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## Media Release

### New Deception Bay Child, Youth & Family Centre facilities enhance client support

The Deception Bay Child, Youth and Family Centre today officially opened new extensions to the Centre including a new counselling building, outdoor meeting space and gardens.

“The addition of the new counselling building and other facilities will enhance how we engage with clients and will assist with delivering an improved client experience,” said **yourtown** CEO Tracy Adams.

“The extensions will enable our dedicated staff to provide counselling, therapy and support to children, young people and families in a welcoming, engaging and beautiful purpose-built facility.

“What’s especially encouraging about the new building and gardens is the projects were coordinated by our Social Enterprise programs which provided young people with valuable experience and job-ready skills while contributing to this community project.

“It’s through involving Social Enterprise clients in community works like this that we help equip young people with the necessary skills and experience to develop solid future job and career pathways.”

Federal Member for Petrie Luke Howarth attended the official opening event and noted the tremendous work **yourtown** performs across the local community and the federal government funding contribution to the Centre’s new facilities.

“I am pleased the Federal Government has been able to contribute over \$15,000 toward the new **yourtown** activity space. **yourtown** does a great job with young people and families in our community and I support the work they do 100%,” said Federal Member for Petrie Luke Howarth MP.

“I would also like to thank the Moreton Bay Regional Council for its financial support and assistance with the car park upgrade,” said Ms Adams.

The Deception Bay Child, Youth and Family Centre provides individual, family and community services including:

- Glugor Young Parents Program for parents/carers aged up to 25 years with children aged 0-5 years, residing in Deception Bay and surrounds.
- Family Mental Health (Starfish) Program for vulnerable families with children and young people (aged 0-18 years) who are showing early signs of, or are at risk of developing, mental health issues.

To find out more about the programs phone: 07 3888 0758.

#### INTERVIEW/PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES

Tracy Adams, CEO **yourtown**. Federal Member for Petrie Luke Howarth MP  
New facility extensions at the Deception Bay Child, Youth & Family Centre

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