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REGIONAL ARTS SERVICES NETWORK

LOGAN & IPSWICH

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WHAT IS RASN?

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- AQ $6.5million - 3 years
- statewide network
- 8 providers across Qld
- Capacity building & networ
- rasn.org.au

IPSWICH SNAPSHOT

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- Fastest growing LGA in QLD
- Median age of 32
- 1 in 5 residents born overseas
- 152 languages spoken
- 8,428 residents identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
- Refugee Welcome Zone

KEY COMMUNITY ISSUES

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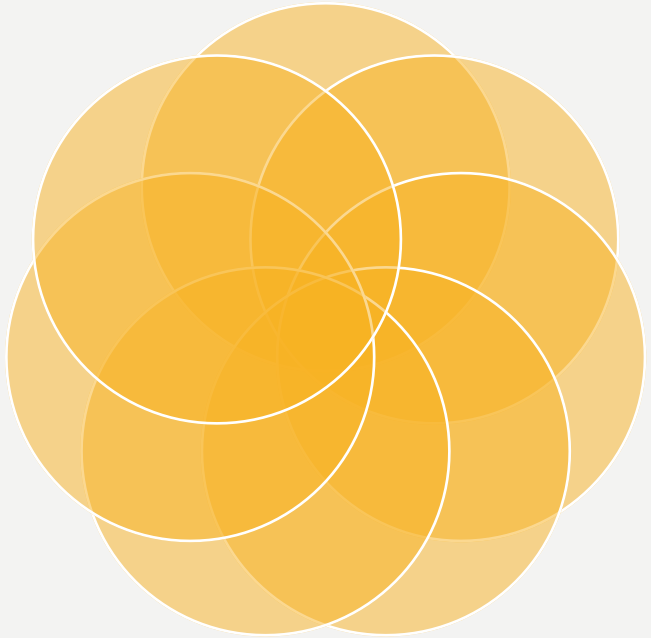
Affordability issues

Lack of adequate public transport

Challenges with social housing



Young people disengaged

Homelessness

Economic disadvantage

Unemployment

SERVICE DELIVERY GAPS

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- Lack of coordination
- Limited opportunities
- Limited capacity
- Limited PD

WHO ARE WE?

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Managing the QMC

Multicultural voices through arts and culture

ACCESS

Equal opportunities for disadvantaged communities

Logan, Ipswich, Townsville

Partnership

30 years experience in multicultural arts

Extensive networks

‘Nothing about us, without us’

REGIONAL OUTCOMES

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- Leadership development
- Increase engagement
- Increase in employment
- Increased social cohesion
- Increased investment

STRATEGY

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Key objectives	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3
Stakeholders	Engagement	Partnerships Developed	Increased Partnerships
Government	Local Partnership	Grow Partnership	Grow Partnerships (State/ Federal)
Community	Engagement	In Depth Community Connections	Partnerships between diverse communities
Industry	Local Opportunities	Local Leadership	Local Leadership Mechanism
Indigenous	Engagement	Partners Developed	Increase in Partnerships
Investment	Financial Investments	Development Local RASN Program	Further Investment
Research	Developed	Mapping Engagement	Comprehensive Mapping

FIRST STEPS

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Engaged closely with each Council & community

Opened Community EOI opportunities

Pivoted BEMAC projects towards meeting identified targets from consultation

2018/19 PROJECTS
COUNCIL PROJECTS IPSWICH

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- Ipswich Youth Advisory Council (IYAC)
- Protégé Masterclasses

2018/19 PROJECTS ENGAGE

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- Community Hub Arts Projects
- Hip Hop dance projects
- Ipswich State High School dance
- Men's Shed Art Projects
- Loganlea TAFE Choir and Dance Projects

2018/19 PROJECTS EMERGE

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- Get Prep'd
- Thrive
- Record and Release
- Visual Art
- Visualise/ Film
- Voices of Diversity

2018/19 PROJECTS

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- Digital Stories
- Education and Training Internships
- Activate Theatre
- Cultivate
- BEMAC Community Event Mentoring

2018/19 PROJECTS

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Community Projects EOI (Ipswich)

- Ipswich Historical
- Creative Ipswich
- Photographer Richard
- Ipswich State High School

NEXT STEPS

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- Projects outlined above
- Ongoing local engagement
- Ongoing local support
- Regional art forum / fest
- 2019/20 planning

KEY CHALLENGES

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- No local Councillors
- Complex community issues
- No local creative leadership
- LGA investment
- No state or federal funding
- Limited evaluation data

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