

Building Gladstone Harbour

Conduct research into a selected zone in Gladstone Harbour and present their findings on an informative poster. Each poster should contain the following information and pictures about the zone:

- Size and location of the zone (map)
- Natural features
- Man-made features
- Common animals and their habitat
- Pressures and Drivers (details below)

Your poster is to be presented to the class and displayed on the wall.

Gladstone Harbour Pressures and Drivers

Drivers and pressures are defined as external forces that play key roles in the health of Gladstone Harbour. As a busy industrialised harbour in a subtropical climate with distinct wet and dry seasons, Gladstone Harbour is influenced by a number of environmental, social, cultural and economic drivers. Connectivity, tidal cycles and climate changes are examples of drivers. Pressures are the human forces that may change the environmental condition of the harbour. Examples of pressures are the release of toxic material, demographic changes, major climatic events, physical disturbance of habitats such as mangroves or seagrass, and alterations to the coastline.

