

Draft Birkdale Community Precinct Master Plan

FACT SHEET 8

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Communications Hub



An artist's impression of the Communications Hub area.

Contemporary space to contemplate

The former World War II Radio Receiving Station will be the centrepiece of the Communications Hub.

This State heritage listed area, constructed and staffed by the US Army, played an integral role in the War in the Pacific.

The radio operators at this station received important messages from the frontline, including the Japanese surrender message. The building itself is one of only a handful of stations remaining in Australia.

The existence of some original transmission equipment at the site delivers an opportunity to educate the history of radio communication then, today and into the future.

It is anticipated that this Hub also will have at least one new building providing a flexible and adaptable space for multi-functional educational and community uses and activities.

This new building for example could encompass an innovative art gallery that provides a platform for the large Redlands creative economy. Such activities

could include artists in residence, pop-up exhibitions, pro-active art and photography classes.

The building may also cater for events and functions.

The Hub will serve as a memorial and contemplation space to commemorate the US alliance with Australia, and Redlands Coast's contribution to war time and peace keeping efforts.

The memorial could be a traditional sculpture, wall, water feature, garden of reflection, or some other form as suggested by the community.

A secondary wildlife corridor will be created along the western edge of this Hub.

Have your say

Community consultation on the Draft Master Plan continues to 6 June, 2022 through an online survey on the project's Your Say website. Go to yoursay.redland.qld.gov.au or scan this code:

