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TOD in SEQ – Policy, Projects, Priorities & Partnerships

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Transit oriented development policy

SEQ Regional Plan 2005 – 2026
- Urban Footprint & Regional Activity Centres network
- Infill targets
- Transit oriented development (TOD) principles
- Local Growth Management Strategies (LGMS)
- Precinct focussed master planning

Other regional plans currently underway
SEQ Regional Plan review: 2008 - 2010
Institutional arrangements
   TOD Taskforce, TOD Coordination Unit, Urban Land Development Authority

Funding
   SEQ Infrastructure Plan & Program - $45M, + specific project funding

Site identification
   LGMS, Urban Capacity Template, Location Criteria Guideline

Education
   OUM Conference, Resource Manual, brochures, fact sheets, seminars

Coordination, collaboration & advice
   State agencies, councils & industry

Projects
   Bowen Hills, Albion, Milton, South Bank, Eastern & Northern Busways, Varsity Village, Gold Coast University Hospital, Coomera, Maroochydore, Ipswich & Springfield town centres, Smart City Master Plan
TOD Coordination Unit 2008 priorities

Supporting delivery of TOD on the ground
in Regional Activity Centres
associated with new transport infrastructure
sites within a 10km radius of Brisbane CBD (Smart City Master Plan)
by assisting the ULDA (Bowen Hills, Woolloongabba, Northshore etc).

Through research, policy development & education
TOD Database
Cost benefit analysis
Opportunities and priorities project (SEQ Regional Plan review)
Practitioner capacity building
Community education and awareness
Observations

Elements of success in SEQ
SEQ Regional Plan and SEQ Infrastructure Plan linked
Clear accountability and funding support for plan implementation
Senior Minister and strong links to Treasury
Working closely with State agencies and local government
Urban Footprint – provides certainty, supports infill
Infill targets – clarity on expectations, extent of growth challenge

Opportunities
Growing recognition - benefits of compact urban form/place-making
  – climate change
  – congestion
  – housing affordability
  – health / activity

Challenges
Skills shortages
Changing entrenched cultures and thinking
Silos – coordinating WoG agreement on priorities
Parking, housing affordability & community diversity, land assembly
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