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Sunshine Coast Airport unveils new look for terminal upgrade

Sunshine Coast Airport today unveiled the new look for the \$3.6 million upgrade of the terminal and departure lounge that will double the number of retail outlets.

Sunshine Coast Regional Council Mayor Bob Abbot said the multi million dollar plans would significantly enhance the travelling experience for all of the airport's commuters, visitors and staff with a greater choice of shops and facilities.

"This is a much needed addition for the region's growing airport that plays a vital role in our local economy," Councillor Abbot said,

"With airport passenger numbers growing, it is critical that we provide a broader retail, food and beverage experience as passenger expectations are particularly high when they visit a region renowned as one of Australia's leading holiday and business destinations."

Sunshine Coast Airport General Manager Peter Pallot said a significant change for the airport is that all shops will be located in the departure and will be accessible to both passengers and guests.

"Designed by Sanders Turner and Ellick Architects, the terminal redevelopment incorporates a unique rainforest walk, adding to the use of natural light that gives that captures that special Sunshine Coast feel," Mr Pallot said.

Work is expected to commence within the month and is due for completion late this year.

"Due to the complexity of the work there will be some inconvenience to passengers for which we apologise, however we will do our best to minimise that impact."

Tourism Sunshine Coast Chief Executive Officer Russell Mason said the new plans for the terminal will provide a significant boost for the region.

"The Sunshine Coast Airport's refurbishment plans will certainly support continued growth from our key domestic markets of Sydney and Melbourne and no doubt provide great benefits for the tourism industry."

"As the Airport works towards potential routes from Adelaide and New Zealand, these upgraded facilities and services will assist in providing high quality tourism experiences for our visitors," Mr Mason said.

The shops were selected after a public tender process and include long-term tenant, The Jewellery Lounge who will relocate to a larger shop and multi-national firms Spotless and AWPL Property Solutions will operate a number of retail and food and beverage outlets, including Sumo Salad, Velutto Coffee, The Glasshouse Bar, Rip Curl and Newstravel.

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