

Broome International Airport Arrivals Terminal Upgrade Complete



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Broome International Airport (BIA) has upgraded its facilities to give patrons a superior travel experience and support State tourism with the continued growth in numbers visiting this iconic destination.

Working with local Broome builder H&M Tracey we have put the finishing touches on the newly expanded Arrivals Terminal. With a build time of approximately 18 months, and a cost of around \$7M, this is an important investment in the future of the Broome as a place to live, work and holiday.

This expansion forms part of the planned upgrade to the airport with recent improvements to the check in hall and security screening areas. The total of the investment to date is in excess of \$15M with most of the investment going back into the Broome business sector and community. In acknowledging this investment, BIA Chairman, David Sauzier stated *"as a family business our philosophy has always been to reinvest in the Broome community, we continue that philosophy today through the completion of this latest expansion."*

The newly expanded terminal will create a more seamless and comfortable travel experience for passengers to Broome, which will support the continued growth in numbers visiting this iconic destination. In addition to the 1,100m² of arrivals space, there is the addition of a second baggage belt, the addition of two new bathroom

facilities and importantly provision for international border agencies to support future international services.

BIA CEO, Craig Shaw noted “we will continue to focus our efforts, along with many cooperative stakeholders, to actively engage with airlines for new and additional services.” In addition to discussing these opportunities with airlines, BIA are focussed on securing commitment from the Federal Government for permanent border services to support the pursuit of international services to open up the Kimberley and North West as a gateway to Australia.

Deputy Premier and Minister for Tourism, Roger Cook, a long-standing supporter of the Broome International Airport, officially opened the new terminal. The Deputy Premier in his speech observed the strategic value connecting regional towns like Broome and the wider Kimberley region, and again threw his support behind growing these aviation connections locally, nationally, and internationally. The Deputy Premier has been actively working to assist in securing permanent international services, along with growing domestic connections to the East Coast.

A final phase of terminal redevelopment is in the planning which will complete the terminal upgrades. This phase will revamp the existing terminal departure areas including the food and beverage and retail outlets. Broome International Airport looks forward to sharing the plans for this development in the near future.



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