



Paradise Links Resort

Sustainability, Climate Action & Emissions Reduction Plan 2026–2028

Our Commitment

At Paradise Links Resort, we recognise that the natural environment is one of our greatest assets. Nestled within 10 acres of tropical gardens alongside Palmer Sea Reef Golf Course and close to the Great Barrier Reef and the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area, we understand our responsibility to operate our business in a way that protects the environment while providing exceptional guest experiences.

As an owner-operated business, we believe sustainability is not achieved through a single initiative, but through continuous improvement, responsible decision-making and collaboration with our guests, suppliers, apartment owners and the local community.

This plan outlines the actions already undertaken and our ongoing commitment to reducing our environmental footprint while supporting the long-term sustainability of Port Douglas.

Our Sustainability Principles

We are committed to:

- Reducing energy and water consumption
- Minimising waste and increasing recycling
- Supporting local businesses and suppliers
- Protecting the natural environment and biodiversity
- Educating guests about responsible travel
- Continually reviewing and improving our environmental performance

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What We've Already Achieved

Energy

- ✓ Progressive replacement of lighting with energy-efficient LED lighting.
 - ✓ Air conditioning and lighting switched off when rooms are vacant wherever operationally possible.
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Waste Reduction

- ✓ Environmentally friendly Vendella pillows manufactured from recycled plastic bottles.
 - ✓ Green waste mulched and recycled through the resort chipper rather than being sent to landfill (in partnership with the Body Corporate).
 - ✓ Ongoing recycling initiatives throughout business operations.
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Water Conservation

- ✓ Linen and towel reuse program available for guests.
 - ✓ Irrigation managed to minimise unnecessary water use.
 - ✓ Investigation of future rainwater harvesting opportunities.
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Supporting Local Suppliers

During the qualifying period Paradise Links Resort invested significantly in the local economy through suppliers including:

- Alsco Cairns – commercial linen services
- Daintree Tea
- Local tradespeople
- Local maintenance contractors
- Local tourism operators

Supporting local suppliers reduces transport emissions while strengthening the regional economy.

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Protecting Nature

Our 10-acre property provides habitat for native birds, butterflies and tropical wildlife.

Guests are encouraged to:

- remain on designated pathways
- respect wildlife
- avoid feeding animals
- dispose of waste responsibly
- help preserve the natural beauty of the resort

Climate Action & Emissions Reduction

Although Paradise Links Resort has not yet completed a formal carbon emissions assessment, we are committed to progressively reducing our environmental impact through practical initiatives that improve energy efficiency, reduce waste and encourage responsible visitor behaviour.

Current initiatives contributing to emissions reduction include:

- LED lighting upgrades
- Purchasing locally where possible
- Recycling green waste
- Environmentally preferable products
- Encouraging low-impact visitor behaviour
- Supporting walking, cycling and shared transport

Future Actions (2026–2028)

Initiative	Status
Continue replacing remaining lighting with LED technology	Ongoing
Increase use of environmentally preferable products	Ongoing
Continue supporting local suppliers	Ongoing
Expand guest sustainability information	2026
Install water conservation stickers encouraging responsible water use throughout guest accommodation	In Progress

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Initiative	Status
Continue promoting towel and linen reuse	Ongoing
Investigate rainwater harvesting opportunities (subject to Body Corporate approval)	Under Investigation
Continue progressive room upgrades with sustainable products where practical	Ongoing
Continue reviewing purchasing decisions to minimise environmental impacts	Ongoing
Monitor opportunities to measure and reduce business emissions	Future Goal

How Guests Can Help

We invite every guest to join us in protecting this remarkable destination by:

- Turning off lights and air conditioning when leaving their accommodation
- Reusing towels and linen where possible
- Conserving water by taking shorter showers and turning taps off while brushing teeth or shaving
- Recycling correctly
- Respecting local wildlife and native vegetation
- Supporting local businesses during their stay

Measuring Our Progress

Paradise Links Resort will continue reviewing this plan annually as part of our business planning process.

Progress will be measured through:

- ongoing property improvements
 - investment in sustainable products
 - guest feedback
 - operational reviews
 - collaboration with apartment owners and suppliers
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Our Commitment to Continuous Improvement

Sustainability is a journey rather than a destination. Every improvement—no matter how small—contributes to protecting the environment that makes Port Douglas such a special place to visit.

As custodians of Paradise Links Resort, we are committed to making thoughtful decisions that benefit our guests, our community and future generations.

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