Rosewood Library
May 2019

The project

Ipswich City Council is constructing a new library facility at 15 Railway Street, Rosewood.

The new, two-level building includes a large open plan general reading area with children’s space, customer service area, maker space and market place area.

The upstairs area will host a meeting room, two study rooms, function area and general reading and collection areas.

Library facilities include:

- Library collection
- Children’s space, including outdoor area
- Market place
- Public access computers and printing
- Express internet
- Smart lockers and an after-hours return facility
- An integrated customer service centre.

Why is this project happening?

The construction of the Rosewood Library is an important project to deliver for the Ipswich community and will facilitate delivery of library and customer services across the city.

It will provide the residents of outer and western areas of Ipswich a new space to enjoy, learn and congregate. It will offer facilities to the community that meet the growing population needs of this area of Ipswich.

Project timing

Building construction
May to December 2019

Building fit-out
January to April 2020

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If you would like to receive project updates via email, please send us an email with ‘Rosewood Library’ mentioned in the subject line.

The construction of the Rosewood Library is a joint initiative of Ipswich City Council and the Queensland Government.

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Frequently Asked Questions

Where will it be located?
The library will be built on council owned land at 15 Railway Street, Rosewood.

What are the benefits of the project to the community?
Council’s aim is for the library to become a multi-functional community hub and customer service centre, which is not only about borrowing books; It’s a meeting space, a tourist hot-spot and an opportunity to extend digital knowledge and skills.

The facility will include a mezzanine floor, community meeting spaces, digital technology and incorporating provision for future smart library services.

A lot of work has been done in the design phase to ensure that the library building and façade are in line with the current character of John Street, Rosewood.

How much is this costing council?
The State Government through the Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs is contributing almost $2.7 million towards the cost of construction (building component) of the Rosewood Library. Council’s contribution is $3.3m.

Is street parking being removed?
On street parking will remain unchanged. In addition, a 25-space car park is being constructed on the library grounds as part of the library facility.

How will construction affect the area?
As with the construction of any new facility, additional noise and some disruption to local traffic in the area is expected. Council and its contractor will keep these disruptions to a minimum and keep people informed of any expected impacts.

How can I contact the project team if I have a question?
You can contact the project team by calling (07) 3810 6666 or by emailing ISProjects@ipswich.qld.gov.au

Why are you including a customer service centre?
It will improve access to the full range of council services and ensure consistency in the way council provides services to the community.