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HD Food company to build hostel

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A YATALA-based **company** that exports food products to Asia has earmarked a property close to Griffith University's **Gold** Coast campus for hostel-style accommodation.

The facility is planned for a 909sq m site at 6 Tonga Place, Parkwood, by Pacific Food Industries, a company based at Computer Rd, Yatala, which produces sauces and condiments and undertakes contract manufacturing.

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The **company**, in which Singapore interests hold a **stake**, tapped into **China**'s massive food market in 2007 and sent its first shipment of cooking pastes and condiments in October that year. It also exports to Korea, Japan, **Hong Kong**, Indonesia and Singapore.

The **company**'s products include curry paste, chicken rice paste and stir-fry paste.

The Tonga Place site carries a fringe business zoning. It is close to the new **Gold** Coast University Hospital as well as Griffith University.

Pacific Foods acquired the Parkwood property for \$329,000 in 2011 and has applied to the city council to develop on the site a five-storey building with 60 apartments.

The hostel building will feature a range of facilities and a two-level basement carpark.

The ground level will host caretaker's accommodation, office and reception facilities, luggage storage, and a cafe with functions room.

There will also be two meeting rooms.

The four upper storeys will boast 60 apartments with each storey accommodating 13 single-bedroom units and two studio units. The application says that facilities also will include communal space, living areas, kitchen and laundry, mailboxes for each unit and parking for 38 vehicles.

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