1. The economy of the Rockhampton region is dominated by mining, agriculture and tourism sectors. The Fitzroy region has been at the centre of the Queensland’s coal and LNG investment boom, while also fostering a growing service sector.
2. The Queensland Government announced a number of significant initiatives for the broader Fitzroy region in the 2016-17 State Budget, including $823.2 million for infrastructure improvements, estimated to support 2500 jobs.
3. The Government is leading or helping facilitate progress on developments across the infrastructure, resources, agriculture, water and tourism sectors, which have the potential to stimulate job creation and provide a long term economic boost to the region.
4. The Government is also progressing several initiatives to protect the Great Barrier Reef, which in turn will support the region’s tourism industry and improve the visitor experience.
5. Cabinet noted an update on economic conditions and key issues in Rockhampton and the surrounding region.
6. *Attachments*
* Nil.