

# KILCOY STREETSCAPE

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## Making the northern gateway stand out

Welcome to the first edition of the Kilcoy Streetscape Newsletter.

This quarterly newsletter is produced by Somerset Regional Council to keep the Kilcoy community up to date as we progress the Kilcoy Streetscape revitalisation project.

The project aims to enhance the identity, character and quality of Kilcoy's town centre.

This will be achieved through additional footpaths and public spaces, tree plantings, more car parks and almost doubling recreational vehicle parking spaces.

Kilcoy Streetscape is a collaboration between Somerset Regional Council and the community. An informed and engaged community is key to the success of this project.



Kilcoy is perfectly positioned as the northern gateway to Somerset and its natural assets.

We don't just want visitors to pass through Kilcoy, we want them to stop, stay and enjoy all our town has to offer.

This project will harness and enhance what is already great about this gem of a town.

**Jason Wendt, Mayor,  
Somerset Regional Council**



**A collaboration between  
Somerset Regional  
Council and the Kilcoy  
community.**

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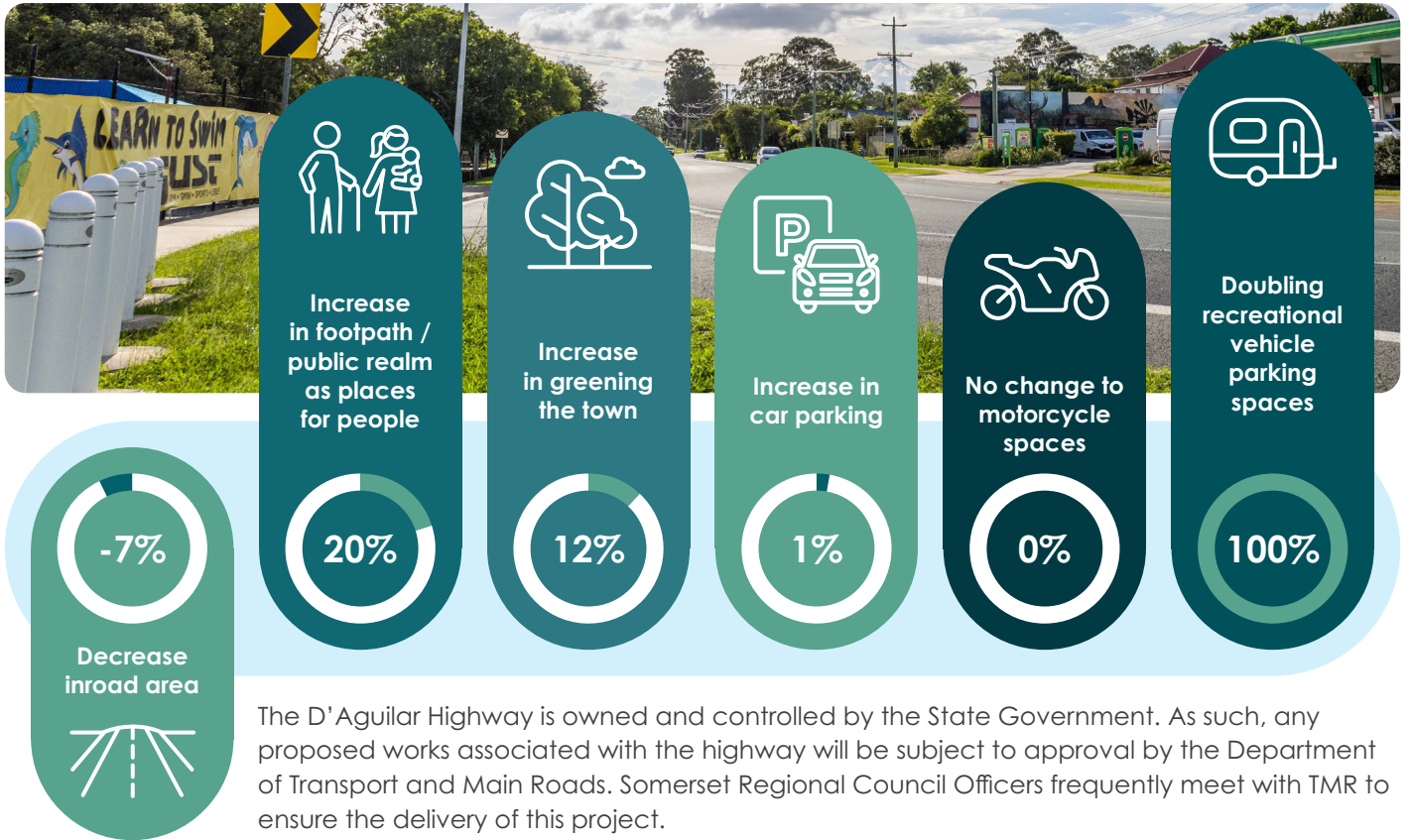
🏠 Kilcoy Customer Service Centre - 15 Kennedy Street, Kilcoy

# The Masterplan for your Kilcoy

The Kilcoy Streetscape Revitalisation Master Plan seeks to enhance the town centre, creating an area that the community can be proud of, with a green character, more footpaths and spaces that create a friendly atmosphere.

The masterplan includes a 20% increase in footpath and public space, a 12% increase in greenery, additional carparks and almost doubling recreational vehicle parking spaces.

Somerset Regional Council engaged AECOM Australia Pty Ltd to deliver the Master Plan in consultation with the Kilcoy community.



The D’Aguilar Highway is owned and controlled by the State Government. As such, any proposed works associated with the highway will be subject to approval by the Department of Transport and Main Roads. Somerset Regional Council Officers frequently meet with TMR to ensure the delivery of this project.

## Meet the Kilcoy Streetscape Advisory Committee

**The Kilcoy Streetscape Advisory Committee held its first meeting on Thursday, 10 October 2024.**

The committee includes Somerset Regional Council Mayor Jason Wendt, Councillors Tiara Hurley and Kylee Isidro, Council officers

and community representatives Lee Robinson, Shane Williams, Sally Wright, Paul Misipeka, Vicki Sweedman and Cheryl Gaedtke.

Council provided the committee with the background and scope of the masterplan.

The committee noted concerns

around community engagement for the Kilcoy Streetscape project, and Council has responded by creating this project newsletter, and will continue sharing updates through various channels.

The committee will meet again on Thursday, 13 February 2025.



Jason Wendt  
Somerset Mayor



Tiara Hurley  
Somerset Councillor



Kylee Isidro  
Somerset Councillor

### Place Project Manager

Somerset Regional Council’s Place Project Manager is Matthew McGoldrick.

If you would like to chat with Matthew about the project, phone 5424 4000.

# Planning Kilcoy's streets



- 1** Eastern Gateway with feature entry signage
- 2** Aston Park carpark, off-street RV day-use area and potential future public toilet (see page 4 for latest designs)
- 3** Town map and vertical gateway elements using recycled timber power poles and/or railway sleepers
- 4** William Street service lane improvements including footpath upgrades, street trees and place making
- 5** Raised pedestrian crossings within service lanes
- 6** Buffer planting and vertical trellis elements with creepers to service lanes along the D'Aguilar Highway
- 7** Town Green and Central Gateway with 'KILCOY' signage wall and trellis, community noticeboard, planted mounding, lawn and seating
- 8** Existing public toilet and bus stop to be retained
- 9** New 45-degree angle on street parking
- 10** Pedestrian crossing
- 11** Pedestrian crossing with planted build-out (low planting to maintain sight lines)
- 12** Mary Street retail zone improvements including paved verges, street tree build-outs and place activation
- 13** Mary Street residential zone improvements including turf verges, footpaths, street tree build-outs and place activation
- 14** Hope Street improvements including turf verges, footpaths, clearer truck parking, pedestrian crossing and refuge, and street build-outs
- 15** Yowie Park improvements including amphitheatre and staggered replacement of shade trees and improved market layout
- 16** Western Gateway including a town map
- 17** Silky Oak Park improvements including amphitheatre, fitness stations, nature play elements, pump track or learn to ride track, improved path connections with distance markers, picnic and/or barbecue shelters, seating, lighting, parallel parking and bollards

# New Aston Park carpark key to Kilcoy Streetscape progress

## Delivery of the Kilcoy Streetscape will be progressed in stages.

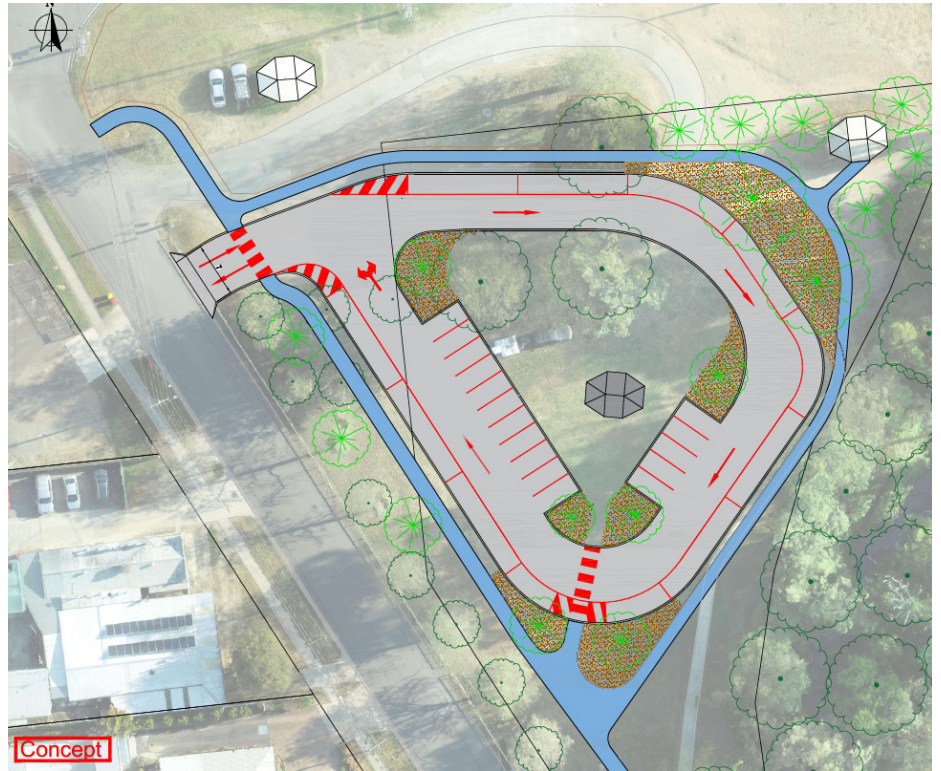
The first stage is the construction of a new carpark in Aston Park and landscaping around the carpark to make the area an inviting rest area for people visiting Kilcoy.

The initial concept design and construction drawings for the carpark are complete.

Concept designs for the park landscaping are being reviewed.

Somerset Regional Council has received \$830,000 to build a carpark and landscaping improvements to Aston Park under the SEQ City Deal program.

Construction will begin in mid 2025.



## Greening Kilcoy with 500 trees

### Somerset Regional Council will plant about 500 mature trees in Kilcoy as part of the streetscape project.

The trees will be planted on the highway approaches, within the town centre, and along footpaths throughout Kilcoy.

This project is supported by the Commonwealth Government's Disaster Ready Funding program.

Somerset Mayor Jason Wendt said the planting project was essential to the Kilcoy Streetscape project.

"One of our key objectives is creating a greener and cooler Kilcoy," Cr Wendt said.

"We want to transform the town with more street trees and landscaped areas providing green, cool and shaded places which enhance the rural identity of the town centre.



"The greening also strengthens the links between the main street and surrounding parks which frame the town centre."

