

## Context

The historic township of Harrisville is located approximately 23 kilometres south of Ipswich and is strategically positioned 5 kilometres from the Cunningham Highway in proximity to Brisbane's rapidly growing Western Corridor.

Harrisville was first established in the early 1860s and has evolved from its cotton farming roots to become a thriving rural township in the heart of the Fassifern Valley. The township provides a varied range of public open spaces, retail, community and recreational facilities together with the NBN and reticulated water services.

The town's economy comprises traditional agricultural, animal husbandry and pastoral activities (including cultivation, cattle grazing and dairy), supplemented by growth in tourism and hospitality services. Reflecting its rural heritage, agriculture, food and drink and tourism remain important employers for the Harrisville community.

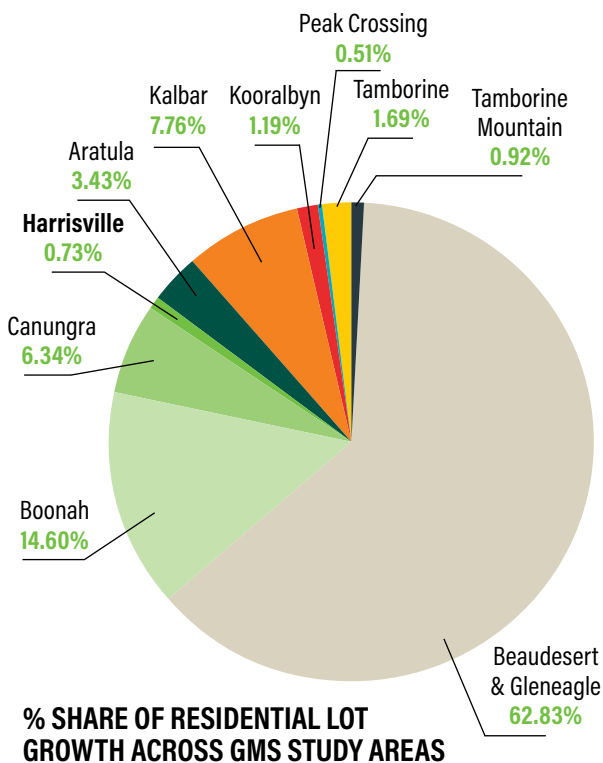
Leveraging its proximity to large consumer markets in Ipswich and Logan and links to the State highway network, Harrisville has displayed some economic diversification trends with growth in boutique rural businesses including the Summer Land Camel Farm and Paradine Estate Winery.

# SCENIC RIM GROWTH MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2041

## Harrisville



## Housing Land Supply



**ADDITIONAL RESIDENTIAL LOT POTENTIAL TOTAL 2016 - 2041**

(Scenic Rim Planning Scheme + Growth Management Strategy)



**NO. OF HOUSEHOLDS AS AT 2021**

(Bull & Bear, 2021 Census)



**SCENIC RIM PLANNING SCHEME - ADDITIONAL LOT\* POTENTIAL**

(including approved new lots since 2016)



**% SHARE OF RESIDENTIAL LOT GROWTH ACROSS THE GMS STUDY AREAS**

**0**

**GROWTH MANAGEMENT STRATEGY - ADDITIONAL LOT POTENTIAL**

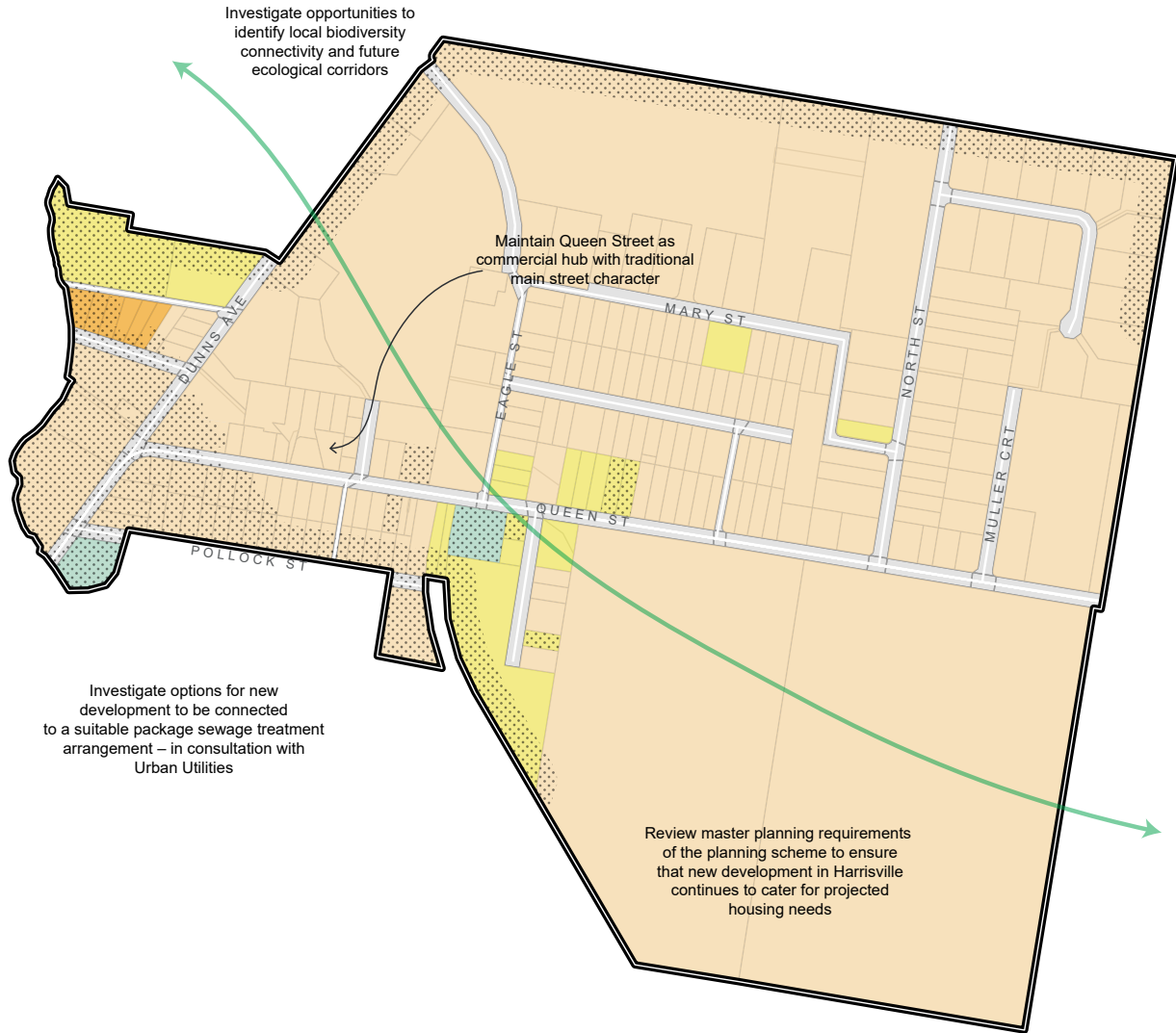
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# Growth Strategies

	Growth Strategy	Implementation
1	 <p>Development in Harrisville results in an urban form and lot size that reflects the traditional rural township, where it can be supported by efficient, safe and cost-effective sewerage treatment options.</p>	<p>In conjunction with Urban Utilities, explore policy options for new residential development in Harrisville including investigations for servicing options such as packaged sewerage treatment plants or similar.</p>
2	 <p>Streetscape improvements to enhance pedestrian amenity and create further activation of Queen Street support further opportunities for local businesses and employment and reinforce the role of Harrisville as a centre for the local community and a tourist destination for the region.</p>	<p>Investigate opportunities to implement streetscape improvements to encourage a more activated main street and stronger sense of place in recognition of Harrisville's role as a unique and thriving township in the Scenic Rim.</p>
3	 <p>Development in Harrisville provides for a range of housing types to meet the projected needs of the population.</p>	<p>Review the master planning requirements of the Scenic Rim Planning Scheme 2020 to ensure that new development in Harrisville continues to cater for the projected housing needs of the community.</p>
4	 <p>Development protects and enhances important biodiversity corridors and linkages in Harrisville to support local biodiversity and linkages between areas of ecological significance in the region.</p>	<p>Undertake a review of Matters of Environmental Significance and a region-wide investigation into mechanisms to protect and enhance important biodiversity corridors for implementation through an amendment to the Environmental Significance Overlay in the Scenic Rim Planning Scheme 2020.</p>
5	 <p>Development protects and enhances the historic character of Harrisville and contributes to a strong sense of place.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Undertake a review of the Scenic Rim Local Heritage Register to ensure places of local cultural heritage significance that are valued by the community are protected.</li> <li>2. Identify character precincts and built form requirements that aim to protect and enhance the unique character and built form of valued historic streetscapes in Harrisville for implementation in the Scenic Rim Planning Scheme 2020.</li> </ol>

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# Harrisville Study Area



## LEGEND

- Opportunities for local conservation corridors
- Constraints
- Study Area Boundary
- Current Planning Scheme Zoning**
- Community Facilities
- Conservation
- District Centre
- Emerging Community
- Industry
- Limited Development
- Local Centre
- Low Density Residential
- Low-Medium Density Residential
- Major Centre
- Major Tourism
- Minor Tourism
- Mixed Use
- Neighbourhood Centre
- Recreation And Open Space
- Rural
- Rural Residential
- Special Purpose
- Township

