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Are you looking for the best time to visit Hervey Bay? Well, you're in the right place! Although Hervey Bay is a great destination to visit almost all year round, July is one of the best times to visit due to its perfect climate conditions. Not too hot and not too cold.

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RECORD GROWTH DRIVES MAJOR HERVEY BAY AIRPORT UPGRADE

A major \$18 million upgrade of the Hervey Bay Airport terminal will help support record passenger growth, improve the travel experience and strengthen the Fraser Coast's position as a growing regional destination.

Fraser Coast Mayor George Seymour said Council would invest in the terminal upgrade over the next two years, with the project to be delivered in stages while the airport continues operating.

"These are the first major upgrades to the terminal in more than 20 years, and they come at a critical time for the Fraser Coast," Cr Seymour said.

"Hervey Bay Airport has experienced record growth, with more than 240,000 passengers travelling through the airport in 2025 – the highest number in the airport's history and more than 23 per cent above pre-COVID levels.

"This isn't a short-term spike. We've now seen four consecutive years of increasing passenger numbers, with Hervey Bay Airport climbing 19 places in national rankings to become the 24th busiest regional airport in Australia.

"That reflects the Fraser Coast's growing appeal as both a place to live and a place to visit."

Cr Seymour said the airport was vital to the region's economy, tourism industry and long-term prosperity.

"As the Fraser Coast continues to attract new residents and visitors, our infrastructure needs to keep pace," he said.

"This upgrade is about making sure we have an airport terminal that can comfortably support increasing passenger numbers now and into the future while also improving the overall travel experience".

"It will also help position the Fraser Coast to benefit from future tourism opportunities, including increased visitation associated with the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games."

Deputy Mayor Lachlan Cosgrove said the project would improve functionality, accessibility and passenger comfort while allowing the airport to continue operating throughout construction.

"The first phase of works will focus on external upgrades at the front of the terminal, including new awnings, improved pedestrian access, landscaping, drainage improvements and new amenities," Cr Cosgrove said.

"The project will also deliver a Changing Places facility to improve accessibility for people with disability and their carers."

Cr Cosgrove said the second phase of the project would focus on internal and airside improvements.

"The terminal departure lounge will be expanded, with seating capacity increasing from just under 200 to almost 500 following the upgrade," he said.

"There will also be upgraded security screening, improved facilities for arriving passengers, enhancements to the Lady Elliot Island flights lounge area and new airside arrival and departure ramps."

Cr Cosgrove said the airport will remain operational throughout construction, with works carefully staged around flight schedules and on nights and weekends where possible to minimise impacts on passengers, airlines and airport operations.

"The contractors will work closely with Council and the airlines to carefully manage the site and maintain safe passenger access throughout the project," he said.

"We know there may be some short-term inconvenience during construction, but this investment is about preparing the airport for the future and ensuring it can continue supporting regional growth for decades to come."

The first phase of works is expected to start within the next few months and take about six to seven months to complete, weather and construction conditions permitting.

The second phase is expected to start in late 2026 or early 2027, with the full project anticipated to be completed in early to mid-2028.



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We are so excited to share that once again we are taking part in the 2026 Dunga Derby Event by Rally for a Cause! We're joining this incredible adventure to raise funds for a truly meaningful cause and have a whole lot of fun along the way.

Rally for a Cause is a wonderful community charity dedicated to supporting families and individuals affected by life-limiting medical conditions, or those whose lives have been turned upside down by circumstances beyond their control. The work they do makes a real and lasting difference in people's lives, and we're proud to be part of it.

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