

SECTION 1

INTRODUCTION

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1.0 Introduction

James Cook University was established to pursue and encourage study and research, especially in subjects of importance to the people of the tropics. James Cook University is Queensland's second oldest university and through its research, grants and industry links, is a major driver of economic growth and social change in northern Queensland.

Staff and students of JCU use its unique locations to conduct nationally significant and internationally-recognised research in areas such as marine sciences, biodiversity, tropical ecology and environments, global warming, tourism and in tropical medicine and public health care in underserved populations. Its network of specialist centres, institutes and research stations span a wide geographic area from marine islands to the outback and the students come from many backgrounds, promoting a rich cultural and experiential diversity on campus.

1.1 General

These guidelines have been prepared by the Estate Office on behalf of James Cook University (JCU) to provide a unified and consistent reference for the design of JCU owned buildings to be constructed and/or to undergo major refurbishment.

The Design Guidelines are informed by the University's strategic asset planning principles and underpin the design intent of JCU's built infrastructure. Deviation from the Guidelines may cause serious implications for future JCU building management. However, the guidelines are intentionally non-prescriptive, and aim to encourage innovation and sustainable development

The JCU Design Guidelines describes building design and construction practices, technical standards, specifications and principles to be followed, as well as defining the JCU procedures to be followed where design and construction may need to differ from these stated requirements.

Purpose of Design Guidelines for Consultants and Contractors

The Design Guidelines collate detailed requirements for the design and construction of JCU projects for the understanding and use by Consultants and Contractors.

This document forms a part of all design and/or construction projects and is in addition to the project specific 'Scope of Work' Project Brief. All contracts must include these guidelines as a condition of contract. [T]4P71(d)7.2(p)008 Tw 0.217 0 T

