Lands and Planning Minister Dr Chris Burns said the process to rezone the Headland Site at Myilly Point has begun.

“The proposal to rezone the site to O1 (Open Space) has gone on public exhibition,” Dr Burns said.

“The closing date for public submissions is 17 June.”

The rezoning follows last year’s public consultation into the future of three vacant Crown land sites within the Myilly Point Precinct.

Dr Burns said the Government followed the prevailing community views in deciding to:

- Create a park on the Headland Site at Myilly Point, rezoning it from B5 (tourist-business);
- Allow for a mix of parkland and development on the Old Hospital Site, while retaining the existing B5 zoning;
- Retain public ownership of the beach and foreshore at the Little Mindil Site, while requiring that any future development of the B5-zoned site will be low-rise.

“We received 930 written responses from members of the public, including 17 letters from groups or organisations,” Dr Burns said.

“The clearest majority view expressed in the survey was in favour of rezoning the Headland Site to Open Space.

“When added to the 1.83ha Flagstaff Park, which the Martin Government rezoned to Open Space in 2003, this will result in approximately 4.6ha of parkland on the Myilly peninsula.

“We recognise the historical significance of the Old Hospital Site, and believe there may well be scope to commemorate the old hospital, Kahlin Compound, and Cyclone Tracy in any future parkland development on the site.”

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