



Thriving Queensland
Kids **Partnership**

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Thriving PLACES Thriving KIDS Collaborative November 2024 Meeting Report



1. Connect

1.1 The Thriving PLACES, Thriving KIDS Collaborative

The purpose of TPTK is:

- to support collaborators and catalysts involved in child and youth focused, place-based initiatives in Queensland.
- to identify systems enablers, barriers, and systems-shifting proposals for change.
- to contribute to national, state and regional strategies and initiatives that enable place-based work.

1.2 The TPTK Collaborative November Gathering

We had over 27 people join the November TPTK Collaborative, from a range of places, lands and organisations:

• C4C- Rockhampton • Cairns South Together- Mission Australia • Cape York Partnerships • Community Member • Department of Communities • Department of Health • Department of State Development and Infrastructure • Department of Transport and Main Roads • Dusseldorp Forum • Gladstone Region engaging in action Together • Ipswich/Inala C4C • Logan Together	• Mission Australia • QCOS • SEER Data • Smith Family • Salvation Army • Southern Morton Bay Community Impact Initiative • Thriving Qld Kids Partnership • The Good Shift (formally GCSI) • Tim Fairfax Family Foundation • University of Southern Queensland • University of Queensland - Qld Brain Institute • Your Town
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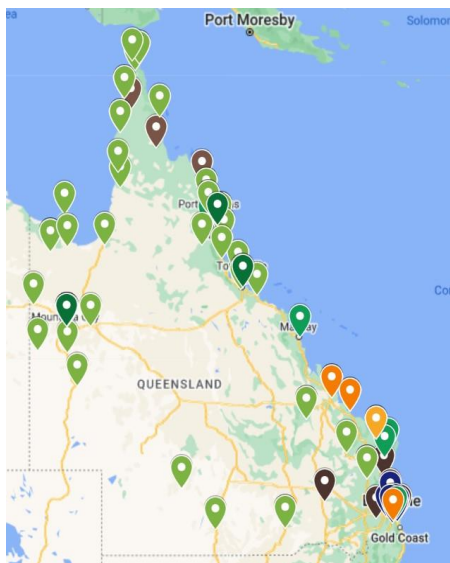
A full list of collaborators can be found in appendix 1.

What your #1 recommendation for people to see or experience in your community you live in?

- put your toes in the sand and swim in the saltwater
- for every child completed Year 12 with ATAR or VET then we will close the gap.
- to see and experience the strong and connected community that I live in
- to discover all my place has to offer
- for people to walk around the leafy streets, head down to the creek, and enjoy the fresh air.
- experience the diverse cultures, bush and water ways.
- to see more people enjoying the green spaces that we have across the city.
- for people to experience the gentle connection that people in my place have to each other, to our waterways and wetlands and to the history of this place.
- to experience the connected and strong community with a deep knowledge about what works in their community.
- to explore community gardens.
- to visit the Rocks Riverside Park, a lovely place to get outdoors with family and friends
- to visit the Southern Great Barrier Reef is a must do in the Gladstone Region
- to just get out and enjoy the things that do exist in community before searching for what you think its missing.
- to experience the cultural diversity that makes my place a very special place in so many ways
- to give hope to young people across Qld and the opportunities to explore themselves and their place in this world
- to acknowledge the significance of First Nations experience and profound wisdom in place-based work

A list of current place-based Initiative in Queensland

Current place eco-system



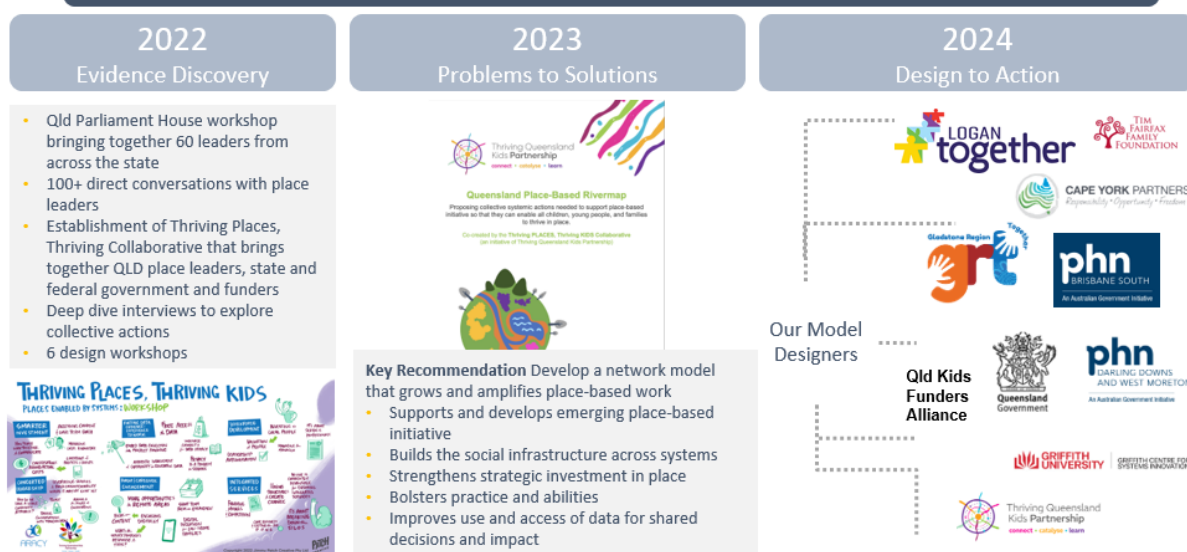
No	Place-based initiatives	Location
3	Stronger Places, Strong People	Logan, Gladstone, Rockhampton
16	Communities for Children	Beenleigh, Brown Plains, Cairns South Deception Bay, Forest Lake, Gladstone, Ipswich, Innisfail, Jimboomba, Carbrook, Narangba, Ormeau, Mt Isa, Rockhampton, Springwood, Springfield, Townsville
10	Local Thriving Communities (remote)	Coen, Hope Vale, Mapoon, Napranum, Northern Peninsula Area, Palm Island, Woorabinda, Wujal Wujal and Yarrabah, plus the Doomadgee Place Based Partnership.
20	Local Thriving Communities (urban and regional)	Bundaberg, Charleville, Eidsvoll, Gladstone, Hervey Bay, Ipswich/Jumbun, Mackay, Maryborough, Moreton City, Mt Isa, Murgon, Normanton, Northern Tablelands, Redlands City, Rockhampton, Southern Tablelands, St George, Toowoomba and Townsville.
3	First Nations Leadership Groups (Youth Engagement)	Cairns, Townsville, Bundaberg
9	Community Led Partnership	Gympie, Southern Moreton Bay Islands, Lockyer, Bundaberg, Cairns South, MacKay, Western Downs, Moreton Bay, Mount Isa
8	Empowered Communities	Cape York : Hope Vale, Aurukun, Wujal Wujal, Mossman Gorge, Lockhart River, NPA (Bama, Injinoo, New Mapoon, Umagico, Seisia), Kowanyama
11	Connected Beginnings	Doomadgee, Rasmussen, Mareeba, Berseker (Rockhampton), Pinalba (Hervey Bay), Mackay, Maryborough, Bundaberg, Manoora (Cairns), Eagleby, Ipswich
2	Education Precincts- DoE	Bundaberg, Mount Isa
42	Partnership Initiatives- DoE (school sites)	Cherbourg, Palm Island, Doomadgee, Woorabinda, Dajarra State School, Wujal Wujal, Kowanyama, Mornington Island, Normanton, Yarrabah, Lockhart River, Pormpuraaw, Camooweal, Northern Peninsula, Coen, Hopevale, Aurukun, Cunnamulla, Ayr, Tagai Torres Strait, Garbutt, Vincent, Innisfail, Mount Garnet, Cairns West, Townview, Urandangi, Burketown, Kennedy, St George, Boulia, Sunset, Rasmussen, Balaclava, Quilpie, Cloncurry, Cherbourg, Eidsvoll, Mapoon, Napranum, St George, Mossman Gorge
1	Close the Gap Place-Based Partnership	Doomadgee (Goonawoona Jungai)
3	Stronger Communities- Youth Justice	Mount Isa, Townsville, Cairns
7	Justice Reinvestment	Cherbourg, Yarrabah, Townsville, North Stradbroke Island, Doomadgee, Hope Vale, Mornington Island

2. Learn

PURPOSE: To provide an overview and seek feedback on the

1. Queensland Place-based Network Model
2. Thriving QLD Kids Partnership Draft Strategy

The Journey to co-develop the model



Download the [Rivermap](#) here

3. Queensland Place-based Network Model

PURPOSE: to provide an overview of the [Qld place based model](#) design and seek engagement in refining the model.

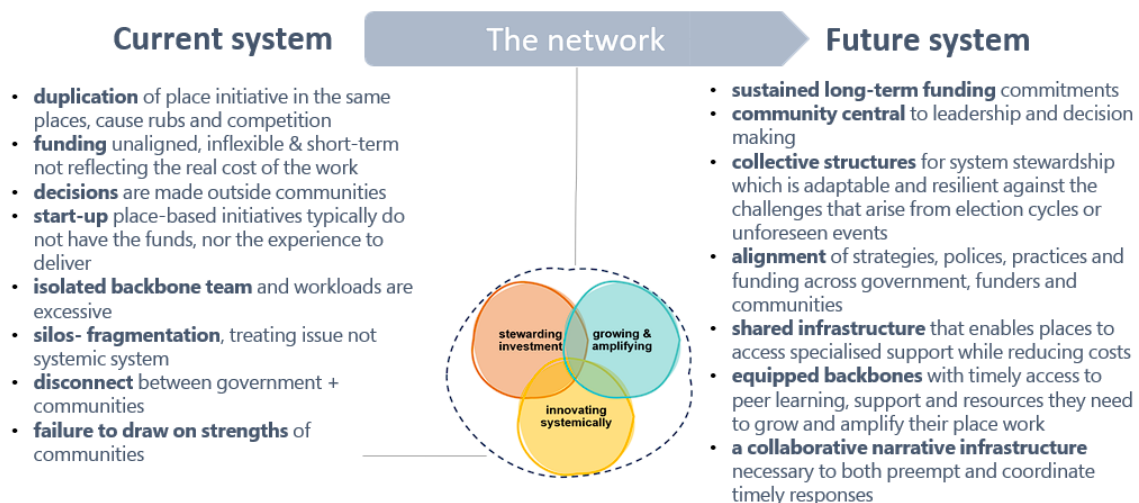
Key Collaborators

1. Katie Norman- The Tim Family Fairfax Foundation
2. Michelle Lucas- Executive Director: Logan Together

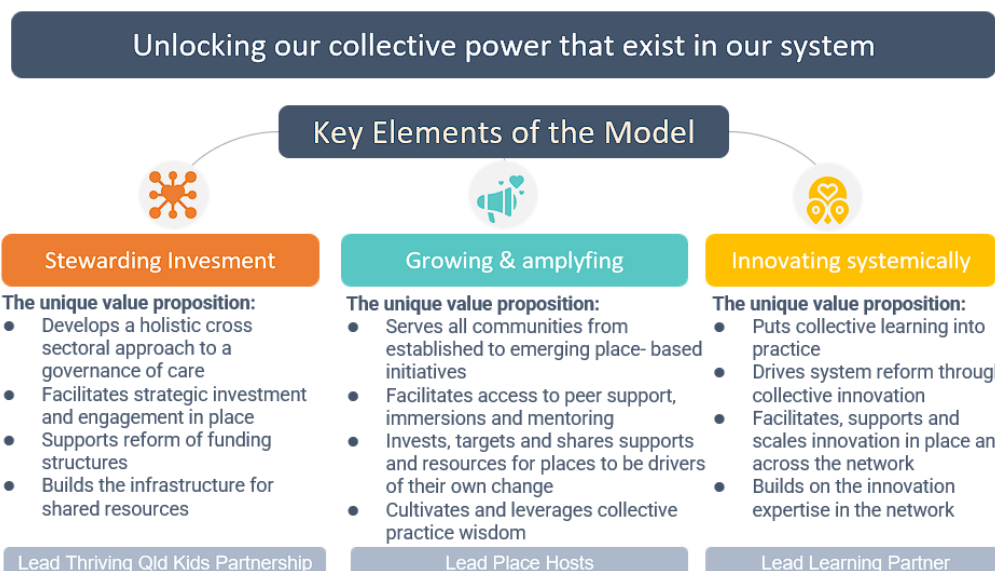
The WHY of the Model

- Queensland has some of the most disadvantaged communities in Australia (10 most disadvantaged communities in Aus 6 are in Qld)
- There is compelling evidence demonstrating place-based approaches can be effective in developing community capability, creating opportunity and addressing disadvantage
- Some of Australia's most developed place-based initiatives have arisen in Queensland, so there's much to leverage from
- Thriving Qld Kids Partnership has created a safe space for collective and distributed leadership to orchestrate and convene a network
- Queensland Kids Funders Alliance and IDAC have a focus on investing in place-based approaches
- New communities are eager to launch their own place initiative

The FUTURE of the Model



The WHAT of the Model



The HOW of the Model- what we are exploring how we...

- collaboratively fund the model
- connect with IDAC and PLACE for QLD to ensure communities can catalyse on the opportunities
- move from design to implementation

Small Group Conversations-*What do you like most about the model and what might be missing?*

Key Insights

What I like about the model

- opportunity to teach us nationally
- potential to provide alignment across sectors, systems and three levels of government
- ability to enact the good policies, strategy and framework that already exist (the doing and connecting)
- ability to understand the rubs in place and change the systems
- opportunity to better understand the overlap and connections between initiatives
- that it is not about one model or framework- but learning across different contexts
- love the mentoring, sharing and coming together across all levels
- sharing the learning and join up work
- ability to make stronger connections

What is the model missing

- tying policy development people in beginning of the model development to understand the why and the what- not at the end
- being more explicit the why (one pager) reaching to the heart of the funder - human element
- the human story part of the what/why (what are we changing for children)- currently too focussed on the economic part of the why
- the building in of short-term wins
- not everyone place is represented on the place map
- further clarity around the ask, roles and responsibilities
- details on what it looks like on the ground
- more clarity on how this model can support early-stage initiative
- stronger commitment and engagement from federal and local governments
- are there three zones to large

Overwhelming support for continuing to refine and develop the model

ACTIONS

- encourage everyone to take the [model](#) into your forum(s) and provide any feedback to design group
- explore ways to engage local government- any connections or suggestions in who we continue to strengthen local government engagement please reach out
- we will continue to engage in conversations with IDAC to ensure we can collectively put our best feet forward for QLD places

4. Thriving Queensland Kids Partnership Strategy

The proposed [2025-2030 DRAFT strategy](#) is being informed from the Thriving Place, Thriving Kids collaborative

- Ambitious goal
- Enabling the many leaders and champions we have for children, to better connect them, enabling them
- 6 portfolios- focusing on where we can add value, especially where there are rubs and gaps between systems- what we convene, facilitate investment and engagement and amplify the work of others
 1. Strengthening Places and Spaces
 2. Growing Investment and Impacts

3. Enabling Stewardship and Builders
4. Engaging hearts and mindsets
5. Building brains and bodies
6. Integrating hubs and spaces

See the full strategy [here](#)



Thank you for your interest in TQKP's Phase 3 Strategy and for taking the time to review our consultation draft. We welcome your initial feedback via the [form](#) and invite you to get in touch via email to TQKP@aracy.org.au if you have additional thoughts you would like to discuss.

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Appendix 1

Who is and has been involved in Thriving Places, Thriving Kids Collaborative

The aim of the network is to bring together a range of stakeholders who are working or supporting place-based initiatives across Queensland.

- Act For Kids
- Alliance for Leadership & Learning
- ArcBlue-Q Seed Townsville
- Brisbane North PHN
- Brisbane South PHN
- Cairns South Together
- Cape York Partnerships
- CQ University
- Children's Health Queensland
- Collective Change
- Collaboration for Impact
- Communities for Children
- Connected Beginnings
- Darling Downs & West Moreton PHN
- Department of Treaty, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, Communities and the Arts
- Department of Education
- Department of Health
- Department of Premier & Cabinet
- Department of Social Services -SPSP (commonwealth government)
- Department of Transport
- Dusseldorp Forum
- Gladstone Region engaging in action Together (GRT)
- Goonawoona Jungai
- Griffith Centre for Systems Innovation
- Griffith Regional Data Insights Lab
- Gympie Local Level Alliance (LLA) – Collective Impact in Action
- Hand Heart Pocket
- Health and Wellbeing Queensland
- Helping Hands Network Foundation
- James Cook University
- Laidley Community Centre
- Local Government Association Qld
- Logan Together
- Mackay Regional Council
- Mission Australia
- Neighbourhood Centres Queensland
- PLACE (formally Nexus Centre)
- Pathways to Resilience
- Play Matters
- Primary Healthcare Partnerships Brisbane South
- Primary Healthcare Partnership Darling Downs West Moreton
- Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Protection Peak (QATSICPP)
- Queensland Brain Institute

- Queensland Council of Social Services (QCOSS)
- Restacking the Odds – Murdoch Children’s Research Institute (MCRI)
- Seer Data and Analytics
- Southern Moreton Bay Islands (SMBI) Listeners Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Gardens
- Team Bundaberg
- The Bryan Foundation
- The Salvation Army
- The Smith Family
- The University of Queensland
- The Good Shift (Formally Centre for Systems Innovation (Griffith University))
- Thriving Lockyer Kids
- Tim Fairfax Family Foundation
- Together4Lockyer
- University of Southern Queensland
- University of the Sunshine Coast
- Wesley Mission
- Working Visions
- Yarrabah Leadership Table
- yourtown
- Western Downs Regional Council