

\$250m Gateway Marina back on course as developer reclaims control

Developer Simon Harvey despite a bitter partnership stoush and liquidation threat has resurrected the \$250 million Gateway Marina project at Burnett Heads.

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An artist's impression of the Gateway Marina project, Burnett Heads, near Bundaberg.

A \$250m marina project on the coast near Bundaberg is back on course two years after a bitter stoush between partners sparked liquidation proceedings. Developer Simon Harvey has resumed full ownership and control of the Gateway Marina project at Burnett Heads with the masterplan including a 318-berth state-of-the-art marina, a waterfront residential community, short and long term accommodation, and a vibrant mix of retail, dining and tourism experiences.

“My belief in the region and the potential of the Boat Harbour has only strengthened — for boat owners, for local businesses, and for the broader community,” he said.

“Retaining the original vision has always been important to me, and I’m excited to now bring that to life in a way the community can be proud of.”



The \$250 million Gateway Marina project at Burnett Heads is officially back on track, with original developer Simon Harvey successfully acquiring the project and resuming full control following the completion of a competitive sale process.

In 2024 a wind-up order was issued by the NSW Supreme Court for the entities BH Developments QLD and BH Holdings QLD in 2024. Liquidators and receivers appointed to sell the project.

In a report to creditors in 2024, the liquidators identified the companies owed \$7.9m.

However, the re-acquisition follows a complex but ultimately successful process to resolve a partnership dispute.

“While the journey to get to this point has been lengthy, complex and at times exhausting, this is a project that was worth fighting for,” Mr Harvey said.



Simon Harvey is the face of the Gateway Marina project.

Gateway Marina is inviting Expressions of Interest for Stage one marina berths. A total of 88 private recreational berths will be available for lease, catering to vessels from 10m to 22m.

Bellingham Marine Australia is the delivery partner for Stage one.

“There will be 88 private recreational berths available, and allocations will be made on a first-in, first-served basis,” Mr Harvey said.

“We expect boaties to be able to move into the marina by the end of the year, making this a near-term opportunity. And given the level of inquiry we’ve seen over many years, we expect strong demand.”

The transaction was facilitated by Philip O'Dwyer of Colliers, who said there was a lot of national interest from a broad market including those with established marina interests as well as land developers interested in the significant amount of waterfront land with development approvals in-place.



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