

Implementation of The Spit Master Plan Bill 2019

Explanatory Notes

For

Amendment to be moved during consideration in detail by The Honourable Cameron Dick MP, Minister for State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning

Title of the Bill

Implementation of The Spit Master Plan Bill 2019 (the Bill).

Objectives of the amendments

The objective of the amendment is to respond to a recommendation made by the State Development, Natural Resources and Agricultural Industry Development Committee (the Committee) in Report No. 45 (56th Parliament) tabled on 7 February 2020, following the Committee inquiry on the Bill.

Achievement of the objectives

The objective of the amendment will be achieved by amending clause 25 of the Bill (Amendment of section 45 (Appointment Members) of the *Gold Coast Waterways Authority Act 2012* (GCWA Act)).

Alternative ways of achieving policy objectives

There are no alternative ways to achieve the policy objectives.

Estimated cost for government implementation

There are no significant implementation costs for government arising from the amendment. Where costs do arise, they will be met from within existing budget allocations.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The amendment to the GCWA Act is consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

The issues raised in submissions to the Committee have been considered by the government in preparing this amendment.

Notes on provisions

Amendment 1

Amendment 1 amends clause 25 of the Bill to include a new subsection in section 45(2) of the *Gold Coast Waterways Authority 2012* to provide an additional skill and expertise criterion to qualify a person to be appointed to the Gold Coast Waterways Authority Board.

To improve The Spit as a renowned destination on the Gold Coast, the quality of the public space design and built forms is of fundamental importance. The Gold Coast Waterways Authority is leading the delivery of capital works on The Spit. The addition of skill and expertise in design and aesthetics of public open spaces, parks, natural environments and built form will support the Gold Coast Waterways Authority to perform its function in the delivery of implementation works for The Spit.

This amendment responds to Recommendation 2 made by the Committee.