

Cultural Policy

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Council's Corporate Plan – *Our Future Redlands – A Corporate Plan to 2026 and Beyond*

South East Queensland Regional Plan (2017) - theme 4 - Sustain

Agenda 21 for Culture, (2004), an undertaking by cities and local governments for cultural development adopted by the (International) United Cities and Local Governments (ULGA).

Policy Objective

- To develop and promote a robust living culture on the Redlands Coast that reflects and stimulates all residents.
- To affirm the scope, goals and priorities of Council's Cultural Plan.

Policy Statement

Redland City Council, through its Corporate Plan, is committed to providing services that deliver our community's shared vision and collective aspirations; *Naturally wonderful lifestyle. Connected community. Embracing opportunities.* We are a values led organisation and our organisational values encapsulate what we care about, influence how we operate and support our mission: Make a difference, make it count.

Council acknowledges culture as a primary vehicle for the exploration of community values and aspirations and regards the vitality of local culture as an important indicator of community wellbeing, economic prosperity and sustainability.

Council is committed to:

- Recognising and respecting the cultural rights and responsibilities of the Quandamooka people as the region's traditional owners and supporting their efforts to protect and promote their unique living culture.
- Harnessing the potential of cultural processes in plans and programs to improve ecological sustainability, community wellbeing, economic viability and engaged democracy.
- Nurturing the creative core of community cultural development through providing strategic support for local arts and heritage activities.
- Developing integrated approaches to community development and place management that acknowledge the cultural underpinnings of local challenges and draw on cultural processes in finding solutions.
- Providing dedicated public cultural facilities that present professional programs in all art forms that engage diverse audiences and participants and that develop the skills and ideas of local artists.
- Supporting local collectors, custodians, interpreters and creators of cultural heritage material to preserve and share the stories of Redlands Coast's past and present.

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- Supporting local artists and organisations to develop and deliver creative projects through dedicated cultural development grant programs.
- Supporting organisers of local festivals and events to deliver safe, inclusive, sustainable and vibrant programs that engage and inspire diverse communities.
- Enhancing a sense of local identity and place through integrating contemporary art works in the design, refurbishment and animation of significant public places.
- Enhancing the sustainability of community based cultural organisations by encouraging long term planning; innovative programming; and new partnerships that expand community participation.
- Monitoring the diversity and scope of cultural development opportunities on the Redlands Coast to ensure equitable access by people of all ages, abilities and locations.
- Promoting the value of an authentic, distinctive and dynamic local culture to the tourism industry.
- Developing partnerships with government and the private sector to increase investment in local cultural development infrastructure and programs.
- Demonstrating leadership and innovation in municipal cultural policy development by promoting discussion of 'Agenda 21 for Culture'.

Definitions

Nil.

Associated Documents

ART-002-F Public Art Framework ([A4201558](#))

ART-002-P Public Art Policy ([A196622](#))

ART-003-A Redland Art Gallery Collection Administrative Directive ([A196658](#))

ART-004-A Redland Art Gallery Exhibition Administrative Directive ([A196632](#))

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Document Control

Only Council can approve amendments to this document by resolution of a Council Meeting, with the exception of administrative amendments which can be approved by the relevant ELT member. Refer to *Policy Instrument Development Manual* for an explanation on administrative amendments ([A4063988](#)).

Any requests to change the content of this document must be forwarded to relevant Service Manager(s).

Approved documents must be submitted to the Corporate Meetings and Registers Team for registration.

Version Control

Version number	Date	Key Changes
3	December 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minor changes
4	August 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated reference to the current Council Corporate Plan 2018-2023 • Updated reference to current South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017 • After the word 'Redlands' inserted the word 'coast'

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5	December 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated reference to current Regional Plan, cultural plan and current words Inclusion of Definitions section Inclusion of Associated Documents section Inclusion of Document Control section New customer service statement included.
6	March 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Administrative update to include reference to new Corporate Plan.
7	March 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed, minor administrative updates to PAGP references.