

Inkerman Creek Floating Walkway (Port Alma Road) Consultation summary

September 2026



Consultation outcomes

Maritime Safety Queensland thanks everyone who provided feedback on the proposed concept design for the Inkerman Creek Floating Walkway (Port Alma Road) project between mid-February and mid-March 2026.

The proposed design includes a 50-metre-long, 2.5-metre-wide concrete-deck floating walkway, solar lighting and new vessel tie-up fixtures.

Feedback demonstrated very strong community support for the floating walkway. Respondents said the walkway would make launching and retrieval safer, particularly in strong tidal currents, for people boating alone and for people with mobility challenges.

Community feedback also asked that the final design consider tidal flow, wind, walkway position, vessel tie-up, debris management and extreme weather. Suggestions included handrails, anti-slip surfaces, lighting, clearer ramp markers, toilets, bins, wash-down facilities, parking and security improvements, and allowance for future ramp expansion.

Feedback will be considered as the design is finalised and the community will be kept informed as future decisions regarding the project are made. For the latest project information, visit the Maritime Safety Queensland project page:

msq.qld.gov.au/about-us/news-and-stories/inkerman-creek-floating-walkway-port-alma-road-project

Top feedback themes



Safety, solo launching and accessibility

Respondents said a walkway would reduce the need to enter the water and make launching and retrieval safer, especially for people boating alone, older users and people with injury or mobility challenges.

Tidal currents and walkway design

Strong tidal run and wind were common design concerns. Suggestions included reviewing the walkway position and shape, considering access in both tide directions, and consideration to include a rock protection or breakwater.

Vessel control and user safety

Tie-off points, anti-slip decking, handrails, clearer ramp-edge markers and lighting were raised to improve vessel handling and reduce slip and fall risks.

Supporting facilities and site access

Suggestions for local government consideration included toilets, rubbish bins, wash-down facilities, parking, CCTV and security, and improvements to the Port Alma Road access route.

Resilience, capacity and construction

Respondents asked that the design manage debris, floods and extreme weather, allow for future ramp expansion and minimise access disruptions during construction.

Top three ways people use the area



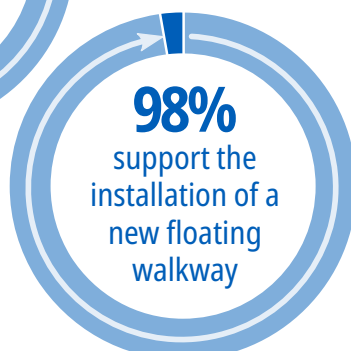
1 Fishing



2 Recreational boating



3 Commercial boating/fishing



What happens next



Community feedback received during consultation will help inform the final design of the new floating walkway.



Detailed design is expected to be completed by late 2026.



Construction is anticipated to commence in early 2027

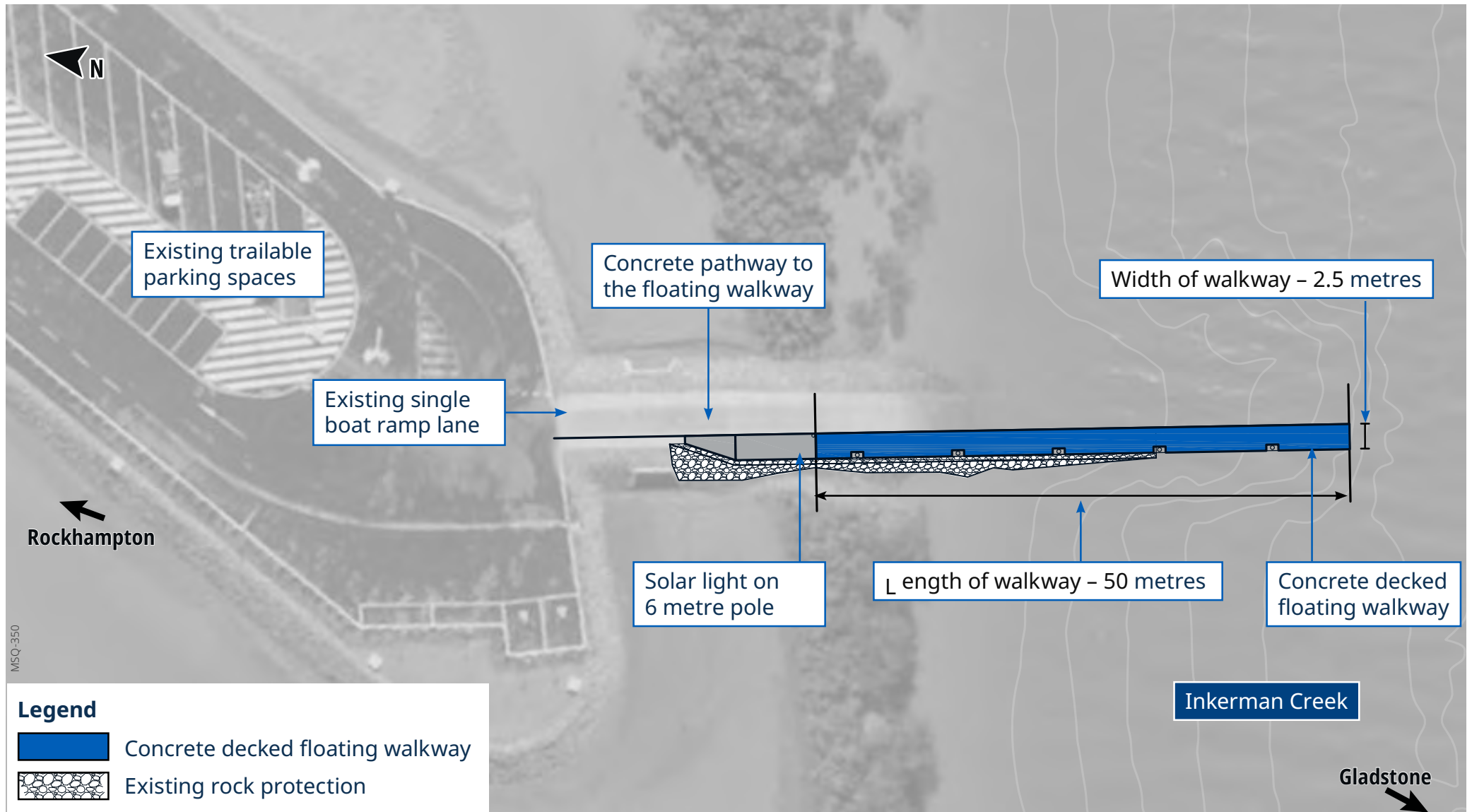


Figure 1 Proposed concept design - Inkerman Creek Floating Walkway (Port Alma Road)