

## Queensland on the right track with Better Planning proposal

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The Queensland Government's Better Planning proposals are an important first step to delivering better strategic planning and development outcomes, critical to securing the future productivity and liveability of communities across the State.

The Australian Sustainable Built Environment Council (ASBEC) welcomes a move by Queensland to implement a more effective strategic planning system, backed by a \$59.4 million investment in the process.

"The Better Planning for Queensland reform proposal paves the way for more outcome-focussed, integrated strategic planning, supported by a stronger social licence for proposed urban renewal and infrastructure developments, supported by greater consistency in administration" said Jonathan Cartledge, Chair of ASBEC's Cities Task Group.

"We encourage ongoing engagement with industry to ensure the Government's vision is realised as reform is delivered.

"Ultimately the test for these reforms will lie in the implementation of a more ambitious infrastructure pipeline. Additional infrastructure funding will be critical in the longer-term to realise the benefits of better planning and greater productivity for Queensland.

"We look forward to working with the Government to explore new financing opportunities to support investment across the State for the benefit of all Queenslanders."

### **About ASBEC**

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