

Douglas Shire Council Economic Development Strategy Workshop

The Douglas Shire Sustainability Group was represented at a recent workshop held to assist the Douglas Shire Council to develop its Economic Development Strategy.

The work shop was held on the 7th October at the Mossman Gorge Centre and was attend by a diverse group of community leaders and stakeholders. The workshop focused on 4 main areas, being Health, Education, Sugar Industry/Agriculture and Sustainable Development.

There were some excellent ideas put forward by each group which will be captured and included in the final document to be prepared and delivered to Council by economic design and implementation specialists, Possible People.

The DSSG put forward some big picture ideas in regard to planning for Climate Change, whereby the Shire could become a leader in promoting environmentally aware building designs, business practises etc. From a tourism perspective the Shire could be promoted as being a "Zero Carbon" or "Carbon Neutral" destination.

The DSSG looks forward to the final document being published.