

Noosa is an Electorate and a Shire encompassing an area from beach to bush. It is not an individual town or location, and any reference to 'Noosa' (in this document) is a reference to the electorate.

Below is a link to the summary of comments and questions provided by the respondents in the 'comments section' of our recent Noosa MP Community Survey. They have been grouped under topic headings, and categorized as either State, Local or Federal Government (some have shared responsibilities). If there are any questions that you feel may have been left out, please do not hesitate to contact the office and we will address for you.

Australia has a 3-tier system for Government and as such there are very clear responsibilities for each. Many questions/responses received that are Local or Federal Government have been forwarded to the relevant level without giving your personal details, as we are not able to respond on their behalf. However should you wish a response direct from these, for Local Government please contact the [council office](#) or one of the [seven Noosa Councilors](#), and or for Federal Government, your respective Member of Parliament is either [Lew O'Brien](#) or [Ted O'Brien](#).

Many of the issues raised have been covered throughout the year at '[Noosa 360](#)' which is our online discussion platform, on the [MP Facebook](#) page and through our monthly newsletter updates. Please consider signing up for our [newsletter](#), following us on [Facebook](#), or visit the [SandyBoltonMP website](#) to keep informed of work being done.

Thank you to all that took the time to complete this survey, it has been extremely useful in determining not only your concerns, but also ways in which to increase knowledge and communications in our communities!

STATE GOVERNMENT

Noosa River / Hulks / Uncontrolled anchoring of boats in Noosa / Chemicals / Noosa River control / Remove netters and mullet fisherman	State	Refer to discussion and updates on Noosa 360 . Currently management of mooring and living on-board has been put forward to State Government in Council's draft Noosa River Strategy, due to come back to consultation mid-June? Currently there are no hulks, with 6 vessels under watch. A Derelict Vessel Taskforce meeting put forward recommendations on prevention. The State Government Sustainable Fishing Strategy currently guides fishing activities, and there is a Bill currently before Parliament to give greater powers to compliance, as well an independent consultant has been appointed by Noosa Council to review fishing data. DAF (Dept. of Agriculture & Fisheries) and DES (Dept. of Environment & Science) are currently working with Noosa Council regarding concerns over potential chemicals raised. For information on the oyster reef restoration program - refer to Noosa Parks Association , The Thomas Foundation , The Nature Conservancy , University of the Sunshine Coast
6 mile bridge and flooding	State	See Noosa 360 updates - Site visit March will be updated to Noosa 360
Access to hospitals for Noosa Residents / Better access to healthcare and SCUH / Public Health availability for Noosa residents	State	Noosa Hospital is a private hospital, however it does deliver a number of public services including casualty/emergency/scopes etc. The hospital site has opportunity to grow in the future. A potential transport trial/pilot will be advised shortly aimed at providing better access to SCUH for those without current transport options and subsidisation.
Accountability of local councils	State	The State Government produces a brochure on " Resolving issues and complaints with your local council " and there are appropriate channels to investigate any concerns
Adani	State	Updates as per Noosa 360

Adult crime / adult time / Judicial Decisions / Harsher penalties for repeat offenders / Tougher Law Enforcement	State	Reviews are currently being done regarding the age of responsibility. Recently I gave an adjournment speech regarding a need for a change to frameworks and legislation regarding repeat offenders, with greater powers to our front liners. Currently I am researching into a range of options including that of sentencing. Interestingly, there are pilots of community jury considerations in the US where perpetrators have been given less time than what the courts have been issuing, and this could be trialled here? Following are links that discuss and look at the issue here... https://www.alrc.gov.au/publications/7-access-justice/jury-service https://aic.gov.au/publications/rpp/rpp87
Ambulance ramping	State	Continuing to work on this and will update via Noosa 360
Baiting of dingos	State	The protection of native animals including dingos is taken very seriously particularly in areas such as Fraser Island , however there are times when population control of wild dogs have been undertaken to either protect people, livestock or pets. There has been a number of reviews into methods as there are concerns around the use of baits, and this is still being investigated.
Ban gay conversation therapy	State	The National Health Practitioner Regulation Law (National Law), which applies to 14 professions (including GP's, psychologists and psychiatrists) does not prohibit this per se, however these practices do not meet the obligations 'to provide competent, professional, evidence-based and non-discriminatory health services'. Currently only one state in Australia is proposing to legislate to prohibit conversion therapy, Victoria, following an inquiry in 2018.
Beckmans Road	State	Currently in the final design negotiations with Noosa Council. Will update when available via Noosa 360
Better management and care of environment - work into mining issue	State	This is a broad area with QLD currently demonstrating the most stringent environmental frameworks in Australia, however as we are seeing, this requires improvements as new scientific data comes forth. Any application for quarries, mines etc. must go through a long process of assessment through multiple Government departments. The changing of legislation is unfortunately a long process, and in that process, there is public consultation that works to balance the needs of people (i.e. power / housing / aged care / facilities / affordability) with our natural environment. This is not an easy one, and requires some larger conversations on how to achieve to community expectations on all aspects, without impacting our most vulnerable of all species.
Better management of excess packaging and pollution / Establish recycling plants, cost of manufacturing anything contributing to waste, should have inbuilt levee that goes to recycling initiatives / Plastic wrap on newspapers / Total ban of plastic bottles and single use packaging	State	As noted in my recent speech more work is needed in this area including multi-use plastics, cleaning up waterways etc. The banning of single use bags was a start, and now through the new waste levy, funding is available for initiatives from NFP's (not for profits) and companies, that includes alternatives to multi-use plastics, repurposing, recycling and renewing. Plastic Free Noosa and ZEN (Zero Emissions Noosa) are both working on projects locally, and there are multiple environmental organisations including NICA, Ocean Crusaders, Noosa & District Landcare and MRCCC (Mary River Catchment Coordinating Committee) who we work with in these efforts. Review the Waste Reduction and Recycling (Waste levy) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 . Also details on the new container recycling scheme can be found at Containers for Change .

Better Public Transport / direct bus services to Nambour Rail / Transport rail / Connectivity and Transport for an aging population	State	With a relatively small population, residents clearly advocate for little or no increase to population, which makes it difficult to build standard business cases. We must look to innovative trials as an alternative to the current 'empty' buses and their inability to provide adequate coverage. On-demand response trials are currently being undertaken in Ipswich, and we are working to finalise the development of a transport trial to SCUH. Noosa Council is working in conjunction with State Government on the local transport strategy, and we are currently compiling a submission to the SE QLD draft Regional Transport Plans, including advocacy for 'shuttle' trains between Gympie – Nambour to access more frequent Brisbane connections. Please refer to previous topics listed in this summary. Noosa's Community Support Centre has subsidised transport options available for those assessed under 'My Aged Care' (Federal Government program - subject to eligibility). Also Comlink and Noosa Community Support offer assistance.
Bruce Highway / Duplication of Sunshine Motorway / Easy access to Brisbane CBD	State	There are upgrades currently underway in sections of the Highway at the congestion points, however some of these will take some time. Requests for dual carriageway on the Sunshine Motorway should be considered carefully, as Noosa residents are concerned over our coastal communities being impacted by congestion and being 'over-loved'. Increased and greater road infrastructure is likely to make it easier and quicker for more people to access Noosa and that will increase these issues and other 'knock-on' effects, unless mitigating the current concerns can be addressed.
Burgess Creek Catchment - showing signs of degradation	State	Relevant State Government Departments and agencies including Unitywater are currently working with Noosa Council on this. There is also a proposed project as part of encouraging school girls / women to enter into the water resource industries, and a number of community organisations dedicated to catchment and waterways management, running projects on sediment, runoff and water quality/monitoring.
Compassionate treatment of pets	State	RSPCA, Biosecurity Australia and various acts under our three levels of Government exist to protect both pets and wildlife.
Competing Local and State Gov't issues & for the State to respect and support the efforts of Noosa Council/State interfering too much with Local Gov't	State	Please contact office with specific examples, as recently demonstrated in relation to DAF (Dept Agriculture & Fisheries) and the Russell St Boatshed, Yurol partnership etc., State and Council work together for a positive outcome and not compete.
Container Exchange Scheme - simplify	State	Refer to Noosa 360 for updates as we are working with the Government and operators on this.
Cool Schools program expansion	State	A later conversations as there are concerns from some schools regarding the increase in their electricity costs on this, and it should remain an individual decision for schools. Currently some have installed via their P & C's, and others have designs that have natural airflow. There is also some concerns by parents who prefer not to have air-conditioning due to health concerns as they do not have at home, and prefer that in extreme weather that the activities are appropriately accommodated.
Cooroy intersections / Cooroy Bypass	State	This is currently with TMR community consultation and we have submitted all comments from this survey, the mobile office, and correspondence and Facebook suggestions. Once TMR comes back with a response and updates, we will post to Noosa 360 and via other media.
Cost of bulk water – water management back to council	State	Has been investigated previously, however the cost for infrastructure to be separated from the combined three Councils (under Unitywater) would be prohibitive and may not result in cheaper water as it is purchased from the SEQ grid. Refer to SEQ Water future plans for drought proofing.

Cost of Living	State	Electricity prices in QLD have stabilised, and are now considered to be, on average, the cheapest of all mainland states in Australia – refer to Government media release . Also view the QCA website who regulate retail electricity prices. Water bill pricing and comparisons for SEQ can be found here . The State Government have a number of Cost of Living support and assistance initiatives . The Queensland Government Statistician’s Office also provides reports based on a range of statistical information.
Daylight Saving	State	Survey results indicate support and we will take to Noosa 360 when it comes before Parliament
Decriminalisation recreational cannabis and other drugs – reference Portugal, Colorado, California	State	A big conversation and one we shall take to Noosa 360
Decommissioned TAFE building	State	See Noosa 360 updates – in short, the site is being sold by State Government to Noosa Council to ensure the community retained control of its future.
Diversification of economy, Noosa of the future / Coordinated long term employment opportunities / Employment for over 45’s / Local focussed career options for local students	State	There are currently a number of strategies including the Local Economic Plan for Noosa , the Sunshine Coast Regional Economic Development Strategy and South East Queensland Regional Plan which target diversification and opportunities across various sectors including the knowledge industries. There are a number of State initiatives and funding including Advance QLD for business to access. Locally the Noosa electorate office hosted the ‘Inno Forum’ targeting youth pathways and the issues associated for our key pillar industries including the potential through 'rebranding' as 'touch' industries of the future. NETA (Noosa Education & Training Alliance) has been formed and will be delivering its key project targets shortly, which may include possibilities for the decommissioned TAFE site, as well working with key pillar industries for youth opportunities.
Domestic Violence Reform / Should not be a men versus women issue / violence in our community	State	Discussions around this issue include that violence of any kind should be targeted in a holistic manner, and include an agenda and approach of equality. Violence incorporates and is generated from a broad range of triggers including substance abuse, mental illness, environmental factors and influences (including family), financial and emotional pressures. Currently there is the development of a co-ordinated approach to violence with key stakeholders including QPS, service providers, community organisations and communities to target all aspects including prevention and detention, where we need to look at the forms of 'detention'. Questions can include; if our prisons are overloaded, are there alternatives for non-dangerous prisoners (beside traditional community service) that may deliver better outcomes for communities - including required infrastructure, whilst not availing these offenders access to the ‘weapons’ used in their offences and crimes i.e. Drugs, alcohol, vehicles etc.? View my recent Adjournment Speech in Parliament on this.
Driver behaviour	State	QPS and TMR undertake a number of initiatives regarding poor driver behaviour including education / prevention / detection. As technology evolves it will become more efficient in monitoring and management, as increasing resources to date has not seen improved behaviour from this minority.
Driving on Noosa North Shore	State	Refer to Noosa 360 Updates and currently addressing via the Teewah & Cooloola Working Group
Easement to access Cooroy Mountain	State	Currently the only easy access to Cooroy Mountain is via private property. Cooroy Mountain Spring Water allows access only one day per year as a fundraiser. There is public land in one location to the mountain, however there is no path, no parking and it is particularly steep access at that point, so may not be suitable. We have requested further information regarding this land access and we will update via Noosa 360 when we have a response.

Education - Reform and need to drop Naplan / More tertiary qualified staff ratio's in schools? Preventative Education	State	Currently investigating and working with CQU. - Will update progress through Noosa 360 .
Electoral boundaries	State	In Queensland this is reviewed and handled by the ECQ and submissions regarding to them. There have been a number of residents submitting from EDV, parts of Cooroy, Peregian Springs / Breeze to be included in the Noosa electorate.
Environmental protection legislation including habitat loss / developers / Sekisui / Glossy Black Cockatoo Destruction	State	Noosa developments are regulated through the Noosa Plan, and every development must address multiple codes/regulations, including environmental. I believe what we are seeing is that as areas are identified as important to specific wildlife, often the environmental checklist does not accommodate as it may be 'dated'. Many years ago I offered a suggestion that prior to an application being put into Council that a stakeholder meeting take place, so that any concerns can be presented and addressed prior to lodgement. This may seem unrealistic, however could save many years, and dollars, due to processes that ultimately are not designed against either wildlife or humans, but to provide accommodations and infrastructure demanded by the broader community. As well, the terminology of a 'developer' has become misconstrued, as every person that purchases a piece of land, and builds a house, or even a charity that builds a women's refuge, is termed a 'developer'. Also there are a number of local planning laws and state compliance legislation that is designed to ensure environmental compliances. However as we have seen, often these can become outdated quickly as more recent information and findings come to hand, as well as community expectations evolving. Many community organisations and advocates are continuing to work with all levels of government to provide processes and safeguards to deliver better outcomes. In addition we also have to accommodate the community needs e.g. aged care facilities. At a State level, Bills have and will continue to be introduced to reduce human impacts, whilst remaining mindful of the costs involved.
Equal representation for male and female rights / Vilification of men as monsters, particularly in Domestic Violence that has to stop	State	Have had meetings with Ministers and community organisations regarding needs to increase support, emergency housing and programs for boys / men. Referred to the importance of working together in this Parliamentary speech .
Factory Farming Practices – Stop / implement tougher regulations for animal breeders	State	Primarily a Federal Government matter, however State Government can work with advocacy groups, for example RSPCA, on this and a number of other arenas of animal welfare including calf roping at rodeos. Puppy breeders must be licensed and we are no longer seeing the numbers of previous years, however we will look at whether the licensed breeders are being regulated and update on Noosa 360.
Fare evasion on buses	State	There has been a concentrated effort over the last 12 months where inspectors have been on school and public buses. This will be further addressed through the new ticketing system. At the same time, there are strict guidelines for children and bus travel, and no company or school bus can refuse travel to ensure the safety of children.
Forced vaccinations	State	Vaccinations are not mandatory, however ECEC (Early Childhood Education & Care Services) can refuse enrolment or attendance of children who are not up-to-date with their scheduled vaccinations. Legislation does not make vaccinations mandatory, nor force a service to refuse enrolment or attendance but rather is at the discretion of the service provider. More information can be found at https://www.health.qld.gov.au/public-health/schools/immunisation/legislation
Free education for everyone	State	Either all levels or school education and/or including university, this is a big investigation, and one that can form part of the development of a potential Innovation Forum on education, as discussed previously.

Free range farming / Support for local ocean and land produce	State	This has been extensively encouraged including through the regenerative farming movement, represented via Country Noosa that discusses unique offerings (line to fork, paddock to plate etc.). However there has been difficulties in relation to neighbour amenity (farming) in some areas, and concerns surrounding line fishing and the impacts to the consumer, as produce from land or ocean should be affordable to all residents. This is a work in progress.
Government waste	State	Without specifics this is a difficult one to answer, especially given how broad 'waste' is. However I have spoken about the importance of avoiding 'band aids' that are short term, as these are less effective and more expensive, versus longer-term solutions!
Government using power for short sighted and selfish ends	State	We are working to effect positive change in this arena, and I have touched on this in Parliamentary speeches, columns and newsletters. With the assistance of the Speaker, we are seeing improvements in Chamber and as with any democratic society, it is up to voters to elect candidates who will work towards the longer term solutions which is a large conversation in itself!
Higher prioritisation on Noosa National Park in relation to preserving and increasing wildlife	State	So far I have not seen any indication that the prioritisation of Noosa National Park is not of a high order, and have not had any reports or correspondence regarding this. If any specifics can be provided that will assist?
Homelessness & Affordable Housing / Need for co-housing options for aging population	State	See extensive Noosa 360 updates and review including the Affordable Housing topic, speeches and current works with community housing providers. Having given a number of talks on this issue, it is a complex mix which requires reading the information that we have collated on '360'. However we are getting closer to addressing components that will see better outcomes.
Horse riding in national parks and state forests	State	This was banned some years ago, however if you can contact the Noosa electorate office as we require some more information as to what is being sought.
Improvement of legal and justice system / QCAT – needs complete overhaul	State	We have advocated for increased funding of community legal services to include WorkCover and self-insurer issues, as well as for QCAT itself, whose role is designed to provide fair, cheap and fast resolution to issues. However due to increased workloads for QCAT and no increase in funding, this has been taking longer to deliver. In cases separate to these there are other processes available, please contact our Noosa electorate office for more specific details.
Increased criminality	State	We have requested statistics on this for Noosa. When to hand we will post on Noosa 360.
Introduce room tax for hotels	State	This is part of the 'Short Term Lets' working group and taskforce investigation that is currently underway. We will update via Noosa 360 when to hand.
Katie Rose Cottage	State	Currently in discussions with the Minister and relevant Department as to funding options available once accreditation is achieved, which Katie Rose is currently undertaking. A Review into 'End of Life Care' is also currently underway and we encourage submissions to be made.
Koalas, planting and sustaining of koala trees – add into wildlife topic above	State	There are a number of initiatives by organisations underway including Koala Crusaders, and there was the recent purchase of Yurol Plantations which will ultimately become National Park. Any works undertaken by State Government (and other levels of Government) includes tree planting offsets, if in suitable koala habitat / corridors.
Lake Macdonald Upgrade	State	Refer to Noosa 360 Updates and the Seqwater website .
Legalised clothing optional beaches	State	There are currently no legalised clothing-optional beaches within QLD, The QLD Summary Offences Act outlaws "wilful exposure", changes to the Act would be necessary before any beaches could be legally declared clothing-optional.

Legalisation of illicit drugs to destroy business model of criminals	State	This is a conversation to be had at multiple levels and questions are already being raised by lobby groups, individuals and government representatives. Recently I spoke on this in a Parliamentary speech on pill testing .
Less Public Servants	All	Refer to the QLD Government website on Public Service for more information in this area and also the Federal Government link here .
Mandatory testing of elderly drivers	State	We are currently researching and will update via Noosa 360 .
Mental Health (also include needing more funding)	State	This is a vast and growing space and currently much is being done, though there is much more needed such as reducing stigma, including regarding Dementia. I am currently on the working group with Carramar on developing a Dementia Friendly Community. The Queensland State Government has a range of support and assistance for mental health and well-being .
Mining	State	This topic has been discussed in many realms. There are different types of mining, and some of those we are reliant on in the transition to renewables including zinc as an example. A big conversation as part of the transition relies on a certain amount of clean coal, as well as gas being utilised. The current concerns surround having all this includes the synchronisation with the technology needed to ensure that electricity prices do not increase, impacting adversely already struggling households. We recently ensured that coal exploration Permit 2556 was not renewed in our Noosa Electorate, and across QLD there is new legislation regarding mine rehabilitation which is a significant improvement. There is still much work to do at both a Federal and State level regarding both regulatory frameworks, transitioning and post mining uses.
More forward planning in QLD	State	The following link to the Department of Premier & Cabinet outlines a range of QLD Strategies and Plans
More funding to arts	State	The Queensland Government's approach to investing in arts and culture is outlined in the Arts Queensland Arts and Cultural Investment Framework . Also you can view funding program and partners here .
More resources for police	State	Yes more resources are needed, but also what is needed is for people to accept responsibility for their own actions and better behaviour in general. More than 50% of police time is currently spent on DV issues, and I referred to this in my speech on 'Domestic Violence & Responsibility' . Police need to be supported not only in resource terms but also for their personal general wellbeing (e.g. PTSD, depression, anxiety). Also key issues contributing to their increased workloads need to be addressed by advances in technology that assist and improve everyday policing.
More support for small business because all closing / Vacant commercial premises / community / sporting groups	State	QLD State Government has a number of small business events and initiatives available offering support and there are also advocacy groups working with Federal Government regarding taxation and other matters. The ultimate management and control rests with individual businesses, and to ensure that market research / needs analysis is undertaken before opening any new business. Industry groups like CCIQ offer a range of advice, support and advocacy services. However in saying all of that, hotspots such as Noosa can be particularly challenging at times due to property prices / commercial rents, and this is where the sharing of space / home office as well as amendments within planning schemes can assist. Regarding vacant commercial premises, it is not possible at this level to control supply and demand, as well choices made by owners of properties. Previously we brought representatives from Renew Australia to Noosa to advise as part of their programs which had operated successfully elsewhere with 'pop ups' in vacant shops. However this only achieved a minimal take up and has not been revisited. Noosa Council economic development unit and grants for community groups and the current Containers for Change Recycling scheme are examples of support options. QLD State Government recently consulted with a discussion paper and will look to release their Sport and Active Recreation Strategy 2019-2029 during the year.

National Parks and Tourism within	State	There has been concerns and potential conflicts surrounding the use of National Parks for tourism. There are two sides to this. One is that by sharing in an environmentally compatible and low impact way, coupled with education, an appreciation and support for these assets will grow. The other side is that if usage is undertaken inappropriately, the very aspect that is unique, can be lost. This is a 'work in progress' in QLD as there has been some good examples in other States e.g. Tasmania, so we need to ensure that the current 'Great Walks' and other initiatives are undertaken in a similar manner.
National Parks need recreation areas to take dogs on leash	State	As much as I am a dog lover and owner, sadly there are owners that allow their dogs off leash in 'on lead' areas, creating some sad outcomes. There is currently no cost effective and sustainable methodology to monitor all users, and until such time or, owners understand the importance of keeping their charges under control, we will need to stay within a framework where wildlife has a measure of in-built safety.
Noncompliance with laws and regulations	State	One of our most difficult challenges covering every aspect of our community is the conflict around the sharing of space, including with our roads and river. The poor behaviour of a minority continue to adversely impact the amenity and pockets of others. This then adds to increased monitoring that continues to drain already stretched resources, so we need to relook at the role of behaviours from this minority and how technology may assist?
Noosa needs to innovate	State	Efforts in innovation are being seen, with a number of businesses and organisations involved in SCRIPT , and we are seeing a greater understanding of the importance of social innovation in addressing community needs. There are good examples in our NFP sector through social enterprise including our only disability facility 'Our Backyard' being realised, and greater encouragement to provide what many innovators seek including access to funding and connectivity.
Parliament to be free of religious content	State	In terms of dispensing with The Lord's Prayer at the beginning of each sitting day, I have never heard an MP have an issue with this, and only one request. MP's seem to use this time to connect with their own beliefs or use this time for their own reflections. It may be part of a bigger discussion surrounding a multicultural QLD, as well to increase acknowledgements for inclusion?
Payment for MP's and Ministers	State	The following link at the QLD Parliament website provides information on Members' entitlements . There are some correct assumptions, and also false. However, many MP's actually earned more in their previous lives based on an hourly rate, and did not have the negatives associated with representation, including death threats and abuse. I often reflect if the remuneration was lessened, would there be less people putting their hand up, as seen at many elections with comparison to other jobs where there are not many prepared to take on the task?
Preventative Health Measures	State	Initiatives for active communities and sporting groups funded through various levels of government grants, also yoga and visualisation in schools. Australia is definitely improving on this subject, however yes, more is needed as well more self-responsibility.
Programs and respite for children with disabilities	State	Now available via organisations and private businesses under NDIS (combined Federal and State) for programs. Organisations and business can register to become an NDIS provider .
Property owners ability to vote in local elections, not just residents	State	A basic tenet of Representative Democracy is 'one person, one vote', hence you register to vote where you live. Although you can't vote in local elections where you own investment properties, you still have the right to contact the Local Council or State MP should you have an issue that needs addressing.
Protection of Great Barrier Reef	State	The State Government has developed initiatives to preserve the Great Barrier Reef , and created resources for recommended best management practices and regulations. The ITDE Committee that I sit on has just finished the auditor's report on the Management of the Water Quality of the Reef which can be viewed here , and is currently working on catchment monitoring.
Rail Duplication Brisbane/Rail Duplication Gympie to Nambour	State	Currently the Nambour to Brisbane duplication is before State Government with negotiations over the funding ratio between State and Federal. Submissions and meetings are currently underway with the relevant Minister regarding the potential for rail shuttles between Gympie and Nambour.

Rail from Cairns to Toowoomba	State	A substantive business case would need to be prepared and presented to Government to justify required funding, and with the volume of projects that have already gone through many years of this being fought for including the Nambour / Brisbane duplication, this would be best approached by contacting the MP whose electorate is vying for the project.
Religious schools getting more funding than State schools	State	This will be investigated and posted to Noosa 360 .
Replacement of Chaplains in State schools with professional staff	State	In multiple spheres, gaps that are not being addressed by levels of Government are being addressed by volunteers or community funded initiatives. Chaplains have, and continue to fill a need, and even though there has been reported instances elsewhere of that has not been in line with community expectations, we have not had any such reports of this in Noosa. Canberra (via Federal Government) though has just announced that funding for chaplains will be based on the agreement that there will be no religious content involved. In looking at the needs of children and our education system, and the funding required for any changes, this is where it may be appropriate to discuss how these gaps are filled?
Replant native trees across all highways and freeways	State	No one likes to remove trees, and the dilemma is often how to deliver the infrastructure that is needed, as well as maintaining environmental standards. We have asked TMR with regards to State road projects and if they have an offset policy for trees that may need to be removed or replaced. When we get an update we will advise. You can also view the Queensland Environmental Offsets Policy General Guide .
Request for International Cultural Festivals	State	Any organisation can apply to run and seek funding through various State and Federal grants programs
Review laws re penalties for polluters and noise control	State	This is a multi-faceted issue as it depends on which type of pollution and also under which Departmental jurisdiction. Currently all sectors of our lives have regulations in place - from car emissions to litter, noise to smells. The question may be; are the current frameworks and policies enough, or is it that the monitoring is the issue? If specific examples could be sent through to the office then we can investigate. Find out more about the QLD Government's position on pollution here .
Review of Gov't Processes include abuse and bullying in Parliament	State	This is a large space, and I have approached this in my Maiden Speech , letter to the Premier and Speaker, with improvements already being seen. This will not be a 'quick fix', as this 'combative' culture is entrenched from a long history of how 'politics' are done. However, to deliver better outcomes, it requires both collaboration, as well as scrutiny – with bi-partisan agreements and at times, respectful disagreement based on perceptions, the differing needs of communities, and of the science and data that is presented. Ultimately, we have a system that is underpinned by a 200+? year old framework, and requires a preparedness to look at new approach that is more suited to a changed world. Reviews of a multitude of legislation that underpin our society, may no longer be seen as valid, and we need an acceptance and understanding that MP's, as well as every person, has a responsibility and role in no longer partaking and enabling abuse and bullying.
Short Term Lets	State	Noosa 360 has the history on this topic and we are currently awaiting for a draft code of conduct to be delivered from State Government. The draft Noosa Plan from Noosa Council is now open for feedback on components of this issue.

Sivyers Road Turn Off	State	TMR received an informal petition in May 2018. In response to this petition, signage in each direction was upgraded in 2018. The intersection has also been nominated for further works under the Targeted Road Safety Program, including a dedicated right turn lane. These works are considered together with other needed works throughout the State. Projects with successful funding are announced mid 2019 by the Minister.
Support for solar energy / Renewable Energy / Assistance for rural areas to go renewable	State	See Noosa 360 updates. QLD currently has loans and grants available for solar systems and battery storage. More information can be found at https://www.qld.gov.au/community/cost-of-living-support/concessions/energy-concessions/solar-battery-rebate/loans-for-solar-apply . There are options for communities to undertake projects, more information via https://www.dnrme.qld.gov.au/energy/initiatives/qld-solar-farm-guidelines
State Debt	State	This is always a hot debate, and has a number of aspects to consider. When infrastructure needs to be delivered to address services and requirements such as access (buses, trains), health (hospitals) or economic growth (facilities) - Government has a choice, it can say no, or it can borrow funds in order to deliver? There is what is termed as both 'good', and 'bad' debt. 'Good' could be determined as one that delivers better outcomes across society, both in the short and longer term and that contributes to sustainability, the economy and improved positions, or 'bad' debt that cannot be capitalised on and is used for the short term only and what could be classified as 'operational'. I will endeavour to break up QLD's debt, as well a comparison to other States in the coming topics on Noosa 360 .
Substance Abuse and ICE	State	This is another large discussion as the statistics regarding deaths from drugs are in the majority from prescribed and legal drugs as outlined in my recent Parliamentary speech . However, and why I say it is a large discussion, the combinations of contributors including individual physiological makeup, what these drugs are mixed with, and the definition of what is termed 'safe'. Ice contributes to a concerning and growing number of deaths (refer to reference links below), and it is the trauma, as with alcohol abuse, effecting families and communities. Even though there are enormous resources targeting this, ultimately it again primarily comes down to personal responsibility. Every possible service to assist is made available, however if they are not utilised, there is little chance of improvement. I look forward to a discussion on Noosa 360 , as it is one of the most important aspects of understanding us as humans - as to 'why' we do this, and to continue to search for a solution to 'what' is the 'key'. https://www.health.qld.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0021/641316/methpaper.pdf http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/Lookup/by%20Subject/3303.0~2016~Main%20Features~Drug%20Induced%20Deaths%20in%20Australia~6 https://www.theguardian.com/society/2017/jul/31/ice-related-drug-deaths-in-australia-double-between-2009-2015-study-finds
Stamp duty on new properties – abolish and switch to land tax	State	A very contentious issue with much debate and conversations to be had. Currently the ACT is doing things differently (and better?) according to media reports. Food for thought perhaps with this article - http://theconversation.com/abolish-stamp-duty-the-act-shows-the-rest-of-us-how-to-tax-property-105378
Stop abuse of elders children & adults	State	There is currently legislation and a number of initiatives and policies surrounding this, as well a Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality & Safety . The most difficult aspect is that we have become isolated within our families. Inter-generational living had many bonuses, including sustainability. Grandparents had a role, as carers of the grandchildren whilst the parents worked, and vice versa, parents looked after their parents in exchange. There are a number of models across the world that are being

		investigated regarding, however ultimately, abuse is about our own behaviours, and we cannot absolve our responsibility by handing it all to Government as outlined in my Parliamentary speech .
Stop wasting money on climate change and renewable energy	State	Refer to the link on the Queensland Government's Climate Change Response
Suicide in our communities	State	Many organisations, both with and without government funding as well QLD Health Department are actively working on this, including United Synergies who recently hosted the state-wide 'Shifting the Dial' Forum here in Noosa. <i>If you or a loved one are having thoughts of suicide, contact Lifeline: 13 11 14, Suicide Call Back Service: 1300 659 467 or Beyondblue: 1300 22 4636. Specialist helplines for children include Kids Helpline: 1800 55 1800 (24/7 crisis support) or Headspace: 1800 650 890.</i>
Too many cyclists	State	There have been a number of suggestions to resolve the 'bicycles vs car' debate. On one hand - there has been many \$ and efforts employed to reduce emissions and congestion through the modal shift to bicycles, however there continues to be angst over the sharing of road space. Suggestions have included registration for bicycles and their riders and a review of riding laws to stop the '2 abreast' configuration. I currently have a QON (Question on Notice) put forward to the relevant Minister regarding this matter.
Train to airport	State	I, like many, would like to have this on our Christmas list! Firstly, is this about a Maroochy or Brisbane line? Currently we have access via our nearest station Cooroy to the City that then links directly via Airtrain to both the domestic and international terminals. Either way - the business case would need to support, or if it was from Noosa, as found with current data on rail duplication, it requires significant population density and volume, which is not why residents came to Noosa in the first place?
Translink buses should be surfboard friendly	State	There are multiple ways to contact Translink with feedback, suggestions and complaints. Please visit https://translink.com.au/contact-us
Understaffed emergency services	State	We need to clarify if this for Noosa or QLD? Emergency Services are a combination of both paid, and volunteer services. The ' Blue Water' Review (Coast Guard/Surf Lifesaving) has just been completed, and as in my speech, these volunteers have to save lives, and sizzle sausages to raise the funds to do so. A similar process has just been completed for other volunteer emergency services (SES, Bush Fire Brigades) and now we must ensure implementation of the recommendations are taken up. This will include as seen in the reports, better support for these services. New and better funding models need to be developed, which include as in other States; levies and user pays licenses etc. that I have outlined in my Parliamentary speech . Tewanin Ambulance Station has received an additional seven advanced care paramedics.
Vegetation management systems must be reviewed to protect against storm wind and fire damage	State	There was a Private Members Motion for a review brought before Parliament regarding this last sitting by the LNP which I supported and that was defeated. There is some further research that I believe is needed, as community expectation is to not take down or remove trees. However science is continuing to work on behaviours of fires that may not be dictated by trees, more so 'fuel loads'. Personally I have seen grass fires that can be devastating. The State Government has a program of 'burns' to regulate fuel loads, and currently the 2018 Queensland Bushfires Review is underway regarding the recent QLD fires to assess the contributors which will assist in mitigating for the future. There also has been media reports that some members of the Federal Government will be pushing or raising the possibility of a Royal Commission. Read here - https://www.farmonline.com.au/story/5797865/canberra-call-for-independent-inquiry-into-queensland-bushfires/
Violence in our community	State	Recently I delivered a Parliamentary speech on this issue which can be read here , and I will be doing further research and advocacy on how this can be addressed.
Water catchment management	State	Seqwater have a 30 year plan 'Water for Life' – South East Queensland's Water Security program 2016 – 2046 that can be viewed here . Other entities and organisations working in this realm include the Department of Environment & Science , Noosa Council , Unitywater and NICA .

Wildlife killed on our roads, provide under road and over road passages for possums etc. / Wildlife protection, corridors and Forests / Protection of flora & fauna - Gov't agencies	State	There have been a number of poor outcomes from various trials, as there is currently no methodology to 'direct' wildlife to use over or under passes, as they do not follow exact patterns. We have investigated opportunities with wildlife organisations through technology for alerts for drivers, and spoken with 'Substation 33' about the potential to develop such technologies. It is a frustrating space, however I have been pleased to see that where I live signs posted by Koala Crusaders at 'hotspots' are responded to which allows for better stopping times for crossing koalas. There are examples across Australia where there are 'wildlife precincts', where speed is lowered at certain times as a norm, and this may be possible through advocacy and community / Council support. There are a number of initiatives underway including purchases of land to better protect wildlife such as the Yurol Plantation, designated Nature Refuges and the funding of Land for Wildlife, koala corridors and ongoing negotiations to create a wildlife sanctuary. Land purchases are strategic to ensure access linkages where possible to avoid major roads, and incorporate a combination of Council, State and private landholdings. Within the Noosa LGA (including State and Local Government landholdings) we are fortunate in that approx. 37% is held for wildlife and biodiversity – one of the highest in QLD. State Government and Council have resources and staff that maintain in accordance with the planning scheme and biodiversity overlays, recent vegetation management laws and animal protection regulations. Please contact the office for more specific.
Youth / Activities for youth	All	There are a number of initiatives targeting our youth - see previous topics / questions raised regarding education, employment pathways and mental and physical wellbeing. For those that are classified as vulnerable, we have a variety of services for youth, including United Synergies and Headspace, and our office last year supported over 100 youth to access their passion - whether that be sport, music, dancing or theatre. Governments run programs themselves but also fund sporting and community groups through various grants programs. There are many successful programs operating in this area. QLD State Government also provides vouchers to get children started in sports and help offset some of the costs. Visit their website for more on youth. There is also information at the Federal Government around initiatives.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

All queries below have been referred to Noosa Council

Allow more development in Noosa / Zoning Models	Local	Refer to the draft Noosa Plan
Anomaly of council's rating system between unit and dwelling	Local	Refer to Noosa Council and Resolving Issues info or speak with one of your Councillors.
Audit required of Noosa Council, NBRF & NPA	Local	The State Government produces a brochure on " Resolving issues and complaints with your local council " and there are appropriate channels to investigate any concerns
Banning of Jet skis	Local	The draft Noosa River plan is now pending awaiting release and this is the opportunity to put forward further submissions.
Better solutions for driving and access around Noosa	Local	Referred to Noosa Council

Boardwalk from Outlook to Tewantin	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Boat trailers in Noosa and Noosaville peak times	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Bring back the fish project	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Building codes enable new builders to fill to boundaries to mitigate against flooding. Existing properties can be negatively impacted by new practices. State needs to work with Noosa to ensure better coverage for climate adaptation policy.	Local	Referred to Noosa Council See also Climate Change Adaption Plan
Carbon Neutral Shire	Local	There are multiple aspects to this, some Local, some Federal and some State. For State, please see updates the following link on a Transition to a Zero Carbon Economy Also the link to Link to ZEN (Zero Emissions Noosa) place in the Noosa Shire.
Construction of bicycle/pedestrian path Bluebell Court to Goodchap St	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Country Roads need attention	Local	If local roads then referred to Noosa Council . If State refer to TMR website for State-controlled roads . Please advise the Noosa electorate office of any specific sections as I have just completed a drive of State controlled sections and sent concerns to TMR.
David Low Way, all issues including carparks, 4 lane roads and more.	Local	In Noosa State Electorate, David Low Way is under Noosa Shire Council control, not State Government.
Decrease Bat Colonies	Local	Noosa Council are authorised 'as-of-right' under the Nature Conservation Act 1992 to manage bat colonies, including the disbursement of flying-fox roosts that fall with Urban Flying-Fox Management Areas (UFFMAs)
Developer/developments	Local	Not all developers are 'bad', many have a good social and environmental sense, some are not-for-profits while other community based organisation provide services that are desperately needed for our communities and are significant employment providers. As well, the terminology of a 'developer' has become misconstrued, as every person that purchases a piece of land, and builds a house, or even a charity that builds a women's refuge, is termed a 'developer'. Refer above to the draft Noosa Plan for the opportunity to have your say on planning and development.
Dog beaches, more of them	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Dogs banned from children's playgrounds. Extend smoking to 5 meters from playgrounds, sporting facilities and dog off-leash areas. Designated dog off-leash areas.	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Dodgy decisions being made by Council	Local	Refer to 'Resolving issues with your local council'
Expansion of walking and canoe trails	Local	Referred to Noosa Council - Noosa Council Trails Masterplan
Family Park with putt-putt	Local	Demand drives supply, and provision of activities such as putt-putt are in the private operator domain. From such research, there was one in the past, but closed, as a result of a lack of sufficient business?

Far too many Local Gov't intervention rules	Local	Refer to ' Resolving issues with your local council '
Ferries should be included in Noosa Transport options	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Fewer charges to use tip	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Financial support for Noosa Museum	Local	Referred to Noosa Council – refer to Noosa Council and State Government links
Formalised pedestrian crossings in Duke and Hastings Streets	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Freedom to walk in bush and relax	Local	We already have those freedoms, although not on private property. See Noosa Trails Network for local information
Funding of transition to clean transport and pathways for modal shift	Local	Funding is made available from State Government to councils to build and establish - Referred to Noosa Council
Hastings St - access	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Houses that back onto bush should not be able to own dogs	Local	Referred to Noosa Council - Responsible pet ownership, options to develop pet free development areas in sensitive areas
Housing Development	Local	Referred to Noosa Council - dictated by Planning Scheme, however Community Housing / Social models can be funded / supported through State Government
Housing styles and building constraints	Local	Referred to Noosa Council - contained in draft Noosa Plan and Noosa Design Manual - contact Noosa Council with specifics
Inability of neighbours to get along	Local	I have spoken numerous times regarding the importance of neighbour's communication with each other before proceeding to any formal complaints processes. Generally issues between neighbours are civil matters, although depending on the circumstances. There are Local Government processes for complaints, or if identified as a State matter, please contact our electorate office.
Keep clear section painted on road at Lake Entrance Blvd/Noosa Eumundi Rd	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Less funding for Biosphere	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Lime Scooter	Local	This has been identified in Brisbane as problematic, and we shall investigate and post to Noosa 360.
MICE (Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, Exhibitions) sector in Tourism	Local	Investigation is currently underway into a Noosa Convention and Culture Centre. Although this is a town planning issue with Noosa Council, we have also met with the committee investigating this option and potential opportunities.
Mobility scooter friendly community	Local	Referred to Noosa Council – can be assisted by State through subsidies and grants
More aged care facilities are needed	Local	Referred to Noosa Council However there are two aged care facilities under construction.
More dingo and wild dog control in hinterland	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
More infrastructure & better services to accommodate influx	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
More shops needed for wheelchair/walker friendly	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
More thought and money to hinterland	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Noosa Civic Expansion	Local	Referred to Noosa Council However specifics are needed when you contact Council directly.
Noosa Spit erosion	Local	Referred to Noosa Council

Noosaville/Noosa - car free 6am to 8am during Christmas	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Overgrowth plants on roundabouts	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Park for kids in Cooroy	Local	Referred to Noosa Council However a new playground is scheduled.
Parking and Congestion	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Population Growth	Local	Noosa Council has addressed population in its planning scheme with the identified capacity for 62,000 projected by 2040 which in the 2006 Noosa Plan was the amount projected to have been realised by 2012.
Protection of assets from overuse, traffic congestion tax, alternate hinterland attractions, limit North Shore	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Public Toilets in Cooroy	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Reduce speed in unpaved roads to 40kms	Local	40km/h precincts exist between schools and town centres. Individual roads need to be considered to conditions. The Traffic Advisory Board regularly meet on such matters and concerns can be sent to Noosa Council .
Reduction of number of local events	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Refugee welcome and become a refugee resettlement area.	Local	Noosa are an inclusive community but are also limited in relation to housing, employment and services that other communities may better be positioned to provide.
Roundabouts - Paint road names on actual roads	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Safe boardwalk style path from Sunshine to Peregian	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Save Black Glossies. Please help save the Black Glossies and ridiculous traffic chaos which would happen if current plan for Blue Care aged home is allowed to proceed. The traffic on Ben Lexen is already too much (the schools conducted a survey and found it was at 120% now before any new development).	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Security for kids at skate park in Cooroy	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Signage	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Small bridge from Noosa Sound to Noosa Woods	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Soap dispensers in toilets	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Stop parking trailers in Noosa Woods and Noosa Lions Park	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Sunrise Shops	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Tewantin subdivisions	Local	Referred to Noosa Council

Tiny Homes	Local	When discussing this issue with Council, ask about planning laws in relation to size, location, waste & grey water requirements and whether different rules apply if a tiny home is mounted on a trailer with wheels, vs mounted on fixed supports. Referred to Noosa Council
Too much land clearing for new estates in Noosa	Local	Noosa Council within the planning scheme areas have been designated for many years for a specific purpose including residences. It is a delicate balance. Referred to Noosa Council
Tourism Bias and transport congestion / Tourism explosion to be controlled / Tourism overkills	Local	The balance is between our key pillar industry and the volume of tourists that Noosa relies upon for its income and the required infrastructure to create a sustainable tourism strategy for all. We need to be nurturing and looking at the balance between economy and protection, Noosa Council and the sustainable tourism group are working on this. Referred to Noosa Council
Town Planning	Local	Depending upon the issue there can sometimes be State involvement, however without knowing specifics we can't advise further.
Underground carpark at Noosa Lions Park	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Viewland Drive speed humps	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Water Fluoridation	Local	Requires input and consideration by the 3 councils within Unitywater area who must agree to any changes to water supply e.g. consideration of fluoride being removed from the system. It is a discussion for residents to have with their local council. Referred to Noosa Council
Weed and Pest Management	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Widen Reef Rd.	Local	Referred to Noosa Council
Witta Cres to be one way	Local	Referred to Noosa Council

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

All queries below have been referred to Federal MP's

Access to personal and financial info of renters	Federal	Online rental processes need to be regulated especially in relation to storing and access to private information. Refer to link here .
Treatment of our aged	Federal	Royal Commission has now commenced
Abolishment of negative gearing	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien
Affordable Childcare	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien
Air traffic noise over Noosa from expanded Maroochy Airport	Federal	Information related to predicted aircraft noise from Sunshine Coast Airport can be found at https://www.sunshinecoastairport.com.au/corporate/expansion-project/aircraft-noise-information-tool Federal Government information on Aircraft Noise Regulations can be found at https://infrastructure.gov.au/aviation/environmental/aircraft-noise/noise_regulations.aspx
Change in Australian Citizenship laws for NZ's	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien
Cattle and Sheep Live Exports	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien
Centrelink - outdated	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien
Cheaper access to chemo	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien

Clean coal based power	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien Industry and jobs to not be disadvantaged or put at risk during the transition to renewables
Cost of aged care / Funding and access to aged care support	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien https://www.myagedcare.gov.au/estimate-fees-for-aged-care-services Visit My Aged Care
CST Solar Plants (why are they on the table? Revenue streams, not environmental?)	Federal	Referred to federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien Head to the Clean Energy Council website for more information https://www.cleanenergycouncil.org.au/resources/technologies/solar-thermal
Electoral Commission overview - ID's to vote	Federal	Visit the parliament of Australia website here for more details.
Free up Domestic & International trade markets	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien Understand more on Federal export and import laws here . View the Trade and Investment QLD here .
Fuel Pricing	Federal	See updates on Noosa 360
Funding for state schools and taxing independent schools	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien Also Peter Hutton, Future Schools & CQU to look hosting a local forum / discussion in the Noosa electorate in 2019. A topic that we will be hosting on Noosa 360.
Gender identity laws	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien More information available at the Australian Human Rights Commission
Independent inquiry cost / benefit and support for renewable energy & Carbon Dioxide emissions	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien View Federal Government link here on Emissions Reduction
Lack of bulk billing doctors in Noosa	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien
Level playing field for taxis on CTP	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien
Live Export	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien
Low pensions	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien No doubt will be discussed in upcoming Federal election.
More rights for workers in low income jobs such as retail and hospitality	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien Visit the Fair Work Ombudsman website
Need for a living wage	Federal	Trial in Finland has been recently completed. There are no official Government reports but numerous media articles which include https://www.abc.net.au/news/2018-05-01/finland-universal-basic-income-welfare-reform/9709798
Noosa declared 'friendly natural therapies place' and for Gov't to recognise role these therapies play.	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien Recognition would appear to be a Federal matter to be endorsed.
Recognition of Limes Disease	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien Refer to Federal Government Health website here on the issue.
Taxing Churches	Federal	Referred to Federal MP's. Llew O'Brien or Ted O'Brien
Why allow helicopter landings on AFL grounds?	Federal	Further information has been from requested from Civil Aviation Safety Authority. Update soon on Noosa 360 .
VET Skills Training	Federal	For more information on Australia's VET sector please visit https://www.asqa.gov.au/about/australias-vet-sector

MISCELLANEOUS

3 levels of Govt's and agencies – complaints and processes and possible offenses	All	Refer to links for the following, Local Government , State Government & Federal Government
Activities for youth	All	Governments run programs themselves but also fund sporting and community groups through various grants programs. There are many successful programs operating in this area. QLD State Government also provides vouchers to get children started in sports and help offset some of the costs. Visit their website for more on youth. There is also information at the Federal Government around initiatives.
Cheaper land values / property prices	All	This is an issue regarding supply and demand. Noosa is a much desired location, as many areas in Australia on coastlines. However, we can re look how we live, and by residing in an incredibly beautiful part of the world with 'mostly' lovely weather, we can be innovative in how we exist, and I have outlined a number of options including co-housing in Noosa 360 as a way to live here affordably!
Good governance for future generations	All	The collective voice of every community is the best way to ensure this at all levels of government. We invite feedback from our constituents on many levels including discussions on Noosa 360, response to surveys such as this, emails or correspondence to our office and via lobby groups. Make sure your voice is heard wherever possible to all levels of government.
Gratitude movement	All	We need to have gratitude every day, even for the smallest of things when times are tough. And we have so many that are far worse off than we are. Living in Noosa, and a very fortunate country, we only need to look at the trauma, poverty and lack of basic healthcare in many parts of the world, to see how fortunate we are. Here's an article link (one of many) that will offer some background and reference on The Gratitude Movement
Low paid workers not valued	All	Workers of any income level are highly valued in our communities and certainly our low-income workers, of which Noosa does has a significant sector. While wages are the domains of State and Federal Governments essentially through workplace agreements and union negotiated awards etc., local government also has a role to play with programs that help brand regions and assist with key pillar industries that build and add to a region's reputation, therefore improving opportunity and the local economy itself.
Minority views	All	Within all levels of Government when concerns are raised by individuals, they are investigated with the balance of what is reasonable and what is acceptable within the framework. Hence, asking people to be engaged in raising their views enables Government to capture more of a cross-section of the community.
Refugees need more compassion	All	In Noosa I have never seen or heard of a lack of compassion for refugees, and locally we have the Noosa Council Declaration, along with community organisations such as Buddies etc. However, at a broader Australia-wide level, I do not see a lack of compassion. The greater concern exists when there are some issues that need to be addressed, including the homelessness statistics. This is a discussion that no one should be frightened to have, and we need to be compassionate and understanding of the fear that drives refugees to seek Australia as home. We then need to take into consideration those that are struggling just to get a roof over their heads, and do not understand how we can afford to look after others before them.

