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Cooktown Aviation Park works underway

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A new taxiway linking the runway with the Cooktown Airport Aviation Park lease area is underway.

The \$1.85 million project, part of a planned development for the Cooktown Airport, is funded by the Department of State Development's Building Our Regions Fund and the Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning's Works For Queensland program. The 550m long taxiway, which runs parallel to the runway, has been designed by consultants GHD to comply with requirements for the large passenger Dash 8 aircraft and will include double layer cement stabilised pavement topped with double coat bitumen.

The taxiway project is utilising a mix of local and external contractors, and Council staff, and is scheduled for completion in November. Further to the taxiway works it is planned to undertake realignment and upgrade of the existing airport access road in 2018-19. The realignment will provide further lease area at the Aviation Park. A development application has been lodged for a project on one of the leased blocks at the park, with another aviation business expressing interest in starting up a flying school and maintenance business based at the airport.

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