

# TOONDAH SAVE THE BAY

Walker Corporation's  
Toondah Harbour  
Project – Not what  
Cleveland needs

We all love Cleveland's beautiful coastline, incredible wildlife and quiet lifestyle. But Walker Corporation is using all of its influence to push through a destructive plan to **build 3600 luxury apartments** on environmentally sensitive wetlands in Toondah Harbour on Brisbane's bayside where ferries depart for North Stradbroke Island (Minjerribah).

The proposed development will:

- Destroy irreplaceable habitat for endangered birds, dugongs and koalas
- Bring thousands more cars to our community with no plan to deal with the traffic impacts of up to 30,000 vehicle movements per day
- Drive economic activity out of our existing CBD which is in desperate need of rejuvenation



## Worse traffic and questionable benefit for local business

The Cleveland CBD deserves an upgrade that will benefit local business owners and rate payers. But there are no plans to ensure adequate infrastructure will accompany the project which will bring in a huge influx of traffic to the area. It is also unclear how local business in the CBD will benefit from the project.

## Community shut out

This completely inappropriate project is a result of the Priority Development Area (PDA) declared over Toondah Harbour by the Campbell Newman Government. The PDA fast-tracks development and removes important checks and balances.

Redlands Council is gagged by a series of strict confidentiality agreements that block them from speaking about the development or revealing the terms of the contract.

Walker Corporation gave \$225,000 to the federal Liberal Party and \$23,000 to the Queensland Labor Party.

Redlands residents deserve better representatives who will stand up for our community.





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Eastern Curlew by Duade Paton

## Environment

Toondah Harbour is part of the Moreton Bay Marine Park, home to dugongs, humpback whales, dolphins and sea turtles, all of which would be impacted. If the project goes ahead **tonnes of mud and silt will be dredged from the seafloor, smothering seagrass, creating algal blooms and degrading water quality.**

Toondah Harbour is the permanent home to a healthy colony of resident koalas. **Koalas are vulnerable to extinction** in Queensland, so this colony, which includes a number of breeding females, must be protected.

Every year migratory birds, including the critically endangered Eastern Curlew, visit the area to feed and prepare for their **10,000 km round trip** to their breeding grounds in the Arctic Circle.

The Eastern Curlew's population has fallen by more than 80% in the last 30 years as its feeding and roosting habitat comes under increasing pressure from coastal habitat destruction.

## Dangerous international precedent

The project would extend into a wetland that is protected under the Ramsar treaty, a global agreement that safeguards the most environmentally important wetlands around the world. If this development goes ahead it will set a dangerous precedent that could be used globally to justify the destruction of wetlands for profit.

**Local residents, environment groups and businesses have joined together to protect Toondah Harbour and our community.**

Find out more and Join the campaign at

BirdLife Australia - [actforbirds.org/savetoondah](http://actforbirds.org/savetoondah)

Australian Conservation Foundation - [acf.org.au/toondah](http://acf.org.au/toondah)

Redlands 2030 - [redlands2030.net/category/toondah-harbour](http://redlands2030.net/category/toondah-harbour)

