

3.8 Irvinebank and Watsonville

Our Community Vision

In 2021, imagine Irvinebank will be retained as a “step back in time”, safe village that has authentic historical significance.

We have capitalised on our unique heritage and environmental values, including the Loop Road, to develop our tourism potential and sustain our economy.

Irvinebank/Watsonville District Population: 370
ABS 2006 Census Usual Residents



Irvinebank/Watsonville community planning workshop 14th October 2010

Community Priorities ~ This plan reflects the aspirations of local residents. Council and other community partners will use these aspirations to guide future planning and consider which actions they can implement.

3.8.1 Mill and museum cultural precinct

(i) Develop a “Social Sustainability Centre” to provide information support and counselling for all aspects of community life as part of the cultural precinct:

- Aged care
- Youth education on drugs and alcohol
- Parenting support
- Health information
- Sustainability information
- Recycling depot
- Edible community gardens.

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(ii) Investigate feasibility of developing an Interpretive Cultural Precinct at the Old Mill site.

[Community, Dept of Environment and Resource Management, James Cook University](#)

(iii) Advocate for feasibility study for cultural precinct to be conducted and promote issue in the media.

[Irvinebank School of Arts and Progress Association Inc, Queensland Heritage Council](#)

2012 - 2013

2013 - 2016

3.8.2 Road infrastructure

(i) Inform Department of Transport and Main Roads of identified community priorities for maintenance and upgrade of state controlled roads.

[Dept of Transport and Main Roads, TRC](#)

(ii) Lobby Queensland Government to seal road citing road safety issues; promote issue in the media and raise community support.

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2012 - 2021

3.8.3 Town infrastructure

(i) Investigate options for incorporating recycling into waste management strategy. [TRC](#)

(ii) Review maintenance program for town infrastructure to keep town tidy and transfer station is maintained at a suitable standard. [TRC](#)

2012 - 2016

2012 - 2013

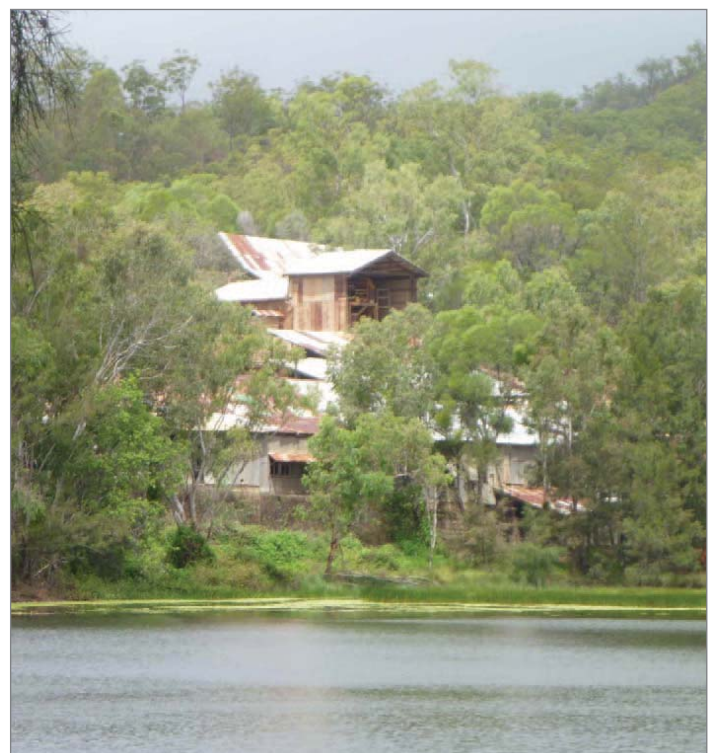
3.8.4 Water infrastructure

(i) Residents to be kept informed of developments regarding water supply and infrastructure.

[Dept of Environment and Resource Management](#)

(ii) Investigate options for delivering a sustainable town water supply. [Dept of Environment and Resource Management, Community, TRC](#)

2012 - 2013



'State Treatment Works', Irvinebank

Community Participation

No community participation benchmark set as Irvinebank and Watsonville are small communities. 13 residents participated in the combined community planning workshop and regional survey.