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R Rader
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Dear R Rader

I refer to the petition to generate support for preventing the loss of Clifton Beach due to foreshore erosion.

This is an issue for the Cairns City Council, though funding assistance is available under the Local Governing Bodies' Capital Works Subsidy Scheme (LGBCWSS) administered by the Department of Local Government, Planning, Sport and Recreation. A subsidy of up to 25% is available, depending on the type of work being undertaken.

One of the underlying principles of the subsidy scheme is that it is primarily aimed at assisting Councils and their communities in infrastructure development. The Council under the LGBCWSS can submit an application to the Department, which will be assessed according to the Departmental Guidelines. Please contact Cairns City Council to discuss this matter.

I thank the residents for their community support in the area of preventing foreshore erosion.

Yours sincerely

SIGNED

Desley Boyle MP
Minister for Local Government and Planning
Minister for Women