

## 1.1. Vision for the Future

The main aim for the future, and objective of the Local Development Plan, is to address the many and varied problems of the urban environment that impact on the quality of life. At the core of this is social, environmental and economic wellbeing.

Sustainable development, to maximise and maintain quality of human urban life, is the focus of the Plan.

While, from the current perspective, this may seem optimistic and difficult to achieve, the vision for Port Moresby Town must also be to fulfil potential in terms of:

- Enjoying the best of a tropical lifestyle;
- Showcasing the magnificent hilly, seaside setting;
- Promoting landscaping with shade, colour and tropical lushness, which can be visually magnificent, and pleasure to enjoy;
- Encouraging building design that is responsive to the environment, promoting tropical architecture which contributes to urban character, human comfort and energy-efficiency; and
- Supporting the public participation in cultural programs and practices, to encourage a wide base of community support.

In short, the vision is to create a unique jewel of the western Pacific region, with a distinctive physical presence and character, and a standard of living to match.



*Contrasts of Port Moresby Town: spectacular sea views, Photo 6; and degraded pedestrian facilities, Photo 7.*

