



▼ Bundaberg CBD Revitalisation

Online Survey Consultation Report

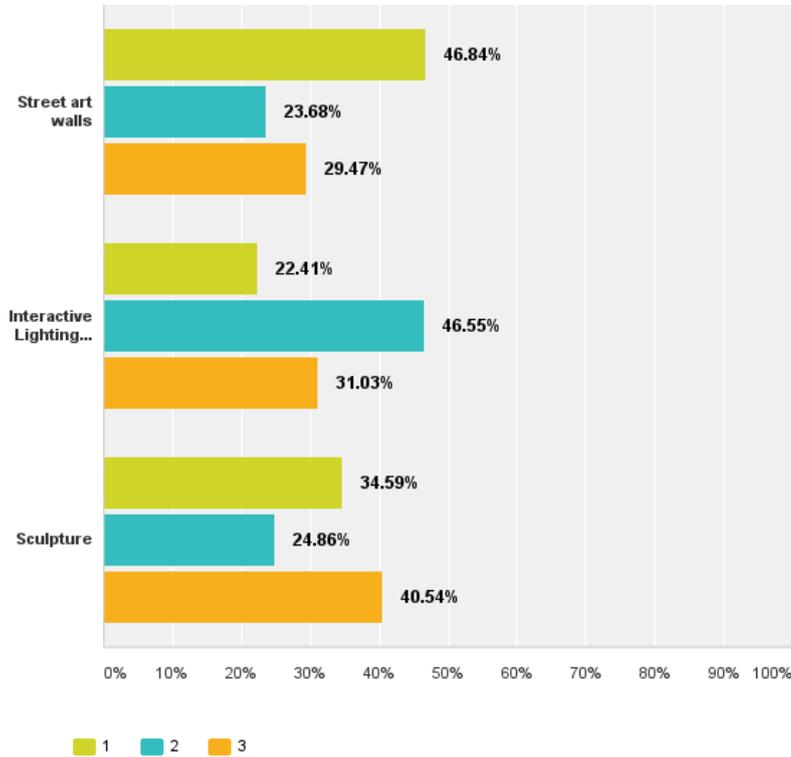
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Overview

Council undertook an online survey throughout February 2017 to help establish a greater understanding of public opinion for the revitalisation of the Bundaberg CBD. As a result of the survey, Council received 260 responses from various demographic groups within the community. Community members were invited to provide open feedback to Council for consideration and answer several key questions about topics including: public art, landscaping, improvements to public space, family friendly environment, and CBD Pavilion activation. Survey data has been reviewed and statistics and survey responses are provided in the following report.

1. New Public Art

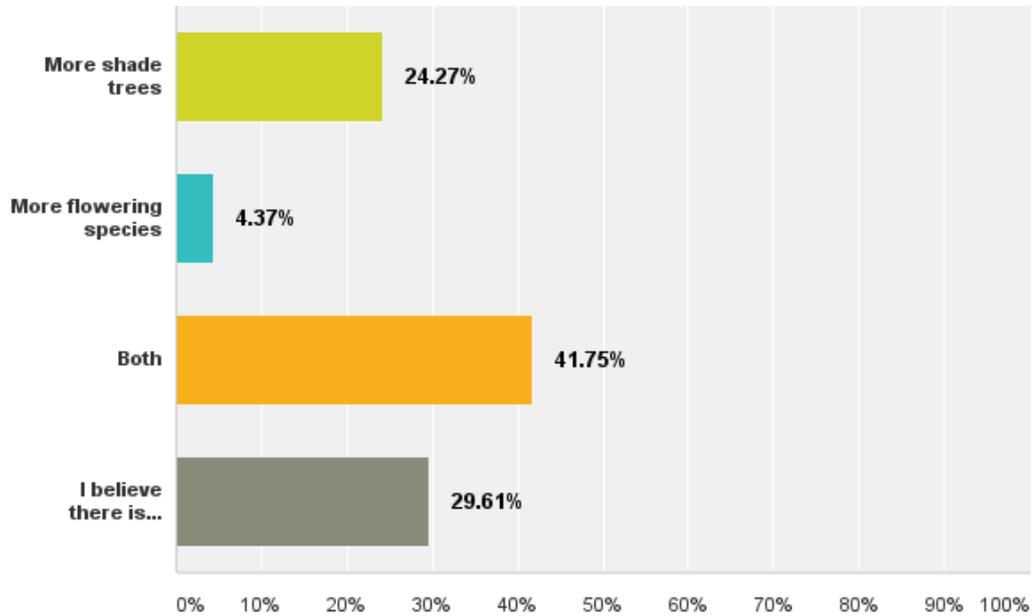
Surveys have noted community interest in new public art in the Bundaberg CBD. What style of art is your preference? Please rank your priority (1 – highest, 3 – lowest)



	1	2	3	Total	Weighted Average
Street art walls	46.84% 89	23.68% 45	29.47% 56	190	1.83
Interactive Lighting Displays	22.41% 39	46.55% 81	31.03% 54	174	2.09
Sculpture	34.59% 64	24.86% 46	40.54% 75	185	2.06

2. New Landscaping

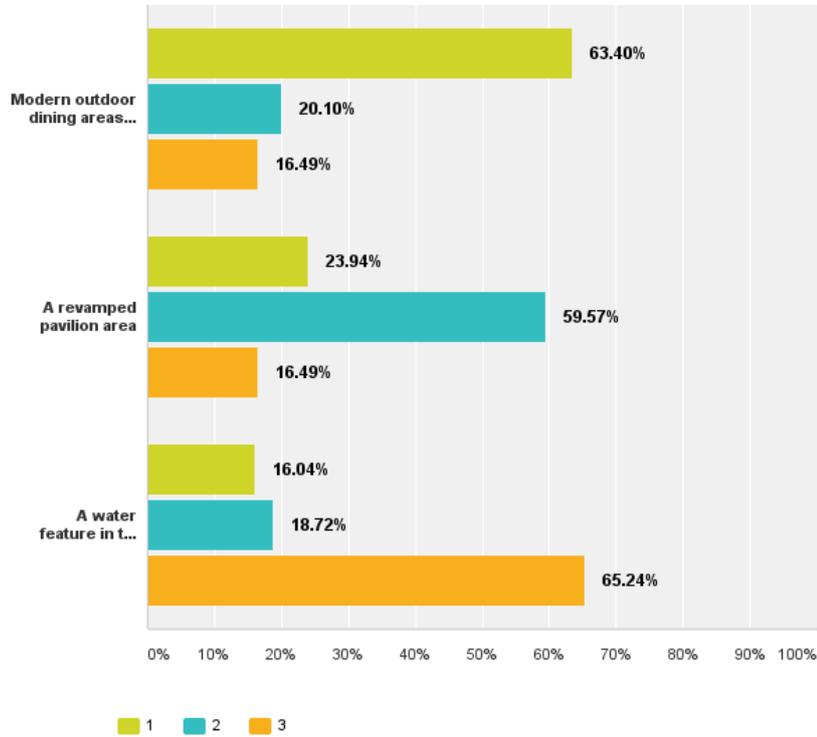
If Council was to introduce new landscaping in the CBD, which would you most like to see in the Bundaberg CBD?



Answer Choices	Responses
More shade trees	24.27% 50
More flowering species	4.37% 9
Both	41.75% 86
I believe there is sufficient landscaping	29.61% 61
Total	206

3. Improved Public Space

In order of priority, please rank improvements you would most like to see in the CBD? Please rank your priority (1 – highest, 3 – lowest)



	1	2	3	Total	Weighted Average
Modern outdoor dining areas with seating and shade	63.40% 123	20.10% 39	16.49% 32	194	1.53
A revamped pavilion area	23.94% 45	59.57% 112	16.49% 31	188	1.93
A water feature in the Bundaberg CBD	16.04% 30	18.72% 35	65.24% 122	187	2.49

4. Pavilion Activation

Tell us what sort of entertainment / activities you would like to see in the revamped CBD Pavilion.

- Sufficient as it is.
- Nothing, the Pavilion is dated and needs to go.
- Musical shows by night, lunchtime entertainment by musicians, art exhibitions.
- I find the current pavilion area to be uninviting and certainly not a safe place to be with little children.
- Busking/Markets/Local produce/Art exhibitions/Music/Singing - Live events/Pop Up Events/Cultural Activities/Family Activities/Movies.
- Teenager activities, teaching DIY projects, children's activities, more quality buskers.
- Cafe style.
- Older Musicians to entertain shoppers.
- Live street music, Sunday central art market.
- Heritage trail, interactive signs showing stories and pictures of the old buildings and places of significance.
- Live music on weekends?
- Places for live music performance.
- Local craft and produce markets, Sunday afternoon local musicians share their music
- It is very noisy for theatre performances in this space with cars passing. Preface microphone facilities.
- Pop up restaurants.
- More regular use primarily. It's great to see any community group accessing the space.
- Food/wine festivals, street festival.
- Music for the weekends. Traveling kids' entertainment similar to queen street mall.
- Music is lovely as it can be heard and enjoyed outside the pavilion area. Maybe free creative workshops like drawing, crafts, drumming etc.
- Buskers.
- Buskers.
- Night markets, outdoor movies.
- Markets, fairy lights, parks & gardens.
- Free workshops. Dancing. Music.
- Tourist information and community boards etc.
- Music.
- Community groups.
- Live music, Soirees.
- Buskers/ live music/ family events.
- A variety of local musical and entertainment.
- Not sure.
- Buskers, Artists, Community groups, Plays, Contests, Talent shows
- Night time event with unique street buskers.
- Outdoor Theatre shows.

- It needs to be programmed. Local performers getting a chance to promote themselves, schools, dance schools, arts organisations etc.
- More parking.
- A stage and electricity points for more live local music, by local talent of course. Maybe some seated areas to relax and watch.
- Sunday street markets. Although we would need to close off the roads and parking is hard enough as it is.
- Live music, Cooking demos, Night-time markets.
- Cultural Community.
- Live music/DJs.
- Stage for musical performances on weekends.
- Seems to mostly get used by charities collecting money, which detracts from other uses.
- Community awareness projects and lots of music and outdoor plays. You could use the local drama club and also introduce 'mimes' such as the silent clowns and silent theatre....the local drama clubs could participate and Bundaberg has local bands and solo acts that would be great...
- More midday concerts in pavilion paid for by shop owner's contributions. They will get the benefits so they should pay a contribution.
- More market space, Food market in CBD every Friday night.
- Live acts.
- Outside dining and underutilised space.
- More activities and spaces for kids and youth.
- Kiosk where the police beat is - cheap sandwiches and drinks - allow charity groups into CBD.
- Relocate a cafe shop or landscape with chairs and tables to make it less concrete, remove the stage like police beat, buskers, extra water feature.
- Street buskers in the pavilion would be nice where people can sit and watch.
- The CBD area where the stage is seems like a wasted space to be honest, I barely see it used, maybe create a nice sitting area? Tables, chairs and a few plants? More shaded areas in other areas of the CBD as well - the elderly and disabled love to people watch. Make all seating areas easily accessible for anyone no matter their mobility issue.
- Music.
- Smaller area with more car parking. Make something of the space, make it attractive with seating and greenery.
- Kids' activities through the holidays.
- Fortnightly market activities. Possibly a Thursday night. If you can close just this block for that period would be great.
- Markets once a week, more seating, good quality entertainment.
- Vibrant youth space, no smoking, more water bubblers, clean toilets above ground, more toilet facilities.
- Buskers, music.
- Markets on Friday night and update it to 2017.
- Underutilised and too big, include more seating, no palm trees danger to public.
- Family friendly entertainment.
- Something to cater for all ages.
- Smaller area, better program.

- Food stalls pop up, laneway, close street and business open later
- Family specific entertainment
- Music playing throughout
- Entertainment
- Designated smoking areas, more buskers, more seating.
- Outdoor dining.
- Community activities, performances.
- Night entertainment - music, street performances.
- Good space, needs more seating and more events.
- Live theatre performances.
- Live music. Anything involving kids which will draw in parents and therefore customers.
- Open mic, we may find a comedian or great singer.
- Pavilion could be utilised far more for a variety of performance activities - encourage buskers, lunchtime music, poetry readings. The area would need to be revamped to make it a more pleasant place to sit (not somewhere people want to gather at present).
- Remove the whole structure, useless waste of space, and definitely not utilized sufficiently enough to justify the complex, toilets are phew!!!!
- Nil - do away with the whole thing! Total waste of space majority of the year! Absolutely useless.
- Regular concerts.
- Unsure but anything has got to be better than nothing.
- Facilities for busking, music and street theatre, interactive public art.
- Live music, busking, demonstrations of art etc.
- Something like the Southbank Piazza for entertainment, festivals, shows, Anzac Day parades etc.
- A tourist Information kiosk
- Live musicians
- Any
- Kids entertainment and local bands
- School music activities
- As Bundy is a multicultural/European City, let's reflect that please. So that WE WANT to come to the CBD. Check out MELBOURNE CBD! Colour, culture, art, architecture. It's beautiful and inviting!
- Live music and street theatre. Pop up activities.
- As much as I love sitting, drinking coffee and watching the world go by, there are far too many coffee shops in the CBD now. It would be wonderful to see more artisan type shops promoting local produce etc. Unfortunately, Bundy isn't a wealthy town at the moment and it would be virtually impossible to support such a space. Maybe some space could be allocated to local craftsmen and producers to display their products in some sort of rotating basis. That is what the tourists look for. Not generic clothing shops. My son came back from overseas and made the comment, that with our soil and climate, we should be the salad bowl of Queensland, but, unfortunately too much of our wonderful farming land is going the way it did in Brisbane i.e. large black-garaged roofed McMansions surrounded by 6 foot steel bond fences covering beautiful red soil.

- Need to encourage more community groups to use the space. Also make the space bigger and more open. As it is now, it can only cater for a small group when events are happening and you have to be in front of the stage to see anything. It should be more of an amphitheatre style.
- Licensed busking would be ideal, with a good mix of music genres/styles/cultures. The business community should also utilise the space to do demonstrations of their wares to entice people to shop with them.
- School groups and local youth entertainment groups.
- Local Buskers.
- Schools could bring in completed activities and presentations. Parents would come in to town to watch them.
- Opera Hour: Opera singers singing popular opera numbers (older citizens of Bundaberg would love this especially since we have Italians and Germans heritage - Pucini; Verdi - la Traviata; Rigoletto; Madam Butterfly etc.) Set up the top of the Pavilion to reflect a balcony etc...e.g., we have the Playhouse Theatre with their costumes, props and sound system there are some brilliant singers as part of their troupe. Plus, if anyone is visiting they can encourage their involvement. Playhouse and Schools could also do some short one act lunchtime plays etc....we have some really good playwrights and musicians here in Bundaberg. The most important thing is to keep it regular.
- Family friendly activities in the afternoon evenings that are free - activities for the children, stalls, markets etc.
- Night Markets.
- Band on weekends with seating and close to food venues. More car parking and wider street.
- Musicians, performers, craft mornings (run by community groups).
- Regular Band Concerts and similar events.
- Buskers and other street artists.
- Live music on Thursday nights?
- Buskers on a Saturday morning.
- Maybe buskers could play there instead of on the street. It is not a nice area to sit around in at the moment, seems very uninviting.
- Music, buskers short theatre acts.
- Musicians, entertainment for children (clowns, punch and Judy type shows, storytelling, aboriginal dreamtime story telling) artists at work, dancers, buskers.
- Small local groups displays and demonstrations.
- None, until you fix the traffic congestion I don't think you should add anything that would cause further disruption.
- Local musicians/bands, buskers, pre-school and school choirs, short plays. A piano that anyone can play (may need locking up at night) or ground piano. Chess set. Interactive sculptures.
- Group fitness aerobic style classes.
- I think this area could be better utilised.
- Fire twirling, drumming, street performers, chalk street artists, weekend markets
- Any new CBD should consider an environment not provided by modern shopping centres and take account of global warming/climate change. Eventually the issue of traffic through the CBD and the construction of multi-

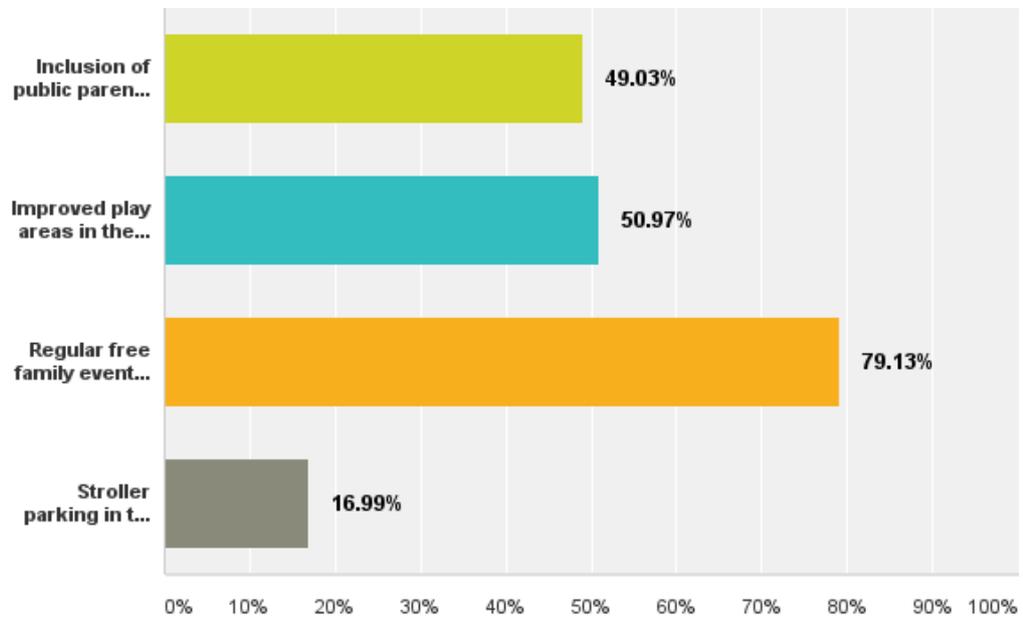
level car parking will have to be addressed. My vision of a CBD would be traffic free between Maryborough and Tantitha Streets with an abundance of substantial high canopy trees, paving not concrete, the encouragement towards more thoughtful architecture and the promotion of our older buildings and facades. I would replace the pavilion with an amphitheatre (suitably shaded).

- Busking.
- Bands playing activities for kids.
- Nothing - this area is a waste of space and could be put to far better use.
- Acoustic music, painting displays.
- Street performers, maybe school groups, easy listening music artists.
- Ones that motivate the community, no point doing anything if people aren't going to go. You need the numbers! What do people of Bundy want to do? I don't want rate money being spent on activities that aren't sustainable. Need to run it like a business, not a cash cow.
- Music/buskers.
- Local performing arts.
- Local bands. Famous bands. Local art displays. Youth groups of Bundaberg. Stuff that promotes Bundaberg and local areas of interest.
- Unsure
- Street buskers.
- Anything. It's there, so let's put it to good use. Anything you can get hold of. Just make it look like something is always happening. School bands, choirs, get some artwork from the BRAG and have the artist there, get some ethnic food vans in there on a regular basis, plaster painting for kids, dance troupes, fashion shows, craft demonstrations by the local Man Shed group. There should be something there at least weekly so people can start to form a habit of going to check out what's new
- I would love a kids/family friendly water park (like the one at Hervey Bay) this would add a lot of attraction to the area & also attract more people wanting to eat/dine out in doing so would create more jobs & help support local restaurants & cafes. Hervey bay water park also has a night light show at the water park to attract people to the area (again this encourages people to dine out).
- Nothing, it's already busy enough with traffic and pedestrians. Adding another distraction will be dangerous.
- Revamp pavilion, make it larger with seating areas, local artists performing ad lib, buskers, spontaneous events happening and make it vibrant.
- Not related to the pavilion but rather public art. Please repaint the whale wall. If it's too iconic, its removal would cause great upset then at least do some touch ups so it isn't so incredibly faded.
- Performances? Don't really know that we need a revamp.
- Family days.
- Local singing groups, bands and orchestra. No cars in the CBD area, a separate car park behind making the experience safer for everyone.
- Maybe just more music.
- A space that allows for all manner of visiting and local entertainment.
- I'd like pedestrian mall. No cars. Multilevel parking complex.
- Live music; coffee shop; art exhibition.

- Street performers & buskers.
- Busking would be cool to rotate around. Also please don't cut down any more of our beautiful trees. The previous mayor already did enough of that.
- A more encouraging area/friendly area for performers to meet and play, to encourage people to get out and about an experience culture, utilize public facilities and thoroughly enjoy the CBD experience. This would also have a large positive impact with tourist. When I was in Melbourne (and to a smaller extent Brisbane) the street performers drew large crowds and you could spend hours watching and enjoying. Perhaps get some type of media company on board to host competitions to encourage performers. The current CBD pavilion is always filled with smokers, who don't seem to have anything better to do but sit there and make it look unfriendly, perhaps they need to be encouraged to move along when the pavilion is revamped and they definitely subtract from the area immensely. With local government's new ability to ban smoking within 10 metres of a public facility, this would be worthwhile. Live music nights e.g. Jazz night, rock night. Street dance competitions or rap battles. Have sculptures, artworks, stories or a mixture that tell the history of the region scattered around the place to allow people to go through the journey of Bundaberg, not just of Bert Hinkler, but our farming to our turtles, to our sugar and brewery. Create a roof-top view dining area for people to enjoy an afternoon and night of fine dining and drinks. Have a drama studio, or school drama students do performance/open air plays. Coordinate science displays and activities to promote science, innovation & technology. Aboriginal dances and performance, dream time stories & traditional activities.

5. A Family Friendly Environment

Council is strongly wanting to encourage families to visit the CBD regularly. Which improvements would encourage you back to the Bundaberg CBD? (Select one or more options)



Answer Choices	Responses
Inclusion of public parents rooms in the Bundaberg CBD	49.03% 101
Improved play areas in the Bundaberg CBD	50.97% 105
Regular free family events in the Bundaberg CBD	79.13% 163
Stroller parking in the CBD	16.99% 35
Total Respondents: 206	

6. Other Feedback

Do you have any other feedback you would like to share with Council for the CBD revitalisation?

- Stop planting flowers on roundabouts. Plant trees and leave them alone. Money wasted watching 6 overpaid council workers plant stuff every 3 months.
- More parking - Take out some of the seats in the islands (remove confusion around available parking); remove the turnarounds before the roundabouts; don't do anything too expensive to increase rates; keep existing free family events; more police presence in the CBD to enforce give way rules at roundabouts. Updates via post.
- No cars or one way traffic. Widen pathways.
- I have already made a submission on this to the CEO and Councillor.
- No underground toilets. Need toilets at both ends of Main Street. Pedestrian crossings at all intersections, including on Woongarra Street. Extra crossings on Quay Street. Rear to curb parking to avoid all the accidents and near misses, from people backing out both ways. You can't see oncoming traffic until you are half way out of the parking spot. Single lane of traffic where you have centre parking in Barolin Street between Woongarra and Woondooma Streets.
- Bourbong St is lovely as it is, please spend the \$ on Quay St to improve views of the river. I don't want a multi storey car park, the low rise CBD is part of its attraction, people can walk to car spaces and I doubt they would spend their own money on parking, let's use natives for the roundabouts, so they don't have to be replaced as often, the planting is beautiful.
- Heritage Trail for the public. Use of indigenous plants throughout. Thought given to the overall look and feel of the CBD upgrades i.e. an overall 'brand' seen through the types of materials selected for seating/signage etc. Investigate opportunity for artists to rent vacant shops and exhibit work. Consider tourist needs.
- Fix The Parking and Traffic flow.
- More parking. Replace the old SGIO building and replace it with multi-level parking
- I'm a former Bundaberg resident who comes back often to visit my parents and family. Please please please - fix the whale wall. It's a disgrace. Residents don't notice it much anymore, as it's seen every day, but as someone who comes into town irregularly - it is the biggest eye sore in the CBD.
- New public toilets! They are disgusting.
- Encourage local artists to be involved, improve the parking - reverse parking is terrible. Promote our heritage and have a CBD walking trail which has now been developed by Councils tourism services.
- I agree completely with more street art. It doesn't have to be graffiti on a wall to look incredible. Take a look at the street art of Benalla, VIC; that's what I would love to see.
- Please make the Main Street dog friendly. Please use colourful plants and artwork to create a unique and vibrant community.
- Bring in more small and large business to CBD and improve roundabout traffic/main street traffic flow. Pedestrian crossings are located badly right near the roundabouts causing traffic to back up. Maybe provide more parking in Quay Street with an arcade access to the main street.

- More footpath dining areas and perhaps one street to street section made into pedestrian only.
- Encouraging cafes to have footpath dining without all the costs associated to do so.
- I enjoyed seeing the lights in the trees at night. Maybe you could have them permanently run by solar power.
- Please take inspiration from places like Noosa and other Sunshine Coast towns who have beautiful streets that use low maintenance green collage plants. These plants if set up correctly would be a constant beauty to the streets and soften the harshness our CBD has and be not such a waste of time to council workers and money as the flower roundabouts are. Street art would also help to encourage more families back to the CBD and provide interest from tourists as well. Our CBD at current state is harsh, dirty, hard to get parking, a nightmare to get out of the parking, and not an enjoyable experience for kids (I have a 4yr old so speaking from first-hand knowledge). Bundaberg has a lack of art culture that kids and young adults are crying out for, as seen from the disappointment and outcry of the removal of the wall across from Hinkler place. Street art if chosen right mixed in with softening green collage plants would give the CBD such an amazing and inviting boost!
- The cafe scene is growing and is lovely. It would be nice to have a few more night venues for meals and drinks after movies or a show and a few more family orientated things in the evenings rather than just the clubs.
- A lot of shops are not accessible by electric wheelchairs or even by anyone using a wheelie walker. The Suncorp Arcade is not accessible from Woongarra St. That ramp in there is far too steep and then how can one exit back into that street because of the high step up from the footpath?
- We need to bring more parks & gardens & extend the river walk to include more walkways/entertainment space.
- I understand public sculptures are expensive to maintain. Is there some way that public art could be incorporated into infrastructure that already needs to be maintained - paving, tables, bins, seating, walls, toilets etc.? Surely some artists out there have some ideas to make this work.
- More people would go to the CBD if there was more parking. Current parking spots are needed to be used by staff who work in the CBD as well as customers.
- A vehicle free mall with facilities for cafes and restaurants to use the mall for quiet vehicle free dining.
- Need more public toilets.
- Keep all the parking but change it to be reverse in and drive out to help with minor crashes.
- We are a turtle town - theme should be consistent with turtles all over town areas and CBD. Include schools to do a paver each student or mosaic turtles as wall art or footpath inclusion - a turtle focus is suitable for destination tourism & include #visitbundaberg on all murals to promote region in every snap taken by visitors & locals.
- Not all activities need to be based around children and families, there are a lot of elderly people, teenagers, over 40 kids left home, young couples, singles etc. who would also benefit from the revitalisation of the CBD offering a place for them to enjoy music, food, art etc.....not everything needs to be about the family with 2.5 kids at school age.

- Melbourne's street art has become an institution and a tourist attraction. The back alley ways are an absolute adventure. Let's have it here.
- I love the established trees that are present.
- Please consider using local people to deliver these projects to investing in upskilling local people (e.g. street art). Keep the money local.
- More parking (especially 10-30mins). Most the time I avoid the CBD as it is so hard to get a park, especially if I only need to go to one shop. If I didn't have to fight to get a park I would visit the CBD more regularly rather than shop elsewhere.
- Shopping mall section PLEASE.
- Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners, Youth Projects.
- Parking seems to be a perceived, rather than real problem. It would be good if there was an intelligent system in place that advised how many carparks were free in particular areas. Could be linked to a phone app so you can go straight to where to parks are. Local company Microair has the smarts to make such a system.
- I do not have young children but I do believe that a parent's room and stroller parking in a safe place is a good idea for those parents who do have youngsters. Also, local information on all kinds of events could also be held in the CBD, shared with all those who are around and community awareness information could also be shared.
- The existing fountain on Targo/Bourbon is a total waste. It fails to represent the sugar cane industry. Make a more pleasant water feature. e.g. water filled glass tubes with base lights. Varying water sprays.
- Face lift and improved finishes.
- Parking should be reverse angle parking.
- Mini mall - close between Targo and Barolin, Great CBDs - Melbourne, Darwin. More seating and shade. Multi storey car park on Woongarra St.
- Better shops, especially clothes shops. More food places that are easy to access. Don't spent excess money, do the minimum number of improvements.
- Reverse car parking is dangerous. Spend money connecting footpaths from suburbs to CBD. Don't increase rates to pay for it. Keep the big shade trees and seating. Birds are too loud during festival. More frequent bus service into CBD. More zebra crossings. Buses for tourists on weekends. More seats for people watching. Update arcades for connection into the main street.
- Insufficient parking, more opportunities for longer parking including all day. Pavilion toilets are dirty and need renewing. Don't spend too much money, don't remove trees, recharging station IGA carpark, opportunity for local artists, no stroller parking, use arcades to cut through from back stages.
- I work with people with disabilities and these are just a few things I notice really make life more difficult that it should be:
 1. The concrete piece in the centre part of the parking lot makes it very difficult especially with people with any mobility impairment.
 2. Probably obvious, but still not enough disability parks, we often have to go round and round to get a park, especially one with enough space to fully open doors when people have to transfer to a wheelchair.
 3. There are still shops in CBD that have some form of a step or raised area to be able to access inside, anyone should be able to access anywhere regardless of mobility.

- I was recently in Melbourne and the streets had plenty of flowers/trees, lights, art, and features. It was a really pleasant sight and is something that I think will help bring business and a safer feel to the main street.
- Use the example of the Lismore CBD (car parking configuration). Use trees that don't drop leaves. Make the most of the traffic islands (co-locate infrastructure and gain extra car parks). Zebra crossings too close to corners. Don't lose shops from the CBD to outside centres such as Kepnock. Work with businesses and keep them regularly informed.
- Ever green trees.
- Parking - start thinking about underground parking
- No payment for events in CBD. Markets and events on Alexandra Park - draw tourists in.
- Multi Storey car parking in Woongarra Street. Close street for events. Safe play area in the CBD.
- Planted the wrong trees, causes trip hazard, better root control.
- Ground level toilets. Small changes, keeping both the public and the shops in mind so the shops don't go broke due to the disruption. No arty farty things.
- Traffic stream. Pedestrian crossings are in the wrong places. Priority should be given to vehicles to stop congestion.
- Close turnarounds for more parks, Stockland shopper Aldi. Update entries to CBD, Update parks in Quay St. Water Park at Anzac Park. Upgrade with no impact on rates.
- Car parking for businesses. Setup of parking. Permit parking.
- Parking.
- More seating.
- More parking. Reverse parking is an issue.
- The EYESORE that was once Suncorp Arcade is an embarrassment - it could be demolished and replaced with a creative complex featuring multi-level carpark, gardens, eateries and play areas for children. ALSO - give Bourbong Street its identity back by encouraging business owners to remove ugly signage and return building facades back to the beautiful ones they once were.
- Like the character.
- More parking under cover. Close CBD and put in decent carpark. Get rid of traffic. High-rise carpark that's free then have events held in CBD.
- I just love it the way it is.
- More policing of smoking and riding of push bikes on sidewalk. Close Main Street to traffic, convert to mall style with shaded areas.
- Keep the country character.
- The current U-turn facilities are a waste of valuable parking spaces. Cars doing such a U-turn have no right of way to re-enter Bourbong Street and the bank up of traffic behind them prevents traffic flow. It is far safer and quicker to continue the short distance to the roundabout to turn, where everyone will wait their chance to proceed.
- Just wondering why the "no smoking" signs have not been installed in the CBD yet? According to new laws, 5 metre from each retail entry would be out on the road. This means NO SMOKING on all walkways throughout the entire CBD area. Perhaps if this law was enforced, more non-smokers would enjoy the CBD, without choking on smoke. This is a huge problem that it seems you have forgotten :(

- Don't change to reverse car parks. The retail staff in the shops will then have to put up with exhaust fumes all day. Also a revamp of the whale wall as it is tired - maybe a new mural of a turtle? Whales are more of a Hervey Bay attraction. Just need to convince the owner of the building and find some funds for an artist.
- Less car parking and more pedestrian zones in Bourbong St. The river should be included in the CBD area - the town effectively turns its back on our most useful asset for attracting tourists by using the best views in town as car parking spaces instead of actively encouraging the establishment of a vibrant café and parkland zone.
- When the traffic banks up at the railway lines in the main street, you cannot even bypass under the railway line, because of the bank ups, and you wait for ages just to get over the railway line so you can go via the alternative back streets. I drive into CBD ONLY WHEN I MUST!
- Huh, try driving into CBD on Fridays, traffic is banked up along Bourbong St past the railway lines all because of folk waiting for parking spaces, and I do mean, right in the main CBD area? Absolutely ridiculous situation. Don't go there any more, saves the frustration.
- Please make the roundabouts safer! All the window height shrubbery and roundabout plants that impact on getting a good visual on indicating cars and oncoming traffic is not only dangerous but slowed the flow of traffic down immensely!
- Retain the character features of the buildings - make them more visible.
- Main shopping area should be made into mall, with a multi-level carpark a joining area.
- Better parking. In fact turn the CBD into a mall and have a multi storey parking garage.
- Lots of opportunities for street art e.g. murals to improve aesthetics and encourage local artist participation.
- More car parks. For example, multi story parking.
- Shop fronts having a standard to adhere to, the fairy lights in the trees near the Moncrieff would be a great addition to have all year round.
- No parking in the CBD, turn into a mall, with water features/mini park, light displays onto our old buildings, market stalls in the middle, develop major parking structures in Quay Street etc.
- Please actually consider some Women's fashion stores to come to the CBD area and please encourage boutique owners and eateries to remain open on the weekend. Seriously!
- Reinforce no smoking areas. So many people still smoke in the CBD and it smells disgusting. Needs a general tidy and freshen up.
- Better parking.
- Designated smoking areas away from the main thoroughfares.
- I'd love to see LOTS of edible plants and shrubs. Herbs, fruit trees and things like that.
- After being away for 20 years parking still remains an issue and jams up. I avoid the main street if I need to get something fairly quickly. With 2 usually tired children walking any distances takes twice as long to grab what you want. With all the traffic it's not an ideal place to go for a stroll unless you are without children. Cafes and increased seating outside especially in the evening when the parrots are out would be beautiful with fairy lights.
- Multilevel Carpark. Fix/update/pavements. Take nightclubs out of CBD (too many drunks at night).

- Do not allow charity groups with the annual / monthly fees to be hawking and stalking people whilst shopping, particularly those that are encouraging gambling, winning houses etc. I have found these people to be very persistent even though nicely saying not interested. BUT, Yes for charities that take loose change because if people have it on them they will give if they can afford.
- Hope I do not sound too negative, but I don't believe Council will achieve truly representative feedback from this survey. The survey on seating and toilets for example is not at all user friendly. After spending about ten minutes on it I gave up. This part of the survey is quite limited and does not include all options. e.g. In regard to public art, there are only three options, and there is no option for those who don't want any more public art. I realise that this process is not easy, but I think Council should not place too much weight on the results.
- Check out my ideas when first submitted to council RE: CBD original competition [NOTE TO WEBMASTER! WHY have you rejected my submission because I didn't answer the question above on A family friendly environment? Bad question or poor choices.]
- Needs much more public art and pleasant seating areas - too many car parks/cars which discourages pedestrians. Make a car free mall area.
- Do not change our CBD too much. It is one of the best in Queensland and I think it is pretty good as it is. All towns and cities have parking problems and most are worse than Bundaberg's. I prefer to park out of the main CBD area. Much more convenient. Perhaps parking meters!!! ???
- For the area between Barolin and Maryborough Streets, take a look at some of the initiative and ideas trialled at Garema Place in Canberra CBD. We already have the big trees to start with and it is an area used along with Buss Park for large events. It would be great to see this whole area utilised better by families. Imagine having an evening dinner in the park with family and friends and then going into the Moncrieff to catch a movie or a show.
- We need more long term parking for employers and their employees. I got a ticket just the other day because I couldn't find a long term parking and was busy with customers and was unable leave work to move my car. It is very sad to see local business close their doors, something to help them keep their doors open and encourage people down town like parking, seating and shade especially in the hotter months.
- The old Daph Geddes netball courts area should be transformed into a single level car park, with a future option to expand to a multi-level car park. With the addition of a free city loop bus service at regular intervals through business hours, this would allow staff who work in the CBD or customers to park and ride and lessen the congestion of parking in the CBD. The current loading zones in the CBD could be utilised to co-share with the city loop service.
- Larger loading zones in front of Radio rentals and less trees at the loading zones as it's hard to unload trucks.
- I would like to see fruit trees and vegie gardens in the CBD providing free food residents and visitors.
- Relax or change the zoning laws and review the building codes so the existing buildings can have residences above the commercial buildings...we need more inner city living. It would be good to see mixed use development and the ability of commercial landlords to build upwards to add residences above the shops or to modify the existing spaces above their shops. Also, commercial owners need to maintain their shops and signage. Petros is an example of a shop poorly

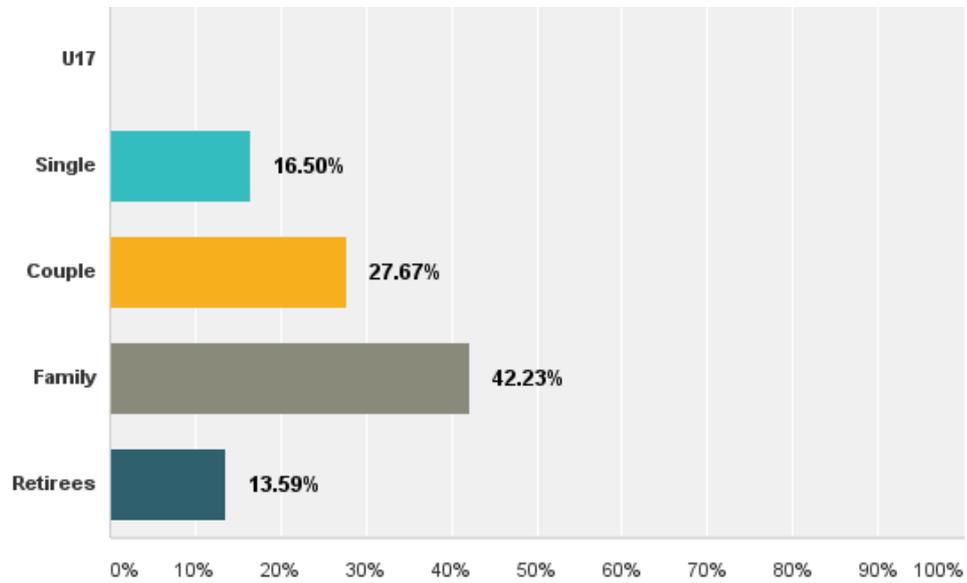
maintained. Need to slap them with a fine if they don't maintain upkeep. In Norway, they have a Pedestrian of Silly Walks. This would be brilliant incorporated into the pedestrian crossing near the Post Office. This would be great for people visiting from out of town e.g. RV's and backpackers etc. selfies and promoting Bundaberg. We could have a global competition with other countries that have adopted this on social media and people could vote. Its things like these that can go viral if handled right and would create good memories for people and tourists that participate. Would like to see the Post Office every Anzac Day with an interactive lighting display on the wall of the PO by images of poppies or fields or soldiers with some mood music playing - speakers can be attached to the post office. It should start in the evening the night before and continue on a continuous loop until the morning of the first ANZAC ceremony. This would make it different to the Bargara Anzac Service and I believe would encourage more people to turn up to the early service. <<Private content removed>> is a local artist and is excellent at interactive lighting displays. I'm pretty sure they have the right projector for the job but we can hire one for the occasion off a local lighting/video company. We did a lighting display on Walkers Building for the opening of the Foundry Project while I was working on a creative project and it cost about \$2k but was hugely effective.

- Important to make sure if more trees etc. go in that they in no way create traffic visibility issues / blind spots, don't want messy flowering trees that may create slip hazards or be an issue for allergy sufferers.
- Regarding paint - the lovely whale mural or paint another on that wall to do with marine life.
- The parking is totally inadequate especially in the areas of disability parking. When I take my mother to the CBD, it is quite often impossible to find suitable parking for her. Even myself trying to access the main area means parking a substantial distance away which sometimes doesn't warrant the short time I need to access the relevant business.
- The existing CBD is thriving compared with other regional QLD centres (Mackay, Rockhampton, Maryborough etc.). Care should be taken to not ruin this.
- Need to trim vegetation at the roundabouts. Remove the facility to turn prior to the roundabouts which will give room for more parking more parking.
- If you are going to revitalise CBD do something about Bourbong Street CBD such as closing it to all vehicle traffic.
- The number of smokers that are not abiding by the smoking laws i.e. be x amount of metres from a shop entrance. This is one of the reason I rarely go shopping on weekends with my family in the main street.
- We hate going into the CBD because it is so dangerous trying to reverse out of a rare parking space, particularly if an SUV is parked next to you.
- Parking always an issue, but take parking away and you will take more away from those businesses who are now undoubtedly struggling. Think very carefully regarding parking. It is important that good quality retail is encouraged in the CBD. Nice to have coffee lounges but how many can make a living. Would be great if retail like Target could be encouraged to come to the main part of the CBD.
- Car parking is a problem as people refuse to walk. A multi-level car park would be desirable in spite of the cost and remember you will never build something as cheaply as you can now.
- Get rid of the horrific reverse-out parking and improve access. Build a high-rise car park and make the people walk.

- You need to fix the traffic congestion. People detour the CBD because of this. More accessible toilets at either end with signage. A friend suggested it should be turned into an outdoor mall and I think this could work (thinking something like The Entrance, NSW, which is a huge hit for locals, tourists, families etc. - have a look).
- Council needs to stop using ratepayer funds to support business for who most do already and start fixing and upgrading roads and bridges in the area, and providing some long term opportunity's for the younger generations. A lot more people would be happier with lower rates rather than upgrading an area that works well, which people will never be happy with parking unless they can drive to the door or window as a lot do to feed themselves daily.
- Would restoring the old shop front and business facades be possible. Get rid of the ridiculous huge shop signs e.g., King Kong, Dimmeys and Chemist Warehouse and bring back small similar looking signs for all the shops that don't overwhelm the street. The buildings have so much character, would be nice to see that utilised in the revitalisation. If cafes could be separate from the parking areas that would be great too!
- Underground or above ground 1-2 story car park the length of Woongarra Street to accommodate 2 hour and all day parking. This would allow 1 hour parking only in Bourbong St.
- Leave it alone. You will destroy CBD shopping by removing car parking and easy access. Not everyone can walk from park to shops. There are no options above to say we don't want any of those things, this survey is skewed and should not be used to justify what you want.
- I want to raise the issue of designated disability parks. I'm an Occupational Therapist that works in the community with people who are recovering from surgery or illness. Often I am required to transport clients into the CBD to review how they manage accessing the community. I have found that often the disabled parks are taken and there doesn't appear to be enough of them. Some of the disabled parks are also not wide enough to fit a mobility aid in between the parks. This is required to ensure the person is able to safely reach their mobility aid when getting out of the car. A past client, who uses a power wheelchair only for mobility and is required to get out onto the footpath from the back of his van. He was almost hit by a car when he was reversing his wheelchair out as some of the disabled parks are nose in parks? More parallel disabled parks are needed to reduce this issue. <<Personal information has been removed from this response>>.
- Some of the toilets on the map don't have any signage or are in need of an upgrade. Family friendly toilets are important.
- I can't understand why this survey doesn't mention the parking situation. We'd come down far more often, if we didn't have to endure the painfully slow crawl up and down the Main Street, looking for a car park. Build a new parking facility.

7. Demographic

Which demographic best describes you?



Answer Choices	Responses
U17	0.00% 0
Single	16.50% 34
Couple	27.67% 57
Family	42.23% 87
Retirees	13.59% 28
Total	206



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