

Queensland's second Costco store one step closer in Ipswich

RETAIL giant Costco has hit a milestone in its plans to open a new warehouse in Ipswich that will create hundreds of jobs and likely drive down fuel prices.

A development application has been lodged over a parcel of land at Bundamba, where Costco will develop 6.5ha of the 20.6ha site, off Ashburn Rd, into a massive precinct, complete with a petrol station.


The Queensland Times reports the new precinct is expected to create 250 permanent jobs, as well as construction work.

The Ipswich store will be the US bulk-selling retail giant's second in Queensland, with the first at North Lakes.

Ipswich City Council and Costco Wholesale Australia managing director Patrick Noone will officially announce the project in more detail tomorrow.

The submission follows years of speculation, enthusiasm and competition from various southeast Queensland councils all vying for Costco's business.



 If approved, the new Costco precinct is expected to create 250 permanent jobs, as well as construction work. Picture: AP/Elise Amendola