

# SAVE POINT CARTWRIGHT

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Point Cartwright Care Group Inc.

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### Act Now To Save Point Cartwright Reserve

The Sunshine Coast Council is developing a Master Plan for Point Cartwright Reserve and conducting a review of the Town Plan.

Help protect the future of Point Cartwright Reserve's natural environment and cultural heritage by asking Council to make the reserve a conservation park. Rezoning Point Cartwright Reserve to Environmental Management and Conservation will help to protect the site's unique attributes:

1. **International Migrating & Resident Shorebirds** – Protected species of shorebirds rely on the rocky shores at Point Cartwright for their survival.
2. **Critically Endangered Littoral Rainforests** – The forests of Point Cartwright Reserve are nationally significant and classified as Critically Endangered.
3. **Sensitive Rocky Shore Ecological Habitats** – The rocky shores of Point Cartwright are highly diverse and essential marine habitat for many high order organisms.
4. **Indigenous Cultural Heritage** – Point Cartwright was formerly the site of a large Indigenous village. The area was home, food and medicine for Kabi Kabi daily life. The headland holds cultural and spiritual significance to the Kabi Kabi people.
5. **European History** – Point Cartwright has a rich European history from the earliest explorers to early settlers, it held a special significance and was declared a reserve in 1933.
6. **Endangered Loggerhead Turtles** – The beaches around Point Cartwright have the highest hatching rates on the Sunshine Coast of the endangered Loggerhead turtle.
7. **Dynamic Riverine Habitats** – The estuarine habitats of the Mooloolah River adjacent to Point Cartwright Reserve contain a rich diversity of marine organisms (e.g. Nudibranchs).
8. **Ancient Fossilised Landscapes** – The sandstone cliffs of the headland contain a rich patchwork of fossilised landscapes from the Jurassic Period some 200 Million years ago.
9. **Wonderful Marine and Terrestrial Wildlife** – Point Cartwright is home to many birds, reptiles, mammals and marsupials, including 115 species of birds such as the Osprey, a fish eating raptor, and the nocturnal Frogmouth.
10. **'Dark Sky' Character** – Point Cartwright should be classified as a Dark Sky Site to protect the nocturnal animals and the turtle nesting.
11. **Surfing Heritage** - Point Cartwright has a rich surfing heritage dating back generations. It is a popular spot for surfers from far and wide and is one of the few protected surf breaks on the Sunshine Coast.

The rezoning to Environmental Management and Conservation will ensure restoration and conservation strategies are implemented at the Reserve to preserve it for future generations.

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Save Point Cartwright Reserve for Future Generations.

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**Protect Migrating Shorebirds...** Point Cartwright Reserve is a destination for resident and migratory shorebirds. Some shorebirds that you will see at Point Cartwright Reserve have travelled all the way from Alaska and Siberia. Migratory shorebirds use established Flyways to travel around the globe to Australia.

**Protect Rocky Shores...** Rocky shores deliver important ecosystem services, such as providing the habitat necessary for many higher order species such as fish, octopus, and crab. Rocky shores are important feeding and nesting areas for some threatened bird species, such as sooty oystercatchers. At low tide, wading birds love to feed on crabs and limpets on exposed rocks.

**Preserve Critically Endangered Littoral Forests...** Point Cartwright Reserve features a small but precious Littoral Rainforest. Littoral Rainforests are classified as Critically Endangered on the East Coast of Australia. Littoral Rainforests occur within 2km of the coast in the zone that is affected by marine influences such as the ocean and sea spray. Every effort is being made to protect and restore remnant stands.

**Conserve Riverine Habitats...** The lower reaches adjacent to the reserve support one of the most diverse species of soft-bodied marine gastropod molluscs anywhere in the world (called Nudibranchs). Currently, about 3,000 valid species of nudibranchs are known worldwide, 600 of which have been found in the Mooloolah River,

**Preserve Dark Sky...** It is important that the reserve be designated as a "Dark Sky" site to promote and encourage a range of nocturnal fauna and turtle nesting activities.



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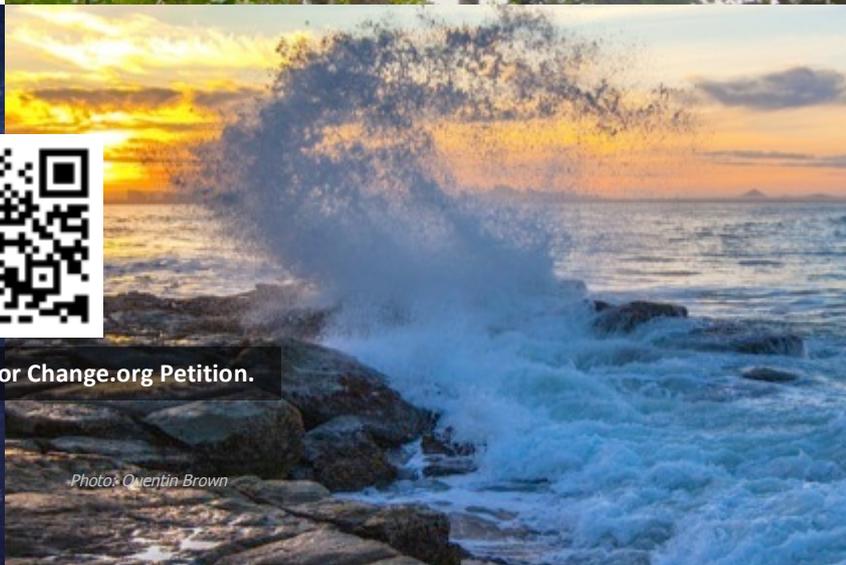
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