Sunshine Cove estate wins major design award

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SUSTAINABILITY, community, growth, amenity, innovation and affordability.

Before the planning of Sunshine Cove started the Chardan Development Group chose these six key words to use as its development yardstick for the central Maroochydore project.

Today, seven years into the development of its 106-hectare Sunshine Cove estate, Chardan's commitment to these words has been recognised in winning the Urban Development Institute's Qld award for residential subdivision.

Held at the InterContinental Sanctuary Cove Resort, Gold Coast, on Fridaynight, it was the 21st anniversary of the UDIA's awards program and the industry rose to the occasion with projects that set a high benchmark for future years.

UDIA (Qld) president Brett Gillan said delivering affordable housing, urban renewal, and thoughtful seniors' living solutions - all at exceptional standards - were key priorities for the UDIA (Qld) and the residential development industry.



RECOGNITION: The 106-hectare Sunshine Cove estate has won a major design award.

"It's great to see that while there was a strong focus on innovation and creative design in all of this year's winning projects, the core values of sustainability, liveability and fundamentally understanding how people want to live, were still at the heart of every development," he said.

Sunshine Cove is home to 4000 people and offers a mixed use of commercial and urban residential precincts within a waterfront setting on the doorstep of Maroochydore's newly announced CBD redevelopment.

It is also home to the emergence of some of the most dynamic and modern living options in Australia.

Innovative allotment solutions have opened up more room for lifestyle community facilities including parks, boardwalks, walkways and

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bikeways that combine to enhance the Coast lifestyle.

The vision for Sunshine Cove was for a coastal, urban lifestyle community where individuality and the freedom of space remained paramount.

Police are seeking more info about fire

POLICE say they still don't know how a fire that left a teenage boy in an induced coma started and they have renewed an appeal for information from the community.

Isaac Stearn, 14, suffered serious burns when he was found with his torso on fire on Halloween at Sunrise Beach.

He has been in Lady Cilento Children's Hospital in Brisbane ever since where he has been kept in an induced coma and undergone several operations.

Sunshine Coast Child Protection Investigation Unit Officer in Charge Detective Senior Sergeant Phil Hurst said information was coming in from the community, but more was needed.

"We haven't yet been able to speak with the boy so at this time we don't know if this has simply been a terrible accident or if it may be something more serious," Det Snr Sgt Hurst said.

"We are asking for anyone who may have been in the vicinity of the parkland off Lipton Street at any time during the late afternoon and into the early evening to contact Crime Stoppers (1800 333 000)."