



Invitation and Agenda

Meeting: No. 16 Wednesday 7th July 2010

Place: Cominos House, 27-29 Greenslopes Street, Edge Hill

Time: 5.30 pm to 7.15 pm

The Network's charter is to identify, develop and action projects that will have a measurable impact on the uptake of sustainable building practices in Far North Queensland. To achieve this, builders, construction service professionals, building material manufacturers, retailers, government representatives, industry and community associations and other interested stakeholders are invited to work together.

A 'contact register' is being circulated. Please leave business cards on the table near the door. Previous minutes can be found at www.greenbuild.com.au/forum

5.30 pm **Introduction** from everyone present and a short explanation of their interest/ activities in Green Building/ Development or Urban Sustainability. A full list of Network participants and their details can be found if you register onto the Forum at <http://www.greenbuild.com.au/forum/>

5.40 pm **Latest News and Announcements:**

- Sustainable Living Expo 22nd August 2010: Workshop events
- Greenpainters Association – Cairns Event Cancelled
- Submission of *Growing Queensland's Renewable Energy Electricity Sector Issues Paper* to the Director, Environment and Resources Committee, Parliament House, Brisbane
- Inspection of William Mc Cormack House Cairns first '6 green star' building 8th July 2010
- Sustainable TNQ news
- Latest ATA news
- Sustainable House day Sunday 12th September 2010: Start preparations (finding houses)

5.50 pm **Issues for discussion**

- Urban Sustainability Officer: our new Urban Sustainability Officer is Anna McGuire. Please see a short 'bio' below.
- A big thank you to Nic Skutenko from Blue Scope Water and Peter Collins from the HIA for taking the responsibility of being part of the interviewing process and selecting our new officer.
- Discussions with Anna about priority projects and tasks to meet priorities.
- Discussion concerning some administrative functions

Anna graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Ecology and Sustainability from Victoria University, Melbourne in 2005 While studying in Melbourne, she also volunteered and worked at CERES Environmental Park where she gained skills and experience in a range of social and environmental sustainability initiatives, technologies and ideas.

In 2006 Anna moved to Townsville to complete an Honours project in Ecology and after working for the Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service in Townsville and the Australian National Botanic Gardens in Canberra then traveling and volunteering in South America, she moved to Cairns in 2009.

For the past seven months I've been working with the Cairns and Far North Environment Centre as Climate Change Project Officer including implementing a "Growing Solutions to Climate Change" project aiming to raise awareness of climate change and inspire people to reduce their carbon footprint and work towards sustainable urban communities.

6.50 pm **Subgroup news:**

Greywater: Meeting with TAFE teachers and a very exciting sneak preview of the map on the 9th July 2010.

Airconditioning in the Tropics: Cairns Regional Council is putting together a fact sheet and working with Keiren O'Brien from Project Airconditioning. Keiren to give an update.

For more details about the aims and work of the subgroups: <http://www.greenbuild.com.au/forum>

7.15 pm Close. Meetings are to be held on the first Wednesday of every month from 5.30 to 7.30 pm. Next meeting 4th August 2010.