



Queen's Wharf Brisbane MONTHLY UPDATE

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Transforming Brisbane's food scene

It's not hard to see why everyone's excited about the Queen's Wharf Brisbane development. Queen's Wharf promises something for everyone, from luxury hotels, light and water river shows, enhanced public spaces, retail shopping and culinary delights.

The precinct will boast more than 50 new restaurants, cafes and bars, including those from celebrity chefs, drawing on Queensland's fresh seafood and produce.

Some of the celebrity chefs who have already shown a commitment to be part of Queen's Wharf Brisbane include Luke Nguyen, Adriano Zumbo, Teage Ezard and Chase Kojima.

Tourism to be the next boom industry



\$1.69 billion annual increase in tourism



\$1.39 million additional tourists



\$4 billion to Gross State Product

Echo Entertainment Group is delighted with the announcement that its Destination Brisbane Consortium is the preferred proponent to deliver the Queen's Wharf Brisbane integrated resort development. Shortly after the announcement, Echo Entertainment Group Managing Director, Queensland, Geoff Hogg, spoke at the CEDA Queensland Economic Future Forum about the project's features and economic benefits.

"Queen's Wharf will be a stunning project and arguably the most significant redevelopment in the history of the Brisbane CBD," he said.

"It will create more than 2,000 construction jobs, and 8,000 new jobs once operational. This development will be a game changer for Brisbane, one that will bring a new dimension to tourism and economic growth in Queensland."

Priority Development Area proposed development scheme

Economic Development Queensland is conducting public consultation on the proposed development scheme for the Queen's Wharf Brisbane Priority Development Area (PDA). The PDA was declared to facilitate the planning and delivery of the Queen's Wharf Brisbane integrated resort development project and establish the necessary policy environment to support the intended development outcome for the site.

You can view the proposed development scheme:

- on the EDQ website: www.edq.qld.gov.au/qwb-pda
- at information sessions, being held at Harris Terrace, 46 George Street, Brisbane City, on:
 - Wednesday 2 September 2015, 5pm - 7pm
 - Monday 14 September 2015, 11am - 1pm.

For more information on the development scheme and how to make a written submission for consideration by Economic Development Queensland visit www.edq.qld.gov.au/qwb-pda

Major project series

The Department of State Development's Major Projects Series is your opportunity to hear first-hand how the state government in partnership with the Destination Brisbane Consortium are delivering Queen's Wharf Brisbane.

Featuring:

- Dr Anthony Lynham - Minister for State Development, Minister for Natural Resources and Mines
 - Hear from Dr Lynham on the state government's plan for guiding and supporting the delivery of the Queen's Wharf Brisbane redevelopment and how major projects such as this are strengthening the Queensland economy.
- Geoff Hogg, Managing Director, Queensland, Echo Entertainment Group
 - Representing the Destination Brisbane Consortium, Geoff will share his insight into the Queen's Wharf Brisbane project and answer the question 'Where to from here?'.

Date - Friday 28 August 2015

Time - 7.45am to 10.00am

Venue - Hilton Brisbane, 190 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane

[Register your attendance here.](#)



Project timeline

- 20 July 2015 – Destination Brisbane Consortium announced as preferred proponent for Queen's Wharf Brisbane
- 7 August – 21 September 2015 – State Government consultation on draft Priority Development Area for Queen's Wharf Brisbane
- 2017 – Site works anticipated to commence
- 2022 – Queen's Wharf Brisbane expected to be fully operational

Community benefit to be echoed across new project



With a new riverfront development on the horizon, Echo Entertainment Group is continuing its active community sponsorship and participation program.

Echo Entertainment Group Managing Director, Queensland, Geoff Hogg, said the group had a long-standing history of supporting local charities and organisations and this will be strengthened with the development at Queen's Wharf Brisbane.

One of the more recent community-focused events coordinated by Echo Entertainment Group was a mini EKKA show taken to the children and families staying in Brisbane's Ronald McDonald House at Herston.

The heroic kids, undergoing lifesaving medical treatment, marvelled at magic tricks, had their faces painted, watched balloon sculptures, judged cakes prepared by the chefs from Treasury and Jupiters and enjoyed a specially-crafted carnival menu.

Treasury and Jupiters have a proud partnership with Ronald McDonald House South East Queensland. Last year they pledged to raise \$3 million over three years to contribute towards the development of the charity's new South Brisbane House, near the recently-opened Lady Cilento Children's Hospital.

Training excellence will benefit future Queen's Wharf Brisbane

With 8,000 new jobs once completed in 2022, Queen's Wharf Brisbane will create a jobs and career pipeline for Queenslanders wanting to work in retail, hospitality, tourism and entertainment.

Echo Entertainment Group's Jupiters Hotel & Casino and Treasury Casino & Hotel are working to ensure its existing 3,500 employees meet the latest industry requirements, and was this month recognised as the 'Metropolitan Employer of the Year' award winner at the Queensland Training Awards (QTA).

Just last month, the properties launched two new programs as part of their 'creating jobs for Queenslanders' focus including partnering with TAFE Queensland and joining with the Queensland Tourism Industry Council (QTIC) to promote job and career opportunities for Indigenous people.

Echo Entertainment Group Managing Director, Queensland, Geoff Hogg, dedicated the award win to the company's Queensland employees for their enthusiasm, commitment and dedication to guests.

"Our team members are passionate about what they do and are focused on providing the best entertainment, hospitality and thrilling experiences, with local spirit to our eight million visitors to Treasury and Jupiters each year," Mr Hogg said.

"Tourism is a \$23 billion industry for Queensland, and one that directly employs 241,000 people. To succeed as a market leader in this space we need to continue to invest in our people and ensure we are meeting the expectations of our clientele, especially as we upscale our operations through the development of Queen's Wharf Brisbane."

Enquiries are rolling in

The July 2015 Queen's Wharf Brisbane announcement has generated much excitement in the local, national and international marketplace.

Within hours of the announcement, enquiries had begun to roll in to Echo Entertainment Group from interested parties.

Echo Entertainment Group is currently finalising discussions with the state government ahead of contractual close and will continue to keep you informed on potential opportunities to be a part of the exciting integrated resort development.

Progress will be communicated through this monthly newsletter, or alternatively via our contact details below.

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