# COOMERA: A GROWING CENTRE

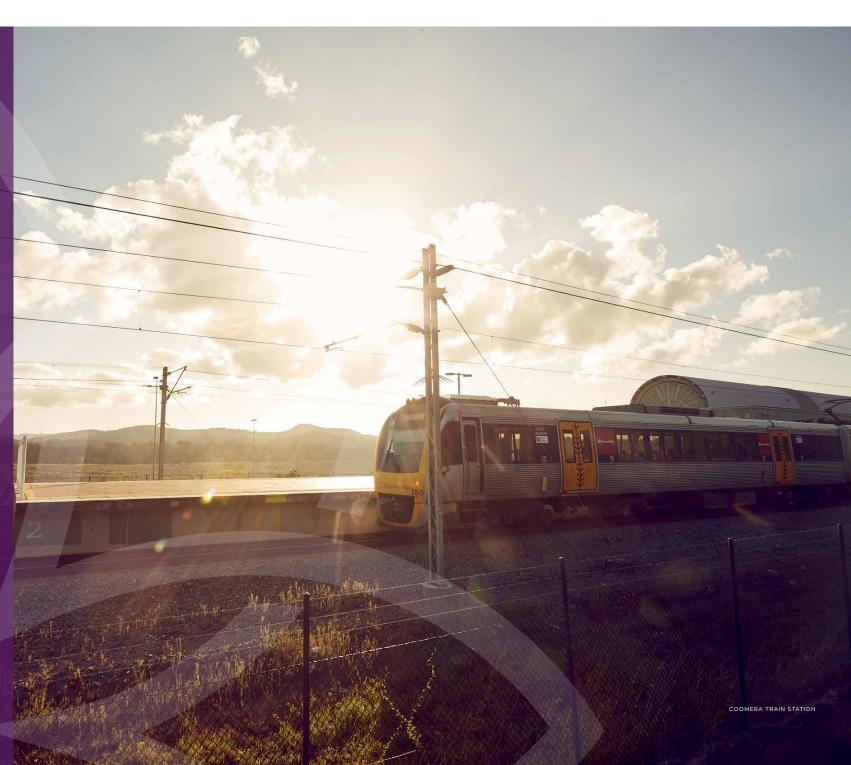
THIS BLOSSOMING AREA OF THE GOLD COAST WILL SEE POPULATION GROW FROM CURRENT LEVELS OF AROUND 12,000, TO NEARLY 80,000 OVER THE NEXT TWO DECADES. AN IMPRESSIVE PROGRAM OF WORKS HAS BEEN PUT IN PLACE TO SUPPORT THIS GROWTH. INCLUDING THE \$74 MILLION UPGRADE TO THE COOMERA INTERCHANGE (EXIT 54) SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION IN 2016 AND THE \$1.5 BILLION COOMERA TOWN CENTRE.

Works on Stage 2 of the Gold Coast Light Rail have begun and an additional 3 stations added to the light rail network will bring Southern Gold Coast closer than ever before. Connection to the Light Rail from Coomera is only 6 minutes by heavy rail. This will provide fast connection to the new Gold Coast University Hospital and Private hospital. Stage two of the Gold Coast light rail will see a direct public transport link from Coomera to Southport. Main Beach, Surfer's Paradise and beyond.

There are 11 primary and secondary schools located close to Bloom, Coomera with a range of excellent education providers. Also within close reach is the \$26 million Coomera Creative TAFE campus and the new \$40 million sports and leisure complex, scheduled for completion for the 2018 Commonwealth Games.

The \$1.5 billion Coomera Town Centre will set a benchmark for an increase in commercial, retail and residential development across the Northern Gold Coast. Whether you are searching for the latest must have-item or an extra special gift the new Westfield Coomera Town Centre will have a range of speciality shops that will cater to your every need. The Coomera Town Centre will result in 3.300 new jobs upon completion.

Coomera is well on the way to becoming a self-sufficient regional centre, with excellent public transport links, education, retail, recreation and employment opportunities.



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RIGHT IN THE CENTRE OF COOMERA YOU'LL FIND THE FAMILY FRIENDLY WATERFIRE RESTAURANT WITH LIVE MUSIC, GREAT FOOD, AND BALI INSPIRED ATMOSPHERE. GOLD COAST MARINA IS ONLY MINUTES AWAY AND HOME TO THE ANNUAL GOLD COAST BOAT SHOW.

Of course Coomera is also home to the iconic Dreamworld theme park and only minutes from Wet'n'Wild, Sea World and Warner Bros. Movie World, making this an ideal hub for entertainment and relaxation of all types.

A short drive away are Sanctuary Cove Resort and Hope Island Golf Country Clubs, some of the most luxurious courses on the Coast.







## COOMERA: THEN & NOW

### 1865

The Coomera River is a crucial trade route for loggers and hinterland farmers. Families start to settle the area.

The ford at Upper Coomera becomes the crossing point for the Brisbane-Nerang mail route.

The introduction of the ferry confirms the importance of this North-South crossing.

### 1885

A Governor of Queensland, Governor Musgrave, built a seaside home near Southport in 1885, setting a trend for the coast becoming a fashionable resort for the wealthy and influential

#### 1889

In 1889, a train line was extended from Brisbane to Southport, later extending down to Coolangatta..  1925
 A new coastal road, linking Brisbane to the beaches of the coast was completed in 1925.

**1930** The original Coomera Bridge opens.

1930s

South Coast Rail Line runs through Lower Coomera. A railway station here confirms permanent settlement. Brisbane journalists start to refer to the coastline south of Brisbane as the Gold Coast: the place to buy and sell land in the post-war real estate boom.

Late 1940

The local council begins to realise this name is a great promotional asset.

1958 The South Coast Town Council adopts the name Gold Coast Town Council.

1959 Oueensland State Government officially proclaims the Local Authority of the City of the Gold Coast on 16 May 1959.

1980
 The Place Names Board of
 Queensland officially gazettes
 the name Gold Coast in April 1980.

- 1981 Dreamworld op

1984 Wet 'n Wild opens

**1991** Movie World opens

• 1996 Coomera Train Station opens

2011
 Coomera creative industries
 TAFE opens

2013
 Gold Coast University
 hospital opens

2015 Construction commences on M1 Exit 54 upgrade

2015 Gold Coast Private Hospital opens 2016 Westfield Town Centre opens

2016 New Catholic Education site purchased

2016
 Coomera indoor sports centre completed

2016
 Gold Coast G-Link track extended
 North and South lines to be updated

**2017** Exit 54 upgrade \$74mil completed

2018 Commonwealth Games

1800s

1940 - 1980

1980 - NOW

2016 ONWARDS