



### ***Maroochy Cares, Maroochy Dares...***

*"Because we care about the lifestyle of the residents of Maroochy Shire, we must dare to do things differently - by protecting our environment, seeking out opportunity, promoting our diversity, developing our economic future and enhancing our sense of community."*

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### **TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

Bill Collins was employed with Maroochy Shire Council for 15 months on our Spatial Information System project. The project was highly strategic in its impact throughout Council in terms of major changes to the way we do things and being a "value added" project.

I list below Bill's major achievements, which contributed to the success of the project:

- Assisted with the development of the Tender and Contract for our new cadastre.
- Developed the processes and quality control mechanisms for receiving and importing the new cadastral data
- Facilitated and provided direction for our System Engineering team
- Researched and developed our Data Custodianship Policy including leading a "road show" to sell the concept of Data Stewardship
- Planned, co-ordinated and implemented the move of all our spatial data to the Geocentric Datum of Australia
- Researched and created our Spatial Data and Metadata Standards
- Facilitated many workshops and created new working groups to enable us to better ensure the integrity of our data
- Researched and developed discussion and recommendation reports on our liability, privacy and contractual commitments associated with the use of data both internally and externally

Bill completed all these major tasks in a highly professional manner and was a valued member of the project team. He also displayed exceptional written and oral skills and was able to get his message to a diverse range of staff within Council ranging from the CEO and General Managers to the people at the coal face in a variety of Departments. Bill also demonstrated the ability to challenge the "norm" and led discussions on improving our current processes.

I have no hesitation in recommending Bill to any prospective employer for his energy, commitment and willingness to "go the extra mile" to achieve often difficult and complex goals.

Yours sincerely

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