



## Invitation and Agenda

**Meeting: No. 7 Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2009**

**Place: Cairns City Library meeting room 1**

**Time: 5.30 pm to 7.30 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.

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/>

5.45 pm **Latest News and Announcements:**

- Green Living Expo Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2009: Great success and de-brief
- \$10M Federal Gov funding for TAFE J Block green retrofit is approved
- Cairns Central Shopping Centre – Sustainability Expo - June 4 to June 14
- Qantas "begrreen day" World Environment Day on June 5 held at Q Catering at Cairns airport

6.15 pm **Issues for discussion**

- **Tropical House Retrofit** – See the proposal attached
- **Affordable Tropical Sustainable Houses – Setting a Standard:** Establishing a subgroup that develops the design parameters, baseline specifications and best 'green' practice for general public use; in preparation for a government funding opportunity; the possibility of a design competition; leading onto the construction of showcase homes in the region.
- **Sustainable House Day:** Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2009 and register of 'Green' Buildings in Far North Queensland
- **Building Material Recycling:** Setting up a knowledge base of current and possible opportunities. How can we tackle this area?

6.45 pm **Presentation - Thermotec Insulation products by Chris Ansell, D & N Oliver.**

Thermotec is an Australian company with a range of insulation products based on extruded close cell polyethylene foam as well as a range of acoustic insulation. The main product line is E-Therm. The products have many environmental benefits.

7.15 pm **Subgroups:**

Insulation: Publicity for rebate: Editorial  
Rainwater Tanks: Feedback  
Water Management: No work in progress.  
Grey Water Systems: Memorandum document between Council and TAFE  
For more details about the aims and work of the subgroups: <http://www.greenbuild.com.au/forum>  
Meeting break into subgroups as required.

7.30 pm Close. Meetings are to be held on the first Wednesday of every month from 5.30 to 7.30 pm at the Cairns City Library. Next meeting 5<sup>th</sup> August 2009