

## **OBI OBI PARKLANDS PROPOSAL - *Frequently Asked Questions***

### ***Who designed the parklands concept?***

A group of concerned local citizens working in co-operation, and drawing upon substantial professional experience and skills. The land uses were obtained from the CCC community consultation day at the RSL Hall and the CCC's website. The organisations behind the parklands concept include Maleny Green Hills, Barung Landcare and Lake Baroon Catchment Care Group. A group called the Friends of Obi Obi Parklands has actively supported this concept plan through dissemination of information, advertising, and the *ObiObiParklands.com* website.

### ***Why wasn't MALPAN involved?***

MALPAN has had meetings with some CCC Councillors and the developer of Cloudwalk and has presented a different proposal which involves the sale of substantial house lots to pay for an ambitious collection of sporting facilities. MALPAN has a single agenda of sport and rec facilities for the land, revolving around a large combined clubhouse and 18-hole golf course.

### ***What role will CCC play in the development of the parklands?***

CCC will form a strategic management partnership with the Maleny community. The ownership of the land will reside with CCC.

### ***What impact will the council amalgamation have?***

Probably none, with the possibility of a delay in development of the site should Council not reach a decision on the concept plan prior to the amalgamation.

### ***Where will the money come from?***

Capital comes from the sale of 41 small house blocks, a 32 unit retirement village, and two rural residential lots. Plan delivered in 10 years.

### ***Where will the money come from to maintain it?***

Mainly from the renting of land to ecological businesses and commercial horticultural companies. Various groups occupying the site will generate their own grants and funds.

### ***Who will maintain it?***

Budget allows to double the maintenance team from Mary Cairncross Reserve.

### ***Who will manage the development of the parklands?***

A strategic partnership between CCC and the Maleny community.

### ***What community facilities does it provide?***

Community common, equestrian trails, outdoor amphitheatre, dog off-leash area, picnic areas, sculpture gardens, bike path, extensive walking paths, and a camping ground with cabins. There is allocation for future uses and space to relieve pressure from the showground (eg dog off-leash area).

### ***Why are active/competitive sports facilities not included?***

CCC maintains sporting facilities at the showground and Witta and has expressed a reluctance to establish more sports grounds on the precinct land. We fully support Council in their master plan to revamp the Maleny Showgrounds. Provision within the community facilities area could accommodate an aquatic centre, and possibly bowling greens.

### ***Why isn't a golf course included?***

We considered a 9-hole golf course but advice from both CCC and golf club members indicated that they would only consider an 18-hole course. The site is unsuitable for an 18-hole course, and an 18-hole golf course uses over half of the available useful land, precluding many other possible uses.

### ***Why no soccer fields?***

CCC said that they would not support a third set of sporting fields. Improved soccer facilities will be included in the future showground management plan. There is virtually no flat land available for playing fields within the useful land on the site. State Government waterways and conservation requirements preclude any use of the riparian land for such activities. Riparian land needs to be revegetated with local trees and other plant species to form a dense canopy.

### ***Where will the pool go?***

CCC and the Maleny community have not decided on the location for a pool or gym. This plan can accommodate these facilities if required, in the community facilities area.