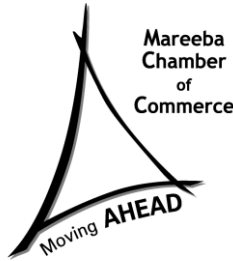


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CHAMBER APPLAUDS LAKES IMPROVEMENTS

The Mareeba Chamber of Commerce has congratulated Mareeba Shire Council for delivering much needed improvements to the Bicentennial Lakes in Mareeba.

The area has long been underutilised due to concerns over security and safety, however, the adoption of a masterplan earlier this year to revitalise the area paved the way for improvements.

Chamber president Joe Moro said recent works delivered with funding from the Queensland Government's Works for Queensland program signalled the start of a vision to revitalise the area.

"The area now boasts a 600m circuit with 14 solar lights, which are motion sensed and become brighter as movement is detected," Mr Moro said.

"Insufficient lighting in the area has been a major issue to its utilisation, so this goes a long way to increasing safety and security."

Mr Moro said other works including vegetation management and footpath rehabilitation also contributed to helping put the community asset on the right path.

"The chamber has always been a big supporter of this community asset, as it has the potential to provide a valuable recreational, social and cultural venue for the community and visitors," he said.

"As a chamber, our vision is to attract and retain visitors to Mareeba, and free recreational facilities such as the lakes play an important role in providing visitors with things to see and do."

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