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Tweed residents' feedback requested: Proposed \$300m health, education and essential worker housing precinct

- This weekend, community information sessions about the proposed precinct will be hosted
 - Woolworths Kingscliff Shopping Village Friday 13 October, 10:00am-1:00pm
 - Coles Casuarina Neighbourhood Shopping Centre Saturday 14 October, 10.30am-1.30pm
 - **Tweed** City Shopping Centre Sunday 15 October, 10.00am-1.00pm
- 'Cudgen Connection' proposes essential worker housing, a university campus, private hospital and medical suites, mental health hospital, community hub, childcare, bus interchange
- Extension of an 18-month community engagement programme
- Site located adjacent to Tweed Valley Hospital

This weekend, the proposed Cudgen Connection precinct will host three community information sessions in Kingscliff, Casuarina and the Tweed to gauge local residents' feedback regarding the revised \$300 million development, which aims to deliver standalone health, education and essential worker housing facilities on the Tweed Coast.

The precinct, proposed by joint partners, Centuria Capital Group and Digital Infratech, intends to invest more than \$300 million into local:

- essential worker housing
- a mental health hospital
- childcare and retail to support essential workers
- a bus interchange, community hub
- university campus
- private hospital and medical suites
- medihotel

Throughout the past 18 months, the developers have already engaged Tweed residents regarding the intended precinct and have adjusted plans to meet the needs of the local community, including the removal of a farmers' market and seniors housing from proposed plans while increasing essential worker housing to cater for hospital staff at the new Tweed Valley Hospital, TAFE, Cudgen Connection workers and students.

Andrew Hemming, Centuria Healthcare Managing Director said, "We have been running a community engagement programme where *community connectors*, who are passionate advocates for the Tweed community, have volunteered their time over 12 months. Now we are seeking wider community feedback to the revised, overall precinct plans which aim to create more jobs, education opportunities, better essential worker accommodation and better local transport facilities."

• Community information sessions will be hosted at:

Friday 13 October

Woolworths Kingscliff Shopping Village 22 Pearl Street, Kingscliff 10:00am-1:00pm

Saturday, 14 October

Coles Casuarina Neighbourhood Shopping Centre 482 Tweed Coast Road 10.30am -1.30pm

Sunday, 15 October

Tweed City Shopping Centre 54 Minjungbal Drive 10:00am – 1:00pm

For further information or should residents be unable to attend, please contact gday@cudgenconnection.com to organise a meeting time or visit www.cudgenconnection.com

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Caption: Cudgen Connection: 741 Cudgen Road: This is an artist impression and may be subject to change.

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