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Boost to the 1000 jobs drive

WILLOWBANK business John C. Beaumont Earthmoving is reaping the benefits of the 1000 Local Jobs project.

Jenny Hurley said the company, which has a seasonal contract with Ipswich City Council for mowing and garden maintenance, engaged IPA Personnel's services to hire 16 employees, including 13 as part of the 1000 Local Jobs campaign.

"They drive mowers and do whipper-snipping (and) just keep the streets and the parks clean and tidy," Ms Hurley said.

She said a key benefit of utilising IPA was that the people they employed were local.

"We're not having people travelling from Brisbane and surrounds to start at 6.30 in the morning," she said.

She said IPA had moved quickly and professionally.

"They just make it easy. It saves an awful lot of business time with the interview and process," she said.

Ms Hurley said Mr Beaumont had been an Ipswich resident all his life and was "pretty chuffed" to be part of the project.