



Invitation and Agenda

Meeting: No. 24 Wed 6th July 2011

Place: Cairns City Library , Meeting room 1

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 give your business cards if this is your first meeting.

Previous minutes can be found attached and further information at www.greenbuild.com.au/forum

5.30 pm **Introduction** from everyone present and a short explanation of their interest/ activities in Green Building/ Sustainable Development or Urban Sustainability.

5.40 pm **Latest News and Announcements**

Sustainable House Day Coming up on September 11th 2011

- We so far have 2 houses signed up for the day and are aiming for 10 to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the event.
- Please consider passing the invitation on to someone you think may be interested, or volunteering your house for display.

Austropex Conference

This conference will be held on 12 August and aims to bring together specialists across the ten industry groups that make up the regional tropical expertise sector. The Conference is part of the [Advance Cairns](#) mission to diversify the Tropical North Queensland economy by focusing on our strengths, ingenuity and expertise.

There will be a Built Environment session in the morning that is likely to be of interest to TGBN members. TGBN members are involved in organising this event and some members will be presenting at the conference.

Upcoming events

- **Procuring Innovative and Sustainable Buildings**
Free workshop, register early to secure your place
Tuesday 5 July 2011, Novotel Cairns Oasis Resort, 122 Lake Street, 1.00 to 4.00pm
- **Cairns CBD MasterPlan, Lunch with Caroline Stalker**, Architectus Pty Ltd
Friday July 15th, 12:00pm to 2pm, Trinity Room at the Shangri-La
- **TGBN Guest speaker, Shaneen Fantin**
Wednesday 3 August, 5.30pm Cairns City Library.

6.10 pm **Web conferencing effort to link with Tablelands members**

- There has been an ongoing effort to provide a link up with Tablelands members to reduce the need for driving to Cairns for meetings. We have had some technical difficulties, but are persisting with the effort.
- Does anyone have any suggestions for improvements?

6.20 pm **Sustainable Display House report back from meeting on Monday 4th July**

- The group will report back on what was discussed at the working group meeting on Monday.

6.50 pm **Greywater mapping project update**

- Anna met with Council staff to discuss how this tool could be used and will provide a brief report to the group.

7 pm **Other projects**

These projects were identified as priorities at the end of 2010. Any suggestions on how to progress these or people willing to work on these?

- Running an education/public awareness program including a forum on building affordable sustainable houses in the tropics
- Working with JCU to encourage a sustainable building design research centre/architecture faculty and encourage building material research.
- Developing and maintaining a website more suitable for public use. The target audience and purpose of the website are yet to be determined.

7.15 pm Close. Meetings are to be held on the first Wednesday of every 2nd month from 5.30 to 7.15 pm. Next meeting 6th July 2011 at the City Library.