 Actionable Strategies for Workforce Growth: The forum will produce strategies to address skilling gaps, particularly in Camooweal and First Nations communities, improving employment opportunities. Improved Coordination Among Stakeholders: Stronger collaboration between industry, government and community stakeholders will result in more cohesive workforce development efforts and improved skilling outcomes for the region. Documented Strategies for Workforce Growth: The forum will produce a summary document outlining the identified skilling gaps and proposed solutions, particularly in Camooweal and First Nations communities. 	⊠ Short term	Local Workforce Community Forum The RJC Local Workforce Forum aims to identify and address local skilling and workforce challenges across all industry sectors, including those in Mount Isa Local Government Area (LGA). Bringing together industry representatives, workforce stakeholders, government and community members seeking to foster collaboration and develop actionable strategies for





workforce development and skilling needs in the region.			& Training Workshop Outcomes			4.	Distribution and Publication of Outcomes: The document will be distributed to all forum participants, workforce stakeholders and community members and published online to ensure transparency and wider community access.		workforce development.
Community members in Camooweal continue to face significant health- related barriers— both physical and mental—that limit their ability to engage in training, employment and broader social and economic opportunities. Limited access to health services, combined with low community awareness of available supports, contributes to a cycle of disengagement. Addressing these health gaps is essential to enabling sustained workforce participation and improving long- term community outcomes.	Workforce participation Local solutions School- to-work transition Workforce attraction and retention Skilling Qlders now and into the future	30 May 2025	1. Lead coordination of the Wellness in Action: Camooweal Health Expo: a. The RJC will take the lead in planning and delivering the event to improve local health access and participation. 20250527_Wellness in Action: Camooweal Health Expo 2. Partner with health and community sectors for localised delivery: a. Working collaboratively to design a tailored health expo that reflects the needs of Camooweal residents and families. 3. Facilitate cross-sector collaboration to strengthen outreach: a. The RJC will connect service providers to improve integration, visibility and consistency of service delivery in the region.	1. 2.	Greater awareness and trust in local health services: By showcasing accessible health and wellbeing supports, community members will gain confidence in using available services. Stronger connections between community and service providers: Face-to-face engagement fosters meaningful relationships, increasing community willingness to seek help when needed. Higher engagement in health, training and employment pathways: Health-focused outreach helps reduce participation barriers, opening up opportunities for learning, employment and self-sufficiency.	1. 2. 3.	individuals to pursue education and job pathways.	☑ Long term	Wellness in Action: Camooweal Health Expo A community-led health and wellbeing expo designed to improve access to health services, promote healthy living and remove health- related barriers to employment and training participation in Camooweal. The event brings together health providers, community organisations and families for a day of engagement, education, and service delivery.
Limited Access to Job Opportunities for Youth and Career Transitioners: Young people transitioning from education to employment and individuals needing a career change face significant barriers in accessing suitable job opportunities. These barriers include a lack of career guidance, limited exposure to	Workforce participation □ Local solutions ☑ School-to-work transition ☑ Workforce attraction and retention ☑ Skilling Qlders now and into the future	14 August 2024 & 4 September 2025	4. The RJC will support the existing event Explore your Future – Jobs Expo by helping in the promotion, coordination, and facilitation of connections between local employers and job seekers. The RJC's role will include ensuring the event is inclusive and accessible to a broad range of community members, including young people, First Nations job seekers and individuals seeking career changes a. Explore your Future in the Isa Jobs Expo,	4.	Increased local employment opportunities and career exploration for job seekers: By connecting job seekers with employers and offering tailored support services, the event will create more pathways for employment, allowing individuals to explore a variety of career options. This increased visibility will help job seekers find suitable positions and understand the broader range of opportunities available in the local market.	5.	career paths, the event will educate job	⊠ Short term	Support Explore your Future – Jobs Expo Workforce Australia Local Jobs Townsvill (including Mount Isa) in partnership with th Department of Treaty Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, Communities, and the Arts, will host the 2024 "Explore Your Future in the Isa" Jobs Expo. The ever will feature hundreds of job vacancies,

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employers and insufficient pathways for skill development, all of which hinder their successful integration into the workforce.			delivered by Department of Employment Workplace Relations (DEWR) in partnership with Department of Treaty, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, Communities and the Arts		workforce, which is essential for local business growth and economic stability. 7. Improved career readiness for young people transitioning from education to the workforce: The event will provide young people with essential information, resources and connections that will equip them for a successful transition into the workforce.		connecting job seekers with employers, career opportunities, and tailored support.
Industry Growth and Market Outlook (2025-2026) The construction sector is expected to grow by 12% over the next 1-2 years, driven by substantial infrastructure projects and regional development, leading to increased demand for skilled labor. There is a need for workforce participation, local solutions, schoolto-work transitions, and strategies for attracting and retaining workers.	Workforce participation Local solutions School-to-work transition Workforce attraction and retention Skilling Qlders now and into the future	6-8 th May 2025	1. RJC will partner with North West Commerce to lead the jobs expo at the 2025 North West MPX event, focusing on workforce development in the construction sector. a. The expo will address emerging needs in the construction industry by aligning training, employment opportunities and resources with the demand for skilled labour, ensuring the workforce meets the requirements of future infrastructure projects.	 The initiative will support the region's economic growth by connecting employers with skilled workers, ensuring that the workforce is ready for upcoming construction and infrastructure projects. The expo will facilitate partnerships, map skill requirements and attract strategic investments that will contribute to regional development. 	 A stronger, more skilled workforce to meet the demands of the growing construction sector, contributing to regional economic growth and long-term sustainability. Increased workforce participation, effective school-to-work transitions, and enhanced attraction and retention of skilled workers. 	⊠ Short term	North West MPX Jobs Expo North West Commerce will host the 2025 North West MPX, a key conference and expo for the mining and resources sector in Queensland's North West Minerals Province. RJC's involvement in the event will centre on the Jobs Expo, providing a focused platform to address the construction industry's workforce needs. The initiative aims to foster partnerships and support the region's economic growth, ensuring a skilled workforce for upcoming infrastructure projects and long-term benefits for the local economy
Ensuring local stakeholders, including businesses and educational institutions, are actively involved in the co-design of training programs to align workforce skills with current and future industry demands, addressing gaps in upskilling and reskilling efforts		June 2025 (ongoing)	1. Co-Design of Training Programs a. Co-designing training programs with input from community members, local businesses, industry leaders and educational institutions will ensure that the programs are responsive to industry demands and focused on upskilling and reskilling the workforce for both present and future needs.	 Relevant and practical training tailored to community needs. Education & Training Alignment: Tailor educational and training programs to meet the current and future skill demands of local industries. Upskilling & Reskilling: Focus on continuous learning and development to equip the local workforce with skills relevant to emerging industry needs. 	 Improved Training Outcomes: The initiative will create tailored training programs that meet regional industry needs, enhancing job readiness and increasing employment opportunities for local job seekers. Enhanced Entrepreneurial Capabilities: By fostering skill development, the initiative will empower community members to pursue entrepreneurship, driving local business growth and economic resilience. 	⊠ Long term	Co-Design and Capability Building Initiative By conducting the Co Design and Capability Building Initiative, the RJC aims to foster collaboration among local stakeholders. This collaboration will lead to co-design tailored training programs that enhance workforce capability, align with industry needs and promote continuous upskilling for sustainable economic

									growth and employment.
Local workforce skilling needs are not well known or documented. The RJC aims to align workforce skills and industry needs in Mount Isa LGA with local skilling opportunities to reduce unemployment and increasing data literacy in Mount Isa LGA.	Workforce participation Local solutions School- to-work transition Workforce attraction and retention Skilling Qlders now and into the future	31 October 2024 31 October 2024 31 December 2024 30 June 2025 (ongoing engagement and capacity building) 31 March 2025 30 April 2025	 Research survey subject matter experts (SMEs) and training Establish Industry Skill Builders Working Group and hold regular meetings to progress initiative. Run two co-design workshops to design initiative and develop project proposal 20241002_Industry Skill Builders Working Group 20241204_Industry Skill Builders Working Group Capacity & capability building and strengthening for RJC members to design survey, research, analyse results and present results Develop tailored employment survey for Mount Isa & Camooweal industry, employers and employees (existing & future workforce). Employment survey outcomes to be compiled into a detailed report that can be shared with RJC members, local employers, workforce and skilling stakeholders including Government where required to better advocate for local skilling and workforce development opportunities. 		Data Literacy a. Skills developed on survey design researching, analytics, visualisation & storytelling Improved Understanding of Workforce Dynamics: a. Gain detailed insights into the current state of employment, skills gaps, and workforce participation in Mount Isa. b. Identify specific barriers to employment and participation within the community. Enhanced Training and Development Programs: a. Align existing training programs with the actual needs of the local workforce and industries. b. Address skills shortages and improve the quality and relevance of training provided. Informed Decision-Making: a. Provide data-driven insights to inform local government, industry leaders, and community organisations. b. Support the development of targeted workforce policies and programs. Increased Community Engagement: a. Foster greater community involvement and input into workforce development initiatives. b. Enhance awareness of local support programs and employment opportunities. Economic Growth and Stability: a. Support the growth of local businesses by ensuring they have access to a skilled and capable workforce. b. Drive economic development and job creation in the region.	 3. 4. 5. 	Enhanced Workforce Potention:	☑ Long term	Employment Survey & Data Literacy Project RJC aims to build a resilient, skilled, and engaged local workforce to drive long-term economic
Acknowledging the Mount Isa LGA Employment Survey & Data Literacy Project will seek to combat the skills knowledge gap in the Mount Isa region. This project will address the follow-on challenge being a lack of demandsupply mapping, skills and workforce development plans.	⊠Workforce participation ☐ Local solutions ☐ School-to-work transition ☑ Workforce attraction and retention ☑ Skilling Qlders now and into the future	30 June 2025	Using the learnings from the Mount Isa Employment Survey Initiative, the RJC will conduct a: 1. Situational Analysis: a. Assess current workforce demand and supply across the top 5 industry by job growths b. Evaluate recruitment and retention trends and challenges.	2.	Accurate Demand-Supply Mapping: a. Accurate mapping of workforce demand and supply in Mount Isa. b. Clear identification of skills shortages and surpluses in various sectors. c. Enhanced ability for businesses and policymakers to make informed decisions based on real-time data. Enhanced Skills Development: a. Development of training programs specifically tailored to address identified skills gaps. b. Overall improvement in the skill levels of the local workforce. c. Alignment of educational and training institutions with industry needs. Workforce		Comprehensive Workforce Data Report: a. A detailed report outlining the current state of workforce demand and supply, identifying specific skills gaps, and providing actionable recommendations. Strategic Training Initiatives: a. Implementation of targeted training programs designed to fill identified skills gaps and meet the specific needs of local industries. Policy and Funding Support: a. Advocacy for additional funding and support from government and industry stakeholders based	⊠ Long term	Employment Survey Insight Initiative Through implementing the Employment Survey Insight Initiative, the RJC aims to create a more efficient, skilled, and adaptable workforce, driving sustainable economic growth and improving job satisfaction and retention in the Mount Isa LGA region.

The RJC will better support the region to plan and prepare for current, emerging and future workforce needs.		c. Review existing training programs and employment pathways. d. Identify gaps in training and employment that hinder meeting workforce demand.	 a. Creation of more job opportunities aligned with local industry needs. b. Better retention of employees through targeted development and support programs. c. Enhanced career progression pathways for local workers. 	on data-driven insights from the demand-supply mapping. 4. Economic Growth and Stability: a. Strengthened local economy through a well-aligned and skilled workforce, leading to increased business productivity and growth. 5. Continuous Improvement Framework: a. Establishment of an ongoing framework for monitoring and evaluating workforce development initiatives, ensuring continuous alignment with industry needs and workforce demands.		
The Mount Isa LGA region faces challenges in effectively coordinating employment and recruitment services. With multiple providers offering similar services, there is a lack of awareness and understanding of what each provider offers. This leads to duplication of efforts, inefficient service delivery, and missed opportunities for joint servicing and collaboration. As a result, job seekers and employers do not fully benefit from the available resources, and the region's workforce development potential remains underutilised.	31 December 2024 30 November 2024 30 June 2025 (2x forums) 30 March 2024 30 June 2025 (ongoing)	 Establish Workforce Alliance Working Group and hold regular meetings to progress initiative. Run two co-design workshops to design initiative and develop project proposal 20240918_Workforce	1. Enhanced Service Coordination: a. Improved understanding and coordination among service providers, leading to more efficient and effective service delivery. b. Reduction in service duplication and better allocation of resources. 2. Stronger Provider Networks: a. Development of stronger networks and partnerships among employment and recruitment service providers. b. Increased collaboration on joint initiatives and projects.	1. Improved Employment Services: a. More comprehensive and integrated services for job seekers and employers, resulting in better employment outcomes. b. Enhanced ability to meet the needs of the local workforce and address skill gaps. 2. Increased Job Placements: a. Higher job placement rates due to more effective matching of job seekers with employment opportunities. b. Greater support for job seekers in navigating the employment landscape. 3. Economic Growth: a. Contribution to regional economic growth by maximising the potential of the local workforce. b. Strengthened local economy through improved employment rates and workforce development.	⊠ Short term	Remote & Regional Placement Forum The implementation of the Remote & Regional Placement Forum aims to foster collaboration and coordination among service providers. This will lead to enhanced employment services, better job placement rates, and overall economic growth in the Mount Isa LGA region.
Mount Isa faces significant challenges in attracting new residents and skilled workers due to limited awareness of the region's diverse career opportunities, lifestyle benefits, and cultural richness. The	31 October 2024	1. Establish Experience & Excellence Group a. Partner with local government, retail, hospitality and service industries for hands-on training, focusing on customer service and operational excellence. b. Hold regular meetings to progress initiative.	 Increased Workforce Participation: Attraction of skilled workers and families, increasing workforce participation across sectors like health, education, retail and tourism. Enhanced Economic Growth: By bringing in new talent and filling skill gaps, the local economy will experience sustainable growth and diversification. Improved Brand Perception: Mount Isa will be recognised as a thriving region for career growth, community involvement, and quality of life. Greater Regional Retention: Residents will feel more connected to the community through career 	 Career Growth and Job Placements: Increased number of professionals employed across key sectors, contributing to regional development. Community and Workforce Integration: Stronger bonds between newcomers and the community, fostering a welcoming and supportive work environment. Sustained Economic Development: Increased population growth, leading to more housing, services, and business 	⊠ Long Term	Discover Mount Isa: Your Next Opportunity By implementing the "Discover Mount Isa: Your Next Opportunity" initiative, we aim to create a compelling narrative that showcases the diverse career opportunities, lifestyle benefits, and cultural

region's image is often stereotyped as solely focused on mining, and its unique work-life balance and cultural experiences are under-promoted. This lack of visibility hampers economic growth,	and into the future	30 November 2024 & ongoing	2.	Run Two Co-Design Workshops a. Host workshops with stakeholders to design the initiative and create a detailed project proposal, ensuring alignment with community needs.		progression, enhanced living conditions and cultural integration, leading to long-term retention.	4.	opportunities, driving the regional economy forward. Cultural Enrichment: Greater awareness and integration of Mount Isa's Aboriginal culture and community events, enriching both residents' and visitors' experiences.		appeal of Mount Isa. This will attract new residents, stimulate career growth, and drive economic development in the region.
community development, and the ability to fill critical job vacancies across sectors like healthcare, retail, education, tourism and service industries. Without a compelling narrative and targeted marketing, Mount Isa struggles to compete with other regions in drawing talent and investment.		30 April 2025	5.	Support MICCs Marketing Campaign a. Develop content proposal for MICC. Content gathering to support the MICCs targeted marketing campaign highlighting career opportunities, lifestyle benefits and community stories to attract skilled workers and families. Showcase Aboriginal and Diverse Cultures, Work-Life Balance						
		31 March 2025	6.	Create a Career Pathway Information Hub a. Build an online portal showcasing job opportunities, career pathways and training resources across key sectors like healthcare, retail and tourism.						
Ex-offenders face limited access to employment, training, and	⊠Workforce participation	31 December 2024	1.	Establish Aboriginal Empowerment Working Group	\boxtimes		1	Increased Workforce Participation: Ex-		First Nations Initiatives - Initiative 1: Second Chance Integration
support services, which hinders successful reintegration into	☑ Local solutions☐☐School-to-	30 November	2.	Run two co-design workshops to design initiative and develop project proposal	\boxtimes	Reduced Re-Offending: Comprehensive support and training for ex-offenders will contribute to smoother transitions back into the community, lowering re-		offenders will gain the skills and support needed to secure employment, leading to higher workforce participation.		The aim is to improve second chance opportunities
the community. This challenge aligns with Closing the Gap initiatives, requiring comprehensive solutions to provide	work transition Workforce attraction and retention	2024 & ongoing		 a. 20240925_ Aboriginal Empowerment Working Group b. 20241127_ Aboriginal Empowerment Working Group 		Smoother Employment Transitions: The program will facilitate easier access to job opportunities, helping ex-offenders integrate into the workforce more effectively.	2.	Successiii transitions to amniovment	☑ Long erm	securing employment with local industries or by enrolling in education or training to develop skills. These efforts will enhance
job opportunities, training, and tailored support to reduce re-offending and enhance	☐ Skilling Qlders now and into the future	30 November 2024	3.	Research existing and new programs like Community Re- Entry Services Team (CREST), Reconnection, Employment and	⊠					economic participation and support the long- term development of Indigenous communities.

community cohesion.	31 May 2024	4.	Learning (REAL) Program, Time to Work (TIME) if currently funded or operated by who Develop business case and advocate for program delivery in Mount Isa & Camooweal	_						
	30 June 2025	5.	Identify and Engage Local Industry Leaders and Develop Workforce Partnership an Employer Second Chance Employer Program		2. 3 3. I	Economic and Social Stability: Second-chance employment provides individuals with criminal records a path to financial independence, reducing reliance on social services and ensuring stable income. Strengthened Workforce and Employer Benefits: Local businesses gain access to a dedicated, diverse workforce, addressing labour shortages and reducing turnover. Broader Community and Cultural Change: The program fosters social responsibility and inclusion, shifting public perceptions of individuals with criminal records and encouraging more businesses to participate in second-chance hiring.	1. 2. 3.	Increased Economic Stability for Families and Communities: Second- chance employment leads to improved financial independence for individuals, reducing dependency on social services and boosting local economic growth through increased consumer spending. Broader Community and Cultural Change: The program fosters a shift in public perception, encouraging businesses to adopt second-chance hiring practices and reducing stigma around hiring individuals with criminal records. Strengthened Workforce and Employer Benefits: Local businesses experience improved employee retention, enhanced productivity, and stronger company reputations, contributing to a more loyal and motivated workforce.	⊠ Long term	
Enhancing Access to Identification and Improving Birth Registrations Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people face significant challenges in accessing identification, impacting their ability to enrol in education, secure employment, and access essential services. In Mount Isa, these issues are compounded by limited access to identification and licensing services, which restricts participation in opportunities	31 November 2024 30 November 2024 & ongoing	2.	Research and engage with health and social assistance providers if there has been a previous or new interest in outreach service/liaison officer to support maternity patients complete birth registrations Research & Advocate for the National Aboriginal Birth Certificate Programs delivery in Mount Isa Run two co-design workshops to design initiative and develop project proposal a. 20240925_ Aboriginal Empowerment Working Group b. 20241127_ Aboriginal Empowerment Working Group Group		2. 4 3. I	Easier Access to Education, Training, and Employment: Simplified access to identification will enable individuals to enrol in education and training programs, leading to better employment opportunities. All Births Registered: Ensuring timely birth registrations will remove barriers to accessing services and opportunities throughout life. Increased Economic Participation: Empower individuals with improved access to identification, leading to greater economic involvement.		Increased Workforce Participation: With easier access to identification, more individuals will participate in the workforce, boosting local employment and economic development. Higher Birth Registration and Identification Rates: Streamlined processes will result in more timely birth registrations and improved access to identification, ensuring greater access to essential services.	□ Long term	First Nations Initiatives - Initiative 2: Enhancing Access to Identification and Improving Birth Registrations The aim is to remove barriers to accessing identification and ensure all births are registered within required timeframes. This will enable Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to access education, training, employment, and essential services, ultimately increasing workforce participation and supporting long-term economic and social development

critical to economic and social inclusion. Delays or gaps in birth registrations further exacerbate these barriers, creating lifelong obstacles that affect access to programs like the Indigenous Driver Licensing Program and Blue Card Services. Addressing these challenges is essential to supporting economic participation and ensuring equitable access to opportunities for First Nations community members.	Workforce participation	3-5 December 2024 & 22- 24 July 2025	4. The RJC will support the Muster ID event, delivered by the Department of Justice, First Nations Justice Office. The Muster will provide First Nations community members with the opportunity to obtain identification, access general licensing assistance, and engage with support services from organisations such as the Registry of Birth, Deaths and Marriages, the Queensland Revenue Office, and the Department of Transport and Main Roads. This initiative aims to improve community access to essential services, thereby reducing barriers to workforce participation and social inclusion. a. Muster ID delivered by Department of Justice (DoJ)		 2. 	Increased Access to Essential Identification and Licensing Services: Providing First Nations community members with access to critical identification and licensing services will enable them to meet the necessary requirements for employment, education, and participation in social services. Greater Empowerment for Employment and Education Engagement: Access to identification and licensing will empower individuals to engage more fully in the workforce and educational opportunities, reducing barriers to economic and social inclusion. Improved Participation in Licensing Programs: The event will support greater involvement in licensing programs, helping individuals meet legal requirements and access essential services.		Higher Rates of Identification and Driver Licensing: Increased registration of identification and issuance of driver licenses among First Nations community members will enhance their ability to access services and opportunities. Enhanced Access to Employment and Education Opportunities: With proper identification, individuals will gain improved access to jobs, training programs, and educational opportunities, contributing to their personal and professional growth. Greater Awareness of Support Services: The Muster will increase community awareness of services available to First Nations individuals, including licensing programs, helping to reduce barriers to participation in essential social and economic programs.	Short term Medium term Long term	Support the Muster ID The Muster will provide First Nations community members with the opportunity to obtain identification, access general licensing assistance, and engage with support services from organisations such as the Registry of Birth, Deaths and Marriages, the Queensland Revenue Office, and the Department of Transport and Main Roads. This initiative aims to improve community access to essential services, thereby reducing barriers to workforce participation and social inclusion.
Limited access to early childhood education and training for First Nations communities hinders efforts to close the gap in educational outcomes. This challenge affects both workforce development in early childhood education and opportunities for young First Nations children to benefit from quality early learning programs, which are critical for long-term success		31 December 2024 30 November 2024 & ongoing 31 December 2024 30 March 2025 30 June 2025 (ongoing)	 Establish Aboriginal Empowerment Working Group Run two co-design workshops to design initiative and develop project proposal 20240925_ Aboriginal Empowerment Working Group 20241127_ Aboriginal Empowerment Working Group Research Early Years training options & Funding options Organise Early Years Event to build interest and partnerships with Early Years Network Build local Indigenous capacity, workforce training for Early Educators 		1. 2.	Improved Early Childhood Outcomes and Workforce Development: Enhanced access to early childhood education will lead to better preparedness for school and future employment in early childhood education roles. Thriving Children: First Nations children will experience improved social, cognitive, and emotional development, setting them up for long-term success.	1.	Educational Readiness: Children will be better equipped to succeed in primary education, improving their future educational and employment opportunities. Strengthened Early Years Workforce: Increased access to training will bolster the early childhood workforce, ensuring more qualified professionals to support early childhood education.	Short term	First Nations Initiatives - Initiative 3: Strengthening Early Education and Workforce Development The initiative aims to improve access to early childhood education and workforce training for First Nations communities, enhancing educational readiness and supporting the development of a thriving early years workforce to ensure better outcomes for children and their future success.
Camooweal faces limited employment and tourism options.	⊠Workforce participation	31 October 2024	Establish Camooweal Working Group	×	1.	Increased Training and Job Opportunities: Developing the airstrip into a functional airport will generate new training and employment	1.	Skilled Workforce Development: Increased training will lead to a more skilled local workforce, improving	⊠ Long term	Camooweal Community Development - Initiative 1:

Developing the airstrip into a fully functional airport could significantly boost tourism and create new job opportunities.		30 November 2024 & ongoing 30 November 2024	2. Run two co-design workshops to design initiative and develop project proposal a. 20241107_Camooweal Working Group b. 20241205_Camooweal Working Group 3. Research airport ownership and maintenance responsibilities & access airports aerodrome safety and emergency planning, facilities and operations	2.	opportunities in aviation, tourism and related industries. Improved Infrastructure: Enhancing critical infrastructure, such as the airport, will support tourism growth and local economic development.	2.	employability and local business capacity. Boosted Local Economy and Tourism: The new airport will attract more tourists, stimulating the local economy, and driving further investment in the region. Enhanced Community Engagement: The project will encourage greater community involvement, as residents participate in tourism and economic development efforts.		Infrastructure and Tourism Development/ Strengthening Developing the Camooweal Initiative aims to foster community growth in Camooweal through targeted initiatives focusing on infrastructure and tourism development, natural skills
		30 March 2024	4. Access funding & training programs to develop relevant skills and certifications to maintain airports grounds, manage hazards and install or restore fencing, shades)						enhancement, and youth empowerment, ultimately creating a sustainable and engaged community.
Camooweal faces low community skills and involvement, requiring initiatives to enhance natural skills development and encourage greater community participation for sustainable growth and empowerment		31 December 2024 30 November 2024 & ongoing 31 December 2024	1. Establish Camooweal Working Group 2. Run two co-design workshops to design initiative and develop project proposal - Camooweal Skills for Life a. 20241107_Camooweal Working Group b. 20241205_Camooweal Working Group 3. Research community training programs that empower participation and independency like the Indigenous Housing Repairs and Maintenance program (QLD TAFE) & confirm participants numbers and delivery. Advocate for funding and delivery in Camooweal.	1. 2. 3.	Improved Community Skills: By enhancing natural skills development, community members will gain valuable competencies, leading to increased individual and collective capacity. Greater Community Participation: Initiatives will foster a stronger sense of ownership and involvement in local activities, boosting community engagement and cohesion. Sustainable Growth and Empowerment: The focus on skill-building and participation will drive long-term sustainability, enabling empowered individuals to contribute to economic and social development. Improved workforce readiness: Enhanced employment opportunities in the building and construction sectors.	2.	Increased Local Skills Utilisation: Community members will actively apply newly developed skills in local projects and industries, contributing to overall economic growth. Higher Levels of Community Involvement: More residents will participate in local initiatives, events, and decision-making processes, strengthening civic pride and engagement. Empowerment through Sustainable Initiatives: These initiatives will create a foundation for continuous personal and community growth, supporting a cycle of empowerment and long-term development in Camooweal. Increased job placement rates: A more	Short term Medium term Long term	Camooweal Community Development - Initiative 2: Natural Skills Development and Community Participation Developing the Camooweal Initiative aims to enhance natural skills development and increase community involvement in Camooweal. implementing targeted initiatives will empower residents, foster local talent, and encourage active
		30 April 2025	Deliver building and construction skills training				skilled, qualified workforce within the industry.		participation in community-driven projects for sustainable growth.
Camooweal lacks youth infrastructure and activities, leading to limited	⊠Workforce participation ⊠ Local solutions	31 October 2024	Establish Camooweal Working Group Run two o-design workshops to	1.	Improved Youth Wellbeing: The creation of a safe space will enhance the mental, emotional, and physical health of young people by providing	1.	Increased Youth Engagement and Empowerment: More young people will actively participate in community programs, skill-building activities, and	□ Short term	Camooweal Community Development - Initiative 3: Camooweal Youth
opportunities for young people. This gap impacts youth wellbeing and		- 30 November 2024 & ongoing	design initiative and develop project proposal a. 20241107_Camooweal Working Group b. 20241205_Camooweal Working Group	2.	access to activities, mentorship and support. Strengthened Community Cohesion: This initiative will bring the community together, fostering collaboration and shared responsibility for youth development and well-being.	2.	programs, skill-building activities, and leadership roles, leading to greater personal growth and empowerment. Enhanced Infrastructure for Youth: Establishing a safe space will provide essential facilities for youth activities,	Medium term ⊠Long term	Empowerment: Safe Space and Development Initiative This initiative aims to improve youth

space or centre to engage and support the youth	Workforce attraction and retention Skilling Qlders now and into the future	31 December 2024	3. Research existing infrastructure and partners/resources to create safe environments for young people to engage, thrive and upskill.	nd partners/resources to create afe environments for young eople to engage, thrive and	dev 3. Loi Bei add	pporting both empowerment and evelopment. Ing-Term Economic and Social enefits: Empowered youth will help dress social issues and contribute to ang-term economic development	wellbeing and community cohesion by providing a dedicated safe space or centre for young people, addressing the current lack of
	ratare	30 June 2025	4. Youth Development and Safe Space for youth engagement, providing opportunities for skill development and social activities.		thro	mough skills enhancement and active mmunity involvement.	infrastructure and activities available to youth in Camooweal.