



GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

NOTICE OF MEETING
Wednesday 13 August 2025
Muttaborra Town Hall
To be held at 8:30am

Councillors

Rob Chandler (Mayor)
Milynda Rogers (Deputy Mayor)
Kim Williams
Vanessa Howard

Linda Penna
Bob O'Brien
Tom Gleeson

Officers

Amber Coulton (Acting District Manager – Aramac and Muttaborra)
Jenny Lawrence (District Manager – Barcaldine)
Daniel Bradford (Chief Executive Officer)
Paula Coulton (Acting District Manager – Alpha and Jericho)
Lee Busby (Director of Works)
Michael Shave (Acting Director Finance and Corporate Services)

In Attendance

Debbie Young (Minute Secretary)

Deputation – Muttaborra State School

Please find attached the agenda for the General Meeting to be held on Wednesday 13 August 2025 at the Muttaborra Town Hall, commencing at 8:30am.

Dan Bradford, Chief Executive Officer

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Our Vision – A positive, sustainable and innovative regional council.

Our Mission – To provide excellence for the community.

Prayer

Almighty God

We acknowledge that we have a responsibility to look after your creation, especially this region we call Barcaldine Regional Council.

We are conscious that our decisions are going to affect deeply the people we have come here to serve.

Assist us to exercise respect for Councillors, staff and for the people of our region.

Help us in this meeting to act wisely, justly and intelligently in all our deliberations.

Thank you Lord for the privilege of both leading and serving and assist us to do these well.

Amen

Condolences

Nil

Apologies

Acknowledgment of Traditional Owners

Declarations of Prescribed Conflicts of Interest

Declarations of Declarable Conflicts of Interest

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Item No: 3.1.1

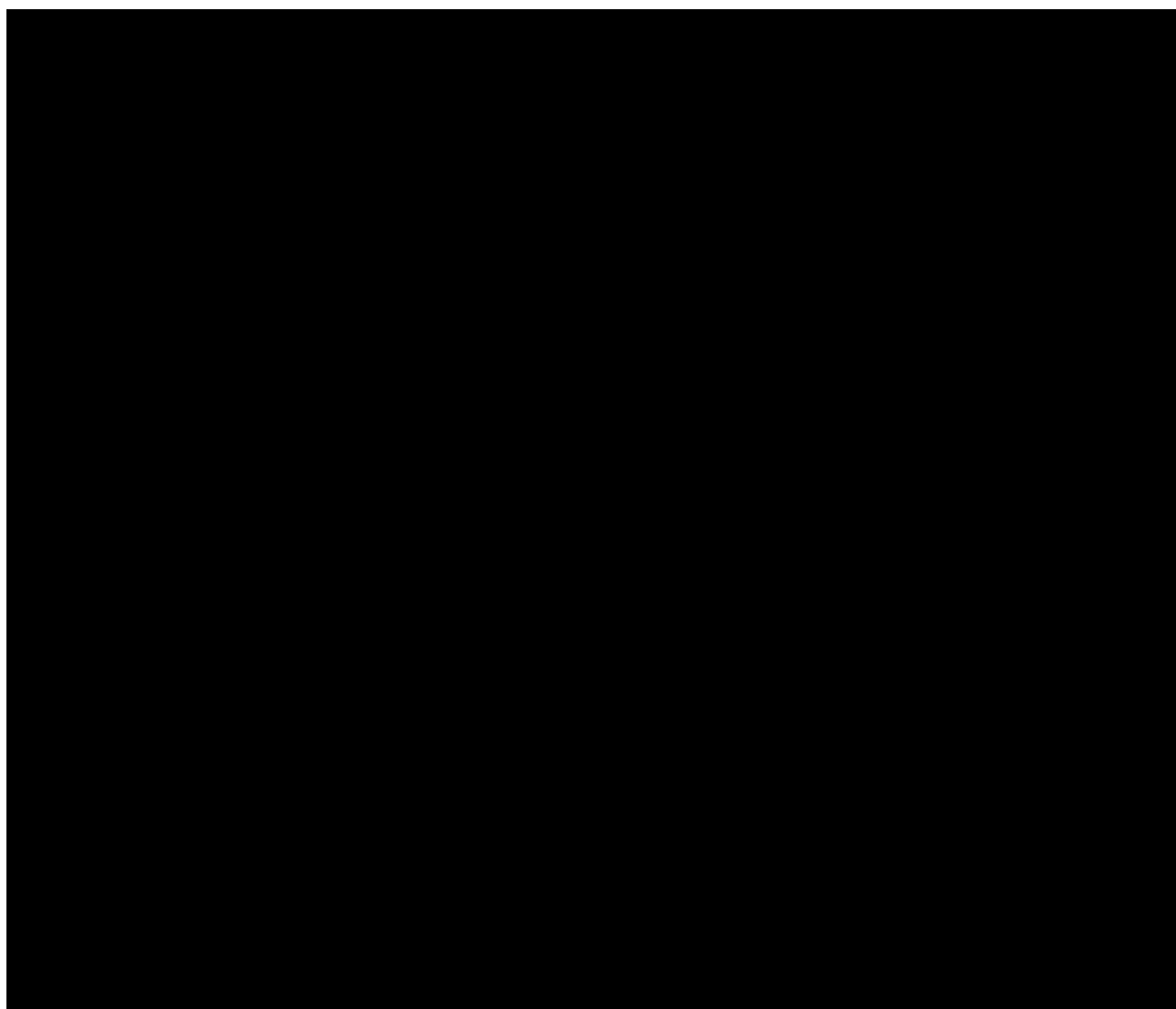
Subject Heading: **Offer to Purchase Vacant Land – John Miller Industrial Estate**

Author and Title: Jenny Lawrence, District Manager Barcaldine

Classification: Confidential

Section 254J(3)(g) – Negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interest of the local government.

Summary: This report is presented to Council for consideration to sell three parcels of vacant land in the John Miller Industrial Estate Barcaldine, for a combined purchase price of \$150,000.00 (excluding GST).



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Details of offer to purchase are:

1. Combined purchase of all three parcels.
2. Deposit 10%.
3. Subject of due diligence for a period of 21 days.
4. Settlement 35 days from date of contract.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 4: Economy

4.5 – Identify and sell surplus parcels of land; both urban and rural.

Consultation (internal/external)

- District Manager Barcaldine
- Acting Director Corporate and Financial Services

Policy Implications

Council's Asset Disposal Policy requirements were complied with in relation to the sale process undertaken.

Budget and Resource Implications

Council will incur legal costs associated with the land sale process which will be funded from Council's property budget. Land sale proceeds will assist in Council improving its cash holdings to meet its sustainability ratio targets.

Risk Management Implications

Council will engage legal support to mitigate risks associated with the sale of land process.

Asset Management Implications

Council will be required to remove the land parcels from Council's asset register once the sale process is completed.

Legal Implications

There are legal implications for Council should the contractual obligations surrounding the sale process not be satisfied.

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Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item No: 3.2.1
Subject Heading: 2026 Council Meeting Dates
Author and Title: Debbie Young, Executive Support Coordinator
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: From the Executive Support Coordinator, proposing dates for the Council General Meetings to be held in 2026.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council holds its general meetings for 2026 in the Barcaldine Regional Council area Chambers, commencing at 8.30am on the following dates:

- **Wednesday 21 January in Barcaldine**
- **Wednesday 18 February in Aramac**
- **Wednesday 18 March in Barcaldine**
- **Wednesday 15 April in Barcaldine**
- **Wednesday 20 May in Muttaborra**
- **Wednesday 17 June in Barcaldine**
- **Wednesday 24 June (Special Budget Meeting) in Barcaldine**
- **Wednesday 15 July in Barcaldine**
- **Wednesday 19 August in Jericho**
- **Wednesday 16 September in Barcaldine**
- **Wednesday 21 October in Barcaldine**
- **Wednesday 18 November in Alpha**
- **Wednesday 9 December in Barcaldine.**

Background

The Local Government Regulation 2012 requires Council, at least once in each year, to publish a notice of the days and times when its general meetings will be held.

Other dates to consider during this period:

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| • 26 January | Monday | Australia Day |
| • 3 April | Friday | Good Friday |
| • 6 April | Monday | Easter Monday |
| • 27 April | Monday | ANZAC Day |
| • 4 May | Monday | Labour Day |
| • 20 May | Wednesday | Alpha and Jericho Show Holiday |

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- June Monday – Wednesday ALGA National Assembly
- 2 September Wednesday Barcaldine Westech
- 2 October Friday Aramac Show Holiday
- 5 October Monday King's Birthday
- 3 November Tuesday Muttaborra Townships for Melbourne Cup Day.

School holidays:

- 1 – 17 April
- 25 June – 10 July
- 17 September – 3 October
- 10 December – 23 January 2026.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

Consultation (internal/external)

- Mayor
- Chief Executive Officer

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

Risk Management Implications

Nil

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil

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Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item No: 3.2.2
Subject Heading: Annual Holiday Closure
Author and Title: Debbie Young, Executive Support Coordinator
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: The Executive Management Team have endorsed the annual holiday closure dates for 2025/2026 and seek Council's ratification.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council approves:

- 1. The closure of Council administration offices and community services from 12.00pm on Wednesday 24 December 2025 and reopening on Monday 5 January 2026, with only essential staff working between these dates and**
- 2. The closure of Council depots from 12.00pm on Friday 19 December 2025 and reopening on Monday 19 January 2026, with only rostered staff working between these dates.**

Background

The dates for the annual holiday closure are presented for Council ratification.

Under the Certified Agreement, Council is required to notify employees of the closure dates by 1 September each year.

The Executive Management Team has discussed and recommended these dates in line with previous years.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

Consultation (internal/external)

Executive Management Team

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Employees take accumulated leave/s

Risk Implications

Small risk that a major event occurs during this time and staff have to be recalled to work.

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Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item No: 3.2.3
Subject Heading: Local Government Association of Qld Annual Conference
Author and Title: Debbie Young, Executive Support Coordinator
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: Seeking endorsement for Councillors and the Chief Executive Officer to attend the Local Government Association of Qld (LGAQ) Annual Conference at the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre from 20-22 October 2025.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council appoints Councillor Chandler and Councillor as delegates along with Chief Executive Officer Daniel Bradford and Councillors as observers, to the 2025 LGAQ Annual Conference.

Background

The LGAQ annual conference is being held at the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre from Monday 20 to Wednesday 22 October 2025 at a cost of \$1,700.00 per person for early bird registration – prior to 3 October 2025. The conference is an opportunity to exchange ideas, build partnerships and engage with industry peers.

Peak Services are offering professional development courses on Sunday 19 October 2025 – additional charges apply: Media Relations and Community Engagement for Elected Members and Conflicts of Interest for Councillors.

Council is entitled to two voting delegates plus observers. The Mayor and Chief Executive Officer traditionally attend on behalf of Council.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

Consultation (internal/external)

- Mayor
- Chief Executive Officer

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Registration fees plus accommodation cost for each delegate

Risk Implications

Risk that the event will be cancelled

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Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item No: 3.2.4
Subject Heading: Western Qld Alliance of Councils Assembly 2025
Author and Title: Debbie Young, Executive Support Coordinator
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: Seeking endorsement for Councillors Rogers, Chandler and the Chief Executive Officer to attend the Western Qld Alliance of Councils Assembly 2025 in St George on 19 and 20 August.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council ratify Councillors Rogers, Chandler and Chief Executive Officer Daniel Bradford to attend the Western Qld Alliance of Councils Assembly 2025 in St George on 19 and 20 August.

Background

Mayors, Deputy Mayors, Chief Executive Officers, Stakeholders and Sponsors are invited to attend the Western Qld Alliance of Councils (WQAC) Assembly 2025 in St George.

The WQAC is a collaboration of the three regional organisations of councils in Western Queensland, established in 2020 covering 64 per cent of the State and including 25 local governments. The WQAC Assembly 2025, the sixth event of its kind, will:

- Identify the advocacy opportunities for Western Queensland at both a Federal and State Government level
- Continue to focus on addressing the regional priority issues of Housing, Roads, Connectivity and Sustainability
- Provide an opportunity to engage with State and Federal Members/Senators (in government or opposition) and key Director Generals
- Grow networks and relationships to promote and represent Western Queensland.

Link to Corporate Plan – Theme 5: Governance

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Consultation (internal/external)

- Mayor
- Chief Executive Officer

Policy Implications – Nil

Budget and Resource Implications – Registration fees plus accommodation costs for each delegate

Risk Implications – Risk the event will be cancelled

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Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item Number: 3.2.5
Subject Heading: Request for Assistance – Muttaborra Campdraft Association Incorporated
Author and Title: Amber Coulton, Acting District Manager – Aramac and Muttaborra
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: Council has received a request for assistance from the Muttaborra Campdraft Association Incorporated for a cash donation of \$3,000 and in-kind support to the value of \$1,000.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council agrees to support the Muttaborra Campdraft Association Incorporated by way of a \$3,000 cash donation and in-kind assistance to the value of \$1,000.

Background

Barcaldine Regional Council is committed to supporting community events throughout the region. The Community Grants Policy outlines the process for both Council and community groups seeking financial support.

Council has received an application under this policy from the Muttaborra Campdraft Association Incorporated, requesting a cash donation of \$3,000. This contribution would cover part payment of the paramedic's invoice – a total of \$6,629 – for the upcoming event scheduled for Tuesday 9 to Monday 15 September 2025.

The club has also requested in-kind assistance to the value of \$1,000. This contribution would cover the hire of Muttaborra's small Council truck, generator, additional wheelie bins and tractor with forks.

The annual Campdraft event is well-known across the region and surrounds. The club provides a fun, family-friendly week for competitors, locals and tourists. This event continues to attract visitors to Muttaborra, with the potential to benefit local businesses.

Link to Corporate Plan

- Theme 1: Community – 1.9 Provide facilities and support for travelling shows, exhibitions, sports and recreation.
- Theme 5: Governance – 5.7 Continue listening to our communities to identify opportunities for improvement.

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Consultation (internal/external)

- Muttaborra Campdraft Association Incorporated
- Acting District Manager – Aramac and Muttaborra

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Approving this funding will reduce the available budget for the competitive application process, with the first quarter funding round due to commence shortly. If endorsed – \$4,000 would be funded by the Community Assistance Budget.

Risk Management Implications

Nil

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil

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Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item Number: 3.2.6
Subject Heading: 2025–2026 Debt Policy Update
Author and Title: Michael Shave, Acting Director Corporate and Financial Services
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: This report recommends changes to Council's 2025–2026 Debt Policy to support the application for a Working Capital Facility with the Department of Local Government, Water and Volunteers and Queensland Treasury Corporation (QTC).

Officer's Recommendation: That Council adopts the updated 2025–2026 Debt Policy as provided as Attachment 1 to the report.

Background

Effective cash flow management is critical to maintaining Council's financial sustainability and operational stability. Given the timing differences between expenditure commitments and revenue receipts; particularly for grant-funded capital works, Department of Main Roads income and half yearly rates instalments – Council is often exposed to short-term liquidity risk. This has become more acute in the last six months as flood payments received in advance have been utilised on recovery works, reducing Council's cash balance.

To manage this risk and ensure continuity of operations, the use of a QTC Working Capital Facility is required to provide a financial safeguard. Such a facility enables Council to meet its obligations as they fall due without the need to defer service delivery or delay payments to suppliers. Whilst cash coverage is currently stable given the 50% prepayment of the Financial Assistance Grant, the facility may be required prior to the end of June 2026 should cash balances reduce below acceptable levels.

Report

To access a Working Capital Facility, a borrowing application must be made with the Department of Local Government, Water and Volunteers who consults with QTC to determine if an application is approved.

As part of the application process, Council's adopted debt policy must be provided that incorporates the amount of the Working Capital Facility required. Council's debt policy adopted on 18 June 2025 included commentary regarding a Working Capital Facility, however did not specify the amount of the facility, which is required.

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The revised policy is attached for Council consideration, which now includes proposed short-term borrowing via a Working Capital Facility to the value of \$8 million, equivalent to two months operating expenditure cash coverage.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5 – Governance: continue reviewing policies and strategic plans for relevancy and currency.

Consultation (internal/external)

- Chief Executive Officer
- Acting Finance Manager

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Should a Working Capital Facility be utilised, Council will incur interest from QTC on the balance draw down. As at 31 July 2025 the interest rate was 4.06% (calculated daily based on the Reserve Bank of Australia's official cash rate plus a QTC margin).

Risk Management Implications

The adoption of a debt policy supports Council in meeting legislative requirements under the Local Government Regulation 2012 by providing a structured framework for borrowing decisions, ensuring compliance with statutory obligations and promoting transparency in financial management.

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil

POLICY NAME:	Debt Policy
POLICY NUMBER:	F024
ADOPTED:	18 June 2025
DIRECTORATE	Corporate and Financial Services
REVIEW DUE	30 June 2026

1 PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure the sound management of Council's existing and future debt. The policy will provide clear guidance for staff in the management of Council's debt portfolio and maintenance of appropriate debt and debt service levels.

This policy applies to all Councillors and staff and extends to all borrowing activities of Council.

2 SCOPE

This policy relates to any form of borrowing undertaken by Council.

3 HEAD OF POWER

Section 192 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* requires Council to prepare a debt policy each financial year and that the policy must state the following:

1. New borrowings planned for the current financial year and for the next nine financial years; and
2. The period over which it is planned to repay existing and proposed borrowings.

4 POLICY STATEMENT

Council will ensure that debt holdings remain below the maximum debt leverage ratio target level set by the State Government in the current *Financial Management (Sustainability) Guideline*.

4.1 Borrowing Principles

1. Council will not utilise loan funding to finance operating activities or recurrent expenditure.
2. Council may access short term borrowings via a Queensland Treasury Corporation (QTC) working capital facility to effectively manage its cash

balances throughout the year. Any working capital facility drawdowns will typically be fully repaid within one year.

3. Borrowings will be used to fund the repair, upgrade or construction of essential infrastructure that have an effective life greater than one year.
4. Borrowings for infrastructure that provides a positive rate of return on investment will take priority over borrowing for other assets.
5. All external borrowings shall be obtained through QTC using its full range of fund management services.
6. Where capital projects are financed through borrowings, Council will repay the loan over a term which takes into consideration the expected life of those assets, and over a term that optimises cash flow efficiency.
7. The term for new borrowings shall not exceed the estimated useful life of the asset.
8. Where capital expenditure is deferred from one year to the next, the drawdown of approved loan funds will be reviewed to minimise interest costs.
9. The decision on Council's ultimate levels of debt will require a balance between the levels of service provided, affordability for the community, and Council's long-term financial sustainability.

4.2 Short Term Borrowings

Short term borrowings are provided through a Working Capital Facility (WCF). Council will maintain a WCF to effectively manage cash balances throughout the year in order to ensure that appropriate cash coverage is maintained, particularly at low points in the annual cash flow cycle. Any drawdowns from the facility will be fully repaid within one year.

Councils will utilise a WCF limit up to \$8 million.

4.3 Long Term Borrowings

Long term borrowings are utilised to fund the construction of long-term infrastructure assets that provide essential services and ongoing benefits to the community. QTC Borrowings are repaid on a quarterly basis. Existing borrowings are outlined in the table below.

Long Term Borrowing Balances 30 June 2026

Purpose	Lender	Interest Rate	Loan Balance 30 June 2026	Remaining Term
Barcaldine Sewerage (445976)	QTC	1.415%	\$986,378	6 years

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Barcaldine Water (80914)	QTC	7.747%	\$121,997	2 years
Aramac Swimming Pool (237871)	QTC	3.005%	\$157,246	3 years
Barcaldine Sewerage (80912)	QTC	4.646%	\$65,757	2 years
TOTAL LOAN BALANCE			\$1,331,378	

Estimated Long Term Borrowing Repayments 2025-26

Purpose	Interest Payment	Principal Repayment	Total Repayment	Balance as at 30 June 2026
Barcaldine Sewerage (445976)	\$15,705	\$199,131	\$214,837	\$986,378
Barcaldine Water (80914)	\$14,974	\$112,987	\$127,961	\$121,997
Aramac Swimming Pool (237871)	\$6,142	\$75,162	\$81,304	\$157,246
Barcaldine Sewerage (80912)	\$4,889	\$62,788	\$67,677	\$65,757
TOTAL	\$41,711	\$450,068	\$491,779	\$1,331,378

Existing Long Term Borrowing Forecast Balances

Year	Loan Balance
2025-26	\$1,331,378
2026-27	\$864,214
2027-28	\$579,577
2028-29	\$371,827
2029-30	\$1,127
2030-31	\$-
2031-32	\$-
2032-33	\$-
2033-34	\$-
2034-35	\$-

4.4 Proposed New Borrowings

Pursuant to section 192 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council must prepare a debt policy each year that states the new borrowings planned for the current financial year and the next 9 financial years.

Proposed Borrowings are outlined in Appendix A

APPENDIX A
Proposed Long Term Borrowings

Year	Proposed Borrowing	Purpose
2025-26	\$2,950,000	Barcaldine STP Upgrade
2026-27	\$1,500,000	Jericho WTP Upgrade
2027-28	\$1,500,000	Jericho WTP Upgrade
2028-29	\$-	
2029-30	\$-	
2030-31	\$-	
2031-32	\$-	
2032-33	\$-	
2033-34	\$-	
2034-35	\$-	

Proposed Short Term Borrowings

Year	Proposed Borrowing	Purpose
2025-26	\$8,000,000	Short term QTC working capital facility

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Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item Number: 3.2.7
Subject Heading: Biosecurity Management Plan Adoption
Author and Title: Michael Shave, Acting Director Corporate and Financial Services
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: This report is presented to seek Council's endorsement of a revised Biosecurity Management Plan. The current plan is due for review to ensure it remains aligned with regional priorities, emerging biosecurity risks and contemporary legislative and operational requirements.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council adopts the 2025–2030 Biosecurity Management Plan provided as Attachment 1 to the report.

Background

Council has a legislated responsibility under the *Biosecurity Act 2014 (Qld)* to ensure the management of invasive biosecurity matter within the region and to comply with the General Biosecurity Obligation (GBO). The GBO applies to all individuals and organisations and requires that reasonable and practical steps be taken to prevent, minimise, or manage biosecurity risks.

While the *Biosecurity Act 2014* does not mandate that local governments adopt a formal Biosecurity Plan, doing so is widely recognised as best practice. A Biosecurity Plan provides a structured and transparent approach to identifying, prioritising and responding to biosecurity risks. It supports compliance with legislative responsibilities and enables Council to clearly communicate its role, expectations of landholders and available management measures.

The existing plan was due for review to ensure it reflects up-to-date risk assessments, operational practices and regional cooperation efforts. The revised plan has been developed in consultation with key stakeholders and includes updated species priorities, enhanced monitoring approaches and greater emphasis on education and compliance.

Report

The revised Biosecurity Management Plan 2025–2030 supports Council's ongoing efforts to manage invasive plants and animals across the region. It outlines priority biosecurity threats and identifies control strategies based on risk, feasibility and alignment with community and industry needs.

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The updated plan will:

- Provide clear guidance on Council's role and responsibilities under the *Biosecurity Act 2014*.
- Support community engagement and education on biosecurity responsibilities.
- Strengthen enforcement capacity through targeted compliance activities.
- Enable alignment with regional programs and funding opportunities.

Adopting the revised plan provides assurance that Council's biosecurity management approach remains relevant, risk-based and fit-for-purpose.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5 – Governance: continue reviewing policies and strategic plans for relevancy and currency.

Consultation (internal/external)

- Chief Executive Officer
- District Managers

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

The actions identified in the plan are currently funded in Council's 2025–26 budget.

Risk Management Implications

Failure to adopt an up-to-date Biosecurity Management Plan may limit Council's ability to demonstrate compliance with its obligations under the *Biosecurity Act 2014 (Qld)* and reduce the effectiveness of coordinated responses to invasive species, increasing operational, environmental and reputational risks.

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil

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Introduction

The purpose of the Barcaldine Regional Council Biosecurity Plan (the Plan) is to assist the community, including landholders understand and meet their General Biosecurity Obligation (GBO) under the *Biosecurity Act 2014* and protect local values from invasive plants and animals.

Invasive plants and animals are recognised as a significant threat to Australia's biodiversity, agricultural productivity, and public health. The management of these species is a challenge and requires strong commitment, cooperation, and collaboration from all stakeholders.

In Queensland, the *Biosecurity Act 2014* (*the Act*) provides the legal framework for managing the impacts of invasive species, including invasive plants and animals. The Act mandates that all local governments in Queensland prepare and adopt a Biosecurity Plan that outlines a strategic direction for the management of invasive species within their respective government area.

The management of invasive species is a shared responsibility of land managers, industry, the community and all levels of government. While the primary responsibility rests with the land manager, collective action which engages all stakeholders is considered best practice, to allow effective and efficient management practices.

Council recognises that fulfilling the General Biosecurity Obligation (GBO) requires access to appropriate tools and resources. Council supports the use of decision-support tools, compliance advice, and practical operational guidance to help landholders meet their GBO. A risk-based management approach is also applied to prioritise biosecurity responses based on likelihood and consequence, aligning with state and regional strategy principles.

This plan aligns with the objectives contained in the Central West Regional Biosecurity Strategy 2024-2029, which highlights the need for a joint regional approach which combines resources to manage the threat of invasive species in the central west. The Central West Regional Pest Management Group delivers a collaborative approach to setting regional priorities and is integral to the ongoing effective delivery of pest animal and weed management outcomes in the region.

The values of our region

The Barcaldine region in Central Western Queensland is situated approximately 440 kilometres from the coast, west of Rockhampton, and covers an area of 53,677 square kilometres. The region is home to approximately 2,900 people across the townships of Barcaldine, Alpha, Aramac, Jericho and Muttaborra.

These vibrant communities enjoy the multiple inherent values that are provided within our region, such as the cultural heritage, environmental/biodiversity, natural resources, river and channel systems.

Queensland Local Government Areas (LGA), 2021 - Barcaldine (R) (ASGS Code 30410)

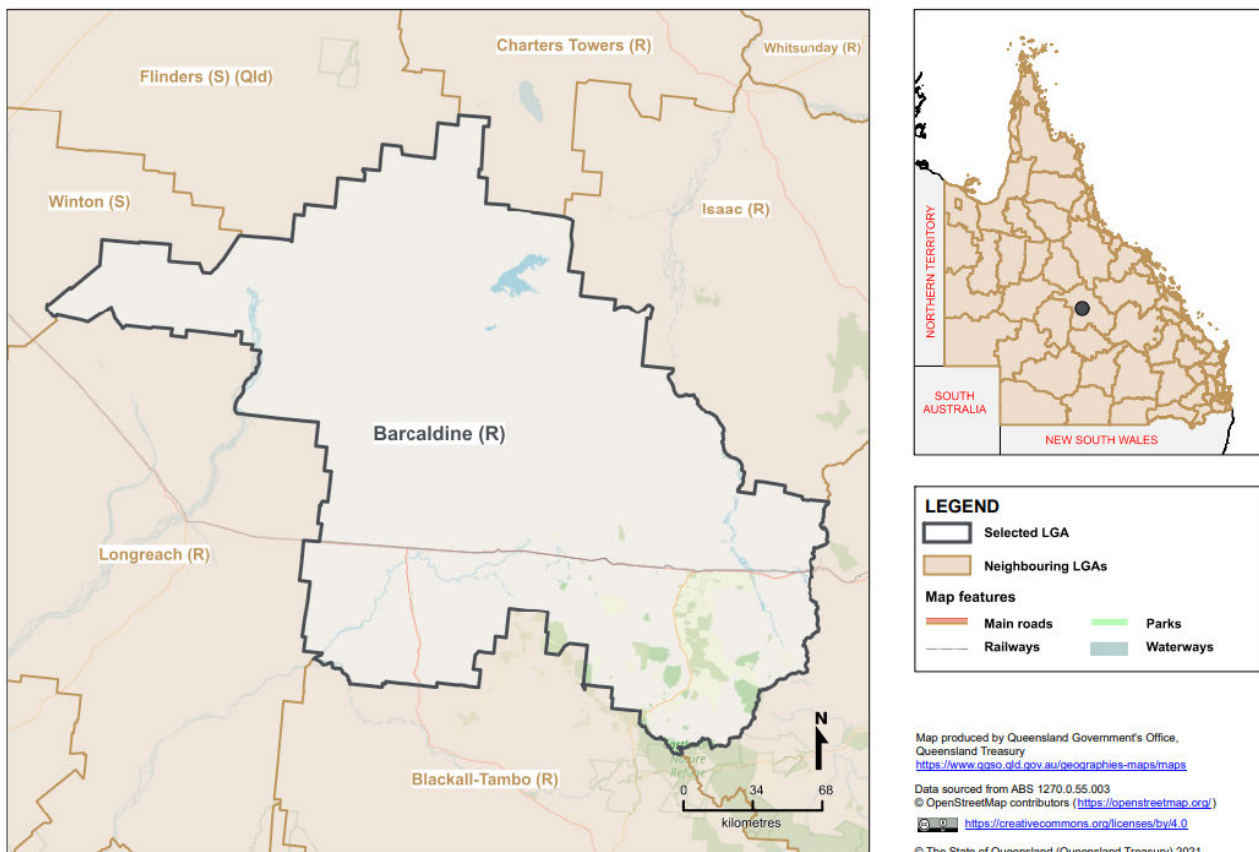


Figure 1 – Barcaldine Regional Council Local Government Area – Queensland Government's Office, Queensland Treasury

The largest contributors to annual economic output in the Barcaldine Regional Council area is agriculture and local employment.

The Barcaldine Regional Council area contains examples of Mitchell grass downs, Desert Uplands and Brigalow Belt North, often associated with floodplains, riparian areas, seasonal streams, and waterholes. These landscapes have high fauna habitat values and provide connectivity across the landscape. The Mitchell Grass Downs, Desert Uplands and Brigalow Belt Norths Bioregion has areas that are listed as Endangered or Of Concern for their biodiversity.

Invasive plants and animals significantly impact the values of the Barcaldine Regional Council, reducing grazing land, productivity loss, land value loss and overall reduced viability of agricultural areas. They can also reduce the amenity and function of community spaces, and can cause harm and health issues for livestock, people and pets, damage infrastructure and increase land management costs.

Invasive Species Impacts

The Barcaldine Region environment and climatic conditions support the establishment of a range of invasive plants and animals. Plants and animals are invasive as they have the ability to spread and multiply to the point where they cause damage, impacting the economy, natural environment, and important social and cultural values of communities.

These climatic conditions also influence biosecurity risks, such as the seasonal spread of invasive species like parthenium following periods of high rainfall, as highlighted in the Central West Regional Biosecurity Strategy.

Invasive plants and animals can have profound impacts on ecosystem function, reduction of biodiversity, decrease productivity and profitability of our primary industries and threaten human and animal health.

On top of the environmental impacts of invasive species, they also pose a significant financial toll on all Australians. In 2021 the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) estimated the economic cost of invasive species across Australia to be \$25 billion a year with the costs increasing each year, noted to be up to a sixfold increase each decade since the 1970s. ¹

It is important to note that this does not include the additional costs which are due to the environmental impacts, ecological damage, erosion of ecosystem services and loss of cultural values.

¹ csiro.au/en/news/all/articles/2021/august/pest-plants-and-animals-cost-australia-around-25-billion-a-year

National and State Legislation

All levels of Government assume the responsibility for the management of invasive plants and animals. This plan was developed in accordance with the legal framework provided by the *Biosecurity Act 2024*. Other national and state government legislation and strategies were considered in development of this Plan and include:

National Legislation and Strategies

Biosecurity Act 2015.

National Biosecurity Strategy 2022–2032.

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 Australian Weeds Strategy 2017–2027.

Australian Pest Animal Strategy 2017–2027 Australia’s Strategy for Nature 2019 – 2030.

Queensland State Legislation and Strategies

Biosecurity Act 2014.

Queensland Biosecurity Strategy 2024–2029.

Queensland Invasive Plants and Animals Strategy 2025–2030 Biodiversity Conservation Strategy 2022.

Queensland Wild Dog Management Strategy 2021–2026 Queensland Feral Deer Management Strategy 2022–2027.

Threat abatement plan for predation, habitat degradation, competition and disease transmission by feral pigs (*Sus scrofa*) 2017.

Threat abatement plan for predation by feral cats 2024 Nature Conservation Act 1992 (Prohibited wildlife).



Figure 2 – Risk-based decision-making applied at the State, Local Government and Authorised Officer Levels

The Plan establishes a framework for managing invasive plants and animals at the local government level.

It includes information on the:

- importance of managing invasive plants and animals.
- management objectives of the local government.
- reasonable and practical measures to reduce risk.
- use of compliance to support management.

Roles and Responsibilities

A 'nil tenure' approach is taken in the Plan, which means that people work together, across public and private land, to manage invasive plants and animals. This gives a better result than individual, uncoordinated efforts. The responsibility, actions and costs of biosecurity management are shared by all (shared responsibility). All land and waterways within the boundaries of the local government are included.

Stakeholders	Roles and Responsibilities
Biosecurity Queensland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State research capability • State invasive plant and animal responses • State component of national responses • Awareness, extension and education programs to support State priorities • Technical advice • Legislation, strategies, policy, programs and reporting to support State policy objectives • Facilitation of collaborative management • Compliance to support State responses
Other State Government Agencies (e.g. Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR), Department of Primary Industries (Environment, Land and Water, Stock Routes); State Development, Infrastructure and Planning, Department of Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Management of invasive plants and animals on state lands • Assistance with identification of response requirements • Complimentary strategies, policies, programs, reporting • Awareness, extension and education programs to support agency priorities • Facilitation of collaborative management
Regional working groups and committees <i>Land and pest management advisory Committee -LAPMAC</i> <i>Central West Region Pest Partnership group – CWRPPG</i> <i>Shire Rural Lands Officer Group of Western Queensland – SRLOG</i> <i>RAPAD</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative Community education and awareness • Guide the implementation of plan/s • Review priority invasive plants and animals • Identify emerging threats • Outline strategic responses • Assist with reporting on implementation of the plan • Technical advice • Land manager engagement

Stakeholders	Roles and Responsibilities
Natural resource management (NRM) groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitation of management for regional priorities • Facilitation of regional and local strategies by contributing to regional planning processes • Community awareness • Technical advice • Incentive • Land manager engagement • Contribution to best practice management
Industry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application of best management practices to meet their obligations • Good neighbour policy • Industry- level biosecurity planning • Awareness/education of stakeholders • Implementation of quality assurance for commodities
Land managers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application of best management practices to meet their obligations • Good neighbour policy • Property biosecurity planning

Table 1 – Summary of Stakeholder roles and responsibilities

General Biosecurity Obligation

The **General Biosecurity Obligation (GBO)** is the principal obligation under the Act and requires a person to take action to minimise or prevent the biosecurity risks under their control.

To fulfill their GBO, a person must:

- meet the requirements of any of the prescribed obligations (prohibited and restricted matter requirements) that are relevant (see details below), and
- undertake any other reasonable and practical actions that are required in the circumstances to minimise or prevent the biosecurity risk under their control. This may include active management of priority invasive plants and animals.

The prescribed obligations cover actions that are relevant to all situations, while the requirement to take 'reasonable and practical' actions provides flexibility that ensures the diversity of biosecurity risks can be effectively and efficiently managed.

Prohibited matter is invasive plants or animals that are not currently present in Queensland, but if it entered, could have serious impacts. Prohibited biosecurity matter must not be dealt with in any way whatsoever.

The risks it poses must not be exacerbated, and if found, it must be reported to an inspector as soon as practical (and within 24 hours). This can be achieved by reporting the prohibited matter to the Biosecurity Queensland on 13 25 23.

Restricted Matter is invasive plants or animals that is already having a social, environmental or economic impact in Queensland and must be managed when it is found.

Restricted matter is assigned Category numbers from 1–7 based on its characteristics and the risks it poses; it may have multiple categories assigned to it. Unless restricted matter is held under permit, it must be dealt with according to the category(s) it has been assigned.

Restricted Matter

Category 1 – immediate containment or eradication to minimise the risk of spread. It must be reported to an inspector within 24 hours (S42). This can be achieved by calling Biosecurity Queensland on 13 25 23.

Category 2 – Must be reported to an inspector or Authorised Person within 24 hours. This can be achieved by calling Biosecurity Queensland on 13 25 23 or Council on (07) 4651 1600

Category 3 – Must not be distributed or disposed of, given as a gift, sold, traded or released into the environment (unless authorised in a regulation or under a permit).

Category 4 – Must not be moved to ensure that it does not spread to other areas.

Category 5 – Must not be possessed or kept (unless under authorisation or permit)

Category 6 – Must not be fed (unless under a control program)

Category 7 – Must be killed and correctly disposed (applies only to noxious fish and is outside the scope of this plan)

Invasive plants and animals that are not prohibited or restricted under the Biosecurity Act 2014 can also pose a threat to the community. These species are referred to as Locally Significant invasive plants and animals.

Apart from the GBO and the prohibited and restricted matter obligations, the other significant obligations included in the Act are for the management of animal and plant diseases.

If information is required on aspects of biosecurity management that are not linked to invasive plant and animal management, visit the Department of Primary Industries website at: <https://www.daf.qld.gov.au/> or call their Business Information Center on 13 25 23

Invasive Plant and Animal Management

Invasive plant and animal management requires a planned and well considered approach. It considers the biology and behaviour of individual species, their comparative biosecurity risk, and the current and potential level of invasion/establishment to determine the most effective (or strategic) management approach.

The risk-based approach means a reasonable and practical response is matched to the degree of risk posed by the invasive species. What is considered reasonable and practical will depend on the seriousness of the risk, what the consequences could be and how likely they are to occur.

Council's risk management framework will guide the risk assessment process.

The standard approach is the use of the Invasive Species Assessment Framework (ISAF) and involves the 4 steps shown in the Figure below.

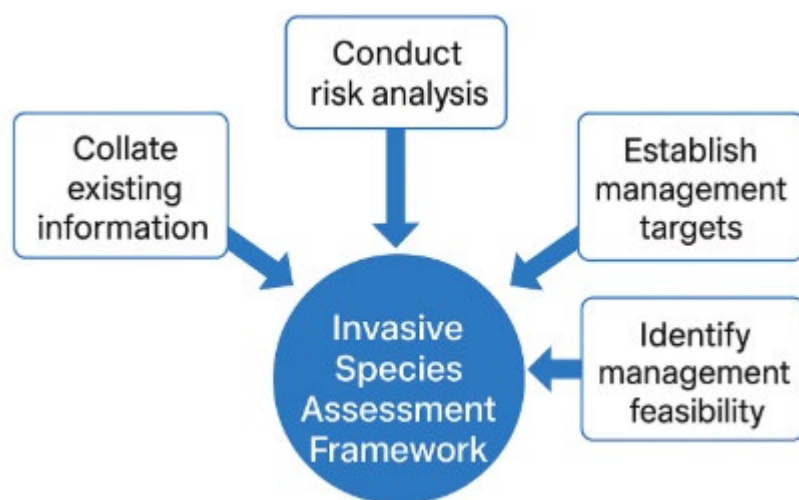
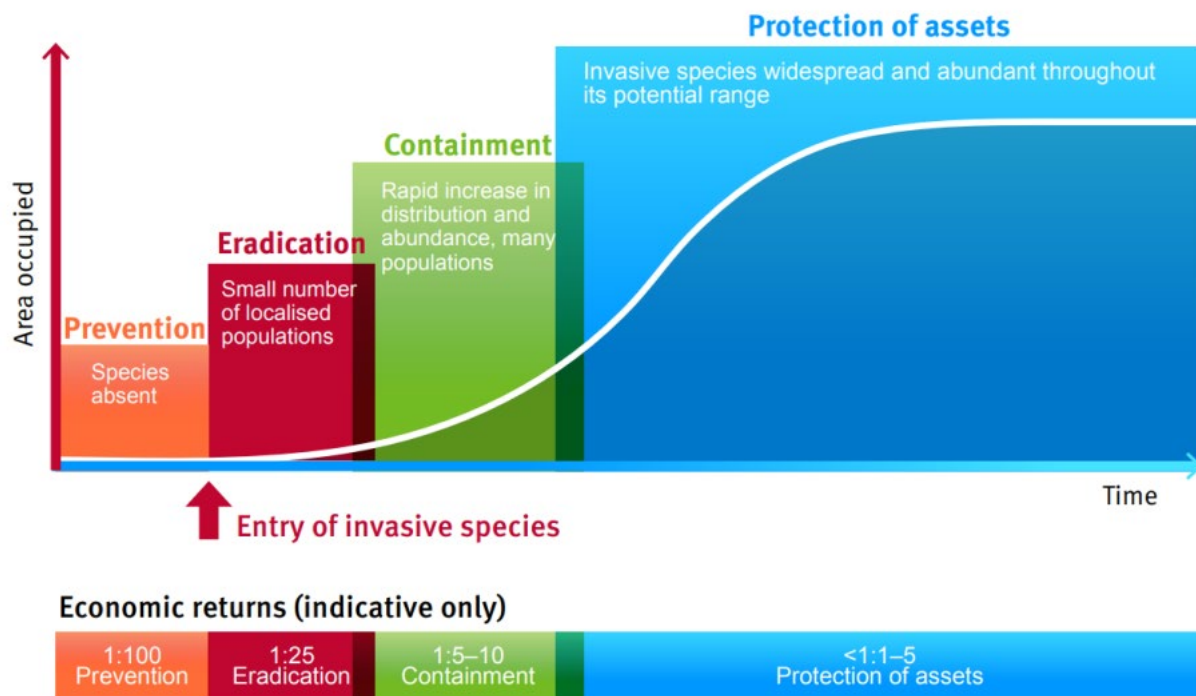


Figure 3 – Invasive Species Assessment Framework (Drawn from the North Burnett Regional Council (NBRC) Biosecurity Plan 2019– 2024)

The risk assessment provides priority invasive species for the Barcaldine Regional Council area and categorises these into four management objectives:

- 1. Prevention** – Not currently found, aim to prevent entry and establishment.
- 2. Eradication** – Limited distribution, aim to eliminate.
- 3. Containment** – Moderate distribution, aim to reduce impact and distribution.
- 4. Asset Protection** – Wide distribution, aim to protect high value assets.



Generalised invasion curve showing actions appropriate to each stage

Figure 4 – The generalised invasion curve describes the four stages of invasive species invasion and the most appropriate management objective for each (Agriculture Victoria 2020).

Prevention – Management Objective 1

The species identified for management via prevention are not currently found in the Barcaldine Regional Council area, however, represent a significant biosecurity risk to our local area and have either been recorded as occurring in the past or are known to be of high risk of entering the region from neighbouring areas or via common transport routes.

Preventing entry of these invasive weeds and animals is an important objective of Council which may be achieved by increasing community and land manager awareness and encouraging early detection and responses.

Any invasive weed detected in the Barcaldine Regional Area, not listed below, should be considered to be an emerging invasive weed to the area, and follow the same management objective as Prevention Invasive Plants.

The challenge is to identify high risk invasive species early in their appearance and before they establish, speedily assess potential invasiveness and implement effective barriers to prevent their entry.

We will know that we are achieving our objective when no new species are found in the region and the number of new invasive species are identified as having an impact on our region is stable.

Prevention – Invasive Plants

Prevention – invasive plants		
Plant Species	Biosecurity Act 2014	
	Matter	Category
Yellow Bells (Tecoma Stan)	Restricted	3
African Boxthorn (Lycium ferocissimum)	Restricted	3
Broad-leaved pepper tree (Schinus terebinthifolia)	Restricted	3
Mexican Feather Grass (Nassella Tenuissima)	Restricted	2, 3, 4 & 5

Reasonable and practical measures for the prevention of invasive plants		
Aim	Measure	Success Indicator
Awareness	Be aware of invasive plants. Have unfamiliar plants formally identified.	Sound local knowledge of species
Surveillance	Carry out and record area and property surveillance activities or targeted inspections, prioritising areas of introduction such as roadways, stockyards and watering points	Early detection
Introduction	Undertake hygiene practices – wash downs, brush downs, visual inspections on vehicles, machinery, footwear and clothing. Source stock, garden and landscaping products from low-risk areas and/or request a weed hygiene declaration. Spell stock in holding areas when moved from high-risk area. Check that any purchased or gifted plants (including reproductive parts) are not listed under the <i>Biosecurity Act 2014</i>	Reduce risk of entry
Notification	All prevention invasive plants to be reported to the Barcaldine Regional Council on 07 4651 5600 Invasive plants listed as prohibited or restricted category 2 must be reported to Biosecurity Queensland on 132523	Immediate reporting
Distribution	No prevention invasive plants may be sold, traded, given away or released into the environment	No spread
Control	To be advised once reported to Biosecurity Queensland and/or Barcaldine Regional Council	Not applicable

Prevention – Invasive Animals

Prevention – invasive animals		
Animal Species	Biosecurity Act 2014	
	Matter	Category
Nil species currently	Not applicable	Not applicable

Reasonable and practical measures for the prevention of invasive animals		
Aim	Measure	Success Indicator
Awareness	Be aware of the invasive animals Have unfamiliar animals formally identified	Sound local knowledge of species
Surveillance	Carry out and record area and property surveillance activities or targeted inspections	Early detection
Introduction	Check that any purchased or gifted animals are not listed under the <i>Biosecurity Act 2014</i> Do not release invasive animals onto state land	Reduce risk of entry
Notification	All prevention invasive plants to be reported to Barcaldine Regional Council on 07 4651 5600 Invasive plants listed as prohibited or restricted category 2 must be reported to Biosecurity Queensland on 132523	Immediate reporting
Distribution	No prevention invasive plants may be sold, traded, given away or released into the environment	No spread
Control	To be advised once reported to Biosecurity Queensland and/or Barcaldine Regional Council	Not applicable

Eradication – Management Objective 2

The species listed for Eradication Management in the Barcaldine Regional Area are currently present in the region, however there is a low distribution of the plant or animal, and elimination of the risk from these species is reasonable and practical for landholders to achieve.

This is one of the few management strategies that results in the long-term prevention of impact and sustained improvements to biodiversity indicators, and which does not require on-going investment. It can be costly because of the intensity of management and surveillance work required to be successful, but if factors such as small size of spread, effective containment and good demarcations are in place, eradication can prove cost effective when compared to the impacts and on-going requirements of other management strategies.

Broad-scale eradication is generally not considered feasible for wide-spread weeds because of the significant costs associated with undertaking intensive management and surveillance activities over large areas, and the low chance of achieving success. However, isolated populations of a widespread weed which demonstrate a significant risk to local assets can be tackled using this approach. When these populations sit outside of an established containment line, this is known as outlier management.

We will know when we are achieving this objective when new invasive species are effectively managed to prevent establishment in the region through the application of efficient control responses and species that have the potential to be eradicated due to isolation are effectively removed, with future monitoring identifying no further establishments.

Eradication – Invasive Plants

Eradication – invasive plants		
Plant Species	Biosecurity Act 2014	
	Matter	Category
Belly ache Bush (<i>Jatropha gossypifolia</i>)	Restricted	3
Cat Claw Creeper (<i>Dolichandra unguis cati</i>)	Restricted	3
Coral Cactus (<i>Cylindropuntia fulgida</i>)	Restricted	3
Hudson Pear (<i>Cylindropuntia imbricata</i>)	Restricted	3
Captain Cook Tree (<i>Cascabela Thevetia</i>)	Restricted	3
Jumping Cholla (<i>Cylindropuntia prolifera</i>)	Restricted	3
Mesquite (<i>Prosopis glandulosa</i> , <i>P. Pallida</i> , <i>P. velutina</i>)	Restricted	3
Prickly Pear (<i>Opuntia elata</i>)	Restricted	3
Rat's tail grass (<i>Sporobolus jacquemontii</i> ; <i>S. fertilis</i> , <i>S. natalensis</i>)	Restricted	3

Eradication – invasive plants		
Plant Species	Biosecurity Act 2014	
	Matter	Category
Chinee Apple (<i>Ziziphus mauritiana</i>)	Restricted	3
Tree pear (<i>Opuntia tomentosa</i>)	Restricted	3
Athel Pine (<i>Tamarix aphylla</i>)	Restricted	3

Reasonable and practical measures for the eradication of invasive plants		
Aim	Measure	Success Indicator
Awareness	Have unfamiliar plants formally identified. Be aware of the invasive plants	Sound local knowledge of species
Surveillance	Carry out and record area and property surveillance activities or targeted inspections, prioritising areas of introduction such as roadways, stockyards and watering points	Early detection
Introduction	Undertake hygiene practices – wash downs, brush downs, visual inspections on vehicles, machinery, footwear and clothing. Source stock, garden and landscaping products from low-risk areas and/or request a weed hygiene declaration. Spell stock in holding areas when moved from high-risk areas. Check that any purchased or gifted plants (including reproductive parts) are not listed under the <i>Biosecurity Act 2014</i>	Reduce risk of entry
Notification	All Eradication invasive plants to be reported to the Barcaldine Regional Council on 07 4651 5600. Invasive plants listed as Prohibited or Restricted category 2 must be reported to Biosecurity Queensland on 13 25 23	Immediate reporting
Distribution	No Eradication invasive plants may be sold, traded, given away or released into the environment.	No spread
Control	Remove or destroy all plants and reproductive plant parts fully and completely	Not applicable

Eradication – Invasive Animals

Eradication – invasive animals		
Animal Species	Biosecurity Act 2014	
	Matter	Category
European Fox (<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>)	Restricted	3, 4, 5 & 6
Feral Chital Deer	Restricted	3, 4 & 6
Feral Rusa Deer	Restricted	3, 4 & 6
Feral Fallow Deer	Restricted	3, 4 & 6

Reasonable and practical measures for the eradication of invasive animals		
Aim	Measure	Success Indicator
Awareness	Be aware of the invasive animals. Have unfamiliar animals formally identified.	Sound local knowledge of species
Surveillance	Carry out and record area and property surveillance activities or targeted inspections.	Early detection
Introduction	Check that any purchased or gifted animals are not listed under the <i>Biosecurity Act 2014</i> . Do not release invasive animals onto state land. Remove waste and unused infrastructure that may provide shelter and habitat for invasive animals.	Reduce risk of entry
Notification	All Eradication invasive animals to be reported to the Barcaldine Regional Council on 07 4651 5600. Invasive animals listed as Prohibited or Restricted category 2 must be reported to Biosecurity Queensland on 13 25 23.	Immediate reporting
Distribution	No invasive animals may be sold, traded, given away or released into the environment.	No spread
Control	Participate in an invasive animal control program that may include verification of presence, risk assessment, land manager consent and neighbour notification. Establish an on-going monitoring program to measure progress toward eradication.	Not applicable

Containment – Management Objective 3

The species listed for containment management in the Barcaldine Regional Area are distributed in parts of the region but are not everywhere. Eradication from the area may not be feasible, however minimisation of the biosecurity risk presented is reasonable and practical.

The aim of containment is to actively restrict where a species grows so that it does not spread to occupy all suitable habitat within its potential range, thus reducing or delaying the negative impacts on agriculture and natural ecosystems.

In practice there are two forms of containment: total or absolute containment, where borders are strictly maintained and any outlying incursions are treated as small eradication programs; and partial or relative containment, where the objective is to slow the rate of spread and to prevent the establishment of new core infestations.

The challenge is to identify areas free of invasive species and develop and deploy approaches to contain the invasive species to a known area. We will know when we have achieved Containment Objective when existing invasive species infestations are contained to the known area and prevented from becoming widespread throughout the region.

Containment – Invasive Plants

Containment – invasive plants		
Plant Species	Biosecurity Act 2014	
	Matter	Category
Sticky Florestina (Florestina Tripteris)	Locally significant	Not applicable
Parthenium (Parthenium hysterophorus)	Restricted	3
Parkinsonia (Parkinsonia aculeata)	Restricted	3
Rubber Vines (Cryptostegia Grandiflora)	Restricted	3
Prickly Acacia (Vachellia nilotica)	Restricted	3
Leucaena (Leucaena Leucocephala)	Restricted	2, 3, 4 & 5
Mother of Millions (Bryophyllum delagoense)	Restricted	3
Harrisia (Harrisia martini)	Restricted	3

Reasonable and practical measures for the containment of invasive plants		
Aim	Measure	Success Indicator
Awareness	Have unfamiliar plants formally identified. Be aware of the invasive plants	Sound local knowledge of species
Surveillance	Carry out and record area and property surveillance activities or targeted inspections, prioritising areas of introduction such as	Early detection

Reasonable and practical measures for the containment of invasive plants		
Aim	Measure	Success Indicator
	roadways, stockyards and watering points	
Introduction	Undertake hygiene practices – wash downs, brush downs, visual inspections on vehicles, machinery, footwear and clothing Source stock, garden and landscaping products from low-risk areas and/or request a weed hygiene declaration. Spell stock in holding areas when moved from an identified high-risk area. Check that any purchased or gifted plants (including reproductive parts) are not listed under the <i>Biosecurity Act 2014</i> .	Reduce risk of entry
Notification	All prevention invasive plants to be reported to the Barcaldine Regional Council on 07 4651 5600 Invasive plants listed as prohibited or restricted category 2 must be reported to Biosecurity Queensland on 132523.	Immediate reporting
Distribution	No invasive plants may be sold, traded, given away or released into the environment.	No spread
Control	To be advised once reported to Biosecurity Queensland and/or Barcaldine Regional Council.	Not applicable

Containment – Invasive Animals

Containment – invasive animals		
Animal Species	<i>Biosecurity Act 2014</i>	
	Matter	Category
Feral Goat (<i>Capra Hircus</i>)	Restricted	3, 4, 5 and 6
European Rabbit (<i>Oryctolagus Cuniculus</i>)	Restricted	3, 4, 5 & 6
Feral Chital Deer	Restricted	3, 4, 6
Feral Rusa Deer	Restricted	3, 4, 6
Feral Fallow Deer	Restricted	3, 4, 6

Reasonable and practical measures for the containment of invasive animals		
Aim	Measure	Success Indicator
Awareness	Be aware of the invasive animals. Have unfamiliar animals formally identified.	Sound local knowledge of species
Surveillance	Carry out and record area/property surveillance activities or targeted inspections.	Early detection
Introduction	Check that any purchased or gifted animals are not listed under the <i>Biosecurity Act 2014</i> . Do not release invasive animals onto state land.	Reduce risk of entry

Reasonable and practical measures for the containment of invasive animals		
Aim	Measure	Success Indicator
	Remove waste and unused infrastructure that may provide shelter and habitat for invasive animals.	
Notification	All invasive animals to be reported to the Barcaldine Regional Council on 07 4651 5600.	Immediate reporting
Distribution	No invasive animals may be sold, traded, given away or released into the environment.	No spread
Control	Participate in an invasive animal control program that may include verification of presence, risk assessment, land manager consent and neighbour notification. Establish an on-going monitoring program to measure progress toward eradication.	Ongoing Removal and no spread

Asset Protection – Management Objective 4

The species listed for asset protection are widely distributed across the Barcaldine Regional Council area and their eradication or containment is not considered feasible. These species are to be managed to minimise their spread to and/or impact on high value economic, environmental and/or social assets.

High asset values include vegetated areas managed for conservation, waterways, wetlands, riparian vegetation, horticulture, agriculture, primary production areas, community open spaces and residential areas.

This management objective is considered reasonable and practical for land managers to achieve for these invasive animal species.

The challenge is to manage or control these invasive species to reduce their impact where the benefits of control are the greatest. We will know when Asset Protection objective has been achieved as management and control investments will be directed based on the greatest benefit and the benefit of control is proven to outweigh the investment required.

Asset Protection – Invasive Animals

Asset Protection – invasive animals		
Animal Species	Biosecurity Act 2014	
	Matter	Category
Feral Pig (<i>Sus scrofa</i>)	Restricted	3, 4, 5 and 6
Feral Cat (<i>Felis catus</i> and <i>Prionailurus bengalensis</i> x <i>Felis catus</i>) other than domestic cat	Restricted	3, 4, 5 & 6
Wild Dogs (<i>Canis lupus dingo</i> and <i>Canis familiaris</i>)	Restricted	3, 4, 6
Cattle Tick (<i>Rhipicephalus Boophilus</i>)	Restricted	Under implemented surveillance program

Reasonable and practical measures for the protection of assets from invasive animals		
Aim	Measure	Success Indicator
Awareness	Be aware of the invasive animals. Have unfamiliar animals formally identified.	Sound local knowledge of species
Surveillance	Carry out and record area/property surveillance activities or targeted inspections.	Early detection
Introduction	Check that any purchased or gifted animals are not listed under the <i>Biosecurity Act 2014</i> . Do not release invasive animals onto state land.	Reduce risk of entry

Reasonable and practical measures for the protection of assets from invasive animals		
Aim	Measure	Success Indicator
	Remove waste and unused infrastructure that may provide shelter and habitat for invasive animals.	
Notification	Not required (however invasive animals can be reported via FeralScan at Feralscan.org.au)	Immediate reporting
Distribution	No invasive animals may be sold, traded, given away or released into the environment.	No spread
Control	Participate in invasive animal control programs that may include verification of presence, risk assessment, land manager consent and neighbour notification. Participate regionally in the on-going monitoring program to measure progress toward eradication.	Ongoing Removal and no spread

Regulating compliance with the Biosecurity Act 2014

Along with Community Education programs, Council will ensure compliance with the reasonable and practical management of invasive plants and animals by using a range of standardised and targeted compliance measures.

Land managers are mandated by the *Biosecurity Act 2014* to develop property-based biosecurity plans, and likewise businesses and residents in urban areas are urged to communicate instances of invasive species.

Council prioritises voluntary and assisted compliance to ensure land managers can meet their GBO expectations. Biosecurity Orders, Enter and Clear Notices, or Penalty Infringement Notices are issued for regulated species when voluntary and assisted options have failed to meet the required outcomes.

Figure 5 shows a generalised flowchart for Barcaldine Regional Councils invasive species management and compliance.

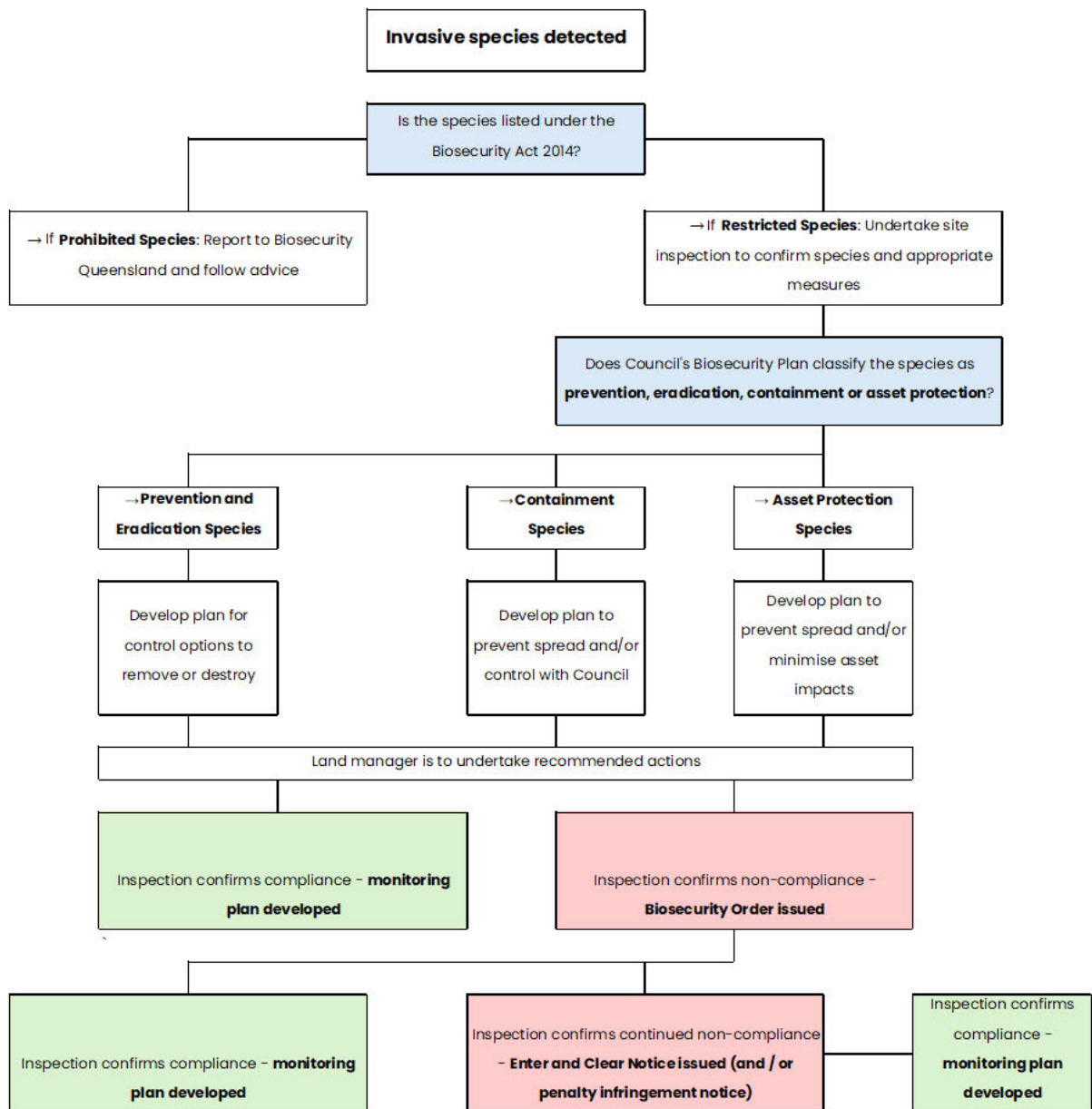


Figure 5 – Barcaldine Regional Council management and compliance flowchart.

Monitoring, Evaluation and Implementation

Council will incorporate performance measures aligned with state and regional strategies and participate in coordinated regional evaluation activities, including regular strategy reviews and data sharing initiatives.

Council's monitoring and evaluation process will assist to ensure robust biosecurity compliance is achieved.

This process includes regular site visits to areas of concern along with a comprehensive compliance tool, outlining the investigation protocol and procedural exploration.

Plan implementation is crucial in reducing the impacts of invasive plants and animals in the Barcaldine Regional Council region. Council will coordinate a collaborative approach through stakeholders, working groups and committees, assisting Council and the community to meet their general biosecurity obligations.

Council's approach to biosecurity management includes a range of ongoing, business-as-usual activities undertaken within the organisation, and in partnership with stakeholders and the community.

These include –

1. **Prevention and preparedness activities** that prevent the establishment and spread of invasive plants and animals. Examples of these are monitoring and surveillance of properties and public spaces for prohibited and restricted invasive species, working with Biosecurity Queensland to prevent the sale and spread of prohibited and restricted invasive plants and educating responsible pet ownership.
2. **Monitoring and Assessment activities** which collect data on invasive plants and animals to guide effective decision-making. Examples of these are collecting field data on pest weed spray activities, and pest animal controls, Wild dog exclusion fencing data and mapping, research trials in conjunction with Biosecurity Queensland relating to species genus and effective treatment outcomes, along with invasive animal research activities.
3. **Effective management systems** for managing and minimising impacts of invasive plants and animals. Examples of these are control programs for invasive plant species, coordinated baiting program, wild dog and feral cat management program, spot baiting, feral cat management program, environmental reserve and natural areas management, biological control programs and trials (eg Cochineal) and roadside invasive plant control program.

4. **Awareness and education programs** for increased stakeholder understanding and best practice management of invasive plants and animals. Examples of these are biosecurity education programs at a range of events across the year, school education program to increase awareness through workshops and presentations, field days and plant walks with stakeholders (ie Weedspotters, Department of Primary Industries, DPI Eco Science Precinct and Landholders), and staff training.
5. **Commitment to a coordinated approach** for land managers, industries, communities, and governments to managing invasive plants and animals. Examples of these are participation, guidance and advisory in committee groups, working groups, Biosecurity Queensland and Department of Primary Industries.

BARCADDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL
AGENDA FOR GENERAL MEETING 13 AUGUST 2025

Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item Number: 3.2.8
Subject Heading: **Endorsement of Draft Stock Route Management Plan 2025–2030 for Public Consultation**
Author and Title: Michael Shave, Acting Director Corporate and Financial Services
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: To seek Council endorsement of the Draft Barcaldine Regional Council Stock Route Management Plan 2025–2030 for the purposes of public consultation, in accordance with the requirements of the Stock Route Management Act 2002 (Qld).

Officer's Recommendation: That Council:

- 1. Endorses the Draft Barcaldine Regional Council Stock Route Management Plan 2025–2030 for the purpose of public consultation.**
 - 2. Approves the commencement of a 28-day consultation period in accordance with Section 117 of the Stock Route Management Act 2002 (Qld).**
 - 3. Requests that a further report be brought back to Council following the consultation period, summarising feedback received and recommending any amendments prior to final adoption.**
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Background

Under Section 116 of the *Stock Route Management Act 2002 (Qld)*, local governments prescribed under the Stock Route Management Regulation 2003 are required to prepare and maintain a Stock Route Management Plan for their local government area. These plans guide how the council manages stock routes and associated infrastructure and ensures compliance with the Act's principles; including sustainable use, community safety and protection of environmental and cultural values.

The Act also requires councils to consult with the public before adopting a stock route management plan. Community input is a key part of the planning process and ensures that landholders, industry groups and other stakeholders have the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed actions, permitting frameworks, compliance approaches and local priorities.

Report

Council has developed a Draft Stock Route Management Plan 2025–2030 in alignment with the Queensland Stock Route Network Management Strategy 2021–2025 and the legislative requirements of the *Stock Route Management Act 2002*.

BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL

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The plan was developed by the District Managers with support from Council's Rural Land Officers and reflects local and regional priorities for effective stock route management.

The plan outlines Council's strategies for:

- Permitting and compliance.
- Water infrastructure management.
- Pest and weed control.
- Risk and fire management.
- Collaboration with neighbouring councils and government agencies.

Following Council endorsement, the draft plan will be released for a 28-day public consultation period; during which submissions will be invited from the community, adjacent landholders, permit holders, industry stakeholders and the broader public.

Following the consultation period, submissions will be reviewed and where appropriate, incorporated into the final version of the plan to be brought back to Council for formal adoption.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5 – Governance: continue reviewing policies and strategic plans for relevancy and currency.

Consultation (internal/external)

- District Managers
- Rural Land Officers

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

The actions identified in the plan are currently funded in Council's 2025–26 budget.

Risk Management Implications

Undertaking public consultation in accordance with legislative requirements reduces legal and operational risk and supports stakeholder confidence in Council's approach to stock route management.

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil

STOCK ROUTE MANAGEMENT PLAN 2025–2030



Barcaldine Regional Council Stock Route Management Plan 2025–2030

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Barcaldine Regional Council currently employs Rural Lands Officers that oversee the Stock Route Network and are under the supervision of the District Managers and the Chief Executive Officer.

Budgets and major works are sourced through Rural Lands Officer meetings and via Councillors, CEO and Mayor, as part of the SRMG is made up of these members who cover a vast area of the land, Council and Community groups.

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1 Introduction

The stock route network (the network) is a system of State roads and reserves totalling more than 2.6 million hectares that are designated primarily for the purpose of travelling stock. Infrastructure supporting the needs of travelling stock is constructed on the network and consists of facilities such as night yards, crossings, fencing, water facilities and yards.

The stock route network is governed by the *Stock Route Management Act 2002* (the Act) and requires local governments prescribed under the *Stock Route Regulation 2003* (the Regulation) to establish a Stock Route Management Plan for the management of stock routes in their respective local government areas.

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of the Local Government Stock Route Management Plan (the plan) is to guide Rural Lands Officers to manage the network in accordance with the Act and to clearly identify Council's approach to compliance and enforcement on the stock route network, so that its values are maintained.

Implementation of the plan can lead to improvements in services to stakeholders, greater accountability by Council and more efficient use of available resources.

The plan will operate as a practical extension of the visionary statements and goals set out in the Queensland Stock Route Management Strategy 2021–2025 (the Strategy), particularly supporting goals such as consistent administration (Goal 2), sustainable management (Goal 4), and safety (Goal 5). The Plan will operate in conjunction with the Stock Route Management Act 2002 and within the parameters of other legislation, policy and stock route management strategy 2021–2025.

1.2 Scope

The Barcaldine Regional Council 2025–2030 plan demonstrates Council's commitment to preserving the regions natural assets while also providing a growing and sustainable developed environment for our residents. The key project for the Stock Route Network aims to safeguard natural assets, boost agricultural land use and remove pests by developing and implementing appropriate management strategies.

Community participation is an important aspect of the planning process since it allows all stakeholders to provide feedback and suggestions.

COMPONENTS OF STOCK ROUTE NETWORK MANAGEMENT

The plan begins by detailing Barcaldine Regional Council's present SRN management status, followed by a breakdown of SRN management component which includes –

- Networks;
- Grazing Management;
- Area Management;
- Safety and Risk Management;
- Infrastructure Management;
- Pest and Weed Management;
- Water Agreement Management;
- Permits – Travel and Agisting; and
- Compliance.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

- Discussion of plan with SRNMP working group;
- Barcaldine Regional Council, Councillors, Mayor, Department of Resources, Department of Transport and Community; and
- Draft plan will go on public display for feedback for 28 days.

MAPPING

- Classification and location of routes and water facilities;
- Biodiversity;
- Land type, area, land condition and pasture assessment;
- Fencing and Permits to Occupy and Trustee leases; and
- Qld Globe.

1.3 Principals and Objectives

The overriding direction for the objectives of the plan are provided by the principles of stock route network management, as detailed in Section 97 of the Act. These principles are:

- **Public Awareness** – Public awareness and knowledge of the network's multiple users, environmental values and cultural values must be raised to increase the capacity and willingness of individuals to protect the network;
- **Commitment** – Effective management of the stock route network requires a long-term commitment by the community to management of the network;
- **Consultation and Partnership** – Consultation and partnership arrangements between local communities, industry groups, State Government agencies and

Local Governments must be established to achieve a collaborative approach to stock route network management;

- **Management** – The stock route network must be managed – to ensure it remains available for public use; and to maintain and improve the network's natural resources and travelling stock facilities for the use by travelling stock and for other purposes;
- **Use Pays** – A person who benefits from using the network must pay a reasonable amount for its use;
- **Planning** – Stock route network management must be consistent at local, regional and state levels to ensure resources for managing the are used to target management priorities; and
- **Monitoring and Evaluation** – Regular monitoring and evaluation of the network's natural resources and travelling stock facilities is necessary to improve the stock route management practices.

The principles provide a foundation for the objectives of the plan, which reflect the context of the network in the Barcaldine Regional Council Local Government area.

The objectives of the plan are:

- Minimise grazing impacts of travelling stock/and or agisted stock;
- Maintain the network integrity of the stock route network so that travelling stock have unobstructed travel;
- Maintain the pasture on the stock route network;
- Maintain the infrastructure on the stock route so that it is fit for purpose for travelling stock;
- To provide a safe environment for people and stock;
- To provide and maintain water access at regular intervals along primary and secondary routes on the stock route network;
- Minimise the spread and introduction of declared pests and disease by stock that use the stock route network and minimise the impacts that pests may have on the network;
- To derive an income from water agreements and reduce costs by using water agreements to reduce maintenance by local governments while ensuring that the water needs of travelling stock are met and that the water resources or other people with rights to water are not negatively impacted upon; and
- To raise public awareness in relation to potential offences by users of the stock route network, follow up and act on compliance issues for stock route network offences, in accordance with the provisions of the *Stock Route Management Act 2002*.

1.4 Plan Development

This plan has been developed in consideration with the Act, the Regulation, and the current *Queensland Stock Route Network Management Strategy* (the Strategy) and will operate in conjunction with Council's Corporate and Operational Plans, other relevant State and Regional Plans and Natural Resource Management Legislation.

The plan operates as a practical extension to the visionary statements and goals set out in the Strategy and the principles (see Section 1.3) provided for in the Act.

The plan will remain current until 30 June 2030. Strategies and actions for each financial year will be reviewed for their effectiveness on or before 1 April each year and any shortfalls in the completion of its strategies will be amended.

Council will re-establish the working group at the end of the 2029 to prepare the next plan for 5 years.

1.5 Roles and responsibilities

1.5.1 Role of Local Government

Under the Act, Local Governments are responsible for managing the part of the network in its area in accordance with the principles of stock route network management and to control the movement of travelling stock on the part of the stock route network in its area. Specifically, these responsibilities include:

- managing the level of grazing occurring on the network to ensure there is sufficient feed for travelling stock;
- maintaining assets such as water facilities;
- issuing permits for travelling stock;
- issuing permits for short-term agistment and harvesting surplus feed;
- ensuring the network is managed for weeds and fire risk;
- ensuring compliance with permit conditions and responding to complaints of breaches; and
- undertaking capital works to replace assets on the network.

The specific responsibilities for Barcaldine Regional Council in the delivery of the plan have been incorporated in *7.1 Implementation Plan*.

1.5.2 Role of Other Stakeholders

Broadly, the responsibilities of the other relevant key stakeholders are outlined in the table below:

Stakeholder	Role and Responsibility
State Government	<p>The Department of Resources is the custodian of the land, providing support, guidance and strategic direction and management on a range of permits affecting Queensland's stock route network. As such, the State Government is responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • providing policy and legislative advice. • operational guidelines. • compliance support. • reviewing decisions. • managing asset maintenance. • training Local Government Stock Route Officers.
Neighbouring councils	<p>Advise of travelling stock – 7 days' notice of forthcoming stock.</p> <p>Advise of pasture and possible reduction of stock numbers if required of travelling stock.</p> <p>Assistance of planning of Pest and Weed management.</p>
Drovers	Abide by all Stock Route Acts and Regulations.
Adjacent landholders	<p>Pest and Weed management.</p> <p>Replacement and Upkeep of Boundary fences.</p>
Traditional Owners	Cultural Heritage support.
Members of the public	<p>Public Awareness–Safety Support.</p> <p>Notification to Council of infestations along the Stock Route – weeds and pests.</p>
Those accessing agistment permits	Abide by all Stock Route Acts and Regulations.
Those seeking Permits to Occupy	Follow requirements of DNR.
Those seeking permits for travelling stock	Abide by All Stock Route Acts and Regulations.

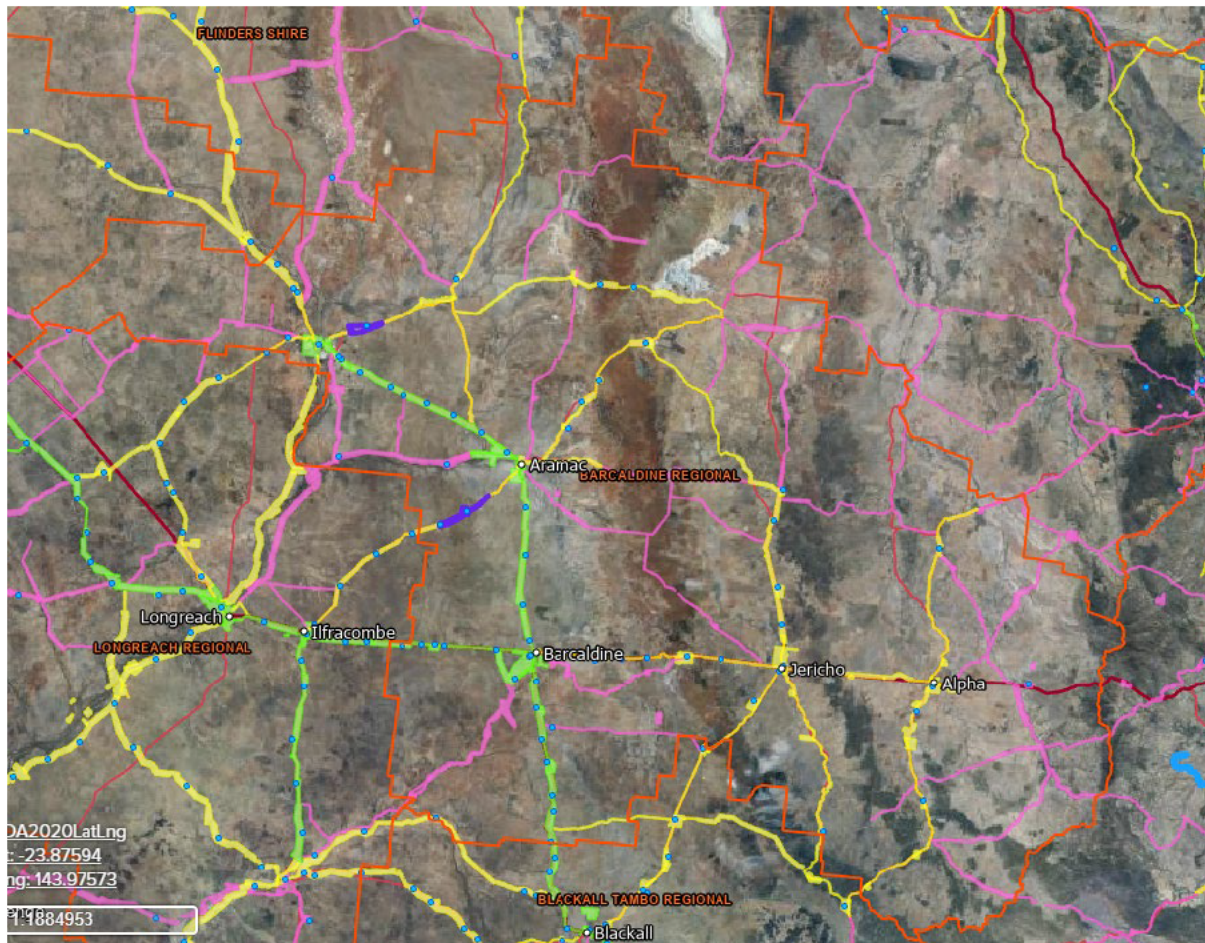
Stakeholder roles are designed to support the intent of the Stock Route Management Working Group (SRMWG) outlined in Action 2.3.5 of the Strategy, which promotes consistent and collaborative implementation across jurisdictions.

Specific responsibilities for stakeholders in the delivery of the plan are included in *7.1 Implementation Plan*.

2 Stock Route Network

2.1 Overview of Network and Uses

In the Barcaldine Local Government area, there is approximately 1,023 km of stock routes, comprising of 259 km Primary and 764 km Secondary.



Stock routes are defined in the Act as a 'road or route ordinarily used for travelling stock or declared under a regulation as such.' The use of the stock route network in the Barcaldine Local Government area has varied seasonally.

Consistent with Actions 1.1.1 and 1.1.2 of the Strategy, Barcaldine Regional Council will ensure up-to-date maps of the network and supporting infrastructure are publicly accessible through Queensland Globe and relevant Council service points.

Travel Permits

Year	Permits Issued	Livestock Numbers
2019-20	10	12,891
2020-21	4	1,142
2021-22	9	5,194
2022-23	7	8,177
2023-24	12	14,757
2024-25	8	8,672

Grazing Permits

Year	Permits Issued	Cattle Numbers
2019-20	6	1,234
2020-21	8	6,084
2021-22	1	30
2022-23	1	1,166
2023-24	5	1,200
2024-25	44	9,615

In addition to the use of the stock route network for travelling and agistment purposes, the stock route network in the Barcaldine local government area has a range of additional uses, including:

- Community Use;
- Contractors – grading –upgrading Ergon Lines/Telstra lines;
- Council – Grading; and
- Rural Fires.

Permits and Adjustments

Areas determined through regular monitoring to have more pasture than is required for traveling stock, will be managed in this order of priority: short-term agistment under a permit (where there is interest), burning (for environmental or safety reasons) or bailing (through a call for expressions of interest).

The Council will take into account the following when making decisions:

- ***'Local Knowledge'*** – regarding natural disasters that may only affect a small amount of the region.
- ***'Land Conditions'*** – regarding stock and other land management issues, including considering carrying capacities of the land, to make decisions regarding travel, agistment (under permit) or agistment/occupation under a permit to occupy.
- ***'Impacts to Pastures'*** – during the seed setting and growth period (determined by seasonal conditions) and following fire, Stock Route use will be minimized through the implementation of spelling and permitting restrictions (refer to section 'Permit Travel and Agistment' in this plan).
- ***'Impacts on Pest Management'***– to remain consistent with Pest Management Policies and recognised Best Management Practices for declared pest plant species (e.g. maintaining a minimum 70% pasture

threshold for competition against the establishment of Parthenium weed in identified Parthenium weed areas).

- **'Impacts on other Stakeholder Values'** – when necessary, network operations may be considered for impacts on Main Roads Pest and Fire Management Plans where appropriate (i.e. stock routes on State controlled roads).

Permitting Travel and Agistment

Relevance for SRN Management

This strategy encompasses the principles of **"payment for use"** and **"management"**. The above principles are necessary for the proper regulation and management of the SRN to ensure sustainable use and equitable utilization by all stakeholders.

To carry out the process of assessing applications for permits to travel and/or agist stock on the SRN that ensures that the resources of SRN are sustained.

Indicators and Targets

Permitting Travel and Agistment Indicators	Targets
Number of travel permit decisions which are disputed	Less than two (2)
Number of agistment permit decision which are disputed	Less than two (2)

These indicators align with Strategy Goal 2, Objective 2.3, supporting transparent and consistent permit administration processes and promoting dispute minimisation.

2.2 Permitting Travel and Agistment

Policies will be in accordance with the provisions of the *Stock Route Management Act 2002* (previously known as the *Land Protection (Pest and Stock Route Management) Act 2002*); and are being implemented within the Barcaldine Regional council as per the following:

- **Approving Permits:** Permit Approval is currently in place and permit applications will be assessed and determined utilising the guidelines as stipulated in the *Qld Stock Route Management Act 2002* developed by DNR.
- **Agistment Permits:** Allocations will be assessed and determined by priority agistment cases, including emergency agistment as stipulated under the Act. Where it has been determined that the SRN has more than necessary resources on a route, allocations will be by 'Notice' – calling for expressions

of interest. Where more than one application is received, decision will be made by a proposed ballot process.

Permitting Travel and Agistment Issues

For Barcaldine Regional Council to meet the goal set for permitting travel and agistment, and to be able to manage the SRN in accordance with the permitting travel and agistment permits, the following issues need to be addressed:

- Local rate payers who want to be given priority and precedence to agist stock on the SRN as opposed to other stock usages, may create some controversy.
- Expectations from SRN users that pasture availability and retention, are principally used for the purpose of the grazing of stock on the network and reduction of grazing impacts to maintain pasture thresholds, may cause some controversy; and
- Additional conditioning of permits may cause considerable controversy.

Permitting Travel and Agistment Strategies and Actions to Address Issues

Strategy	Action	Who	Priority	Status
Raise awareness of the need to provide fair and equal access	RLO's will continue raising awareness for the continued uses of the SRN through general enquiries.	CEO BO	Two	Ongoing
	Information notices such as fact sheets, are available for landholders from the DNRME website.	DNR RLO's		
Apply additional conditions on permits, where consider necessary	The owners/droivers of stock seek alternative arrangements (road transport) in lieu of traversing narrow corridors on hoof, to ensure that the mob's travel is not likely to have an adverse effect on road or rail safety.			

Strategy	Action	Who	Priority	Status
Apply additional conditions on permits, where consider necessary	The owners/drovers to engage the services of an approved traffic control authority, TMR, QLD Rail staff or QPS for short crossings, when negotiating rail crossings along the route.	CEO GMC QLD Rail RLO's BO DAF	One	Ongoing
	The owners/drovers to provide supplementary watering arrangements (portable troughing and water truck) due to insufficient facilities along the proposed route.			
	The owners/drovers to provide supplementary holding facilities and make application for short term agistment permits, to hold stock at specific designated quarantine areas, to assist in reducing the spread of declared pests on the land.			
	The owners/drovers to provide supplementary feed, for stock being temporarily held in quarantine, to reduce the impacts on pasture resources available and degradation to the land on the route.			
	The pasture thresholds be maintained at > % in recognition of Best Management Practices for declared pest species (e.g. maintaining a minimum 50% pasture threshold for competition against the establishment of Parthenium weed in identified Parthenium weed areas).			

2.3 Stock Route Network Values

As required by the Act and the Strategy, Council is required to preserve the multi-use values of the network. Within the Barcaldine Local Government area, the network provides the following values:

- Pastoral;
- Cultural heritage;
- Environmental/biodiversity;
- Grazing and natural resource;
- Recreation; and
- Transport and movement.

Regard for these values have been considered in the development of the management activities listed in the plan's 7.1 – Implementation Plan. Effectiveness of management activities at the protection of the network's values will be considered at the annual review periods, and if necessary, amended to ensure that the network's values are protected.

2.4 Inventory of Facilities

The list of facilities that support the network and its operation are identified in the table below, along with its remaining life expectancy and maintenance plan. Facilities are required to be maintained by Council so that the network's primary purpose of stock travel can be achieved.

Inventory of Water Facilities – Barcaldine Regional Council

Facility Id	Facility Name	Facility Type	Owner	Has Assets	Used By Travelling Stock	Used By Agisting Stock	Private Use	Other User	Ids Of Stock Routes Used
C0002	Alpha	Sub-artesian Water	State Owned	No	No	No	No	No	RESERVE (Secondary)
D0196	Stainburn	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	030BCAL (Secondary),030BCAL (Primary)
F35121	Lake Dunn	Natural Waterhole	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	033BCAL (Tertiary),033BCAL (Secondary)
F44367	Clancy	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	030BCAL (Secondary),030BCAL (Primary)
M0052	Alice River	Natural Waterhole	State Owned	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	036BCAL (Secondary)
N0180	Powella	Natural Waterhole	State Owned	No	No	No	No	No	RESERVE (Secondary), RESERVE (Tertiary)
N0182	Muttaborra West	Natural Waterhole	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	211BCAL (Secondary) Reserve
N0183	Muttaborra	Natural Waterhole	State Owned	No	No	No	No	No	031BCAL (Primary)
N0184	Scarburry	Natural Waterhole	State Owned	No	No	No	No	No	292BCAL (Secondary)
N0186	Boulder Dam	Natural Waterhole	State Owned	No	No	No	No	No	029BCAL (Secondary)
N0234	Avington	Natural Waterhole	State Owned	No	No	No	No	No	212BCAL (Secondary),212BCAL (Tertiary)
W0090	Grass Tree	Excavated Tank	State Owned	Yes	No	No	No	No	RESERVE (Secondary)
W0133	Driftway	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	RESERVE (Secondary), RESERVE (Tertiary)
W0193	Kellys	Excavated Tank	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	030BCAL (Primary)

Facility Id	Facility Name	Facility Type	Owner	Has Assets	Used By Travelling Stock	Used By Agisting Stock	Private Use	Other User	Ids Of Stock Routes Used
W0194	Little Sardine	Sub-artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	030BCAL (Secondary),030BCAL (Primary)
W0196	Murderers	Excavated Tank	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	030BCAL (Secondary),030BCAL (Primary)
W0252	Back Ck	Sub-artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	036BCAL (Secondary)
W0367	Lake Dunn	Sub-artesian Water	PrivatelyOwned	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	311BCAL (Secondary)
W0527	Coreena	Sub-artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	RESERVE (Primary)
W0600	Tumbar	Excavated Tank	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	RESERVE (Secondary),RESERVE (Tertiary)
W0601	Wolollo	Excavated Tank	State Owned	Yes	No	No	No	No	RESERVE (Secondary), RESERVE (Tertiary)
W0602	Speculation	Excavated Tank	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	RESERVE (Secondary), RESERVE (Tertiary)
W0715	Bristol	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	033BCAL (Secondary)
W0875	Mildura	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	RESERVE (Primary)
W1617	Fortuna	Excavated Tank	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	RESERVE (Tertiary), RESERVE (Secondary)
W1619	Dartbrix	Excavated Tank	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	002BCAL (Primary)
W1644	Pine Hill	Excavated Tank	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	RESERVE (Tertiary)
W1663	Surbiton	Sub-artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	304BCAL (Secondary),304BCAL (Tertiary)
W1686	Brixton	Sub-artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	002BCAL (Primary)

Facility Id	Facility Name	Facility Type	Owner	Has Assets	Used By Travelling Stock	Used By Agisting Stock	Private Use	Other User	Ids Of Stock Routes Used
W1780	Jordan	Sub-artesian Water	State Owned	No	No	No	No	No	313BCAL (Secondary),313BCAL (Tertiary)
W1820	Alice	Unknown water source	State Owned	No	No	No	No	No	RESERVE (Secondary), RESERVE (Tertiary)
W2102	Rosedale	Excavated Tank	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	RESERVE (Secondary), RESERVE (Tertiary)
W2239	Harney's Lane	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	002BCAL (Primary)
W2318	Forrest	Sub-artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	RESERVE (Secondary)
W2360	Adelong	Sub-artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	311BCAL (Secondary)
W2364	9 Mile	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	016BCAL (Primary)
W2375	10 Mile	Natural Waterhole	State Owned	Yes	No	No	No	No	304BCAL (Tertiary),304BCAL (Secondary)
W2478	Ballygar	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	033BCAL (Secondary)
W2610	Patrick Ck	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	RESERVE (Primary)
W2621	Boundary	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	002BCAL (Primary)
W2622	Kyneton	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	299BCAL (Primary)
W2623	Bluebush	Town Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	016BCAL (Primary)
W2636	Jericho	Excavated Tank	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	RESERVE (Secondary)
W2643	Knockninny	Excavation	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	002BCAL (Primary)
W2650	Big Sardine	Excavation	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	030BCAL (Primary),030BCAL (Secondary)
W2651	Jericho Sth	Excavated Tank	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Reserve (Secondary)
W2655	Crooked Gate	Excavated Tank	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	002BCAL (Primary)
W2659	Willoughby Res	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	RESERVE (Secondary)

Facility Id	Facility Name	Facility Type	Owner	Has Assets	Used By Travelling Stock	Used By Agisting Stock	Private Use	Other User	Ids Of Stock Routes Used
W2668	6 Mile	Natural Waterhole	State Owned	No	No	No	No	No	304BCAL (Tertiary),304BCAL (Secondary)
W2681	Gregory	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	RESERVE (Primary)
W2748	Town Dam	Excavation	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	216BCAL (Primary) Reserve
W2757	Lochinvar	Excavation	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	036BCAL (Secondary)
W2759	Packsaddle Ck	Excavation	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	002BCAL (Primary)
W2760	Garshes	Excavation	State Owned	Yes	No	No	No	No	002BCAL (Primary)
W2794	Boulder Dam	Natural Waterhole	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	029BCAL (Secondary)
W2808	Tablederry 2	Excavation	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	029BCAL (Secondary)
W2838	Willoughby	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	035BCAL (Secondary)
W2853	LAGOON CK	Natural Waterhole	State Owned	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	RESERVE (Primary)
W2859	6 Mile	Excavated Tank	State Owned	Yes	No	No	No	No	RESERVE (Primary)
W2866	RIFLE RANGE	Excavation	State Owned	No	No	No	No	No	RESERVE (Primary)
W2867	Belltopper	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	RESERVE (Secondary), RESERVE (Primary)
W2882	Clover Hills	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	RESERVE (Primary)
W2883	Muttaborra Common	Excavation	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	RESERVE (Primary)
W2905	Jabiru	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	RESERVE (Tertiary), RESERVE (Secondary)
W2992	Mooney Valley	Artesian Water	State Owned	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	002BCAL (Primary)

2.5 Stock Route Funding

Each year, Barcaldine Regional Council may apply to the Department of Resources for funding to undertake capital maintenance activities on the network. Funding is provided through a competitive process, with Local Governments 'bidding' for maintenance activities.

- Desilting of Murdering Dam (Muttaborra).
- New water facility "Clancy's" (Aramac).
- Upgrades to Mildura Water Facility (Aramac) - completed June 2024.
- Upgrades to Little Sardine Water Facility (Aramac) - completed June 2024.
- Upgrades to 9 mile - (Aramac) completed December 2024.

3 Pressures on the Network

Affecting the operation of the network, several pressures exist that must be managed. These include pressures on the values of the network as well as pressures on the network itself.

Pressures identified in Barcaldine local government area include:

Strategy	Action	Who	Priority	When
Management approaches	Develop partnership approach with adjoining Regional Councils to develop consistent management approaches	CEO, RLO	Medium	Ongoing
Complaints Review	Develop policies if required resulting from complaints	BRC	Medium	Ongoing
Unfenced routes/straying stock	Advice of obligations to adjoining landholders	CEO, RLO	Low	As required
Weeds	To deal with weed infestations, not only on stock routes but throughout the Regional Council	BRC, DERM, Landholders	High	Ongoing
Fire	Continue to manage build up of pasture	RLO/CEO	High	Ongoing
Rubbish dumping	Investigate and advise offenders they must remove or face legal action	CEO, RLO	High	Ongoing
Investigate rationalisation of stock routes	Review the travelling stock usages of all stock routes and identify those to be	RLO	Medium	2029

Strategy	Action	Who	Priority	When
	recommended for rationalisation			
Overgrazing	Continue to assess pasture and advise neighbouring Councils if pasture is low	RLO	Medium	Ongoing
Remove the impediments on all stock routes	Identify and remove impediments on stock routes	CEO, RLO	Medium	Ongoing
Develop / maintain partnerships with adjoining Regional Councils	Assessment of carrying capacity of Stock Routes on travel applications conferring with neighbouring Regional Councils	RLO	Medium	Ongoing

3.1 Overgrazing

Barcaldine Regional Council is responsible for maintaining and managing the pasture of the network and to guarantee that there is a sufficient quantity of pasture for traveling livestock. Pasture on the network can be impacted by overgrazing from drovers, grazing permit holders and feral animals.

Barcaldine Regional Council must manage and conserve pasture on the network in its area to ensure, as far as practicable, an adequate supply of pasture is available for travelling stock.

Sufficient pasture is required to be assessed by the local government officer issuing the travelling stock permit and can be assessed using a number of tools including the Land Condition Assessment Tool. Overgrazing of stock reduces the supply of pasture and may result in insufficient pasture in areas. (Appendix A)

Consideration also needs to be given on whether there is a need for erosion rehabilitation or pasture regeneration anywhere on the network.

Council's approach to pasture management involves:

- Pasture inspections and assessments (depending on seasonal conditions) using the Department of Resources SRMS (Stock Route Management System) MAT stock route assessment condition tool.
- Yearly Inspections of boundary fencing.
- Weed control.

This approach directly supports the Strategy's Action 4.1.1, which seeks to prevent overgrazing through the use of consistent, fit-for-purpose assessment tools such as MAT.

3.2 Encroachment of vegetation

The encroachment of vegetation also impacts the likelihood of sufficient pasture along the network, as well as creating obstructions to travelling stock. When Council identifies the encroachment of vegetation, Council seeks to control the problem area by treating infestations whilst working with the state government and neighbouring Councils to eradicate problem areas.

3.3 Obstructing movement of stock

The encroachment of vegetation, detailed in Section 3.2, may also restrict stock movement along the network or force stock onto roadways. Other factors such as old fencing can also obstruct stock movement. To manage this pressure on the network, Council will identify the problem areas and put in place a management strategy.

3.4 Straying stock

Straying stock can cause a major hazard to the stock route network. All necessary actions should be taken to prevent stock from straying on the network. Boundary fences should be checked on a yearly basis and graziers should be notified immediately of straying stock.

Drovers who have left stock on the network should be dealt with in line with the *Stock Route Management Act 2002*.

3.5 Fencing in of the network

Fencing is critical for ensuring the security and consistency of stock routes, preventing wandering cattle from adjoining properties or roadways, decreasing accidents and disputes and allowing for successful rotational grazing techniques. It also contributes to the health and productivity of the land by assuring the availability of moving stock and adjacent land usage.

Legislation that governs fences, gates and grids on state controlled land –

The Stock Route Management Act 2002

Local Government Act 2009

Transport Infrastructure Act 1994

The Land Act 1994

Public Awareness is necessary when fencing the network. It is unlawful to fence a road along a stock route unless you have received formal approval. Council to liaise with land holders and advise of the stock route legislation regarding stock route requirements on roads reserves. Stock routes along road reserves should be 1.6 km wide.

3.6 Pest animals and weeds

Barcaldine Regional Council aims to ensure that the Stock Route network is a safe route for livestock transportation. The goal is to reduce the spread of pests and eliminate any new animals, illnesses or pests from the network. In order to stop the spread of pests and safeguard the environment, regular monitoring and management methods are essential. Active management of natural resources guarantees their sustainable use for the continuation of travel.

Council to committed to work alongside the state government, neighbouring shires, landowners and the public to raise awareness, plan and eradicate pest animals and weeds. Large numbers of pests and weeds will have a detrimental effect on the stock route network.

3.7 Biosecurity risks

Barcaldine Regional Council has in place a Biosecurity Management plan to guide the management of regional biosecurity risks. Barcaldine Regional Council also works in conjunction with RAPAD's Biosecurity group who have developed a regional Biosecurity plan.

The NLIS system tracks the movements of goats, pigs, sheep and cattle throughout their lives. It is essential for managing disease and chemical residues as well as for biosecurity reasons. The *Biosecurity Act 2014* establishes guidelines for devices that are approved for use with certain animal species.

Barcaldine Regional Council understands the need to maintain national uniformity for different species. Assigning NLIS devices and informing the NLIS database when stock is confiscated due to wandering, movements onto and off of commons are some of the duties of the local government authority.

3.8 Other impacts

Other impacts identified to be dealt with when they arise;

- Drought;
- Overgrazing; and
- Illegal camping.

4 Water facilities

4.1 Management and maintenance

Water facilities along the network play a critical role in supporting users of the network as well as the broader community and region. Management and maintenance are necessary to ensure Barcaldine Regional Council achieves the consultation and partnership, public awareness, and planning principles.

Barcaldine Regional Council is responsible for managing and maintaining these water facilities (listed in Section 2.3). The management regime employed by Barcaldine Regional Council involves yearly inspections, completing inspections on SRMS portal, submitting EOI (expressions of interest) to the Department of Resources for maintenance and upgrade requirements. Barcaldine Regional

Maintenance actions are guided by Strategy Goal 3 and aligned with Action 3.1.1, which requires planning of water infrastructure management over the life of the plan.

Council must maintain facilities in order to meet the networks primary objective of stock transit.

4.2 Water facility agreements

Water facility agreements are necessary to ensure the water needs of travelling stock are met, whilst ensuring that the water resources and those with rights to the water are not negatively affected.

Water facility agreements are entered into before water is taken from a stock route water facility, and can be for domestic, stock watering, or combined purposes.

Barcaldine Regional Council will negotiate with the Department of Resources and the landowner parties to facilitate the water agreements and requirements for maintenance. Agreements will be negotiated for approved use and will include grounds to terminate the agreement. Barcaldine Regional Council will continue to monitor facilities and agreements.

Taking of water from a Stock Route Watering Facility without an agreement or without a permit is an offence under the Land Protection Act.

Barcaldine Regional Council maintains a record of these agreements through the SRMS register.

5 Compliance Framework

Barcaldine Regional Council is responsible for managing non-compliances on the network. Barcaldine Regional Council's compliance approach involves awareness and education, informal and formal warnings, and pursuing appropriate enforcement action, depending on the severity of the offence. The compliance framework is consistent with the principles of public awareness, management, and payment for use.

Council's approach to enforcing compliance addresses the following:

- Offences about stock route agistment and travel permits;
- Grazing stock without a permit;
- Overgrazing;
- Straying stock;
- Damaging travelling stock facilities;
- Wasting or polluting water;
- Taking water;
- Obstructing movement of stock;
- Clearing of vegetation; and
- Clearing of fencing lines/removal of old wire/fencing materials.

Offence	Acceptable outcome	Enforcement approach
Grazing stock without a permit on the stock route network	All stock grazing on the stock route network is grazing under a current permit	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act
Absence of a stock-proof fence on the boundary of land adjoining the network	New Fence erected	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act
Non-compliance with a stock route agistment permit	Abide by Rules and Regulation or leave the stock route network	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act
Non-compliance with a stock route travel permit	Abide by Rules and Regulation or leave the stock route network	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act
Overgrazing on stock route network	Stock to be moved on	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act

Offence	Acceptable outcome	Enforcement approach
Stray stock on the stock route network	Stock to be removed from the network	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act
Grazing stock without permit	Stock to be removed from the network	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act
Damaging travelling stock facility	Repairs to facility to be undertaken by RLO under guidance from Stock Routes	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act
Wasting or polluting water	Use of water ceases immediately	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act
Taking water	Use of water ceases immediately	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act
Camping within 300m of a water facility on the stock route network	Stock to be moved away from water facility immediately	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act
Obstructing movement of stock	Action to cease immediately	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act
Unused Fencing materials	Bury old materials	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act
Burning or removing pasture	Action to cease immediately	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act
Placing things on the stock route network	Action to cease immediately	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act
Drover not providing 48 hours of notice to owner of land	Drover understands legal responsibility and conforms with regulation.	1) Verbal Warning 2) Warning Letter 3) Compliance notice issued under the Act

The staged compliance response outlined in this section aligns directly with the Strategy's emphasis on responsible use (Principle: Use Pays), consistent enforcement (Action 2.3.2d), and support for local governments (Goal 2, Objective 2.4).

6 Risk and Safety Management

A number of risk factors exist on the network, of which Barcaldine Regional Council is required to undertake appropriate management activities to minimise any risk to travelling stock, drovers, surrounding landholders and the community. Risk and safety management is critical to ensure consistency with the principles of public awareness, consultation and partnerships, and monitoring and evaluation.

The below table records identified risks and hazards in the network and highlights Barcaldine Regional Council's strategies for management and mitigation:

Risk/ Hazard	Action	Who	Priority
Old Fencing	Inspection of stock routes regularly	Rural Lands Officer	Medium
Old dump/car bodies	Inspection of stock routes regularly	Rural Lands Officer	Medium
Fuel (pasture)	Inspection of stock routes regularly	CEO Rural Lands Officer	High
Vegetation thickening	Inspection of stock routes regularly	Rural Lands Officer	High
Signage	Identify potential areas	CEO Rural Lands Officer	High
Holding yards	Inspection regularly	Rural Lands Officer	Medium
Water facilities	Inspection regularly	Rural Lands Officer	High
Poisonous Plants	Inspection of stock routes regularly	Rural Lands Officer	High
Burrow Pits	Inspection of stock routes regularly	Rural Lands Officer	Medium
Potential blind spots	Identify potential areas	CEO Rural Lands Officer	High

7 Implementation

Council is committed to achieving a system of stock route management that is both viable and equitable to all the stakeholders within the Barcaldine Regional Council Local Government area. The plan will be implemented by Barcaldine Regional Council staff, when and where required. When Barcaldine Regional Council does not have the resources to complete a task, contractors may be hired to complete the task.

Barcaldine Regional Council is committed to maintaining the network to sustainably manage its use as a valuable resource and provide for compatible alternative uses, whilst providing a safe and well managed environment for all potential and prospective users. This supports the delivery of the principles of commitment, management, and planning.

8 Appendices

8.1 Department of Resources MAT tool for Pasture

A.1 –SRMS MAT Condition Assessment Quick Guide _V1_April 2016

[Appendix A.1 – Attachment – SRMS MAT Condition Assessment Quick Guide V1 April 2016.pdf](#)

A.2- SRMS MAT Stock Route Condition Assessment Reference Guide _V1.3_ 01092016

[barcaldinecouncil.sharepoint.com/sites/msteams_15a3a6/Shared Documents/Rural Lands/Stock Route Management Plan/Appendix A.2 – Attachment – SRMS MAT Stock Route Condition Assessment Reference Guide V1.3 01092016.pdf?CT=1739489739501&OR=ItemsView&wdOrigin=TEAMSFILE.FILEBROWSER.DOCUMENTLIBRARY](#)

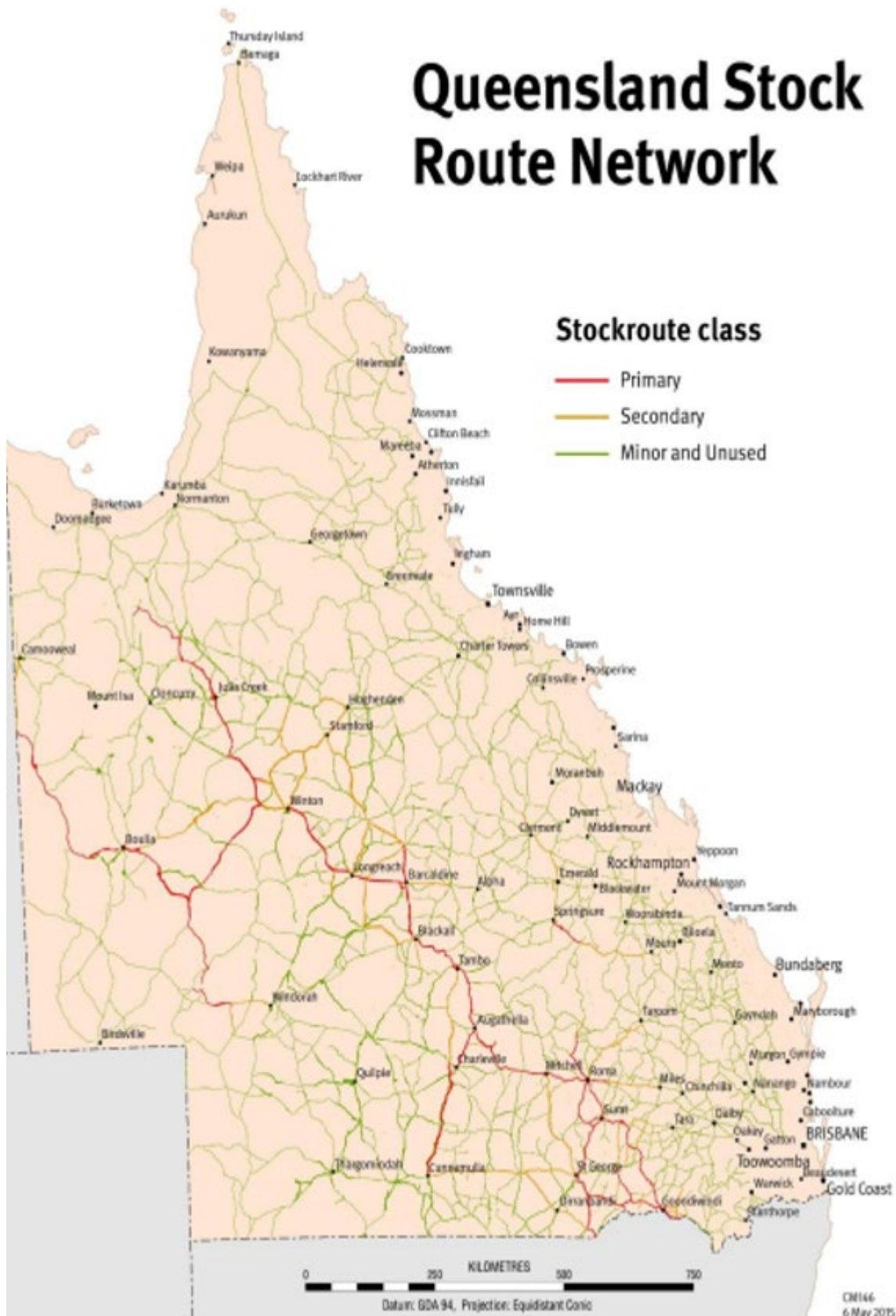
A.3- SRMS MAT _Condition Site Worksheet _V1 April 2015

[https://barcaldinecouncil.sharepoint.com/sites/msteams_15a3a6/Shared%20Documents/Rural%20Lands/Stock%20Route%20Management%20Plan/Appendix%20A.3%20-%20Attachment%20-%20SRMS%20MAT_Condition%20Site%20Worksheet_V1%20April%202015.pdf?CT=1739489828362&OR=ItemsView&wdOrigin=TEAMSFILE.FILEBROWSER.DOCUMENTLIBRARY](#)

A.4- SRMS MAT Stock Route Condition Assessment – Pasture Biomass Photo Standards _V1.3_ September 2016

[barcaldinecouncil.sharepoint.com/sites/msteams_15a3a6/Shared Documents/Rural Lands/Stock Route Management Plan/Appendix A.4 – Attachment – SRMS MAT Stock Route Condition Assessment – Pasture Biomass Photo Standards V1.3 September 2016.pdf?CT=1739489862667&OR=ItemsView&wdOrigin=TEAMSFILE.FILEBROWSER.DOCUMENTLIBRARY](#)

8.2 Queensland Stock Route Network



For more information of the Regional Ecosystem complete a search at:

<http://www.DNRM.qld.gov.au> and follow the links;

1. Maps and data online
2. Regional Ecosystems Data Base and maps
3. Regional Ecosystems description database
4. Regional Ecosystem search; once the search page has been located enter the Regional
5. Ecosystems Identification Number which can be located on the legend of the Map

8.4 National Livestock Identification System (NLIS)

Local Government Area Stock Route Network Management Planning

Introduction:

Under the NLIS, which commenced 1 July 2005, all cattle must be identified with an approved NLIS device (ear tag or rumen bolus) prior to movement from the property of origin (unless they meet the approved pathways).

Each NLIS device will have a Property Identification Code (PIC) recorded against it. This allows stock to be traced back to their property of origin for disease and contamination management.

Types of Devices:

Stock born on the property of origin which have never left their property of birth, must be identified with a '*breeder device*' – a white ear tag. Stock brought on to a property, or those animals that have left their property of birth at any point in their life, must be identified with a '*post-breeder NLIS device*' – an orange ear tag.

Stock are not required to be identified with an NLIS device until they are consigned to a holding with a different PIC (property identification code) to that on which they currently reside.

When these animals reach their point of destination it will be the responsibility (and legislative obligation) of the receiver of the stock to ensure the NLIS devices are read and the information sent to the NLIS database within **48 hours** of their receipt.

Role of Local Government:

Local Governments' role in the administration of the NLIS in terms of stock route activities is limited.

More information regarding the NLIS system can be found at:

<https://www.business.qld.gov.au/industries/farms-fishing-forestry/agriculture/animal/move/laws/nlis#:~:text=The%20National%20Livestock%20Identification%20System,is%20supported%20by%20Queensland%20legislation.>

The PIC's for BRC and its former shires are included for reference.

The only PIC to be used will be Barcaldine Regional Stock Route QEBT8000

PIC (Tail Tag)	Property Name	Locality
QAAA0146	Aramac Town Common	Aramac
QAAA0146	Belltopper Reserve	Aramac
QAAA0146	Muttaburra Town Common	Muttaburra
QBAA0148	Muttaburra Racetrack	Muttaburra
QDAA0168	Aramac/Rodeo Showground	Aramac
QHBT0194	Muttaburra Rodeo Grounds	Muttaburra
QJAA0169	Drift way Reserve	Muttaburra
QGAA0171	Muttaburra Showgrounds	Muttaburra
QEBT8000	Stock Route	Barcaldine
QAAA0138	Angora Park	Muttaburra
QHJI0159	Jericho Showgrounds	Jericho
QGJI0069	Jericho Saleyards	Jericho
QKJI0146	Alpha Showgrounds	Alpha
QJJI2000	Alpha Dip & Sale Yards	Alpha
QGJI0165	Pine Hill Common	Alpha
QFJI0163	Jericho Town Common	Jericho
QFJI0164	Alpha Town Common	Alpha
QIBT0102	Saleyards & Showgrounds	Barcaldine
QBBT0169	Barcaldine Town Common	Barcaldine

It will not be the responsibility of local governments to notify the NLIS database of stock movements associated with agistment or travel on relevant land. Local government will, however, have responsibility to notify the NLIS database of the movements of stock seized for straying on the stock route network.

Notifying the NLIS database involves forwarding information in an electronic format of the individual numbers of the stock, the PIC they are currently on, the PIC they are moving on to, the date of movement and the waybill number the animals are travelling on. This can be done by a designated third party (i.e. agents etc.). This is also the responsibility of the owner or person in charge.

Travel on relevant land

Relevant land is defined under the *Stock Route Management Act 2002* (Schedule 3 Dictionary, p.174) and includes “(i) a stock route; or (ii) a reserve for travelling stock; or (iii) a road or land under local government control; or (iv) unallocated State land adjoining land mentioned in subparagraph (i), (ii) or (iii)” – that is, any land a local government can issue a stock route travel or agistment permit over.

Stock travelling on relevant land should have their NLIS devices read before leaving the property of origin and read again when they reach their final destination.

It is not the responsibility of local governments to identify or read animals that enter the shire for grazing and travel along a stock route. The person in control of the stock will have to notify the NLIS database when a new PIC is entered (such as another local government area).

Any calves/lambs born on relevant land will not require identifying and will receive a post-breeder NLIS device once they reach a destination whether it be a property or a saleyard. They will not need to be identified with an NLIS device from the local government responsible for that part of the stock route on which the animals were born.

Agistment on relevant land

Stock agisting on *relevant land* will need to have their NLIS devices read before leaving the property of origin and read again when they return to their property of origin. The person in control of the stock has the responsibility of notifying the NLIS database of the movement between PIC's.

In those situations where agistment on relevant land is during daylight hours, that is the stock return to the property of origin between sunset and sunrise; there will be no obligation to notify the NLIS of this type of movement.

Any calves/lambs born on relevant land during the period of agistment will not require identifying but must be fitted with a post-breeder NLIS device once they return to the mother's property of origin. This is the responsibility of the person in control of the stock.

Town commons

Town commons may form part of the stock route network in some local government areas. If this is the case, a different PIC should be sought from the DAF for the town common, to that issued to the stock route network that travels through it. This will allow rapid tracing through the NLIS database of cattle that have travelled on the stock route as opposed to cattle permanently resident on the town common.

Most town commons have been previously identified with PIC's in order to allow the use of tail tags. In many cases there will be no reason to change the current arrangements and PIC allocated to the common.

The control of use of NLIS devices on cattle on commons can be handled in the same way as for tail tags. Local governments can decide whether or not they wish to obtain order forms from DAF stock inspectors, purchase the devices and resell to owners of stock grazing on commons or alternatively, allow owners to

obtain their own order forms directly from DAF. Cattle on commons will be eligible for both breeder and post breeder devices depending on whether or not they were born on the common.

Where cattle are moved directly to and from town commons to other properties, there will be an obligation on the responsible person to record the movement in the NLIS database. This will require a producer account to be opened with the national database in the name of the owner of the holding. Stock owners may then seek a third-party authorisation from the local authority to operate on the account.

8.5 Stock Route Network Fire Risk Management Policy

SRN Management

Barcaldine Regional Council believes that successful fire risk management will directly contribute to the principles of *"planning"*, *"consultation and partnership"*, *"monitoring and evaluation"*, *"commitment"*, *"public awareness"* and overall *"management"* for stock route network management as set out in the SRM Act.

Goal

To facilitate continued pasture availability and land condition which will comply with the principles of stock route network management; maintain and improve the network's natural resources while providing for sufficient pasture retention to ensure that the network "remains available for public use" in the future and, management of potential fire risks that may emanate from the network.

Fire Risk Management Policy

Fire risk management and potential burning regimes for the network will be given consideration and prioritised on individual situations and their associated merits.

Considerations will be evaluated in relation to the environmental values contained within the SRN, grazing management and risk and safety management components recognised within the current plan. These considerations may also be conducive to strategic pest management practices or for the enhancement of improved pasture palatability and health.

A BRC Rural Lands Officer will carry out land condition and pasture resource audits and assessment to evaluate and determine prospective carrying capacities and/or potential fire fuel loads for the SRN. This will assist with determinations for potential burning regimes and other management decision-making processes.

Where it is determined that the Stock Route has more available feed than is required for the use by travelling stock and the pasture resource could create residual fuel loads for a potential fire threat, the following protocol may be implemented:

- It would not be considered favorable to burn all residual pasture thresholds of a SR at any one time so where practicable, property owners adjoining the SR may be invited to give consideration to short term depasturing for the reduction of potential fire fuel loads as an alternative to burning entire transects of a SR or implementing an annual burning regime on the SR.

- In lieu of short term depasturing and where a burn-off strategy is considered for implementation, the following protocols shall be applied:
- Appropriate approval shall be obtained from all agencies involved within the multiple use corridors including agencies responsible for fire management (i.e. TMR, Regional Rural Fire Services incorporating Local Area Brigades and, QR and QPS);
- All conditions identified in approvals by other agencies are to be adhered to;
- Burning of the SR shall be generally undertaken on a rotational principal to facilitate implementation of longer-term management strategies (e.g. burning-off conducted within a specific area of the SR shall not be performed less than 3 years from a previous fire management regime, unless determined to be necessary otherwise);
- For short term management, a strategic sectional or mosaic burning-off regime shall be adopted and implemented (e.g. not more than a maximum of 2km of SR to be burnt in any one area), appropriately managed and attended at all times with the assistance of a local Rural Fire Brigade;
- Sustainable preservation of residual pasture buffer areas on the SR between each sectional or mosaic burn area should be maintained (e.g. no less than a minimum 2km of residual pasture threshold to be kept between the sectional burn areas);
- Sustainable retention of additional residual pasture areas as previously identified during prior audits and inspection of the SR should be maintained;
- Preserved pasture retention areas may be considered for a burning regime in alternate seasons/years separate from where strategic sectional burn areas have been identified and are to be conducted; and
- Where practical, it would be considered preferable for burn regimes to be conducted during favorable and conducive weather conditions (e.g. April-June during months of cooler average temperatures, after seasonal rainfall and/or during night-time conditions when higher atmospheric moisture/dew content is probable).

BRC may also consider approving the implementation of alternative mitigation strategies on a stock route such as the construction and/or maintenance of firebreaks within the SR for the preservation and protection of an adjoining landowners' infrastructure (i.e. fencing), subject to the following:

- Where a SR is a multiple use corridor appropriate approval shall be sought and obtained from all agencies involved within the multiple use corridor for

the preservation and protection of infrastructure and furniture within the multiple use corridor (e.g. TMR, Telstra);

- Prior to implementation and construction of firebreaks on a SR other values on the SRN shall also be given consideration (e.g. Cultural Heritage, Environmental Significance, Vegetation Management, Land Degradation, Declared Plant introduction and/or spread); and
- Where an adjoining landowner can demonstrate that additional and supplementary mitigation measures and strategies such as the construction of firebreaks, have been implemented on the adjoining landowner's property.

Fire Risk Management Issues

For BRC to meet outcomes for Fire Risk Management and to be able to manage the SRN in accordance with the Fire Risk Management Policy, the following issues need to be addressed:

- Conservation and maintenance of pasture resources for future stock movements on the multiple use corridors may cause some controversy because of the preconception of potential fire hazards;
- Management of residual pasture and prioritisation of perceived fire threats for the entire SRN from retained pasture thresholds on the network may cause some controversy for adjoining landowners, due to perceptions for eminent protection of an individual's infrastructure and pasture on an individual's land;
- Expectations that the perceived fire threat from the SRN to adjoining land should be reduced by habitual or customary methods and conducted more frequently (i.e. implementation of annual burning-off regimes and strategies on the SRN) for preservation of infrastructure and pasture on adjoining land;
- Expectations that the perceived fire threat from the SRN to adjoining land should be reduced;
- by the construction and maintenance of firebreaks on the SRN for preservation of infrastructure and pasture on adjoining land as opposed to mitigation measures or construction of firebreaks being implemented on the adjoining land;
- Where the SR is a part of a multiple use corridor (i.e. State-controlled or Local government road) it may be necessary for full traffic control to be engaged during the burning-off regime for the protection of working individuals and/or motorists safety due to reduced visibility from smoke in the burning-off control zone;

- Because of limited staffing and equipment within Council's Rural Lands section, Council may not have the necessary resources to conduct burn regimes for the entire SRN without a collaborative program being implemented with other internal departments and outside agencies for multiple use corridors (i.e. TMR, QPS, local area Rural Fire Brigades and adjoining landowners); and
- Potential fire threat to preserved pasture thresholds for use by stock movements on SRN may emanate from other users of the multiple use corridors or adjoining land holders undertaking customary and traditional burning practices.

Fire management planning will be integrated into Council's annual review of the SRN Plan (see Section 1.4), in line with Strategy expectations under Goals 4 and 5.

BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL
AGENDA FOR GENERAL MEETING 13 AUGUST 2025

Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item Number: 3.2.9
Subject Heading: Fees and Charges Amendments
Author and Title: Daniel Bradford, Chief Executive Officer
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: This report recommends a change to Council's 2025–2026 Fees and Charges Register following identification of a number of required amendments.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council:

- 1. Adopts the updated 2025–2026 Fees and Charges Register as provided in Attachment 1 to the report, reflecting the bus hire and refuelling changes identified in the body of the report.**
 - 2. Notes that the Town Common Cattle Agistment Fee will remain unchanged.**
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Background

Council adopted its 2025–2026 Fees and Charges on 18 June 2025. Section 97 of the *Local Government Act 2009* allows cost-recovery fees to be set at a level equal to or less than the cost of providing a particular service. The general principle in setting general cost recovery fees and commercial charges is that the costs of services should be borne by those who benefit from them (i.e. the user pays principle). This will ensure that general ratepayers do not continue to subsidise the cost of this activity.

Section 262(3)(c) of the *Local Government Act 2009* also allows Councils the power to charge for services and facilities. Fees and charges may be amended by Council resolution at any time.

Report

1. Equipment – Bus Hire for Community Groups and Local Residents (new fee).

As part of the 2025–2026 Fees and Charges adoption, a single bus hire fee of \$1.30/km was included. Whilst the new fee amount reflects the cost of the service to Council, this change has had a notable impact on local community groups which rely on this service.

In response to these concerns, it is proposed that Council adopts a discounted rate of 50% for local residents and community groups, consistent with other fees and charges applied. This new fee will result in a charge of \$0.65 per kilometre inclusive of GST. The proposed new fee is provided below.

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EQUIPMENT	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
A BOND OF \$200-00 APPLIES FOR FACILITIES / BUS. A BOND OF \$100.00 APPLIES FOR EQUIPMENT.					
Bus Hire					
Bus Hire 12 Seater (excluding fuel) – Bond \$200 – Minimum charge \$30 – Community Groups and Local Residents	per km	Inclusive	0.65	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

2. Equipment – Bus Refuelling Fee (new fee).

Council recently adopted a refuelling fee for when the hired generator is returned unfilled (the requirement under the hire agreement is for the generator to be refuelled prior to its return). Similar to the generator, when the bus is hired it is required to be refuelled prior to its return. A new refuelling fee of \$3.00 per litre is also proposed (similar to the generator) as an incentive for customers to comply with the hire agreement requirements. The proposed new fee is provided below.

EQUIPMENT	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
A BOND OF \$200-00 APPLIES FOR FACILITIES / BUS. A BOND OF \$100.00 APPLIES FOR EQUIPMENT.					
Bus Hire					
Bus Hire Refuelling Fee (if not returned from hire full)	per litre	Inclusive	3.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

3. Town Common Cattle Agistment Fees.

Officers are in receipt of two letters from members of the Muttaborra Common Committee requesting a review of the fees for agistment of cattle on the Muttaborra Town Common. The price has increased from \$4.00 per head per week to \$5.83. The increase applied by Council was a standardisation of agistment fees across Council managed land. Town Commons and Stock Routes were aligned for consistency. Additionally, this approach aligns with Council's general principles of services should be borne by those who benefit from them. Officers are recommending not to change the Town Common Cattle Agistment Fee.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5 – Governance

- Develop systems to better inform investment decisions (including return and whole of life costs)
- Continue listening to our communities identify opportunities for improvement
- Continue reviewing policies and strategic plans for relevancy and currency

Consultation (internal/external)

- District Managers
- Senior Administration and Compliance Officer

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Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

The changes to the fees and charges will result in more use of the bus and may increase revenue. With the current fee, the management of Town Commons is showing a small surplus in direct costs of \$37,912. However, changes to the administration of biosecurity requirements are expected to see costs increase beyond those currently forecast.

Risk Management Implications

The *Local Government Act 2009* requires a council resolution to set fees and charges.

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Section 262(3)(c) of the *Local Government Act 2009* allows councils the power to charge for services and facilities. Fees and charges may be amended by Council resolution at any time.

General Ledger	ADMINISTRATION	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
	Credit Card Payments					
5373-1000-0000	Credit Card Levy - 1% of transaction amount	per transaction	Inclusive	1%	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Public Information					
5372-1000-0000	Council Meeting Minutes	per set	Exempt	7.50	Cost Recovery	LGR 2012 Section 272(4)(b)
5372-1000-0000	Local Laws and Subordinate Local Laws	per Local Law	Exempt	15.00	Cost Recovery	LGR 2012 Section 14(2)
5372-1000-0000	Plans, Policies, Budget, Reports	per set	Exempt	25.00	Cost Recovery	LGR 2012 Section 199(2)(b)
	Rates Search					
5372-1000-0000	Building Records Search	per search	Exempt	112.00	Commercial	LGR 2012 Section 199(2)(b)
4401-1000-0000	Standard rates search	per assessment	Exempt	172.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Right to Information & Information Privacy					
5372-1000-0000	Right to Information - Application Fee (Set by Regulation) - Pricing - http://www.rti.qld.gov.au/feesand-charges		Exempt	Pricing as per website in fee description	Statutory	RTIR 2009 Section 4
5372-1000-0000	Right to Information processing charge More than 5 hours (Set by Regulation) - Pricing - http://www.rti.qld.gov.au/feesand-charges	per 15 min or part thereof	Exempt	Pricing as per website in fee description	Statutory	RTIR 2009 Section 5(2)(b)

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5372-1000-0000	Right to Information access charge		Exempt	at cost	Statutory	RTIR 2009 Section 6(1)(a)
5372-1000-0000	Right to Information photocopying (Set by Regulation) - Pricing - http://www.rti.qld.gov.au/feesand-charges	per A4 page	Exempt	Pricing as per website in fee description	Statutory	RTIR 2009 Section 6(1)(b)
5372-1000-0000	Information Privacy access charge		Exempt	at cost	Statutory	IPR 2009 Section 4(1)
5372-1000-0000	Information Privacy photocopying (Set by Regulation) - Pricing - http://www.rti.qld.gov.au/feesand-charges	per A4 page	Exempt	Pricing as per website in fee description	Statutory	IPR 2009 Section 4(1)(b)
	Photocopying					
5372-1000-0000	One side - black & white - any size	per page	Inclusive	0.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5372-1000-0000	Bulk copying - black & white	per 100	Inclusive	35.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5372-1000-0000	One side - colour - any size	per page	Inclusive	1.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5372-1000-0000	Bulk copying - colour	per 100	Inclusive	73.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Laminating					
5372-1000-0000	Card Size	per sheet	Inclusive	2.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5372-1000-0000	A4 Pockets	per sheet	Inclusive	3.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

General Ledger	ADMINISTRATION	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
5372-1000-0000	A3 Pockets	per sheet	Inclusive	8.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Sundry					
5372-1000-0000	Binding	per copy	Inclusive	8.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5372-1000-0000	Folding	per 100	Inclusive	8.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5372-1000-0000	General Administration	per 15min	Inclusive	24.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Stock for Sale					
5406-1000-0000	Barcaldine Shire Council - history book	Each	Inclusive	5.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5406-1000-0000	The Man Who was Starlight	Each	Inclusive	5.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5406-1000-0000	El Dorado of Australia - Paperback	Each	Inclusive	5.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5406-1000-0000	Sensational Cattle Stealing - Book	Each	Inclusive	5.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5406-1000-0000	Bush Battleground - Hardcover	Each	Inclusive	11.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5406-1000-0000	Bush Battleground - Paperback	Each	Inclusive	5.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5406-1000-0000	Crossing the Divide - Janice Cooper - Paperback	Each	Inclusive	11.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5406-1000-0000	Drummond to the Burra	Each	Inclusive	22.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

General Ledger	ADMINISTRATION	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
5406-1000-0000	Retail Outlet Sales	Each	Inclusive	80% Sale Price	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Other					
5372-1000-0000	Lost or Non-returned Keys	per key	Inclusive	150.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5372-1000-0000	Damaged key	per key	Inclusive	60.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5372-1000-0000	Overdue Key Fee	per week	Inclusive	20.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

General Ledger	AGED CARE	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
	Home Care Packages					
2456-1000-Item	Personal Care	per hour	Exempt	51.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Domestic Assistance	per hour	Exempt	53.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Social Support	per hour	Exempt	53.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Nursing	per hour	Exempt	78.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Basic Daily Fee – Level 1	per day	Exempt	11.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Basic Daily Fee – Level 2	per day	Exempt	12.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Basic Daily Fee – Level 3	per day	Exempt	12.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Basic Daily Fee – Level 4	per day	Exempt	12.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Case Management – Level 1	per day	Exempt	4.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Case Management – Level 2	per day	Exempt	8.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Case Management – Level 3	per day	Exempt	18.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Case Management – Level 4	per day	Exempt	27.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

General Ledger	AGED CARE	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
2456-1000-Item	Management Fee - Level 1	per day	Exempt	3.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Management Fee - Level 2	per day	Exempt	7.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Management Fee - Level 3	per day	Exempt	14.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Management Fee - Level 4	per day	Exempt	21.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Case Management - Individual	per hour	Exempt	71.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Client Care Coordination	per hour	Exempt	71.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Administration	per package	Exempt	67.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Contingency	per package	Exempt	10%	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Transport - Individual/Group Return	per trip	Exempt	29.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Medi-Alert Monitoring	per month	Exempt	24.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Webster Packs	per week	Exempt	5.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Meals on Wheels	per meal	Exempt	11.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Consumables	per item	Inclusive	At Cost	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

General Ledger	AGED CARE	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
2456-1000-Item	Home Maintenance	per hour	Exempt	24.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Social Support Group		Exempt	-	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Set Up Fee (Initially)		Exempt	-	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Commonwealth Home Support Program					
2456-1000-Item	Domestic Assistance – Client Contribution	per hour	Exempt	10.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Personal Care – Client Contribution	per hour	Exempt	10.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Social Support – Individual – Client Contribution	per hour	Exempt	10.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Social Support – Group – Client Contribution	per package	Exempt	Nil	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Nursing – Client Contribution	per hour	Exempt	10.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Home Maintenance – Client Contribution	per callout	Exempt	21.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Lawn mowing and whippersnipping – Client Contribution	per callout	Exempt	10.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Transport (within town of residence) – Client Contribution	per round trip	Exempt	5.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Transport (Alpha to Barcaldine, Jericho to Alpha, Aramac to Barcaldine, Muttaborra to	per round trip	Exempt	10.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

General Ledger	AGED CARE	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
2456-1000-Item	Transport (Medical Appointments Only - Alpha/Jericho to Emerald, Muttaborra to	per round trip	Exempt	10.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Meals	per meal	Exempt	7.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Meals – Client Contribution	per meal	Exempt	10.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Medi-Alert Monitoring	per month	Exempt	30.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Diability Access Ramp Hire	per week	Exempt	23.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Consumables		Inclusive	At Cost	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2456-1000-Item	Travel outside of town area	per hour	Inclusive	5.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

General Ledger	BUILDING	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
	GENERAL					
4411-1000-0000	Lodgement Fee		Exempt	163.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	All applicants must pay a Lodgement Fee plus an Assessment Fee					
4411-1000-0000	Certificate of Classification – Built Pre 1998		Inclusive	471.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 102
4411-1000-0000	Building Post Construction	per assessment	Inclusive	Applicable assessment fee plus 30%	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee – Lapsed Assessment	per assessment	Inclusive	To be Quoted	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
	ASSESSMENT					
	New Dwellings & Major Additions & Alterations (Class 1)					
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee – Single Storey up to 300m ²	per assessment	Inclusive	949.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee – Double storey up to 300m ²	per assessment	Inclusive	1,227.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee – Dwellings over 300m ²	per assessment	Inclusive	To be Quoted	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee –	per assessment	Inclusive	471.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee – Re-inspection Fee	per assessment	Inclusive	471.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51

General Ledger	BUILDING	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
	Minor Additions & Alterations, incl Decks, Verandahs, Patios (Class 1 and Class 10)					
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee - Up to 30m ²	per assessment	Inclusive	602.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee - 30m ² to 80m ² - Over 80m ² refer to Major Additions	per assessment	Inclusive	642.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee	per inspection	Inclusive	471.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
	Underpinning & Re-Stumping of a Dwelling (Class 1)					
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee	per assessment	Inclusive	751.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee	per inspection	Inclusive	471.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
	Removal/Relocation of Dwelling (on to site) (Class 1)					
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee	per assessment	Inclusive	949.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee	per inspection	Inclusive	471.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Preliminary Inspection Fee	per assessment	Inclusive	To be Quoted	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51

General Ledger	BUILDING	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
	Demolition/Removal of Dwelling (from site) (Class 1)					
9991-5200-0065	Application Bond - To cover damages to Council Property	per application	Exempt	3,500.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
9991-5200-0065	Security Bond - within town area - Removal Only -To ensure all works are completed for final certificate in 6 mths	per application	Exempt	Max 20,000	Cost Recovery	
9991-5200-0065	Security Bond - Rural area - Removal Only - To ensure all works are completed for final certificate in 6 mths	per application	Exempt	Max 10,000	Cost Recovery	
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee		Inclusive	603.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee	per inspection	Inclusive	471.00	Cost Recovery	Building Regulation 2006 Section 30
	Amendment to Plans (Class 1)					
4411-1000-0000	Minor Amendments		Inclusive	349.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Major Amendments		Inclusive	779.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
	Donga (Temporary Dwelling, Class 1 or 10)					
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee	per assessment	Inclusive	949.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee - For 3 Inspections: footing, onsite compliance & Removal	per inspection	Inclusive	471.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
	Donga (Permanent, Class 1 or 10)					

General Ledger	BUILDING	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee	per assessment	Inclusive	949.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee – For 2 inspections	per inspection	Inclusive	471.00	Cost Recovery	Building Regulation 2006 Section 30
	Residential Use – Structures (carports, garages, unroofed pergolas, small outbuildings, retaining wall etc) (Class 10)					
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee – up to 60m ²	per assessment	Inclusive	602.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee – over 60m ²	per assessment	Inclusive	780.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee – For 2 Inspections: footing/slab & final	per inspection	Inclusive	471.00	Cost Recovery	Building Regulation 2006 Section 30
4411-1000-0000	Maximum Fee – Class 10 Structure – Residential	per assessment	Inclusive	745.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
	Non-Residential (Class 10)					
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee – up to 100m ²	per assessment	Inclusive	977.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee – 101m ² to 300m ²	per assessment	Inclusive	1,141.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee – 301m ² to 500m ²	per assessment	Inclusive	1,311.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee Greater than 500m ²	per assessment	Inclusive	To be Quoted	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee – For 2 Inspections: footing/slab & final	per inspection	Inclusive	471.00	Cost Recovery	Building Regulation 2006 Section 30
	Swimming Pools/Spas (Class 10)					

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4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee	per assessment	Inclusive	717.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee	per inspection	Inclusive	471.00	Cost Recovery	Building Regulation 2006 Section 30
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee – Pool Safety Compliance Including Certificate & 1 Re-inspection	per assessment	Inclusive	799.00	Cost Recovery	Building Regulation 2006 Section 30
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee – 2nd Re-inspection	per assessment	Inclusive	171.00	Cost Recovery	Building Regulation 2006 Section 30
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee Signs	per assessment	Inclusive	602.00	Cost Recovery	Building Regulation 2006 Section 30
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee Signs	per inspection	Inclusive	471.00	Cost Recovery	Building Regulation 2006 Section 30
Shipping Containers (Class 10)						
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee	per assessment	Inclusive	569.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fee	per inspection	Inclusive	445.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Maximum Fee	per assessment	Inclusive	704.00	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51

General Ledger	BUILDING	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
	ASSESSMENT – CLASS 2 TO 9					
	Buildings up to 500m² & 2 Storeys					
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee – up to 150m ²	per assessment	Inclusive	To be Quoted	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee – 150m ² to 300m ²	per assessment	Inclusive	To be Quoted	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Assessment Fee – 301m ² to 500m ²	per assessment	Inclusive	To be Quoted	Cost Recovery	Building Act 1975 Section 51
4411-1000-0000	Inspection Fees – Number to be determined at time of application	per inspection	Inclusive	To be Quoted	Cost Recovery	Building Regulation 2006 Section 30
	<i>Fees associated with all Class 2 to 9 buildings exceeding 500m² or greater than 2 storeys in height will be quoted upon.</i> <i>Additional fees and information may apply and may be determined at time of lodgement or at the Building Certifier's discretion following assessment of the application. This may include siting or amenity issues.</i>					
	Other					
4411-1000-0000	Document Lodgement – Private Certifiers	per application	Inclusive	98.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

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General Ledger	COMMUNITY FACILITIES	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
	* 50% for Local residents and Groups					
	A BOND OF \$200-00 APPLIES FOR FACILITIES. A BOND OF \$100.00 APPLIES FOR EQUIPMENT.					
	Community Halls (inc Muttaborra Interpretation Centre)					
1031-1000-0000	Full Facilities*	full day	Inclusive	310.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1031-1000-0000	Full Facilities – less than 5 hours*	half day	Inclusive	185.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1031-1000-0000	Full Facilities – Weekly Hire*	week	Inclusive	490.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Setup, Delivery & Cleaning Fees					
1031-1000-0000	Facility Set Up Fees	per venue per event	Inclusive	70.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Showgrounds					
1042-1000-0000	Minor Function*	per day	Inclusive	55.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1042-1000-0000	Major Function*	per day	Inclusive	170.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1042-1000-0000	Seasonal Sporting activities	per season	Inclusive	450.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1042-1000-0000	Storage Sheds	per annum per shed	Inclusive	100.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1042-1000-0000	Showgrounds Building	per annum	Inclusive	250.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1042-1000-0000	Light Hire (Showground / Campdraft Arena) – one off events	per night	Inclusive	33.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Racecourse					

General Ledger	COMMUNITY FACILITIES	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
1042-1000-0000	Racecourse – Hire by non local clubs	per event	Inclusive	1,000.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1042-1000-0000	Racecourse – Seasonal Fee Race Meetings	per season	Inclusive	460.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1042-1000-0000	Racecourse – Training – 1-10 Horses	per year	Inclusive	500.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1042-1000-0000	Racecourse – Training – 11 + Horses	per year	Inclusive	1,200.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Barcaldine Recreation Park					
1047-1000-0000	Full Facility hire *	per event	Inclusive	300.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	The Globe					
1031-1000-0000	Galilee Gallery – Function Hire*	per day	Inclusive	200.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1031-1000-0000	Galilee Gallery – Exhibition*	per week	Inclusive	400.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1031-1000-0000	Courtyard*	per function	Inclusive	150.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Swimming Pools					
	Daily Entry Fees – All pools					
1036-1000-0000	Adults		Inclusive	2.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1036-1000-0000	Children and pensioners		Inclusive	1.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Season Tickets – Barcaldine, Alpha, Jericho					

General Ledger	COMMUNITY FACILITIES	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
1036-1000-0000	Family		Inclusive	200.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1036-1000-0000	School Age Children and Pensioners		Inclusive	70.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1036-1000-0000	Single Adult		Inclusive	110.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Half Season Tickets – Barcaldine, Alpha, Jericho					
1036-1000-0000	Family		Inclusive	100.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1036-1000-0000	School Age Children and Pensioners		Inclusive	33.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1036-1000-0000	Single Adult		Inclusive	55.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Monthly Tickets – Barcaldine, Alpha, Jericho					
1036-1000-0000	School Age Children and Pensioners		Inclusive	22.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1036-1000-0000	Single Adult		Inclusive	33.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Season Tickets – Aramac, Muttaborra					
1036-1000-0000	Family		Inclusive	70.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1036-1000-0000	School Age Children and Pensioners		Inclusive	20.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1036-1000-0000	Single Adult		Inclusive	30.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

General Ledger	COMMUNITY FACILITIES	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
	Private Functions					
1036-1000-0000	Events and Bookings (excluding Lifeguards)		Inclusive	55.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Harry Redford Centre					
9991-5100-0005	Access Card Deposit	per card	Exempt	25.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Gym and Squash Courts					
1041-1000-0000	Monthly	per month	Inclusive	15.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1041-1000-0000	Quarterly	per quarter	Inclusive	30.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1041-1000-0000	Six Monthly	per half year	Inclusive	50.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1041-1000-0000	Annual	per annum	Inclusive	90.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

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General Ledger	EQUIPMENT	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
	A BOND OF \$200-00 APPLIES FOR FACILITIES / BUS. A BOND OF \$100.00 APPLIES FOR EQUIPMENT.					
	Equipment					
1043-1000-0000	Tablecloths	each per	Inclusive	3.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Chair Covers	each per	Inclusive	1.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Tables & Trestles	each per function	Inclusive	7.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Chairs	each per function	Inclusive	1.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Portable Stage	per function	Inclusive	150.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Sheep & Cattle Yard Panels	each per week	Inclusive	10.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Portable Toilet	per function	Inclusive	250.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Temporary Fence Panel, Foot & Bracket	each per week	Inclusive	10.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Small Mobile PA	each per day	Inclusive	40.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Large Mobile PA	each per day	Inclusive	110.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Barbeque Trailer	per function	Inclusive	75.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Portable Bain Marie	per function	Inclusive	40.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1042-1000-0000	Generator (\$500 bond applies)	per function	Inclusive	340.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

General Ledger	EQUIPMENT	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
1042-1000-0000	Generator Refuelling Fee (if not returned from hire full)	per litre	Inclusive	3.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1042-1000-0000	Additional 240L Waste Wheelie Bins	per bin	Inclusive	15.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
Setup, Delivery & Cleaning Fees						
1043-1000-0000	Delivery of Equipment (if requested)	per load	Inclusive	150.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Collection of Equipment (if requested)	per load	Inclusive	150.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Cleaning of Linen	per item	Inclusive	8.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Ironing of Linen	per item	Inclusive	13.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Erecting or Dismantling Tents and Marquees (Large)	each for Up & Down	Inclusive	300.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1043-1000-0000	Erecting or Dismantling Tents and Marquees (Small)	each for Up & Down	Inclusive	125.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1031-1000-0000	Cleaning Fee - To be deducted from bond before refund made if facility or bus not left clean	per hour per person	Inclusive	150.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
Bus Hire						
2331-1000-0000	Bus Hire 12 Seater (excluding fuel) - Bond \$200 - Minimum charge \$30	per km	Inclusive	1.30	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

General Ledger	EQUIPMENT	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
2331-1000-0000	Bus Hire 12 Seater (excluding fuel) - Bond \$200 - Minimum charge \$30 - Community Groups and Local Residents	per km	Inclusive	0.65	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2331-1000-0000	Bus Hire Refuelling Fee (if not returned from hire full)	per litre	Inclusive	3.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
Recoverable Works						
2771-1000-Item	Plant and Equipment hire		Inclusive	Cost + 30%	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
2771-1000-Item	Stores and materials		Inclusive	Cost + 30%	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
2771-1000-Item	Private Works (Not for Profit)		Inclusive	Cost + 10%	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
2771-1000-Item	Private Works		Inclusive	Cost + 30%	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009

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General Ledger	LICENCES & REGISTRATIONS	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
	Food Premises					
1311-1000-0000	Initial Application – new premises (including annual fee)		Exempt	311.00	Cost Recovery	Food Act 2006 Section 52
1311-1000-0000	Annual Renewal	annual	Exempt	186.00	Cost Recovery	Food Act 2006 Section 72
1311-1000-0000	Restoration of Licence (plus renewal fee)		Exempt	62.00	Cost Recovery	Food Act 2006 Section 73
1311-1000-0000	Licence Amendment – minor		Exempt	95.00	Cost Recovery	Food Act 2006 Section 74
1311-1000-0000	Licence Amendment – major		Exempt	at cost	Cost Recovery	Food Act 2006 Section 74
1311-1000-0000	Copy or replacement of licence		Exempt	12.00	Cost Recovery	Food Act 2006 Section 96
1311-1000-0000	Additional Inspection	per hour	Exempt	126.00	Cost Recovery	Food Act 2006 Section 96
1311-1000-0000	Accreditation of Food Safety Program		Exempt	309.00	Cost Recovery	Food Act 2006 Section 102
1311-1000-0000	Environmental Health Search		Exempt	185.00	Cost Recovery	Food Act 2006 Section 102
	Higher Risk Personal Appearance Services					
1311-1000-0000	Application Fee – New Premises		Exempt	359.00	Cost Recovery	Public Health (ICFPAS) Act 2003 Section 31
1311-1000-0000	Transfer of Licence		Exempt	83.00	Cost Recovery	Public Health (ICFPAS) Act 2003 Section 31

General Ledger	LICENCES & REGISTRATIONS	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
1311-1000-0000	Alterations to Premises		Exempt	162.00	Cost Recovery	Public Health (ICFPAS) Act 2003 Section 31
1311-1000-0000	Licence Fee - Renewal	annual	Exempt	171.00	Cost Recovery	Public Health (ICFPAS) Act 2003 Section 31
	Accommodation Premises					
1311-1000-0000	Application Fee - New Premises		Exempt	239.00	Cost Recovery	BRC Local Law No.1 (Administration) 2011 BRC SLL 1.8 (Operation of Caravan Parks) 2011 BRC SLL 1.11 (Operation of Shared Facility Accommodation) 2011
1311-1000-0000	Transfer of Licence		Exempt	83.00	Cost Recovery	
1311-1000-0000	Alterations to Premises		Exempt	162.00	Cost Recovery	
1311-1000-0000	Licence Fee - Renewal	annual	Exempt	126.00	Cost Recovery	
	Commercial Use of Local Government Controlled Areas and Roads					
	Mobile Roadside Vending, Commercial Fitness Activity, Footpath Dining and Other Commercial Activities.					
1311-1000-0000	Annual Licence Fee	per community	Exempt	252.00	Cost Recovery	BRC Local Law No.1 (Administration) 2011 BRC SLL 1.2 (Comm Use of LG Controlled Areas & Rds) 2011
1311-1000-0000	Annual Licence Fee - Local business	annual	Exempt	32.00	Cost Recovery	
1311-1000-0000	Annual Licence Fee - Non-profit organisation	annual	Exempt	-	Cost Recovery	
	Dog Registration Fees (per household)					

General Ledger	LICENCES & REGISTRATIONS	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
1361-1000-0000	First Dog - Entire	per dog	Exempt	68.00	Cost Recovery	AMA (Cats & Dogs) 2008 Section 46(b)(i)
1361-1000-0000	First Dog - Desexed	per dog	Exempt	37.00	Cost Recovery	AMA (Cats & Dogs) 2008 Section 46(b)(i)
1361-1000-0000	First Dog - Desexed & Microchipped - Lifetime	per dog	Exempt	152.00	Cost Recovery	AMA (Cats & Dogs) 2008 Section 46(b)(i)
1361-1000-0000	Second Dog - Entire	per dog	Exempt	78.00	Cost Recovery	AMA (Cats & Dogs) 2008 Section 46(b)(i)
1361-1000-0000	Second Dog - Desexed	per dog	Exempt	44.00	Cost Recovery	AMA (Cats & Dogs) 2008 Section 46(b)(i)
1361-1000-0000	Second Dog - Desexed & Microchipped - Lifetime	per dog	Exempt	174.00	Cost Recovery	AMA (Cats & Dogs) 2008 Section 46(b)(i)
1361-1000-0000	Rural Dog - Must be kennelled on Land outside	per dog	Exempt	26.00	Cost Recovery	AMA (Cats & Dogs) 2008 Section 46(b)(i)
1361-1000-0000	Replacement Tag	per tag	Exempt	6.00	Cost Recovery	AMA (Cats & Dogs) 2008 Section 46(b)(i)
1361-1000-0000	Registration of Declared Dangerous Dog	per dog	Exempt	800.00	Cost Recovery	AMA (Cats & Dogs) 2008 Section 46(b)(i)
1361-1000-0000	Registration of Declared Menacing Dog	per dog	Exempt	500.00	Cost Recovery	AMA (Cats & Dogs) 2008 Section 46(b)(i)
1361-1000-0000	New registrations after 1 January of Financial Year (for 1 year registrations only)	per dog	Exempt	30% of fee	Cost Recovery	AMA (Cats & Dogs) 2008 Section 46(b)(i)
	Pound Release - First Release					
1363-1000-0000	Registered Dog (if collected same day as not	per animal	Exempt	32.00	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 2

General Ledger	LICENCES & REGISTRATIONS	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
1363-1000-0000	Unregistered Dog (each) (<i>plus registration</i>)	per animal	Exempt	366.00	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 2
1363-1000-0000	Registered Dog (<i>overnight or weekend care and</i>)	per animal	Exempt	183.00	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 2
	Pound Release – Subsequent Release					
1363-1000-0000	Registered Dog	per animal	Exempt	243.00	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 2
	Pound Release – Regulated Dog					
1363-1000-0000	Regulated Dog (<i>including Declared Dangerous</i>)	per animal	Exempt	610.00	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 2
	Sustenance					
1363-1000-0000	Dog (after 24 hours)	per day	Exempt	20.00	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 2
1363-1000-0000	Keeping of animals requiring approval	per permit	Exempt	37.00	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 2
	Kennels					
1363-1000-0000	Kennel Fee plus registration fee for each dog	per kennel	Exempt	671.00	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 2
	Local Laws					

General Ledger	LICENCES & REGISTRATIONS	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
1363-1000-0000	Administration Fee	per event	Exempt	150.00	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 1
1363-1000-0000	Enforcement Works		Exempt	At Cost +30%	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 1

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***The renewal date for licence fees is 31 October each year*

General Ledger	OTHER FACILITIES	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
	Airport					
3161-1000-0000	Landing Fee – Aircraft with MTOW 2001-5700kg	per landing	Inclusive	56.00	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
3161-1000-0000	Landing Fee – Aircraft with MTOW >5700kg	per landing	Inclusive	106.00	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
3161-1000-0000	Aerodrome Call Out Fee & Weekend Landing Fee	per landing	Inclusive	235.00	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
3161-1000-0000	Passenger Fee – Adult	per head	Inclusive	21.00	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
3161-1000-0000	Refuelling station Fee	per annum	Inclusive	588.00	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
3161-1000-0000	Hangar Fee	per annum	Inclusive	622.00	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
3161-1000-0000	Passenger Fee – Child/Student	per head	Inclusive	11.50	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
	Sewerage					
2106-1000-0002	Dump Point (per 1000 Litres or part thereof)		Exempt	33.00	Cost Recovery	Plumbing & Drainage Act 2002 Section 145
2106-1000-0002	Grease Trap Waste (per 1000 Litres or part thereof)		Exempt	33.00	Cost Recovery	Plumbing & Drainage Act 2002 Section 145
2106-1000-0001	Sewer Private Works		Inclusive	At Cost + 30%	Cost Recovery	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
2106-1000-0002	Pump out Septic Tank		Exempt	At Cost + 30%	Cost Recovery	Plumbing & Drainage Act 2002 Section 145
2106-1000-0002	Inspection Fee – Septic Installation	per inspection	Exempt	145.00	Cost Recovery	Plumbing & Drainage Act 2002 Section 145
2106-1000-0002	Inspection Fee – Sewerage	per inspection	Exempt	145.00	Cost Recovery	Plumbing & Drainage Act 2002 Section 145

General Ledger	OTHER FACILITIES	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
2106-1000-0002	Disconnection Fee		Exempt	89.00	Cost Recovery	Plumbing & Drainage Act 2002 Section 145
2106-1000-0002	Sewerage Connection Fee		Exempt	534.00	Cost Recovery	Plumbing & Drainage Act 2002 Section 145
Water						
2008-1000-0001	Water Private Works		Inclusive	At Cost + 30%	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2008-1000-0002	Sale of Bulk Water (Potable)	per kl	Exempt	2.20 with a Minimum charge of \$60	Cost Recovery	Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008 Section 165
2008-1000-0002	Sale of Bulk Water (Non-potable)	per kl	Exempt	1.10 with a Minimum charge of \$50	Cost Recovery	Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008 Section 165
2008-1000-0001	Water Meter – supply only	per unit	Inclusive	179.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2008-1000-0002	Water inspection fee	per inspection	Exempt	153.00	Cost Recovery	Plumbing & Drainage Act 2002 Section 145
2008-1000-0002	Water Connection Fee (includes water meter)	per connection	Exempt	564.00	Cost Recovery	Plumbing & Drainage Act 2002 Section 145
2008-1000-0002	Disconnection Fee	per hour per person	Exempt	95.00	Cost Recovery	Plumbing & Drainage Act 2002 Section 145
2008-1000-0001	Water meter readings (special)	per meter	Inclusive	46.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
Roads						
2771-1000-Item	Driveway – Vehicle Access	per access	Inclusive	2,690.00	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009

General Ledger	OTHER FACILITIES	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
2771-1000-Item	Driveway – Kerb Crossover only	per access	Inclusive	899.00	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
5372-1000-0000	Application for Gate or Grid	per unit	Inclusive	145.00	Cost Recovery	BRC Local Law No.1 (Administration) 2011 BRC SLL No. 1.16 (Gates and Grids) 2011
5372-1000-0000	Annual Renewal Fee – Gate or Grid		Inclusive	0.00	Cost Recovery	BRC Local Law No.1 (Administration) 2011 BRC SLL No. 1.16 (Gates and Grids) 2011
Pest/Weed Inspection						
4001-1000-0000	Vehicle Inspection Fee	per vehicle	Inclusive	62.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
Waste Management						
2216-1000-0000	Wheelie Bins	per unit	Inclusive	106.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2216-1000-0000	Asbestos Waste – initial wrapped bundle (must be double-wrapped in 200-micron plastic, sealed with tape, and clearly labelled)	per m ³	Inclusive	360.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2216-1000-0000	Asbestos Waste – each additional wrapped bundle	per m ³	Inclusive	75.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
2216-1000-0000	Commercial Waste (per m ³ or part thereof)	per m ³	Inclusive	35.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
Cemetery						
1103-1000-0000	Private Grave Reservation	per plot	Exempt	31.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

General Ledger	OTHER FACILITIES	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
1104-1000-0000	Interment of cremated remains in columbarium		Inclusive	452.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1104-1000-0000	Reservation for Columbarium	per niche	Exempt	31.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1104-1000-0000	Interment of cremated remains in existing grave		Inclusive	115.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1104-1000-0000	Gravesite Preparation		Inclusive	3,052.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1103-1000-0000	Supply of Plaque or Headstone		Inclusive	At Cost + 30%	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1104-1000-0000	Exhumation of Remains		Inclusive	At Cost + 30%	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
5943-1000-000	Transportation expenses		Inclusive	At Cost + 30%	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
Funeral Services						
1104-1000-0000	Full Funeral Service		Inclusive	5,179.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1104-1000-0000	Full Funeral Service (weekends or public holidays)		Inclusive	6,329.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1104-1000-0000	Funeral Service - additional requests		Inclusive	At Cost +30%	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
9991-5200-0020	Prepaid Funerals (Mon-Fri)		Inclusive	5,754.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1104-1000-0000	Construct Plaque Headstone		Inclusive	461.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1104-1000-0000	Collection of Body - Ordinary		Inclusive	610.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

General Ledger	OTHER FACILITIES	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
1104-1000-0001	Collection of Body - Extenuating Circumstances		Inclusive	1,220.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

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General Ledger	PLANNING	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
	<u>Application Lodgement Fees</u>					
	Material Change of Use – Including Associated Operational & Building Works					
4402-1000-0000	Code Assessable Development – \$275.00 per 100m ² or part thereof gross floor area – minimum and maximum applicable	Per application	Exempt	Min \$1,210 Max \$12,100	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 51
4402-1000-0000	Impact Assessable Development – \$550.00 per 100m ² or part thereof of gross floor area – minimum applicable	Per application	Exempt	Min \$1,760	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 51
	Reconfiguring a Lot					
4402-1000-0000	Subdivide one allotment into two	base rate	Exempt	1,074.00	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 51
4402-1000-0000	Subdivide one allotment into more than two – additional charge for each lot after two	per lot	Exempt	323.00	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 51
4402-1000-0000	Boundary Realignment (no new lots created)	per application	Exempt	1,074.00	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 51
	Operational Work (Assessable against a Planning Scheme) – not associated with a Material Change of Use					
4402-1000-0000	Excavation or filling – Code Assessable – \$275.00 per 100 m ³ or part thereof of material – minimum and maximum applicable	Per application	Exempt	Min \$770 Max \$4,400	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 51

General Ledger	PLANNING	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
	Building Work (Assessable against a Planning Scheme) – not associated with a Material Change of Use					
4402-1000-0000	Building Work – Code Assessable – \$275.00 per 100m2 or part thereof of gross floor area	Per application	Exempt	Min \$770 Max \$4,400	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 51
	Major Development Projects					
4402-1000-0000	A major development project, as determined by Council – minimum and maximum applicable	Per application	Exempt	Price on application	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 51
	Development Application for a preliminary approval					
4402-1000-0000	Development Application for a Preliminary Approval	Per application	Exempt	Relevant application fee	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 51
4402-1000-0000	Development Application for a Preliminary Approval (Variation Request)	Per application	Exempt	125% of relevant application fee	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 51
	Request for Compliance Assessment					
4402-1000-0000	Request for Compliance Assessment	Per application	Exempt	825.00	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 319
4402-1000-0000	Endorsement of Survey Plan	Per application	Exempt	825.00	Cost Recovery	Planning Regulation 2017 Schedule 18

General Ledger	PLANNING	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
	Other Application and Assessment Fees					
	Technical assessment					
4402-1000-0000	Referral of any aspect or matter to an external consultant for advice and/or assessment; or Referral of technical plans or reporting to a Council officer for advice and/or assessment, in respect of: a development application; a development proposal; a request for compliance assessment; or compliance with conditions of a development approval	Per referral or request	Inclusive	Actual cost of assessment	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
	Other application and request fees					
4402-1000-0000	Request to apply superseded Planning Scheme	Per request	Exempt	813.00	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 29
4402-1000-0000	Change application (minor change to a development approval)	Per application	Exempt	25% of relevant application fee	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 78 and 81
4402-1000-0000	Change application (other change to a development approval)	Per application	Exempt	Relevant application fee	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 78 and 82
4402-1000-0000	Extension application (to extend currency period of a development approval)	Per application	Exempt	25% of relevant application fee	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 86
4402-1000-0000	Cancellation application (to cancel a development approval)	Per application	Exempt	813.00	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 84

General Ledger	PLANNING	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
4402-1000-0000	Written advice for a 'Generally in Accordance' determination (or other written advice as determined by Council)	Per request	Inclusive	813.00	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
	Miscellaneous					
	Public Notification					
4402-1000-0000	Public notification on behalf of applicant (printing, signs, advertisement)	All actions	Inclusive	795.00 plus expenses	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
	Concurrence, Referral or Advice Agency					
4402-1000-0000	Carry out referral to agencies on behalf of applicant	Per referral	Inclusive	418.00 per agency plus expenses	Commercial	Section 262(3)(c) LGA 2009
	Planning and Development Certificates					
4402-1000-0000	Limited Certificate	Per lot	Exempt	447.00	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 265
4402-1000-0000	Standard Certificate	Per lot	Exempt	869.00	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 265
4402-1000-0000	Full Certificate	Per lot	Exempt	4,345.00	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 265
	Refund of fees for withdrawn applications					
4402-1000-0000	Application Stage	Per application	Exempt	90% of relevant application fee	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 109

General Ledger	PLANNING	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
4402-1000-0000	Information Request or Referral Stage	Per application	Exempt	60% of relevant application fee	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 109
4402-1000-0000	Public Notification Stage	Per application	Exempt	30% of relevant application fee	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 109
4402-1000-0000	Decision Stage (note: no refund is applicable once a decision has been issued by Council)	Per application	Exempt	10% of relevant application fee	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016, Section 109
	<p><i>Where an application includes multiple components of development (for example, material change of use and reconfiguring a lot), the lodgement fee includes the fee for each component.</i></p> <p><i>"Gross floor area" is defined in the Barcaldine Regional Planning Scheme.</i></p> <p><i>In instances where 'relevant application lodgement fee' applies; this refers to the fees stated under the 'Application Lodgement Fees' section, as if the application was being made as a fresh development application. The minimum and maximum fee thresholds still apply where any percentage calculation of the relevant application lodgement fee is required.</i></p>					

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	Council Housing					
	Council Houses - Employees					
5041-1000-0000	1 Bedroom House - Council Employee	per week	Input	123.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
5041-1000-0000	2 Bedroom House - Council Employee	per week	Input	148.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
5041-1000-0000	3 Bedroom House - Council Employee	per week	Input	183.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
5041-1000-0000	4 Bedroom House - Council Employee	per week	Input	234.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
	Council Houses - Public					
5041-1000-0000	1 Bedroom House - Public Rental	per week	Input	129.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
5041-1000-0000	2 Bedroom House - Public Rental	per week	Input	155.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
5041-1000-0000	3 Bedroom House - Public Rental	per week	Input	189.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
	Council Houses - Government					
5041-1000-0000	1 Bedroom House - Public Rental	per week	Input	255.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
5041-1000-0000	2 Bedroom House - Public Rental	per week	Input	293.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
5041-1000-0000	3 Bedroom House - Public Rental	per week	Input	395.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
	Pensioner Units					
1121-1000-0000	1 Bedroom Unit	per week	Input	122.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)

General Ledger	PROPERTIES	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
1121-1000-0000	2 Bedroom Unit	per week	Input	147.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
	Community Housing					
1111-1000-0000	Housing Rent Calculator	per week	Input		Statutory	
	Commercial Property					
	Aramac					
	Community Care Service	per week	Inclusive	691.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
	Alpha					
	Community Care Service	per week	Inclusive	691.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
	Jericho					
	Post Office	per week	Inclusive	199.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
2630-1000-0004	Jericho Disaster Coordination Centre	per day	Inclusive	80.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
	Barcaldine					
	Oak Street	per week	Inclusive	negotiated	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
2630-1000-0001	The Willows - Private Hire	per day	Inclusive	93.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(b)
	Camping					
	Jericho Showground (pay for 3 nights - stay for 5)					
4140-1000-5	Camp site	per night	Inclusive	25.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Jericho Freedom Park - Redbank					

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4140-1000-6	Freedom Park Camp Site	per night	Inclusive	10.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Aramac Camping Ground (pay for 3 nights – stay for 5)					
4140-1000-1	Camp site	per night	Inclusive	25.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Aramac Freedom Park					
4140-1000-7	Freedom Park Camp Site	per night	Inclusive	10.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Muttaborra Camping Ground (pay for 3 nights – stay for 5)					
4140-1000-2	Camp site	per night	Inclusive	25.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Muttaborra Freedom Park					
4140-1000-9	Freedom Park Camp Site	per night	Inclusive	10.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Barcaldine Showground					
4140-1000-3	Camp site	per night	Inclusive	42.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

**All fees apply from 1 July 2025*

General Ledger	RURAL	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
	Town Reserves					
	Agistment					
1701-1000-Item	Cattle - per head	per week	Inclusive	5.83	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1701-1000-Item	Horses - per head	per week	Inclusive	5.83	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1701-1000-Item	Bull Levy - per cow - Aramac	per annum	Inclusive	35.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Impounded Common Stock					
1701-1000-Item	Impounded Common Stock		Inclusive	At Cost + 30%	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Common Musters					
1701-1000-Item	Common Muster Inspections Operators Fee Out of Hours Mon-Fri (after 4pm) (minimum 3 hours charge)	Per hr/Per Person	Inclusive	240.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1701-1000-Item	Common Muster Inspections Operators Fee for Saturday) (minimum 3 hours charge)	Per hr/Per Person	Inclusive	240.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
1701-1000-Item	Common Muster Inspections Operators Fee for Sunday (minimum 3 hours charge)	Per hr/Per Person	Inclusive	330.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	Barcaldine Saleyards					
	Liveweight Sale					
4003-1000-0000	Saleyards and Scales Fee	per head	Inclusive	4.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

General Ledger	RURAL	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
4003-1000-0000	Sales Levy	per head	Inclusive	7.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	<i>Sale - Not Weighed</i>					
4003-1000-0000	Saleyards Fee	per head	Inclusive	2.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4003-1000-0000	Sales Levy	per head	Inclusive	7.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	<i>Bull Sale</i>					
4003-1000-0000	Saleyards Fee	per head	Inclusive	8.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4003-1000-0000	Sales Levy	per head	Inclusive	16.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	<i>Private Weigh</i>					
4003-1000-0000	Saleyards and Scales Fee	per head	Inclusive	6.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4003-1000-0000	Minimum Charge	per weigh	Inclusive	76.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	<i>Livestock Agent/Organiser Fee</i>					
4003-1000-0000	Sale Day Fee	per sale	Inclusive	480.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	<i>Spelling</i>					
4003-1000-0000	Spelling Fee	per head per day - minimum \$25.00 per day	Inclusive	1.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	<i>Other</i>					

General Ledger	RURAL	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
4003-1000-0000	Cattle Yarded but not sold in sale	per head	Inclusive	2.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4003-1000-0000	Post/Pre Sale Weighing	per head	Inclusive	3.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4003-1000-0000	Post/Pre Sale Scanning	per head	Inclusive	3.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4003-1000-0000	Removal of Dead Stock	per head	Inclusive	150.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	For cattle sold through the Barcaldine Saleyards, charges for spelling will be waived for a maximum of 3 days prior to and 3 days subsequent to the sale.					
	National Livestock Identification System (NLIS) Fees					
4003-1000-0000	National Vendor Declaration Form		Inclusive	3.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4003-1000-0000	NLIS Tag - Supply only		Inclusive	6.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4003-1000-0000	Scan Beast - Automated reader only and transfer	per head	Inclusive	2.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4003-1000-0000	Hire of hand wand and iPAQ including transfer	per day or part thereof	Inclusive	300.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4003-1000-0000	Mob Transfers		Inclusive	35.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
	<u>Yards - Alpha Area</u>					
4002-1000-0000	Saleyards fees - Small Animal	per head per day	Inclusive	1.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4002-1000-0000	Saleyards fees - Large Animal	per head per day	Inclusive	2.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

General Ledger	RURAL	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
4002-1000-0000	Yard Fees - Small Animal	per head per day	Inclusive	1.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4002-1000-0000	Yard Fees - Large Animal	per head per day	Inclusive	2.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
<u>Yards - Aramac Area</u>						
4001-1000-0000	Yard Fees - Small Animal	per head per day	Inclusive	1.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4001-1000-0000	Yard Fees - Large Animal	per head per day	Inclusive	2.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
<u>Dip Yards - Alpha Area</u>						
4002-1000-0000	Tick Inspections < 200 head- Working Hours Mon-Fri	per head	Inclusive	3.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4002-1000-0000	Tick Inspections > 200 head- Working Hours Mon-Fri	per head	Inclusive	2.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4002-1000-0000	Tick Inspections Operators Fee Out of Hours Mon-Fri (after 4pm) (minimum 3 hours charge)	Per hr/Per Person	Inclusive	240.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4002-1000-0000	Tick Inspections Operators Fee for Saturday) (minimum 3 hours charge)	Per hr/Per Person	Inclusive	240.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4002-1000-0000	Tick Inspections Operators Fee for Sunday (minimum 3 hours charge)	Per hr/Per Person	Inclusive	330.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4002-1000-0000	Dipping Fees - Large Animals	Per head	Inclusive	4.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4002-1000-0000	Minimum Charge for dipping cattle		Inclusive	30.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4002-1000-0000	Spraying Fees - Large Animals	Per head	Inclusive	4.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)

General Ledger	RURAL	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
4002-1000-0000	Operators Fee Mon-Fri (7am to 4pm) -	Per hr/Per Person	Inclusive	\$85 or \$43.00 for half an hour	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4002-1000-0000	Spraying Operators Fee Out of Hours Mon-Fri (after 4pm)	Per hr/Per Person	Inclusive	\$43.00 (minimum 3 hours charge)	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4002-1000-0000	Spraying Operators Fee for Saturday	Per hr/Per Person	Inclusive	\$85.00 (minimum 3 hours charge)	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4002-1000-0000	Spraying Operators Fee for Sunday	Per hr/Per Person	Inclusive	\$125.00 (minimum 3 hours charge)	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4002-1000-0000	Feeding upon request or after 24 hrs (per bale)	Per Bale	Inclusive	(per bale) - At cost plus 25%	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4002-1000-0000	Spelling without feed (first day or part day) Minimum Charge - \$12.00 (minimum 20 head)	Per head	Inclusive	1.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4002-1000-0000	Removal of Dead Stock	per head	Inclusive	130.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
Stock Routes						
4004-1000-0000	Stock Route permit application fee	per permit	Inclusive	195.00	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
Stock Route Travel Permit						
4004-1000-0000	Cattle/Horses/Mules (Min \$5)	per 20 head per day	Exclusive	1.06	Statutory	Land Protection (Pest and Stock Route Management) Act 2002 Section 134

General Ledger	RURAL	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
4004-1000-0000	Sheep/Goats (Min \$5)	per 20 head per day	Exclusive	1.06	Statutory	Land Protection (Pest and Stock Route Management) Act 2002 Section 134
Stock Route Agistment Permit						
4004-1000-0000	Cattle/Horses/Mules	per head per week	Inclusive	5.83	Statutory	Land Protection (Pest and Stock Route Management) Act 2002 Section 116
4004-1000-0000	Sheep/Goats	per head per week	Inclusive	0.50	Statutory	Land Protection (Pest and Stock Route Management) Act 2002 Section 116
Agistment Permit (Other than Stock Routes)						
4004-1000-0000	Cattle	per head per week	Inclusive	5.83	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
4004-1000-0001	Horse /Mules	per head week	Inclusive	7.50	Statutory	Land Protection (Pest and Stock Route Management) Act 2002 Section 117
4004-1000-0000	Sheep/Goats	per head per week	Inclusive	0.50	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
Wild Dog Control						
4002-1000-0000	Assistance with Baiting		Inclusive	At cost + 30%	Commercial	LGA 2009 Section 262(3)(c)
Impounded Stock						
Impounding Fee						

General Ledger	RURAL	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
4001-1000-0000	Small Animals - Sheep, Goats, Swine	per head per week	Inclusive	7.00	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 2
4001-1000-0000		minimum	Inclusive	175.00	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 2

General Ledger	RURAL	Unit	GST	2025-26	Type of Fee	Legal Source
4001-1000-0000	Large Animals - Cattle, Horses, Camels	per head per week	Inclusive	36.00	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 2
4001-1000-0000		minimum	Inclusive	175.00	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 2
	Release Fee					
4001-1000-0000	Small Animals - Sheep, Goats, Swine	per head per 24 hours	Inclusive	3.00	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 2
4001-1000-0000	Large Animals - Cattle, Horses, Camels	per head per 24 hours	Inclusive	50.00	Cost Recovery	Barcaldine Regional Council Local Law 2

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Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item Number: 3.2.10
Subject Heading: Audit and Risk Committee Minutes – 20 June 2025
Author and Title: Debbie Young, Executive Support Coordinator
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: The Audit and Risk Committee met on 20 June 2025 for its regular quarterly meeting. The report contains a summary of the discussion points from the meeting.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive and note the Audit and Risk Committee Minutes from the meeting on 20 June 2025.

Background

Council's Audit and Risk Committee meets periodically to discuss various matters relating to Council's activities. The committee is centrally charged with providing oversight of Council assurance and risks functions. The committee provides independent assurance to the Chief Executive Officer on Council's performance management, internal audit and compliance.

Items tabled at the meeting for discussion/information were:

- REDD Services attended to provide an overview of their work program and identify current risks.
- External audit action items progress report provided.
- 2024-2025 Financial Statements planning progress report.
- Depreciation review.
- Position paper – asset valuations.
- Position paper – provision for landfill rehabilitation.
- Shell financial statements.
- Three year audit plan update.
- Internal audit report on fraud control and Human Resources Services tabled.
- External audit interim report and briefing paper.
- Workplace health and safety report.
- Non-current Asset Accounting Policy tabled.

The minutes from the meeting are attached.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

- Acceptable audit results for safety and financial performance
- 95% of audit and corrective action items closed out within timeframes
- Statutory financial performance indicators achieved.

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Consultation (internal/external)

Audit and Risk Committee

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

There is no budget implication from this report

Risk Management Implications

The recommendation in this report has no direct impact on enterprise risk, however Audit and Risk Committee does act as a key independent assurance service to the Chief Executive Officer.

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil



Barcaldine Regional Council Audit Committee
Minutes – 20 June 2025
Commencing 9am in Barcaldine Council Chambers and via Teams

Present: Councillor Milynda Rogers (Chair), Councillor Linda Penna, Greg Evans [GE] (independent member).

Observers: Craig Philp [CP] (Grant Thornton), Karen Dang [KD] (Grant Thornton), Rachel Stevens [RS] (Qld Audit Office), Tony Walsh [TW] (Walsh Accounting) {left at 11.25am}, Michael Shave [MS] (acting Director Corporate and Financial Services), Dan Bradford (Chief Executive Officer), Councillor Vanessa Howard, Shane Waller, Anthony Archie [AA], Tony Brett [TB].

Apologies: Sara Milligan.

1. Minutes from previous meeting: 20 March 2025.

Moved as received and confirmed: Councillor Penna, Seconded Greg Evans.

2. Business arising from previous minutes: Nil.

3. Business of meeting

i. ICT Security Posture Update – REDD via TEAMS.

- MS introduced team from REDD Services – Rhiannon, Curtis and Michael (all left the meeting at 9.27am) – asking that they provide an overview and current risk/s.
- Risks are minimised/acceptable with the assistance of: anti-viral solutions, Artic Wolf, awareness, monthly reporting, security controls, action plan.
- Query whether staff working remotely/using other devices was cause for potential exposure. Noted this was being addressed and a Data Loss Prevention Policy being developed.

ii. External Audit Actions Items Progress Report.

- MS spoke to report, taken as read.
- GE suggested that where 'In Progress' was noted and timeframes were not met, this be changed to provide an expected timeframe and/or revised date for completion and remove from following report if completed.

Management's Recommendation: That Council note the report by the Acting Director Corporate and Financial Services to the Audit Committee Meeting dated 20 June 2025, providing an update on identified external and internal audit action items.

iii. 2024-25 Financial Statements Planning Progress Report.

- GE had requested this report, TB spoke to deliverables – no concerns with meeting deadlines.

Management's Recommendation: That Council note the report by the Acting Directors Corporate and Financial Services to the Audit Committee Meeting dated 20 June 2025, providing an update with respect to planning for the 2024-25 financial statements delivery.

iv. Depreciation Review.

- MS introduced AA who spoke to report (left the meeting at 9.59am).

Management's Recommendation: That Council note the report by the Acting Director Corporate and Financial Services to the Audit Committee Meeting dated 20 March 2025 regarding the review of Council's infrastructure depreciation expenditure.

Recommendation 1 – Apply New Transport Asset Useful Lives: The reviewed useful lives for transport asset components, as detailed in the supporting spreadsheet, should be implemented within Council's asset register and depreciation system to ensure accurate and consistent periodic expense recognition.

Recommendation 2 – Apply Revised Depreciation Forecasts to the 2025-26 Budget: The updated depreciation forecasts, including adjustments from the useful life review and indexation should be adopted in the 2025-26 budget to reflect the net reduction in depreciation expense of \$357,040

Recommendations moved as accepted by Greg Evans and seconded by Councillor Penna.

v. Position Paper – Asset Valuations as at 30 June 2025.

- TB spoke to report, taken as read.
- New policies developed to outline requirements and whether comprehensive revaluation is required.
- Further update will be provided post 30 June 2025.
- Buildings and other structures will be undertaken next year.
- CP suggested considering cumulative affect over five years (maximum).

Recommendation: That the Audit Committee notes this position paper: Moved by Greg, seconded by Councillor Penna.

vi. Position Paper – Provision for Landfill Rehabilitation 2024-25.

- TB spoke to report, taken as read.
- Calculation sheet to be provided to valuers today, no change to approach.
- Will reassess and update post 30 June 2025.
- We comply with requirements following methodology review.

Recommendation: That the Audit Committee note the interim landfill rehabilitation position paper and results of Council's self-review: Moved by Greg Evans, Seconded by Councillor Penna.

vii. Shell Financial Statements.

- TB spoke to report, taken as read.
- Has been sent to auditors for comment, should be presented to Council in August, to be endorsed by flying minute/out of session once complete.

Management's Recommendation: That Council note the report by the Acting Director Corporate and Financial Services to the Audit Committee Meeting dated 20 March 2025 regarding the review of the shell financial statements: Moved Councillor Penna, Seconded by Greg Evans.

viii. Three Year Audit Plan Update – Tony Walsh.

- Table updated from changes noted at the last meeting and management review, content much the same.
- Risk management practices a new item.
- GE suggested payroll review testing/sampling prior to full ERP implementation.
- IT Project Lead commences on Monday and will implement an oversight committee.

Moved as received by the Chair, Seconded by Greg Evans.

ix. Internal Audit Report – Fraud Control – Tony Walsh.

- Noted report still in draft, management comments to be included before final report will be received.
- Staff training required and recommended.
- Policy should be tabled with Council in September.
- Purchasing Policy needs review.
- Query whether annual stocktake had been conducted – not yet but being considered and a register will be created.

x. Internal Audit Report – Human Resource Services – Tony Walsh.

- Noted report still in draft.
- Noted recommendations on page five.
- Noted there was no Workforce Plan available but work had commenced since audit conducted.
- Query regarding limiting temporary appointments – covered in management directive, noted more documentation/recording needed on processes/decisions made.
- Noted management training has occurred and they are encouraged to deal with issues in the first instance.
- Query whether leave accrual and cover during absences (in regards to fraud control and workplace health and safety) had been reviewed – works in progress: succession planning, leave paid out.
- Management responses to recommendations will be provided out of session.

xi. External Audit – Interim Report and Audit Briefing Paper.

- CP spoke to interim report – one item closed since, some progress, final verification needed.
- All in place to meet timeframes.
- RS spoke to briefing paper – three recommendations noted, no major work required by Council.

xii. Workplace Health and Safety Report – Dan introduce Shane who noted the report as tabled with Council on the 18th, taken as read.

xiii. ISO Audit Report:

- Recertification granted with six minor non-conformances and five observations – archiving possibly our biggest concern but overall tracking well.
- Query around the safety culture – noted this was improving with monthly Toolbox Talks and site visits, education/supervision and staff wanting to see change.
- Shane left the meeting at 9.42am.

4. Other business

- Next meeting – Thursday 11 September 2025 – this meeting has been cancelled as not required, anything urgent/required may be sent out of session for information/endorsement. October meeting has been moved from the 17th to the 24th.
- Non-current Asset Accounting Policy – MS spoke to report, taken as read. Noted it was best practice to have in place. To be presented to next Council Meeting for endorsement following tabling at workshop on 2 July. Moved as received by Greg Evans, Seconded by the Chair.
- DB noted the 2025–2026 budget had been adopted, unrestricted cash increase is the key focus. Thanks to MS and TB for all their help over the past few months, formal contract ends 30 June but they will still be assisting Council for the time being. Councillors commitment to the process was appreciated.

5. Closure

Meeting was declared closed at 11.37am.

Signed by the Chair: _____

Date: _____

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Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item Number: 3.2.11
Subject Heading: Conversion Application – Leasehold Tenure to Freehold
Author and Title: Lee Busby, Director of Works
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: Council has been contacted as a key stakeholder by Land Services; a section of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development regarding an Application for Conversion.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council:

- 1. Does not object to the Application for Conversion of GHPL 2/3933 over Lot 7 on SP232187 and GHPL 2/3776 over Lot 9 on YN62 from leasehold tenure to freehold.**
 - 2. Confirms the off-alignment portion of Ramona Road (Road Number 1571) is required in the roads' current location and requests prior to the Deed of Grant being issued is surveyed by the applicant and**
 - 3. Confirms Council will not require the existing official portion of the Ramona Road Corridor, which is located to the south of the existing off-alignment section of road.**
 - 4. Confirms the off-alignment portion of Gergory Road (Road Number 1572) is required in the roads' current location and requests prior to the Deed of Grant being issued is surveyed by the applicant.**
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Background

Council has been contacted as a key stakeholder by Land Services, a section of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development regarding an Application for Conversion.

The Application is requesting State Government to convert GHPL 2/3933 over Lot 7 on SP232187 and GHPL 2/3776 over Lot 9 on YN62 from leasehold tenure to freehold. This conversion process can impact a Council's road network.

In this instance, Ramona and Gergory Roads transverses east to west across Lots 7 and 9 respectively. Both these roads are currently off-alignment and not surveyed. Ramona Road is located north of the official Road Corridor intersecting with Home Creek Moonbria Road at the eastern end. The length of road off-alignment is approximately one kilometre. Gergory Road is located to the west of the official Road Corridor finishing at the grid to Gergory property. The length of road off-alignment is approximately eight and a half kilometres. Prior to the Deed of Grant being issued, the off-alignment roads must be addressed and as a result Council has been contacted for comment.

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Council is required to provide a response to:

- The conversion of noted lots from leasehold to freehold
- Whether Romona Road, which currently is off-alignment is required or that Council intends to realign Romona Road back to the official Road Corridor
- Whether Gerogery Road which is currently off-alignment is required.

These roads have been utilised by the local property owners and the wider community for many years and are recognised locally as the true roads.

Should Council decided to re-establish the off-alignment Ramona Road to the official Road Corridor, Council would be responsible for the reconstruction costs and any cultural heritage and environmental risks identified prior to construction. Cost to Council to realign Romona Road would include a one-kilometre gravel resheet – approximately \$80,000; notwithstanding the additional costs for removing vegetation, constructing a formation and drains and any additional works to address cultural heritage, and environmental risk should the risks be identified.

Both these roads and their lengths are recognised in Council Road Register.

Attachments:

1. Plan of Ramona Road and Home Creek Moonbria Road alignments within Lot 7 SP232187.
2. Plan of Gerogery Road within Lot 9 YN62.

Link to Corporate Plan – Theme 3: Transport

Consultation (internal/external)

- Director of Works
- Chief Executive Officer

Policy Implications– Nil identified

Budget and Resource Implications

- Legal, planning and development fees
- Approx. \$80,000 to realign Romona Road
- Other unidentified risks

Risk Management Implications

Project may not proceed by not meeting conditions of the application

Asset Management Implications – Asset Register will need to be updated

Legal Implications – Acting in line with legislative requirements

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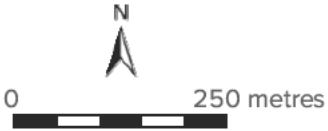


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Road parcel



Land parcel



Parcel

Land parcel - gt 1 ha



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Land parcel - gt 1000 ha



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Land parcel label

Land parcel label - gt 1 ha

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Railway stations



Green bridges



Bridges



Tunnels



Roads and tracks



Motorway



Highway



Secondary



Connector



Local



Restricted Access Road



Mall



Busway



Bikeway



Restricted Access Bikeway



Walkway



Restricted Access Walkway



Walkway



Non-vehicular Track



Track



Restricted Access Track



Ferry



Proposed Thoroughfare

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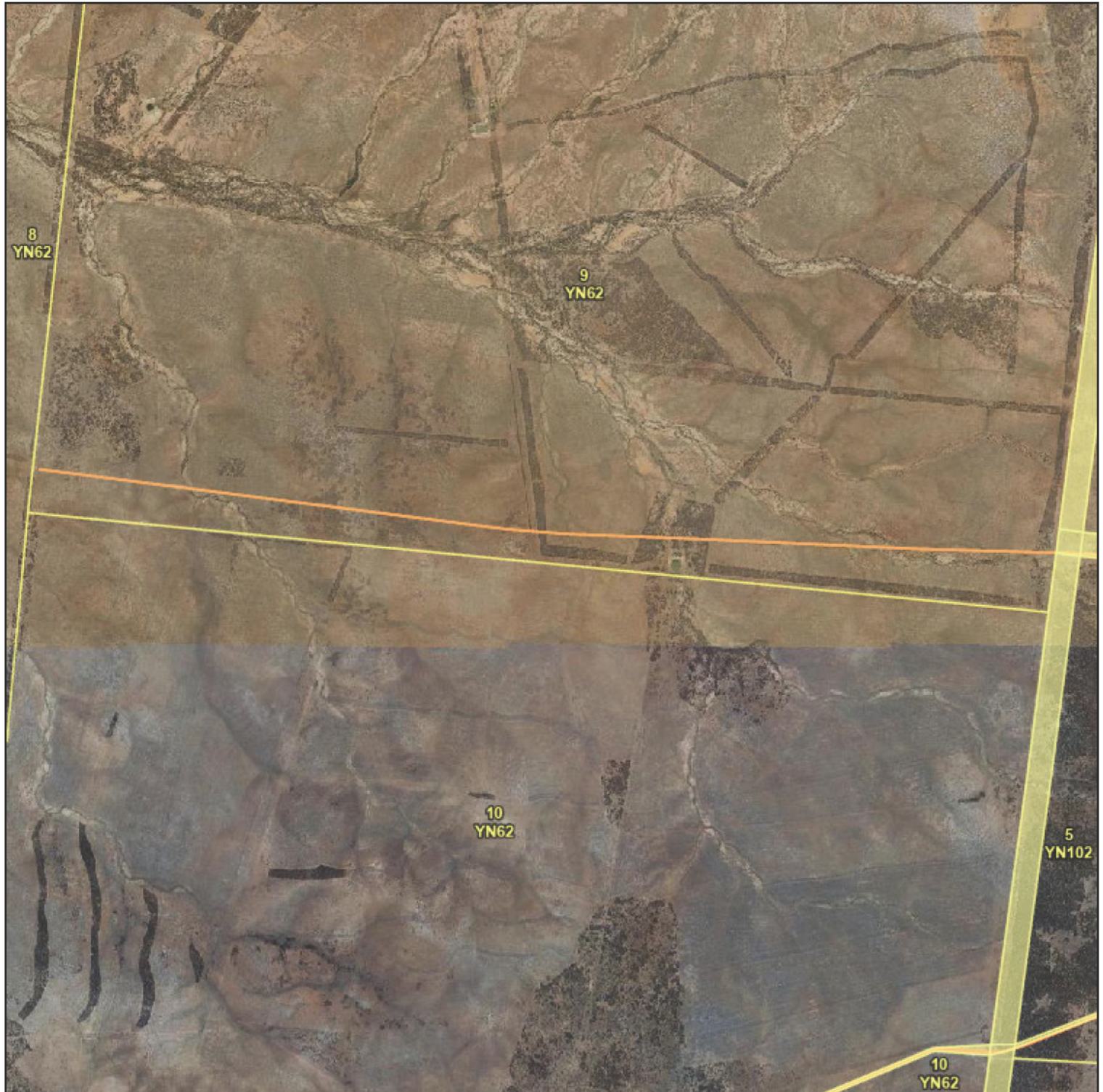
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Parcel

Land parcel - gt 1 ha



Parcel

Land parcel - gt 10 ha



Parcel

Land parcel - gt 1000 ha



Parcel

Land parcel label

Land parcel label - gt 1 ha

Land parcel label - gt 10 ha

Land parcel label - gt 1000 ha

Green bridges



Bridges



Tunnels



Railway stations



Roads and tracks



Motorway



Highway



Secondary



Connector



Local



Restricted Access Road



Mall



Busway



Bikeway



Restricted Access
Bikeway



Walkway



Restricted Access
Walkway



Non-vehicular Track



Track



Restricted Access Track



Ferry



Proposed Thoroughfare

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Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item Number: 3.3.1
Subject Heading: Financial Performance Report
Author and Title: Michael Shave, Acting Director Corporate and Financial Services
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: Section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 requires the Chief Executive Officer to prepare a finance report to present at each monthly meeting of the local government. The financial report must state the progress that has been made in relation to the local government's budget for the period of the financial year up to a day as near as practicable to the end of the month before the meeting is held.

The purpose of the report is to meet legislative requirements and promote good financial governance by presenting the Council's budget performance for the first month of the 2025-26 financial year.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receives the report by the Acting Director Corporate and Finance relating to the July year-to-date (YTD) financial performance against budget.

Background

This report outlines Council's financial performance for the first month of the 2025-26 financial year including revenue, expenditure and cash position. Whilst it is early in the new financial year, YTD performance against budget is showing an operating deficit position of \$2.2M. This can be attributable to the timing of Council's main income sources, which are not yet scheduled to be received (i.e. rates, Main Roads, Financial Assistance Grant). Note that 50% of Council's Financial Assistance Grant (\$6.8 million) was received in June, which will impact overall revenue if not paid in advance again in June 2026.

2024-25 Financial Year	Actual (\$,000)	YTD Budget (\$,000)	Variance (\$,000)	Variance %
Operating Revenue	402	1,645	(1,243)	(95%)
Operating Expenses	2,567	3,569	(1,003)	(41%)
Operating Result	(2,165)	1,924	(240)	(28%)
Capital Revenue	205	582	(374)	(64%)
Capital Works				

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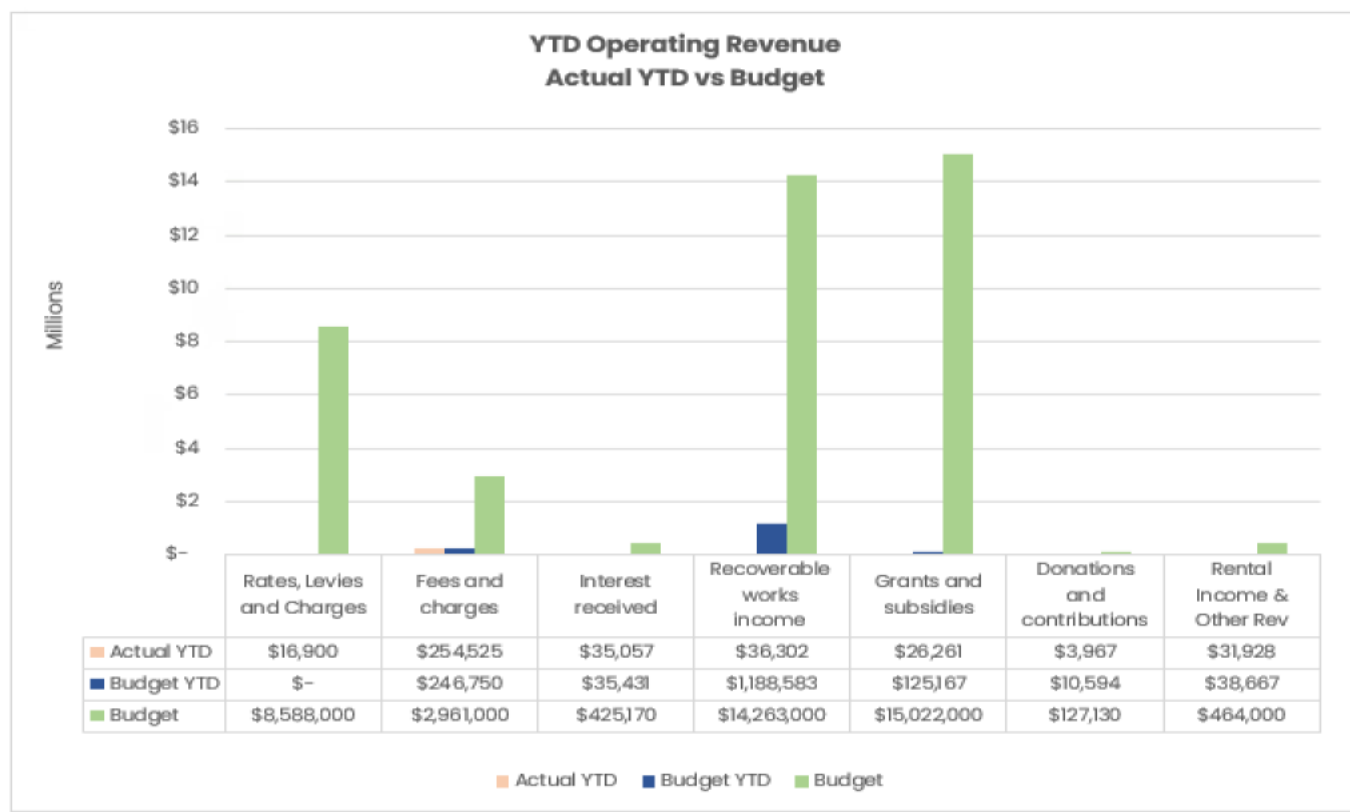
Financial statements including Statement of Income and Expenditure, Statement of Financial Position (balance sheet) and Statement of Cash Flows are included as attachments for further information.

Operating Revenue (YTD Benchmark 8.3% - one month through the financial year)

Council has received 1% (\$402k) of its operating revenue budget (\$41.9 million) as at 31 July 2025. Commentary on each revenue category is provided below:

Revenue Category	Summary	Comments
Rates, Levies and Charges	\$17k (0%) of the annual budget of \$8.6 million has been earned	First issue of rates not due until September 2025.
Fees and Charges	\$255k (9%) of the annual budget of \$2.9 million has been earned	Fees and Charges currently on track.
Rental Income	\$32k (7%) of the annual budget of \$444k has been earned	Rental Income currently on track.
Interest Received	\$36k (8%) of the annual budget of \$427k has been earned	Interest revenue currently on track.
Recoverable Works Income	\$36k (0%) of the annual budget of \$14.2 million has been earned	Recoverable works claims are due to be submitted to the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) at the beginning of August for work completed in July. Planning for TMR delivery underway.
Grants, Subsidies, Contributions	\$26k (0%) of the annual budget of \$14.9 million has been earned	Only small value grants have come in so far. Larger Community Care Services, Financial Assistance Grant quarterly payments and community grants are expected to come in over the coming months.
Other Revenue	\$0 (0%) of the annual budget of \$20k has been earned	Minor income associated with insurance claims and refunds.

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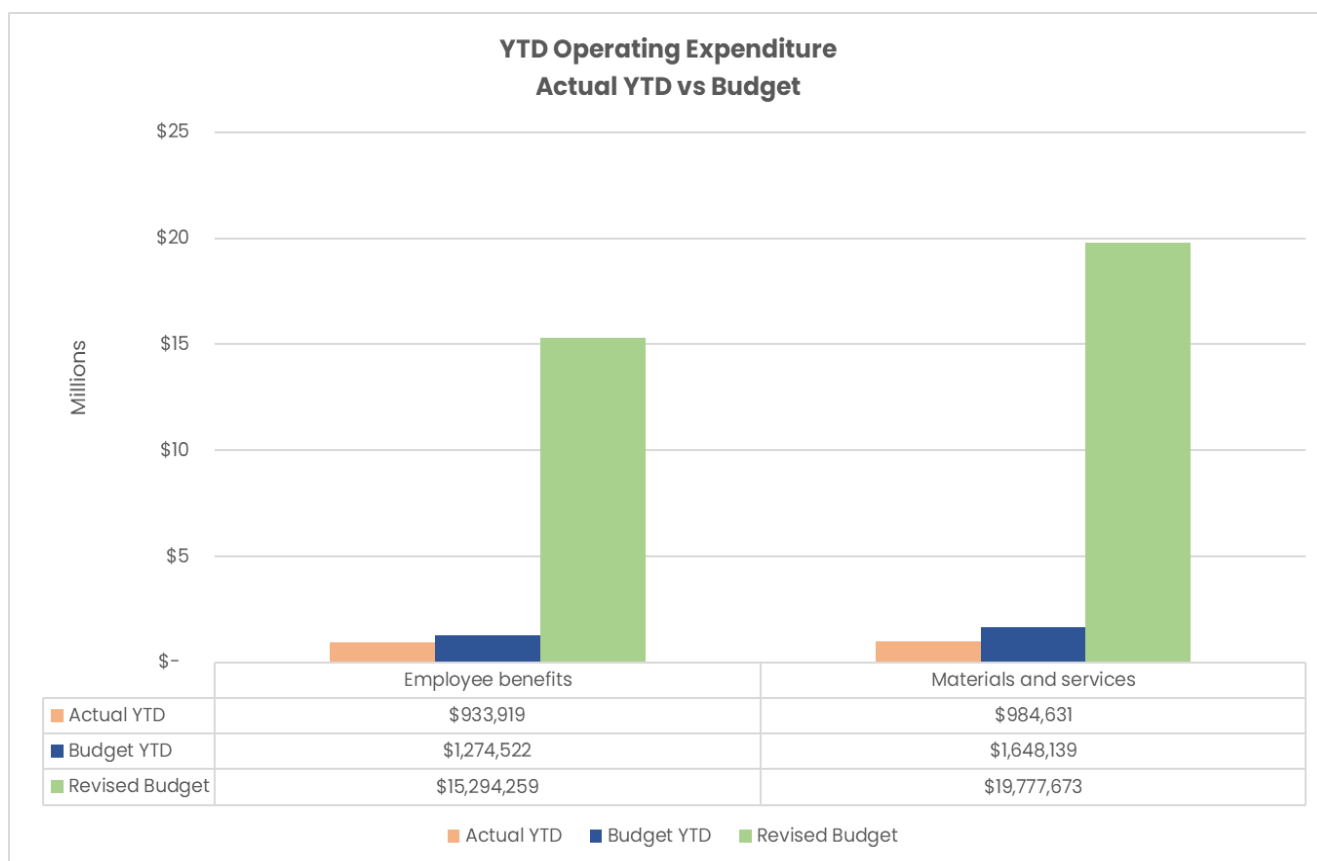


Operating Expenditure (YTD Benchmark 8.3% - one month through the financial year)

Council has expended 6% (\$2.56 million) of its operating expenditure budget (\$42.88 million) as at 31 July 2025. Commentary on each expenditure category is provided below:

Expenditure Category	Summary	Comments
Employee Benefits	\$934k (6%) of the annual budget of \$15.3 million has been spent	Still a number of vacancies yet to be filled. Active recruitment efforts are under way.
Materials and Services	\$985k (5%) of the annual budget of \$19.7 million has been spent	Materials and Services are slightly behind budget at this early stage of the financial year.
Finance Costs	\$0 (0%) of the annual budget of \$42k has been spent	On track.
Depreciation	\$647k (8%) of the annual budget of \$7.8 million has been spent	On track.

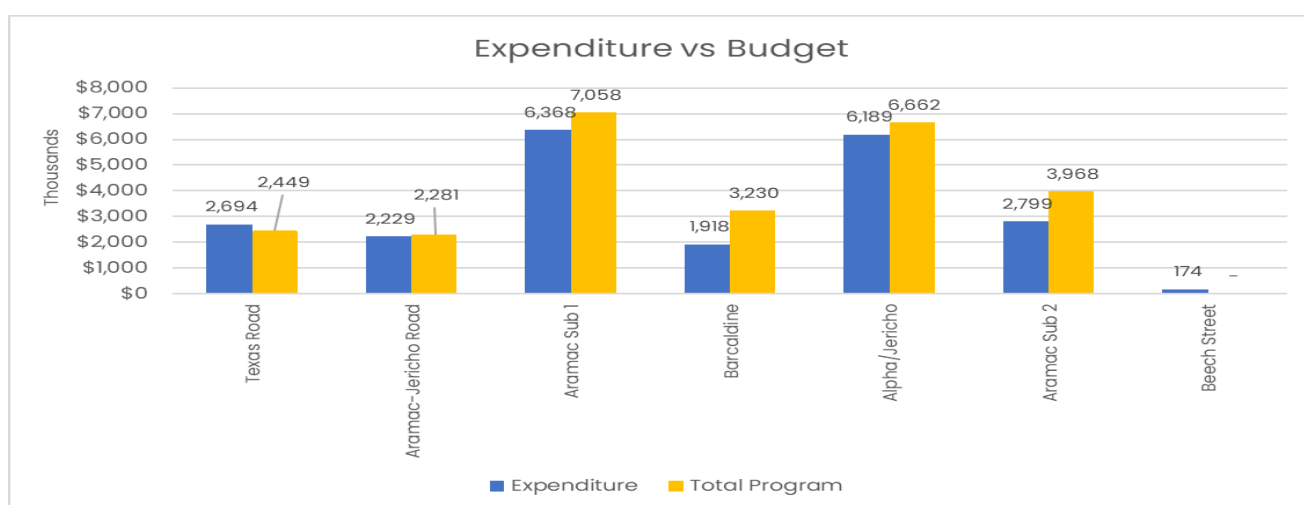
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Flood Recovery Works – Council Road Network

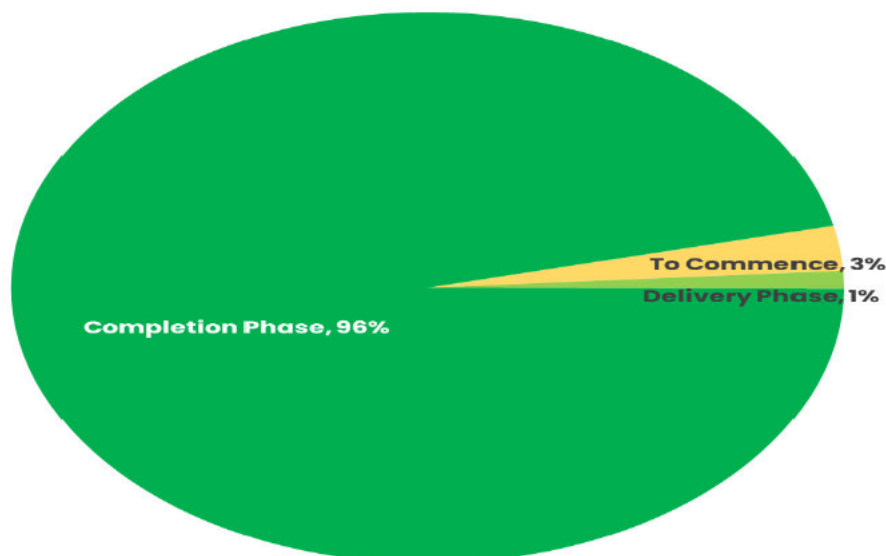
Below is a financial and delivery summary of the 2023 flood recovery work program. Of the total program budget of \$46.7 million, expenditure of \$22.3 million has been expended, with Texas Road and Aramac-Jericho work packages completed and acquittals lodged with the Qld Reconstruction Authority (QRA).

Of the 185 roads under the program – 178 are complete, with the remaining seven roads in either delivery phase or were re-damaged in the recent 2025 flood event.



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Overall Road Progress (185 roads)



Other Relevant Service Activities

State Road Network	Revenue			Expenditure		
	Actual	Current Budget	%	Actual	Current Budget	%
Road construction contracts	\$0	\$9,000,000	0%	\$0	\$8,111,252	\$0
Note: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beef Roads Alpha-Clermont Road Sealing - \$4 million • Beef Roads Alpha-Tambo Road Sealing - \$5 million • Aramac-Muttaborra Road Widening Contract - \$2.5 million (budget to be included in first budget review). 						
RMPC	\$0	\$4,000,000	0%	\$379,011	\$3,600,000	11%
Note: The claim for July expenditure will be sent to TMR beginning of August.						
TMR Flood Damage	\$0	\$100,000	0%	\$22,809	\$90,664	25%
Note: Final costs relating to March 2025 Flood Event (Reference 250). A claim is being finalised to be submitted in August.						
Total	\$0	\$13,100,000	0%	\$22,809	\$11,801,916	0%

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Caterpillar RM400 Road Reclaimer (Stabiliser)	Life to Date
Revenue	\$286,000
Expenditure	\$360,682
Profit / (Loss)	(\$74,682)
Utilisation (days)	52
Revenue per day	\$5,500
Cost per day	\$6,936

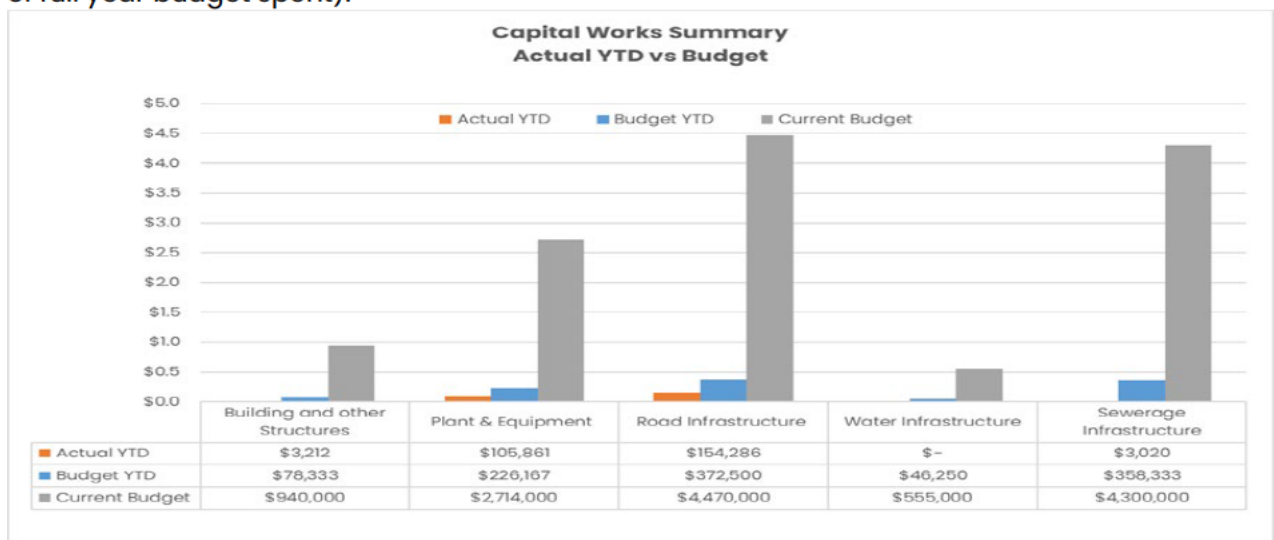
Community Donations Expenditure	Actual	YTD Budget	Current Full Year Budget
Aramac	\$2,699		
Barcaldine	\$4,000		
Alpha	\$24,507		
Regional	\$0		
Total	\$31,206	\$14,834	\$178,008

Capital Revenue

Year to date capital revenue of \$208k received comprises of capital grants relating to various grant funded infrastructure projects and capital flood damage works. Note that the timing of capital grant receipts are generally dependent on grant conditions and also the timing of capital works delivery, which can impact comparisons to YTD budget.

Capital Works

2025-26 capital works expenditure is \$266k compared to the YTD budget of \$1.1 million, (2% of full year budget spent).



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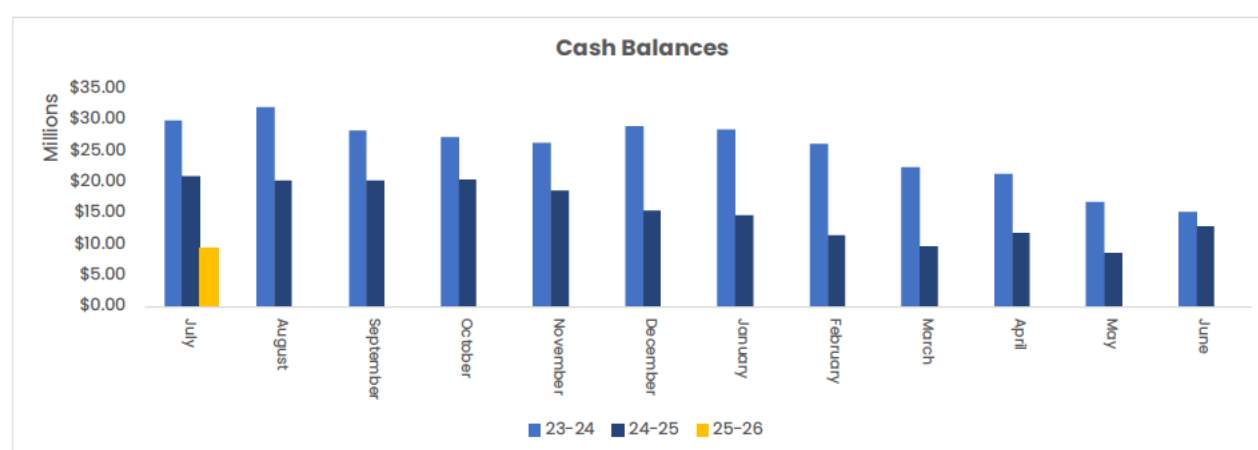
Cash Management and Investment Performance

Total cash on hand at the end of June was \$9.2 million, a decrease of \$3.6 million from June 2025. August should see an increase in incoming cashflow with TMR claims being paid. Included in the cash balance are funds held in for restricted purposes (e.g. unexpended grant funds).

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Held on 13 August 2025	
Cash Position as at 31 July 2025	

Cash at Bank

	Jul-25	Jun-25
Operating Accounts- BOQ	\$ 1,327,898	\$ 118,316
QTC Investments Acc	\$ 7,896,379	\$ 12,766,979
	\$ 9,224,278	\$ 12,885,295



Financial Sustainability – Cash Expense Coverage

The Unrestricted Cash Expense Cover Ratio is a financial sustainability measure that estimates the unconstrained liquidity available to Council to meet its ongoing and emergent financial demands. The target is measured in terms of months of cash available, with the state government requiring Council to have a minimum of four months unrestricted cash cover available to ensure that it has appropriate short-term working capital and can meet any unexpected financial commitments as they may arise.

As at the end of July, Council has a **cash expense cover ratio of 2.3 months**, representing \$5.2 million in unrestricted cash. The restricted cash component of the current cash balance (\$3.9 million) is primarily made up of advance and unspent funding from the QRA relating to Flood Damage packages, Roads to Recovery 2019-24 program and Works for Queensland 2024-27 prepaid funds. Finance will continue to monitor Council liquidity closely to ensure that short term financial sustainability risk can be managed.

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Month	Cash	Restricted	Unrestricted	Operating Expenses excl Depreciation & Finance Costs YTD	Ratio (Months)
Jul-25	\$9,224,279	\$3,982,390	\$5,241,889	\$1,271,125	2.31

Note: A higher unrestricted cash expense cover ratio indicates that a council has sufficient free cash available to contribute to the cost of future planned and unplanned expenditures such as infrastructure investment or disaster recovery. An excessively high ratio may be indicative of cash hoarding, poor cash management, or large upcoming capital investment requirements.

A low ratio suggests limited unconstrained liquidity available to council to use for capital investment or in an emergency. For councils with efficient cash management practices and strong borrowing capacity, this is not a concern. Where a council also has a negative operating cash ratio, a very low or negative unrestricted cash expense cover ratio is an indicator of potential solvency concerns.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

We will have a safe, engaged, proud and performing council and workforce that is inclusive, innovative, ethical and trusted by all levels of government.

Consultation (internal/external)

Acting Finance Manager

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

There are a number of matters highlighted in this report which can have an impact on the overall financial position and sustainability of Council.

Risk Management Implications

Regular monitoring of financial performance against budget assists with understanding any emergent financial opportunities and risks that may impact Council's ongoing financial sustainability.

Asset Management Implications

Nil

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Legal Implications

This report is a requirement as set out in the Local Government Regulation 2012.

Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item Number: 3.3.2
Subject Heading: Capital Projects Report
Author and Title: Daniel Bradford, Chief Executive Officer
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: Council has adopted a Capital Works Program for 2025–2026 financial year at its budget meeting in June 2025. In 2025–2026, Council is aiming to deliver \$12.9 million of new projects along with completing carried forward projects from 2024–2025. This report is a progress summary of each project to the end of July 2025.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive and note the report.

Background

Attached is a report on the progress towards completion of the 2025–2026 Capital Works Program. Capital Projects from the 2025 financial year that have been carried forward are reflected in this report as well.

During the month of July, two projects have already been completed. Council closed out the following projects:

- Aramac – New air conditioning in Harry Redford Gallery
- Regional – Flood Damage Works (2023 Flood Event).

So far in 2025–2026, 47 projects have been itemised. This number will grow with Council finalising the priority projects for allocated capital works programs. Individual item updates are included in the attached report.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

We will have a safe, engaged, proud and performing council and workforce that is inclusive, innovative, ethical and trusted by all levels of government.

Consultation (internal/external)

- Executive Management Team
- District Managers
- Project Managers

Policy Implications

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Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Projects are itemised and budgeted accordingly.

Risk Management Implications

The recommendation in this report has no direct impact on enterprise risk, however, does provide information that is a control for project management risks. This report provides oversight, ongoing monitoring and management of projects.

Asset Management Implications

Capital Works projects result in the asset constructed or purchased being added to Council's asset register. This then flows on to costs of ongoing maintenance and depreciation.

Legal Implications

Nil



Project update report

Capital Works 2025/2026

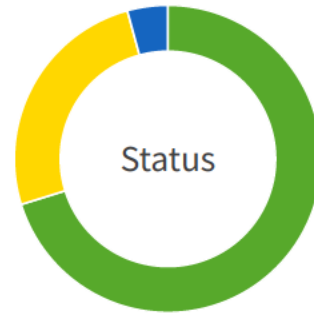
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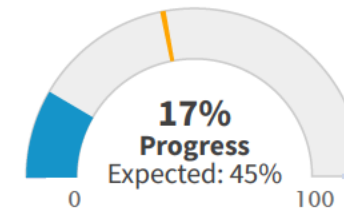
Project

Overall Summary



- On Track
- At Risk
- Completed

%
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26
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Project update report

Capital Works 2025/2026

Report Created On: Aug 07, 2025

Report Legend  Priority  No Update  Overdue

Program 1.1
Carryovers (2024/2025)

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 1.1.1	<p>Project Name: Regional - Solar Power for high power use locations</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Try and reduce the cost of power to our facilities and make our facilities more cost effective and feasible. Locations such as Alpha Depot - Stores Shed, Jericho Showgrounds, Alpha Showgrounds, Alpha & Jericho Town Halls, both Water Treatment Plants. This may not reduce the costs completely, but it may help with some of the cost.</p> <p>Budget: \$300,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div><div></div>15% (37%)</div>	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2027	Review of high power use site is continuing

Program 1.2
Council Buildings Program

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 1.2.1	<p>Project Name: 25-26 Barcaldine Town Hall Roof Repairs</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Repairs to be carried out to the Roof at the Barcaldine Town Hall</p> <p>Budget: \$45,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	<div><div></div>0% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	
Project 1.2.2	<p>Project Name: 25-26 Aramac Town Hall Window Replacement</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>The Aramac town hall is fitted with original louvers that now with years of wear and tear, let in dust, water and do not close properly. To start off, every second louver set will be replaced with glass windows.</p> <p>Budget: \$40,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	<div><div></div>16% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	
Project 1.2.3	<p>Project Name: 25-26 - Aramac New Air-conditioned Harry Redford Gallery/ Aramac Library and Info Centre</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Currently, there are no AC'S in the Harry Redford Gallery. There are delicate books, historical items, images etc that are located in the gallery and that need to be stored at a suitable temperature. The Gallery is apart of the Aramac Library and Information Centre, so many visitors utilise the space on a daily basis.</p> <p>Budget: \$10,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Work Completed</p>	Completed	<div><div></div>100%</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	Project has been completed

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 1.2.4	<p>Project Name: 25-26 Aramac RTC Workstation Renewal</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>To improve the current work station. The Aramac RTC offers BOQ banking services, TMR services and Centrelink assistance. The work station only has COVID screens that are not fixed to the bench top. Requesting to install security screens for safety purposes for staff at front of house. This is an important concern as we deal with large amounts of money daily. Install larger entry door to accommodate walkers, prams, wheelchairs as this is sometimes difficult for customers. Build/install a smaller internal meeting room for customers and bank staff to discuss confidential conversations (financial hardship applications, wills, EPOA, term deposit negotiations, deceased estates)</p> <p>Budget: \$10,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div><div></div>15% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	
Project 1.2.5	<p>Project Name: 25-26 Depot Crib Room Renewals</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Council has obligations to provide suitable facilities for our staff. This is particularly clear from a safety perspective, however for a organisational culture view point, quality facilities offers a sense of pride and shows the value of staff both inside and outside of the office. This project is looking to improve crib room facilities at all depots across the region.</p> <p>Budget: \$250,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div><div></div>0% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	

Program 1.3

Community Initiatives Program

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 1.3.1	<p>Project Name: 25-26 Muttaborra Hall & Campdraft Power Box and Light Upgrade</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>To better improve the power supply and reliability. Current supply is not enough to handle the demand - always tripping.</p> <p>Budget: \$15,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div>0% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	
Project 1.3.2	<p>Project Name: 25-26 Regional Community Enhancement Initiative</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Minor projects and requests to enhance the regional towns - entrance banner renewals, seating renewals (park benches, chairs, tables), shade structures, garden bed landscaping, solar lights, general parks and gardens facelift.</p> <p>Budget: \$190,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div>0% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	Draft Program of projects has been prepared and is going through final stages of internal approval.

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 1.3.3	<p>Project Name: 25-26 Alpha Washdown Bay Facility Upgrade</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>The Alpha Washdown bay is currently operating at 50% capacity. In the past the water is recycled and held in tanks underground. The water is not filtering as it should and is unusable. Previous plumber flagged this issue and closed down one side of the wash bay. The other side works straight off the bore and is clean water.</p> <p>Budget: \$90,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div>0% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	
Project 1.3.4	<p>Project Name: 25-26 Muttaborra Campground Redesign and Upgrade</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>The current layout of the Muttaborra Campground does not support the high number of visitors to the community. The powered sites are to close and people cannot park comfortably - the caravan park is losing money as there are 24 powered sites and cannot fit that many caravaners as the powered mushrooms have been put in too close together.</p> <p>Budget: \$30,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div>0% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 1.3.5	<p>Project Name: Regional - Solar Power for high power use locations</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Try and reduce the cost of power to our facilities and make our facilities more cost effective and feasible. Locations such as Alpha Depot - Stores Shed, Jericho Showgrounds, Alpha Showgrounds, Alpha & Jericho Town Halls, both Water Treatment Plants. This may not reduce the costs completely, but it may help with some of the cost.</p> <p>Budget: \$300,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div><div></div>15% (37%)</div>	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2027	Review of high power use site is continuing

Program 2.1
Carryovers (2024/2025)

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 2.1.1	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Pomona Reservoir</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Pomona Reservoir Roof superstructure and sheeting</p> <p>Stage 1, investigate and design replacement \$60,000</p> <p>Rational. Originally noted in a Report to Council in 2019 roof purlins had surface rust evident.</p> <p>Limited and brief inspection via inspection hatch (April 2024) showed significant section loss on surrounding purlins.</p> <p>RAPAD reservoir clean and inspection program needs to include Pomona Res for more detailed report.</p> <p>Budget: \$250,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Design</p>	On Track	<div><div></div>0% (41%)</div>	Feb 03, 2025	Apr 30, 2026	Tenders are being evaluated
Project 2.1.2	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Sewerage Treatment Plant</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Options Study and Design</p> <p>Budget: \$4,230,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$25,375.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Design</p>	At Risk	<div><div></div>3% (37%)</div>	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2027	<p>Highlights/Announcements:</p> <p>Tender for the Barcaldine STP is out in VendorPanel and be closed on the 11 August 2025.</p> <p>Risks/Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">allocated budget for this project may change subject to tendered amount received by the Council. <p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Review the project costing and project schedule once tender is finalised and awarded.

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 2.1.3	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Sewerage Treatment Plant Design</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Yet to be determined</p> <p>Budget: \$95,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$57,325.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Design</p>	On Track	<div><div>40% (100%)</div></div>	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	<p>Highlights/Announcements:</p> <p>Planning and Concept Design Report completed by Brandon & Associate was received by Council and currently being reviewed.</p> <p>Risks/Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Completion date for the project may not be able to achieve due Council staff changes on Water and Sewerage Section.Confirm if there is allocated budget for this project in current financial year. <p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Review the completed Planning and Concept Design Report and finalise the action plan push forward.
Project 2.1.4	<p>Project Name: Regional - Plant/Fleet Replacement 2024/2025</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>FY 24/25 fleet replacement program</p> <p>Budget: \$3,347,474.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$1,774,462.00</p> <p>Project Phase: In progress</p>	At Risk	<div><div>80% (100%)</div></div>	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	<p>Plant continues to arrive. Some of our yellow plant is experiencing delays. All items have been on order for some time now. we await delivery.</p>

Program 2.2
Water Services Program

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 2.2.1	<p>Project Name: 25-26 Jericho Water Treatment Plant Refurbishment</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Provide a lean-to off the side of the Jericho Water Treatment Plant to protect generator and chemicals stored outside in the weather.</p> <p>Budget: \$100,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	<div><div></div>0% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	
Project 2.2.2	<p>Project Name: 25-26 Pump and Bore Upgrade - Alpha and Jericho</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Alpha and Jericho pumps and bores require urgent upgrades.</p> <p>Budget: \$110,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	<div><div></div>0% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	
Project 2.2.3	<p>Project Name: Alpha/Jericho - Water Treatment Plant Chlorinators</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Alpha and Jericho WTP chlorinators.</p> <p>Units were changed out to calcium hypo units. Since installation these have been very problematic and unreliable.</p> <p>High failure rate resulting in unreliable disinfection of the water supply (CCP) (coupled with scada issues poses significant risk).</p> <p>Budget: \$80,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	At Risk	<div><div></div>50% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jul 01, 2026	Council is working with the manufacturers to move this project forward

Program 2.3
Sewerage Service Program

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 2.3.1	<p>Project Name: Regional - SCADA Rectification</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Correct, amend and augment GEOSCADA - Phase 1</p> <p>not started ready to approach to market - Dee 3/12/2024</p> <p>Budget: \$150,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$48,938.00</p> <p>Project Phase: In Progress</p>	On Track	<div><div></div>50% (37%)</div>	Feb 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	<p>Highlights/Announcements:</p> <p>The Contractor continues work through the defects / improvements identified in the SCADA report "GOTO". Assets worked on are pump stations, alarms, pumps, resetting trigger points and across the region.</p> <p>Risks/Issues:</p> <p>None at this time</p> <p>Next Steps:</p> <p>Work continues as per the Report.</p>
Project 2.3.2	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Sewerage Treatment Plant</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Options Study and Design</p> <p>Budget: \$4,230,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$25,375.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Design</p>	At Risk	<div><div></div>3% (37%)</div>	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2027	<p>Highlights/Announcements:</p> <p>Tender for the Barcaldine STP is out in VendorPanel and be closed on the 11 August 2025.</p> <p>Risks/Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">allocated budget for this project may change subject to tendered amount received by the Council. <p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Review the project costing and project schedule once tender is finalised and awarded.

Program 2.4
Plant and Fleet Services

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 2.4.1	<p>Project Name: Regional-Plant/Fleet 25/26</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>FY 24/25 fleet replacement program</p> <p>Budget: \$2,665,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	<div><div></div>0% (25%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Dec 01, 2025	

Program 3.1
Carryovers (2024/2025)

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.1.1	<p>Project Name: Alpha - Cattle Cross loading Facility</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Cattle Cross loading Facility</p> <p>Budget: \$200,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$7,690.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Procurement</p>	At Risk	<div><div></div><div>30% (83%)</div></div>	Feb 01, 2024	Nov 30, 2025	Council expects design to be completed in August. This will enable engagement of contractor and construction to commence.
Project 3.1.2	<p>Project Name: Regional - Flood Damage Works (Capital)</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Year 2 of the flood damage recovery works</p> <p>Budget: \$2,526,525.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$1,171,245.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Work Completed</p>	Completed	<div><div></div><div>100%</div></div>	Jul 01, 2023	Jun 30, 2025	Beech Street rehab project has been completed and this marks the final section of road to be completed under this program.
Project 3.1.3	<p>Project Name: Alpha - Craven Road Floodway 1</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Current Concrete Floodway is to low and too steep. It is very Dangerous due to its ride ability and it is continually silting over with sand at times. Area also holds 900mm of Water on Floodway.</p> <p>Remove Existing Slab & Install new slab at correct height 40m X 6m. Ch25.70 - Craven Rd</p> <p>Funding is LRCIP</p> <p>Budget: \$75,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$8,663.00</p> <p>Project Phase: In Progress</p>	On Track	<div><div></div><div>30% (62%)</div></div>	Feb 03, 2025	Nov 30, 2025	The project has had the funding extension approved and works is progressing as per the revised schedule.

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.1.4	<p>Project Name: Alpha - Craven Road Floodway 2</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Very Steep Floodway that always scours out. Very dangerous after Rain and is a high maintenance area.</p> <p>Construct Concrete Slab 50m x 6m, along with Rock batter protection down stream. Ch53.30 - Craven Rd</p> <p>Funding is LRCIP</p> <p>Budget: \$75,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$8,663.00</p> <p>Project Phase: In Progress</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div><div></div>20% (62%)</div>	Feb 01, 2025	Nov 30, 2025	The project has had the funding extension approved and works is progressing as per the revised schedule. There is some additional earthworks required for this job, due to the landscape and the design.
Project 3.1.5	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Stagmount Road - Floodway (Project ID 125146)</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Floodway crossing chainage 28.11km</p> <p>Project ID 125146 Stagmount Road - R2R</p> <p>Budget: \$100,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$37,830.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	<div>At Risk</div>	<div><div></div>0% (100%)</div>	Apr 02, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	As a part of the works masterplan, the project delivery is being reviewed. During July senior officers visited the job site to what could be completed within budget.
Project 3.1.6	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Stagmount Road (Project ID 125138-23)</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Project ID 125138-23QLD Floodway crossing at chainage 27.07km - R2R</p> <p>Budget: \$100,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$37,829.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	<div>At Risk</div>	<div><div></div>0% (100%)</div>	Apr 02, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	As a part of the works masterplan, the project delivery is being reviewed. During July senior officers visited the job site to what could be completed within budget.

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.1.7	<div>Project Name: Aramac - Stagmount Road (Project ID 125145)</div> <div>Description:</div> <div>Floodway crossing chainage 25.98km</div> <div>Project ID 125145</div> <div>R2R</div> <div>Budget: \$100,000.00</div> <div>Expenditure: \$37,829.00</div> <div>Project Phase: Planning</div>	<div>At Risk</div>	<div>0% (100%)</div>	Apr 02, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	As a part of the works masterplan, the project delivery is being reviewed. During July senior officers visited the job site to what could be completed within budget.
Project 3.1.8	<div>Project Name: Barcaldine - Braeside Road Floodway</div> <div>Description:</div> <div>R2R ID130317-24QLD-RTR</div> <div>Budget: \$150,000.00</div> <div>Expenditure: \$0.00</div> <div>Project Phase: Approved</div>	<div>On Track</div>	<div>0% (100%)</div>	Feb 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2025	Early planning works for this project has commenced.
Project 3.1.9	<div>Project Name: Muttaburra - Beryl Road Floodways</div> <div>Description:</div> <div>.</div> <div>Budget: \$100,000.00</div> <div>Expenditure: \$0.00</div> <div>Project Phase: Planning</div>	<div>At Risk</div>	<div>0% (28%)</div>	Apr 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	Following an initial review of this project, the price estimate is well above the budgeted amount. Delivery options are now being considered and Council consideration for a funding allocation will be required before this project can be commenced.

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.1.10	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Willow St K&C</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Road rehabilitation and upgrade with Kerb and Channel between the sections of Fir Street to Boree Street.</p> <p>Budget is made up of - \$350 R2R from last year money, \$350 R2R from this years money and \$200 TMR (TIDS) this years money</p> <p>Budget: \$900,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$434,498.00</p> <p>Project Phase: In Progress</p>	<div>At Risk</div>	<div><div></div>35% (49%)</div>	Apr 02, 2024	Dec 31, 2026	<p>Highlights/Announcements:</p> <p>400m length of footpath has been completed</p> <p>Risks/Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Stay cable of Ergon's power pole at the corner of Willow Street and Acacia Street may need to be relocated to comply with the required footpath clearance. Michael Anderson to call Ergon Energy for enquiry.Pavement rehabilitation works for willow Street maybe delayed due to the TMR projects. <p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Procure the materials required for the project so that if BRC construction crew become available the construction can commence immediately.
Project 3.1.11	<p>Project Name: Muttaburra - Town Street Rehabilitation</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>.</p> <p>Budget: \$200,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div><div></div>0% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	<p>Project Scope has been reviewed to consider all town streets in Muttaburra. Assessment of priority projects is in progress</p>
Project 3.1.12	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Betterment Works (Aramac Jericho Road)</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Gray Rock Drainage project</p> <p>Received design from Designers 11/09/2024</p> <p>Budget: \$1,520,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$1,099,070.00</p> <p>Project Phase: In Progress</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div><div></div>10% (78%)</div>	Jul 01, 2024	Nov 30, 2025	<p>Highlights/Announcements:</p> <p>Project QES documentations are being prepared and should be completed by the end of this week. Resourcing of required plants and equipment will be finalised by the end of this week. Subgrade testing will be done on Monday, 11 Aug 2025.</p> <p>Risks/Issues:</p> <p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Finalised the project program in reference to Council resources.Finalise the commencement date of the project.

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.1.13	<p>Project Name: Muttaborra - Mary St to Cornish St - Footpath</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>New footpath on the North side of Muttaborra Aramac road from Mary st to Cornish st currently no footpath on that street and everyone just walks along the road</p> <p>Budget: \$120,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	<div>At Risk</div>	<div>0% (100%)</div>	Dec 01, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	Project planning is in progress. Will be looking to engage contractor to deliver the works.
Project 3.1.14	<p>Project Name: Regional - Waste Transfer Station (Waste Reclaiming Initiatives)</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Add facilities to our transfer stations to meet our environmental responsibilities</p> <p>Budget: \$50,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div>5% (21%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Dec 31, 2025	Council has engaged a resource to provide an action plan for Council's waste facilities. The scope of this works will see some of the priority activities being able to delivered within this budget.

Program 3.2
Rural Roads Projects and Program

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.2.1	<p>Project Name: 25-26 Rural Road Sealing Program</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>.</p> <p>Budget: \$400,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	<div><div></div>0% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	Council officers are currently reviewing the priority projects for the 2025/2026 year. The project will then be scheduled in the works program.
Project 3.2.2	<p>Project Name: Regional - Reseals Program</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>.</p> <p>Budget: \$1,000,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	<div><div></div>0% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	Council officers are currently reviewing the priority projects for the 2025/2026 year. The project will then be scheduled in the works program.
Project 3.2.3	<p>Project Name: Regional - Road Resheeting Program</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Adding gravel to Council's deteriorating gravel roads</p> <p>Budget: \$2,000,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	<div><div></div>6% (100%)</div>	Feb 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2025	<p>The 2024-25 Gravel Road Resheeting Program to be rolled over into the 2025-26 financial year to create a larger gravel resheeting program to be delivered by contract.</p> <p>Once the sections of road have been identified under the 2025-26 Flood Damage submission it will be more cost effective to include additional gravel top up to areas identified for reconstruction in the first instance.</p>
Project 3.2.4	<p>Project Name: 2025 REPA Flood Damage Recovery Works</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>The March 2025 Flood event has resulted in a number of Council roads being impacted by the flood damage. the Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets program will see various packages of work to return roads to their prior condition.</p> <p>Budget: \$1,000,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	<div><div></div>0% (5%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2027	Submissions off the works program for this funding is progressing. Council has been successful in receiving early approvals for Coreena Road.

Program 3.3
Town Streets Upgrade and Renewals

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.3.1	<p>Project Name: 25-26 Town Streets Upgrade Program</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Ongoing improvements to priority sections of towns streets across the region.</p> <p>Budget: \$650,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div>0% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	Council officers are currently reviewing the priority projects for the 2025/2026 year. The projects will then be scheduled in the works program.
Project 3.3.2	<p>Project Name: Regional - Reseals Program</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>.</p> <p>Budget: \$1,000,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div>0% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	Council officers are currently reviewing the priority projects for the 2025/2026 year. The project will then be scheduled in the works program.

Program 4.1
Carryovers (2024/2025)

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 4.1.1	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - BREZ Development - Lancewood Drive</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>This is the scoping and design for the updates of the road access to the BREZ Development.</p> <p>Budget: \$70,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div>70% (73%)</div>	Jul 01, 2024	Dec 31, 2025	The design for the road has now been completed. Cost estimates for the construction and now being prepared.
Project 4.1.2	<p>Project Name: Muttaborra - Freedom Park Dump Point</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Installation of the Caravan and Campervan Dump point at the Muttaborra Freedom Park. Project is to include and additional sewerage works to connect into existing sewerage infrastructure</p> <p>Budget: \$40,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$570.00</p> <p>Project Phase: In Progress</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div>20% (100%)</div>	Jan 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2025	Council officers are currently assessing quotations for the works.

Program 4.2
Major Projects

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 4.2.1	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Gordon Street Revitalisation Stage 1</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Project to revitlilisation of Aramac main street. Construction of new road, footpaths, and street beautification. Project would be a major community consultation project, concept design, detailed design on to construction staging</p> <p>R2R ID130318-24QLD-RTR</p> <p>Budget: \$420,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div>0% (100%)</div>	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Project has been delayed to seek additional funding for the program. This will see Council submitting a grant application to fund the precinct planning phase.

Program 4.3
Other Projects

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 4.3.1	<p>Project Name: 25-26 Barcaldine Town Common Water Upgrades</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Upgrade ageing infrastructure for water on the town common. With the lack of rainfall and the river going dry new water troughs and tanks need to be installed for the welfare of the cattle.</p> <p>Budget: \$15,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	<div>On Track</div>	<div>0% (10%)</div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	

Program 5.1
Carryovers (2024/2025)

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 5.1.1	<p>Project Name: Regional - Housing Renewal Program</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Capital renewals of Council's Housing Program</p> <p>Budget: \$250,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$262,533.00</p> <p>Project Phase: In Progress</p>	At Risk	<div><div>90% (100%)</div></div>	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Officers are finalising works on the property in Byron Street Alpha.

Program 5.2
Governance Program

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 5.2.1	<p>Project Name: 25-26 IT Renewal Program</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>IT equipment replacement program - critical for service delivery and new ERP implementation</p> <p>Budget: \$70,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	<div><div>0% (10%)</div></div>	Jul 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2026	

BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL
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Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item Number: 3.3.3
Subject Heading: Community Care Services Financial Performance
Author and Title: Sara Milligan, Acting Finance Manager
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: This report provides an update on the Community Care Services financial performance as at 31 July 2025.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receives the report by the Acting Finance Manager relating to the Community Care Services 2025–2026 July financial performance against budget.

Background

Council provides community care programs across the region. This report provides an update on the financial performance on each program for the first month of the 2025–2026 financial year. As of 31 July 2025, the Community Care Services business is reporting a year to date operating profit of \$10k.

Following the ADO & Co Consultancy review, new reporting formats have been introduced for Community Care Services. These reports will be monitored in the coming months to assess their effectiveness. Service performance reports will be provided on a quarterly basis.

A review of the National Insurance Disability Scheme service is scheduled in the coming months, with updated reporting to be provided following its completion.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 2: Services

Our townships continue to be provided with compliance and sustainable water, sewerage and waste services. In the absence of other alternative providers, we continue to provide quality community support services on a cost-neutral basis.

Policy Implications

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Budget and Resource Implications

Most of the programs are operated on a cost-recovery basis. Initiatives are underway to improve both business management and financial governance for all Community Care Services provided by council.

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Risk Management Implications

ADO & Co Consultancy has completed a financial operations and pricing review of the Community Care Services which was presented to Council at this month's workshop. Following this review, changes to our financial system and financial reports have been recommended and adopted. These changes will need to be monitored to see how they are performing.

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil

A financial summary of each program is provided below:

Community Care Services – financial and operational update

As at 31 July 2025

Overview of financial performance

Home Assist Scheme	YTD surplus /(deficit) of (\$9,194)	Unfavourable variance to budget of \$1,141 , this is due to our first grant instalment not expected until August.
Commonwealth Home Support Program	YTD surplus /(deficit) of \$34,397	Favourable variance to budget of (\$405) , this is due to lower costs for the month of July. These will need to be monitored going forward.
Support at Home	YTD surplus /(deficit) of (\$18,727)	Unfavourable variance to budget of (\$14,970) , this is due to no package claims being made for the 2026FY
NDIS	YTD surplus /(deficit) of \$3,555	Unfavourable variance to budget of \$13,569 , this is due to the timing of claims.

Home assist secure as at 31 July 2025

Financial performance

	Year to date July 2025				Notes
	Actual \$	Budget \$	Variance \$	Variance %	
Revenue					
Grants - Base Funding	-	12,789	(12,789)	-100%	1
Grants - Additional funding	-	-	-		
Client contributions materials	-	259	(259)	-100%	
	-	13,048	(13,048)	-100%	
Expenditure					
Client care coordination	1,109	3,416	2,307	68%	
Employee Costs	1,822	-	(1,822)		
Material costs to be recovered	-	-	-		
Other non-material costs	6,005	8,240	2,235	27%	
Plant Costs	258	250	(8)	-3%	
	9,194	11,906	2,712	23%	
Net surplus/(deficit)	(9,194)	1,141	(15,760)	-1381%	1
<i>% of material costs recovered</i>					

Notes on financial performance:

1 – Funding for HAS is received in two instalments, one in August and one in January.

1 – There are carried forward funds for this program from previous years, the actual amount will be determined and bought forward in the August report.

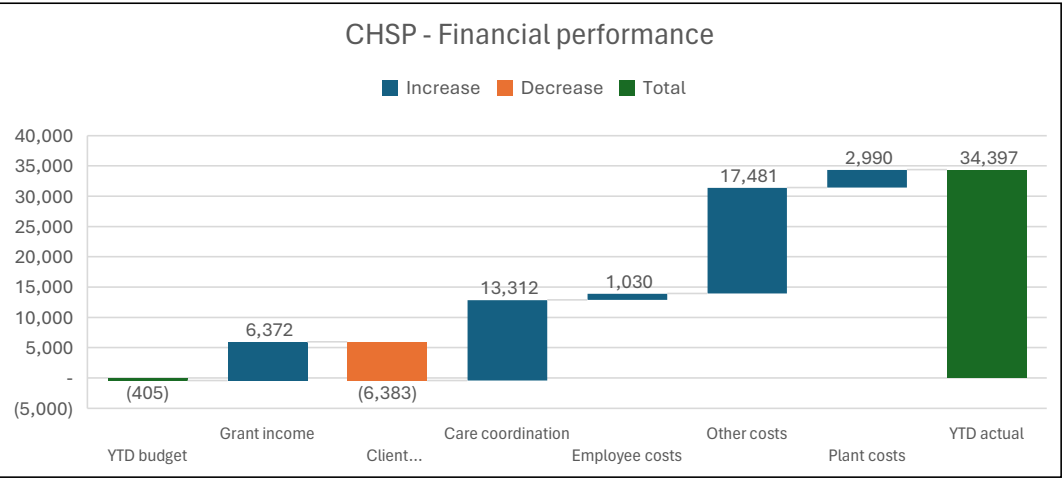
Commonwealth Home Support Program as at 31 July 2025

Financial performance

	Year to date July 2025				Notes
	Actual \$	Budget \$	Variance \$	Variance %	
Revenue					
Grant income	67,314	60,942	6,372	10%	1
Client contributions	3,952	10,335	(6,383)	-62%	
	71,266	71,277	(11)	0%	
Expenditure					
Care coordination	6,398	19,710	13,312	68%	2
Employee costs	23,366	24,397	1,030	4%	
Other costs	6,553	24,033	17,481	73%	2
Plant costs	552	3,542	2,990	84%	2
	36,869	71,682	34,813	49%	
Net suplus/(deficit)	34,397	(405)	34,802	-8598%	

Notes on financial performance:

- 1 – Total Grant Income for the year is \$807k, this will be updated at the next budget review
- 2 – Costs are down compared to budget and will need to be reviewed in the coming months and adjusted in the next budget review if required



Commonwealth Home Support Program as at (insert date)

Service performance



Notes on service performance

- 1 – Raise any key issues relating to service delivery, good or bad)
- 2 – Any significant service issues in the quarter that need to be raised with council? Any issues in the upcoming quarter

Support at home
as at 31 July 2025

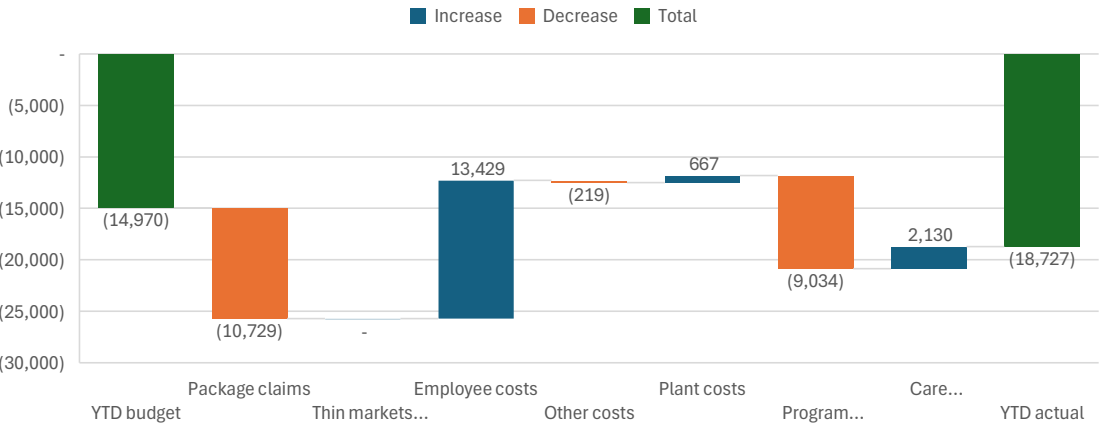
Financial performance

	Year to date July 2025				Notes
	Actual \$	Budget \$	Variance \$	Variance %	
Revenue					
Package claims	-	10,729	(10,729)	-100%	1
Thin markets grant	-	-	-		
	-	10,729	(10,729)	-100%	
Expenditure					
Employee costs	8,021	21,450	13,429	63%	2
Other costs	648	429	(219)	-51%	
Plant costs	-	667	667	100%	
Program support	9,034	-	(9,034)		3
Care coordination	1,024	3,154	2,130	68%	
	18,727	25,699	6,972	27%	
Net surplus/(deficit)	(18,727)	(14,970)	(3,757)	25%	

Notes on financial performance:

- 1 – No Package claims have been submitted for the 2026 FY
- 2 – Costs are down compared to budget due to staff vacancies
- 3 – Program support was not separately budgeted for and will need to be included in the budget review

Support at Home



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AGENDA FOR GENERAL MEETING 13 AUGUST 2025

Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025

Item Number: 3.4.1

Subject Heading: General Council Business

Summary: Items to be tabled on the day.

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AGENDA FOR GENERAL MEETING 13 AUGUST 2025

Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item Number: 3.5.1
Subject Heading: Mayor's Information Report
 Author and Title: Councillor Rob Chandler, Mayor
 Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: From the Mayor, tabling his information report to Council.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the report.

TOPIC	ACTIVITY
Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Muttaborra Community Qld Beef Corridors Steering Committee Central Qld Beef Roads Investment Strategic Advisory Group Telstra Connectivity Plan Central West Hospital and Health Service Board Members Capital Works Steering Committee Barcaldine Renewable Energy Zone Red Ridge Remote Area Planning and Development Social and Affordable Housing Bruce McConnel – Drought Resilience \$200k Local Disaster Management Group
Workshops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Councillor
Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> University of Qld Science Week McCulloch and Robertson 100 year Celebration

OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE		
DATE	RECIPIENT	SUBJECT
17 July 2025	Janelle Lawton	Bidjara Ranger Program – Letter of Support
17 July 2025	Rhys Peacock	Senior Rugby League – Letter of Support
17 July 2025	Kate Birse	Muttaborra Golf Club – Letter of Support
24 July 2025	Central Qld University	Cancer Patient Support Grant – Letter of Support

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Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

Policy Implications

Nil – information report only

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil – information report only

Risk Management

Low – information report only

Legal Implications

Low – information report only

BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL
AGENDA FOR GENERAL MEETING 13 AUGUST 2025

Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item Number: 3.5.2
Subject Heading: Chief Executive Officer's Information Report
Author and Title: Daniel Bradford, Chief Executive Officer
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: This report provides a monthly update on the activities of the Chief Executive Officer.

Officer's Recommendation: That the report be received and noted.

Background

It has only been a short time since the last Council meeting and the hamster wheels have been very active in the background. The new financial year has seen a few new starters in providing some much needed boosts in some key areas. The community grants funding rounds, as a result of the new policy, have been launched. This is expected to offer community groups to not only apply for their regular funding but I think will see some groups consider new ideas and projects to take advantage of this new approach.

Barcaldine Regional Council, as a part of the Central Queensland Beef Corridors Program, signed off on the program of works along with six other Councils in Central Queensland and the Department of Transport and Main Roads. This is the culmination of years of advocacy and engagement by the Mayors with both State and Federal Governments. Locally we will see the Alpha-Clermont and Alpha-Tambo Roads being largely sealed from Tambo to Clermont over the next ten years. Two early works projects are already in our budget this year, with a section of the Alpha-Clermont Road expected to commence in the next month or so. This will be the very first piece of work to start under this program.

Internally this month our Works team met to work through projects and plan delivery for 2025/2026. This planning session was also undertaken in our Corporate and Community Services team. Both sessions saw the leaders look at and consider our methods of delivery and alternatives. Ideas and strategies across a few key areas are being investigated further over the coming months. The key outcomes of these sessions are about ensuring a regional approach for service delivery that is consistent and local priority issues are able to be addressed. In other major internal projects, Council Enterprise System project is in full swing. This will impact nearly all staff in some way, however those dealing with paperwork day to day will likely see process improvements.

Over the next month there are various events Council will be attending which offer some great advocacy opportunities. The Community Cabinet in Emerald will offer opportunity to meet with ministers about housing needs and tourism. This will be immediately followed by attendance at the Western Queensland Alliance of Councils in St George.

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Also, the Remote Area Planning and Development (RAPAD) Councils are meeting in Bedourie over the course of the next month as well.

Other key actions for the month included:

- Community session in Aramac
- Review of progress of the Organisational Culture Review recommendations actions and to provide the monthly management update
- Enterprise Bargaining meetings
- Grant funding planning meeting
- Monthly Toolbox Talks in Barcaldine
- Capital Works Steering Committee meeting
- Meeting with Department of Housing regarding Council's Local Housing Action Plan
- Meeting with Southern Queensland and Northern New South Wales Innovation Hub regarding drought resilience projects
- Meeting with the Central West Hospital and Health Services and Local Primary Health Network leaders to discuss local health needs of the Barcaldine region.

Recruitment Update

Council will be going live with the trainee and apprenticeship recruitment program in August. Council is looking for trainees in areas where we particularly have challenges sourcing qualified and experienced staff. Some of the traineeships this year will offer more security for ongoing employment beyond the completion of the trainee program.

Some key points of note from our human resource statistics for 2025/2026:

- Currently twelve positions are being advertised, six are currently being shortlisted
- Council currently have 166 staff equating to the 154 full-time equivalent
- Twenty-four staff over the age of 65
- So far in 2025/2026 there have been nine new starters and four exited employees.

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Theme 5: Governance

- Develop systems to better inform investment decisions (including return and whole of life costs)
- Continue listening to our communities identify opportunities for improvement
- Continue reviewing policies and strategic plans for relevancy and currency.

Policy Implications – Information report only

Budget and Resource Implications – Information report only

Risk Management Implications – Information report only

Asset Management and Legal Implications – Information report only.

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Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item Number: 3.5.3
Subject Heading: District Managers' Report
Author and Title: Paula Coulton, Acting District Manager – Alpha and Jericho
Jenny Lawrence, District Manager – Barcaldine
Amber Coulton, Acting District Manager – Aramac and Muttaborra
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: This report provides an update on the Council activities that have occurred over the last month, in and around the Barcaldine Regional Council District.

Officer's Recommendation: That the report provided by the District Managers providing an update on the previous months Council activities within each district be received and noted.

Background

This report has been prepared for the purposes of providing Councillors and the community with a summary of the operational activities that have occurred or are to occur across the Barcaldine Regional Council area. The table below outlines recent activities that have occurred, are in progress or will be occurring over the next month.

Quote for the Month: "Don't regret growing older. It's a privilege denied to many" – Mark Twain.

Barcaldine region

Projects	
Regional Community Enhancements	Planning stage. Director and District Managers workshopped ideas, projects identified and endorsed.
Barcaldine Town Hall Roof Repairs	Planning stage.
Town Common Water Upgrades	Rural lands officer calling for quotes for supply of troughs. Work to be carried out by Council staff.
Operations	
Stock Routes	All drovers are through the Barcaldine areas. Fencing on Bluebush stock route to be removed within the next 14 days.
Rural Lands Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Firebreaks being out carried on town common and stock routes.• Firebreak has been completed around land on the southern side of Bauhinia Street.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poisoning mother of millions on town common and stock routes. • Assisting with baiting in the Aramac area. • Assistance with organising meeting with town common cattle owners to discuss requirements.
Carpenter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carrying out repairs along Lagoon Creek walkway, safety issues. • Carrying out minor works for Community Care Services program.
Local Laws	Checking of overgrown allotments ongoing.
Library	Librarian on leave during this period (casual library employee maintaining opening hours).
Sixty & Better	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended annual general meeting on 15 July 2025. A committee was successfully elected. • Quarterly report to department has been completed.
Information Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tourist numbers for May to July show that numbers are down from 2024. There were a couple of busy weeks during school holidays, numbers are reducing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 2025 – 1,014; 2024 – 1,240 ○ June 2025 – 1,443; 2024 – 1,671 ○ July 2025 – 1,908; 2024 – 2,352. • Hours on Sundays to be reduced – start later, as numbers are reducing. Casuals continue to offer great support to open the centre on weekends. As numbers start to decline, will look at ceasing weekend work by end of September.
Housing	Vacant houses to be filled when staff recruitment complete.
Advocacy and Meetings	
Barcaldine Rec Park	Contractor has the grounds and facilities looking good.
Electric Vehicle Charging	Work on the construction of the charging stations on Wilga Street has commenced.
Mental Health First Aid	Attended monthly meeting with fellow first aid officers.
Local Disaster Management	Attended local disaster management meeting.

Alpha and Jericho region

Community Events, Donations and Support	
Alpha Tourism Association	Waive fees for Christmas Markets 13 December 2025.
Alpha Pony Club	Waive fees for Showground usage.

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Projects	
2024-2025	
16a Byron Street – House Renewal	Plumbing to be completed. Stove and rangehood installed.
2025-2026	
Alpha Wash Bay	Planning – redesign.
Jericho Water Treatment Plant	Planning – construction of lean-to.
Alpha/Jericho Pumps and Bores	Planning – various items to be placed on VendorPanel for procurement in the coming weeks.
Regional Community Enhancements	Planning stage. Director and District Managers workshopped ideas, projects identified and endorsed.
Operations	
Housing	Housing vacancies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Alpha – 1 x 3 bedroom house ○ 1 x 2 bedroom house (renovations near complete) ○ Jericho – 1 x 2 bedroom house (toilet to be relocated to bathroom ASAP).
Jericho Post Office/Tourism Centre/Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very busy month of July. • Library – 60 customers. • Info Centre and Post Office – 300 visitors/patrons. • New shelving to be erected. • Many great compliments from tourists on Jericho's presentation.
Alpha Tourist Centre	412 visitors for the month of July. A number of tour buses have been visiting.
Bank of Qld (BOQ)/Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orange Sky fundraiser – lolly jar guess. • Library and BOQ busy with locals and visitors.
Rural Lands Officer	Annual leave all of July.
Jericho Flood Gates	Maintenance has been carried out on the flood gates. A maintenance register has been created as part of the Emergency Plan to ensure the gates are maintained biannually.
Advocacy and Meetings	
Remote Area Planning and Development (RAPAD)	Climate alliance meeting. Discussions around local government area energy costs and consumption. Local Government Association of Qld partnering with Councils to gather information on energy costs and options for more climate efficient energy moving forward.
North Queensland Dry Tropics	Regional Pest Management Strategic Plan 2026-2030 endorsed and fully supported by each participating Council.
Queensland Corrective Services	Attended Blackall Workers Camp Forum on 22 July. Discussions around the Workers Camps situated around our district and the assistance they can

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	offer our community groups – very interesting day out. Aramac to prepare a business case.
Local Disaster Management Group	Attended Local Disaster Management Group meeting.
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council has been successful in the joint submission lodged by DAFF for deer culling in the Barcaldine and Alpha areas. • Next stages – commence planning and co-ordination.
State Emergency Services (SES)	Discussions held with regional SES co-ordinator. New area manager has arrived. Plans will be put in place to carry out a recruitment drive for volunteers. The SES are aware rural intakes are low in all areas.
Mystery Box Rally 2026	Contact made by Mystery Box Rally – looking to stop in Alpha in October 2026.
Department of Housing and Public Works	Correspondence received advising construction of a two bedroom duplex – 8 Gordon Street, Alpha and 2 x 2 bedroom units – 103 Elm Street, Barcaldine.
NRMA	Electric Vehicle Charging Station – Shakespeare Street, Alpha. Licence signed and returned.
Alpha Tourism Committee	The committee has applied for a grant to install an art studio and a laundromat behind the tourism building. This requires Council and planning approval as it is located within the flood zone – ongoing.
Child Care	Community meeting to be held mid August to discuss needs within the community of Alpha. Positive progress has been made by RAPAD. Lady Gowrie is an interested party and is seeking further information on both communities of Aramac and Alpha.

Aramac and Muttaborra region

Community Events, Donations and Support	
Muttaborra Sculpture Festival Incorporated	Muttaborra Sculpture Festival Popup Gallery held on Thursday 31 July and Friday 1 August 2025 – \$500 cash donation.
Aramac Community Development Association – Linen on the Lawn (Subcommittee)	Linen on the Lawn – Women’s Empowerment Event held on Saturday 26 July 2025 at the Aramac Showgrounds. Although it was wet, the event was very successful.
Muttaborra Amateur Turf Club	Annual race meet held on Saturday 9 August 2025 – successful event.

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Aramac Racing Club Incorporated	Annual race meet scheduled for Saturday 23 August 2025.
Muttaborra Masonic Lodge	Proclamation – a members dinner scheduled for Saturday 23 August 2025.
Muttaborra Community Development Association	Request for assistance received – \$500 cash donation.
Muttaborra Stock Show Society	Letter of thanks received.
Projects	
Bowls Club Airconditioning – Aramac \$20,000	Project completed.
Town Fencing – Aramac \$30,000	Project completed.
Town Hall Upgrade – Aramac \$80,000	Upgrade to men and women's facilities complete. Insurance claim approved, works to repair recent storm damage underway.
Cattle Yard Upgrade – Aramac \$10,000	Project completed.
Town Hall Upgrade – Muttaborra \$30,000	Upgrades completed. Reprioritising scope of works regarding footpath to Muttaborrasaurus Interpretation Centre.
Muttaborra Freedom Park Dump Point \$40,000	Quotes received, continued investigation regarding water supply for the dump point.
Community Enhancement Program – Muttaborra \$40,000	Project completed.
2025-2026	
Community Asset – Muttaborra Hall and Campdraft Power Box and Light Upgrade \$30,000	Not yet commenced.
Aramac Town Hall Window Replacement \$40,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Works from recent storm damage scheduled first. • VendorPanel closes Sunday 17 August 2025.
New Air Conditioner Harry Redford Gallery/Aramac Library and Information Centre	Works awarded. Scheduled to be installed late September/early October 2025.

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\$10,000	
Community Enhancement – Muttaborra Campground Redesign and Upgrade \$30,000	Not yet commenced.
Upgrade Aramac Rural Transaction Centre Workstation \$10,000	Quotes received, workstation measured. Negotiation continues.
Operations	
Muttaborra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned empty of the Muttaborra pool and deep clean scheduled for late August 2025. Positive feedback from Mayor's recent community visit. The community appreciate the visits and face to face conversations. Locust plague ongoing.
Stock Routes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current cattle grazing permits: Mildura and Leichhardt. Weed spraying continuing. Clancy water facility – build a pad and install new water tanks. Quotes received.
Rural Lands Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuing to study Certificate IV in Investigations through Peak Services. Pig aerial shoot conducted from Tuesday 15 to Thursday 17 July 2025. This project is co-funded by Australian Pork Limited, RAPAD, Desert Channels Qld, LGAQ, Department of Primary Industries and Longreach Regional Council. Various participating landholders in the Barcaldine Region.
Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Muttaborra 0 vacancies. Aramac 5 vacancies: 3 – 3 bedroom homes, 3 – 2 bedroom home/unit.
Library and Information Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior citizen's morning tea and craft every Monday. For the month of July 2025: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loans – 21 Returns – 179 (including exchange) Daily reports – 206 (including exchange) Local visitors – 106 Tourists – 419 Four Justice of the Peace tasks One Qld Ambulance Service call-out. This month has been busy with a number of gatherings for the seniors, including a 95th birthday and also a visit from Aged Care Advocate.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dianne from RAPAD Skilling visited and Sarah completed two modules towards her Certificate III in Tourism. Local resident and Barcaldine State School student Duncan Landers completed one day work experience.
Advocacy and Meetings	
Barcaldine State School (BSS)	Student from BSS completed a week of work experience – Monday 14 to Friday 18 July.
District Disaster Management Group (DDMG)	DDMG flood event debrief held on Tuesday 12 August 2025..
Anna Cameron	Muttaborra Community Forum – Housing in Muttaborra. Email received on Thursday 17 June 2025.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 1: Community

Theme 4: Economy

Consultation (internal/external)

Acting Director Corporate and Financial Services

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Council's budget incorporates funding for the activities identified in this report

Risk Management Implications

Nil

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil

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Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item Number: 3.5.4
Subject Heading: Planning and Development Report
Author and Title: Daniel Bradford, Chief Executive Officer
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer, tabling the monthly Planning and Development Report.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the report.

Background

The planning and development report for the month consists of two elements:

1. A list of town planning, building, water and sewerage applications.
2. A report from Council's town planners – Reel Planning.

The full details of development applications are available on Council's website.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance – we will have a safe, engaged, proud and performing council and workforce that is inclusive, innovative, ethical and trusted by all levels of government.

Consultation (internal/external)

- Chief Executive Officer
- Reel Planning

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

- Planning fees received
- Assessment costs.

Risk Management Implications

Low risk – information report only

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil

Summary list of town planning, building, water and sewerage applications.

Date		Fees		Development Type	Development Detail	Value of work	Location
01.07.2025	O/B	\$0.00				\$0.00	
03.07.2025		\$1,650.00		Town Planning	Material Change of Use for a Medium Impact Industry (Contractors yard) and for a Residential Activity (Caretaker's Cottage)	\$0.00	Barcaldine
16.07.2025		\$908.00		Building	Construction of one (1) new shed	\$15,000.00	Barcaldine
18.07.2025		\$1,210.00		Town Planning	Material Change of Use - Telecommunications Facility	\$0.00	Barcaldine
		\$3,768.00	1 July 2025 to 7 August 2025				\$15,000.00
		\$69,317.00	2024-25 Financial Year				\$2,316,652.00
		\$39,515.79	2023-24 Financial Year				\$5,455,828.87
		\$52,587.50	2022-23 Financial Year				\$2,316,652.00
		\$45,692.00	2021-22 Financial Year				\$4,215,938.78
			2020-21 Financial Year				\$3,639,135.00
			2019-20 Financial Year				\$5,454,721.91
			2018-19 Financial Year				\$2,220,655.58

Summary list of town planning, building, water and sewerage applications.

Date		Fees		Development Type	Development Detail	Value of work	Location
01.07.2024	O/B	\$0.00				\$0.00	
03.07.2024		\$976.00		Town Planning	Reconfiguring a Lot via Boundary Realignment (12 Lots into 10 Lots)	\$0.00	Barcaldine
01.07.2024		\$513.00		Water Connection	Connection of Water	\$0.00	Barcaldine
25.07.2024		\$825.00		Building	Construction of one (1) new shed	\$40,000.00	Barcaldine
25.07.2024		\$791.00		Plumbing	Plumbing for New Shed	\$0.00	Barcaldine
25.07.2024		\$1,100.00		Town Planning	Material Change of Use - Service Station	\$0.00	Barcaldine
01.08.2024		\$825.00		Building	Construction of one (1) Shed	\$42,000.00	Barcaldine
06.08.2024		\$11,000.00		Town Planning	Material Change of Use - Extractive Industry (Surface Gravel Deposit)	\$0.00	Barcaldine
05.08.2024		\$0.00		Water Connection	Connection of Water	\$0.00	Barcaldine
30.07.2024		\$2,260.00		Building	Disability Modifications	\$199,828.20	Barcaldine
29.07.2024		\$0.00		Water Connection	Connection of Water	\$0.00	Barcaldine
14.08.2024		\$565.00		Plumbing	Alterations to existing Amenities and Kitchen	\$0.00	Barcaldine
14.08.2024		\$513.00		Water Connection	Connection of Water	\$0.00	Muttaburra
29.08.2024		\$825.00		Building	Construction of one (1) new Carport	\$20,000.00	Barcaldine
29.08.2024		\$0.00		Water Connection	Connection of Water	\$0.00	Barcaldine
29.08.2024		\$0.00		Water Connection	Connection of Water	\$0.00	Barcaldine
29.08.2024		\$89.00		Building	Construction of one (1) Shade Sail	\$58,150.00	Alpha
28.08.2024		\$1,750.00		Town Planning	Material Change of Use - Public Utility	\$0.00	Barcaldine
20.08.2024		\$2,524.00		Building	Alterations to existing Amenities and Kitchen	\$0.00	Barcaldine
05.09.2024		\$1,270.00		Town Planning	Reconfiguration of Lot (1 Lot into 3 Lots)	\$0.00	Barcaldine
09.09.2024		\$704.00		Plumbing	Plumbing for new toilet block	\$0.00	Barcaldine
29.08.2024		\$0.00		Building	Extension to existing Shed	\$20,000.00	Barcaldine
05.09.2024		\$0.00		Water Connection	Connection of Water	\$0.00	Barcaldine
05.09.2024		\$0.00		Water Connection	Connection of Water	\$0.00	Barcaldine
27.09.2024		\$1,439.00		Building	Construction of one (1) new dwelling	\$540,000.00	Barcaldine
27.09.2024		\$556.00		Plumbing	Plumbing for New Dwelling	\$0.00	Barcaldine
28.09.2024		\$3,580.00		Building	Construction of one (1) workshop; one (1) Office and Toilet Block	\$155,000.00	Barcaldine
02.10.2024		\$1,664.00		Building	Construction of one (1) Ablution Unit	\$30,000.00	Barcaldine
03.10.2024		\$0.00		Building	Construction of four (4) new shade shelters	\$110,000.00	Barcaldine
28.09.2024		\$556.00		Plumbing	Plumbing for New Office/Toilet Block and Septic Installation	\$0.00	Barcaldine
29.08.2024		\$513.00		Water Connection	Connection of Water	\$0.00	Barcaldine
02.10.2024		\$513.00		Water Connection	Connection of Water	\$0.00	Barcaldine
22.10.2024		\$2,235.00		Building	Construction of one (1) Workshop; one (1) Office/Toilet Block	\$200,000.00	Barcaldine
27.11.2024		\$426.00		Plumbing	Plumbing for Building Upgrades	\$0.00	Aramac
22.11.2024		\$1,732.00		Building	Installation of Dongas	\$34,000.00	Alpha
22.11.2024		\$825.00		Building	Construction of one (1) Carport	\$12,000.00	Barcaldine
13.12.2024		\$1,104.00		Building	Construction of one (1) shade structure	\$35,000.00	Barcaldine
20.12.2024		\$1,100.00		Town Planning	Material Change of Use (Medium Impact Industry) - 30 Plumb Road & 29 Leopardwood Road Barcaldine	\$0.00	Barcaldine
17.12.2024		\$0.00		Water Connection	Connection of Water	\$0.00	Barcaldine
17.12.2024		\$0.00		Water Connection	Connection of Water	\$0.00	Barcaldine
31.01.2025		\$0.00		Water Connection	Connection of Water	\$0.00	Barcaldine
04.02.2025		\$825.00		Building	Construction of shed	\$114,640.56	Barcaldine
05.02.2025		\$825.00		Building	Existing shed to be demolished & new shed in place	\$27,500.00	Barcaldine
04.02.2025		\$825.00		Building	Construction of shed	\$5,500.00	Barcaldine
04.02.2025		\$1,270.00		Town Planning	Reconfiguration of Lot (1 into 3)	\$0.00	Barcaldine
13.02.2025		\$2,788.00		Building	One x transportable amenities building; one x transportable office building and one x aboveground fuel tank and copy cover	\$150,000.00	Barcaldine
17.02.2025		\$1,160.00		Building	Construction of one (1) Lean To	\$18,000.00	Barcaldine
05.11.2024		\$0.00		Plumbing	Plumbing for Four (4) New Dwellings and Connection to Council Sewer	\$0.00	Barcaldine
28.02.2025		\$2,341.00		Building	Construction of one (1) shed and one (1) deck	\$120,000.00	Barcaldine
11.03.2025		\$0.00		Building	Construction of one (1) platform pit and roof	\$45,000.00	Barcaldine
12.03.2025		\$976.00		Town Planning	Reconfiguration of Lot via subdivision (5 Lots into 3 Lots over 2 stages)	\$0.00	Barcaldine
24.03.2025		\$825.00		Building	Carport	\$9,900.00	Barcaldine
31.03.2025		\$1,100.00		Town Planning	Material Change of Use - Transport Depot	0	Barcaldine
07.04.2025		\$2,788.00		Building B301	Construction of one (1) Cooladek Patio and Roof; Shed Extension and Shade Structure	\$90,000.00	Barcaldine
23.04.2025		\$1,124.00		Building	Removal of one (1) dwelling	\$15,000.00	Muttaburra
		\$1,545.00		Building	Addition of one (1) new cooladek patio roof and one (1) a swimming pool and fence	\$40,000.00	Barcaldine
28.04.2025		\$426.00		Plumbing	Installation of on-site wastewater and effluent disposal system	\$0.00	Barcaldine
22.04.2025		\$0.00		Plumbing	Plumbing to transportable ablution block and connection to existing sewer	\$0.00	Barcaldine
11.06.2025		\$825.00		Building	Construction of one (1) shed	\$75,000.00	Aramac
13.06.2025		\$1,439.00		Building	Construction of one (1) new dwelling	\$443,000.00	Barcaldine
13.06.2025		\$930.00		Plumbing	Plumbing for new dwelling	\$0.00	Barcaldine
13.06.2025		\$930.00		Plumbing	Plumbing for new dwelling	\$0.00	Barcaldine
13.06.2025		\$1,439.00		Building	Construction of one (1) new dwelling	\$503,690.00	Barcaldine
26.06.2025		\$825.00		Building	Construction of one (1) shed	\$25,000.00	Barcaldine
24.06.2025		\$513.00		Water Connection	Connection of Water	\$0.00	Barcaldine
30.06.2025		\$825.00		Building	Construction of one (1) shed	\$26,000.00	Barcaldine
		\$69,317.00		1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025		\$3,204,208.76	
		\$52,587.50		2022-23 Financial Year		\$2,316,652.00	
		\$45,692.00		2021-22 Financial Year		\$4,215,938.78	
				2020-21 Financial Year		\$3,639,135.00	
				2019-20 Financial Year		\$5,454,721.91	
				2018-19 Financial Year		\$2,220,655.58	

MONTHLY REPORT (JULY)

This information report provides a monthly update on the planning services that Council provides to support planning and development activity across the local government area.

1. DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT

One new application has been received since the last monthly report. Two applications are currently under assessment and one application is in its appeal period.

1.1	Council reference:	TBC
	Application:	Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for a Telecommunications Facility
	Property description:	Pack Saddle Creek Roadside Rest Area, Landsborough Highway, Barcaldine (Part of road reserve adjoining lot 27 on R5749)
	Day application was made:	18 July 2025
	Category of assessment:	Code
	Public notification be required:	No
	Applicant:	Telstra Limited
	Status:	Under assessment

An application has been made by Telstra Limited seeking a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for a Telecommunications Facility over land at Pack Saddle Creek Roadside Rest Area, Landsborough Highway, Barcaldine. This site is approximately 30km west of the Barcaldine Township.

The proposal involves the installation of a small cell telecommunications facility. The proposal is entirely within the Landsborough Road road reserve. The location nominated has been confirmed as suitable for the installation of a small cell telecommunications facility to provide 4G (LTE 700) services to the rest area and nearby parts of the highway and the surrounding area.

The subject site is in the Rural Zone wherein the proposal is categorised as Assessable Development that is subject to Code Assessment. The application will not require referral to the State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA) as the applicant has applied over part of the site that is not within 25m of the State-controlled road.

The application is currently under assessment.

1.2	Council reference:	DA012526
	Application:	Development Application for Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for Medium Impact Industry (Contractors Yard) and Residential Activity (Caretaker's Accommodation)
	Property description:	Beefwood Road, Barcaldine (Lot 12 on SP340967)
	Day application was made:	03 July 2025
	Category of assessment:	Code
	Public notification be required:	No
	Applicant:	C.J. & C.M. Cole C/- Murray & Associates (QLD) Pty Ltd
	Status:	Under assessment

An application has been made by C.J. & C.M. Cole C/- Murray & Associates (QLD) Pty Ltd for a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for Medium Impact Industry (Contractors Yard) and Residential Activity (Caretaker's Accommodation) over land at Beefwood Road, Barcaldine (Lot 12 on SP340967).

The proposal aims to establish an Undercover Maintenance Area and small associated Office. The Undercover Maintenance Area and small associated Office will form stage 1 of the development. The caretaker's accommodation will form stage 2 of the development. At this stage the final design of the future dwelling is unknown and hence no building plans have been provided.

The site is within Industrial Precinct of the Township zone, within the proposal is subject to Code assessment and therefore will not require public notification.

The application is currently under assessment.

The following application was approved under delegation on 18 July 2025, and the decision notice was issued to the applicant soon thereafter. The applicant has a 20 business day Appeal Period within which they can file an appeal. At this stage, there has been no indication that the applicant will pursue this course. The Appeal Period for the application is expected to finish around 27 August 2025.

1.3	Council reference:	DA192425
	Application:	Development Application for Development Permit for a Material change for a Public Utility under a Superseded Planning Scheme
	Property description:	57075 Capricorn Highway, Barcaldine (Lot 2 on RP902908)
	Day application was made:	04 September 2024
	Category of assessment:	Code
	Public notification be required:	No
	Applicant:	Energy Queensland
	Decision:	Approved 18 July 2025
	Status:	Appeal period

The following customer requests were received since the last monthly report:

PLANNING ENQUIRIES			
Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
10/07/25	Potential purchaser	<p>Details of Enquiry</p> <p>Council received a request about the keeping of horses in stables.</p> <p>Planning details</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is in the Township zone The site is wholly affected by the flood hazard. <p>Advice given</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New stables would be defined as Animal keeping and would result in a Material change of use 	Closed

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Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Animal keeping is subject to an Impact assessable development application Impact assessment requires public notification and is subject to third party appeal rights Stables are only anticipated in the 'Preferred Stables Area' Animal keeping should be a minimum distance of 300m from any sensitive use (e.g. dwelling house) The Natural hazards overlay code does not generally support the addition of non-residential buildings It would be very difficult for Council to support Animal keeping at the site due to flooding, its proximity to sensitive uses and potential amenity impacts (e.g. noise, odour etc.). 	
10/07/25	Potential purchaser	<p>Details of Enquiry</p> <p>Council received a request about a boundary realignment and whether a Flood Impact Assessment was required.</p> <p>Planning details</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is in the Township zone The site is affected by the flood hazard. <p>Advice given</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposal does create any new lots; therefore, a Flood Impact Assessment is not required However, any application will need to include an assessment against the Natural hazards overlay code, particularly demonstrating compliance with AO5/PO5. 	Closed
15/07/25	Potential purchaser	<p>Details of Enquiry</p> <p>Council received a request about building an expandable home.</p> <p>Planning details</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is in the Township zone. <p>Advice given</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposal will be defined as a Dwelling house A Dwelling house is accepted development in the Township zone Accepted development means a planning approval is not required 	Closed

PLANNING ENQUIRIES			
Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building and plumbing approvals will still be required. 	
23/07/25	Landowner	<p>Details of Enquiry Council received a request about building a granny flat.</p> <p>Planning details</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is in the Township zone. <p>Advice given</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A granny flat is considered building work only Building work where outside the flood overlay is not regulated by the planning scheme A planning application will not be required A separate building approval and plumbing approval will be required. 	Closed
23/07/25	Landowner	<p>Details of Enquiry Council received a request about building an expandable home on a site with an existing house.</p> <p>Planning details</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is in the Township zone. <p>Advice given</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposal will be defined as a secondary dwelling which is included within the Dwelling house definition A Dwelling house is accepted development in the Township zone Accepted development means a planning approval is not required Building and plumbing approvals will still be required. 	Closed
30/07/25	Community Group	<p>Details of Enquiry Council received a request about an Art Gallery and Laundromat.</p> <p>Planning details</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is in the Township zone The site is wholly affected by the flood hazard. <p>Advice given</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An Art Gallery is defined as a Community use A laundromat is defined as a Service industry As the site is affected by flooding an Impact assessable development application will be required 	Closed

PLANNING ENQUIRIES			
Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impact assessment requires public notification and is subject to third party appeal rights Any application will need to address the Natural hazards overlay code and include a Flood evacuation/management plan. 	
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES			
10/07/25	Conveyancing company	Council received a request for a Limited Planning and Development Certificate for a landholding in the Industrial Precinct.	Issued
06/08/25	Town Planner	Council received a request for a Standard Planning and Development Certificate for a landholding in the Township zone.	Under assessment
06/08/25	Town Planner	Council received a request for a Standard Planning and Development Certificate for a landholding in the Township zone.	Under assessment
06/08/25	Town Planner	Council received a request for a Standard Planning and Development Certificate for a landholding in the Township zone.	Under assessment
SURVEY PLAN APPROVALS			
Nil			
EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES			
Nil			

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Council Meeting Date: 13 August 2025
Item Number: 3.5.5
Subject Heading: Environmental Health Officer Report
Author and Title: Daniel Bradford, Chief Executive Officer
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer, tabling the Environmental Health Officer Report for Councillor information.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the report.

All Council areas

- Reporting requirements on local government activities under the *Food Act 2006* - completed.
- Mobile Accommodation Proposal Memorandum - developed and shared with Blackall Management.
- Community Group (Not-for Profit Organisations) Food Safety Training - developed.
- General Food Safety Training (for Licensed Food Businesses) - development stage.
- Draft Temporary Food Business Application Form - some Councils have adopted/ some ongoing.
- Food Business Renewal Form - approved by Boulia and sent to all other Councils.
- Sent data request to Queensland Public Health and Scientific Services for available mosquito born illness data for the central west - reply received, assessing data shared.
- Proposal for a Drinking Water Testing Laboratory in Central West Queensland - shared with Longreach and Blackall.

Instrument of appointment: completed - Blackall, Barcaldine, Longreach, Winton, Boulia, Barcoo and Diamantina.

Other Actions/Tasks

- Contract extension request sent to Blackall Chief Executive Officer (CEO).
- Attended Aeronautical Radio Operators Training Course Certificate III in Blackall.
- Attended Longreach Council Meeting - role discussion.
- Role information sheet - developed and shared with Councillors at Longreach.
- Discussion with Boulia and Diamantina Chief Executive Officers.
- Winton area visit confirmed - 18th August to 22nd August 2025.

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Food Related

Blackall

- Emails and phone consultation.
- Food Business Renewals.
- New Food Business Application Assessment – license issued.
- Application for Food Safety Plan Accreditation – created and implemented.
- Food Facts and Information – developed and shared with management.
- Routine Food Business Inspections – conducted.
- Renewal applications – sent to license holders.
- Copy of license request received – license developed and sent to administration for distribution.

Barcaldine

- Information Notice – sent, ongoing.
- Penalty Infringement requested – approved and issued.
- Collating brief of evidence for potential prosecution.
- Emails and phone consultations.
- Final Inspection – conducted, license approved with conditions.
- Food Business Application/s – approved.
- Food Facts and Information – developed and shared with administrations.
- Emails and phone consultation/s.
- Routine Food Business Inspections – conducted.
- Complaint actioned – communicated with alleged illegal operator of a Mobile Food Business and emailed Food Application Form (Aramac). Operator submitted application. A final inspection was conducted and license issued with conditions.
- Spoke to new owner of Aramac Hotel and reminded owner of New Food Business License requirements. Emailed Food Application Form. Visited hotel operator and hand delivered an application form.

Diamantina

- Food Business Renewals.
- Emails and phone consultations.
- Application documents – shared with Management.
- Food Safety Information – shared with Management.
- Routine Food Business Inspections – conducted.

Longreach

- Emails and phone consultation.
- Email sent to applicant informing their security measures are antithetical to Council's responsibilities under the Food Act. Asking applicant to seek an exemption from the federal government – no response received.
- New Food Business Application Assessments – completed.
- New Food Business Licenses – issued.

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- Routine Inspections – conducted.
- Food Business Inquiry – visit and discussion with owner.

Boulia

- Emails and phone consultations.
- Food Business Application – ongoing.
- Routine Inspection – completed.
- Temporary Food Application – assessed and approved.
- Food vendor discussion with event team.

Winton

- Emails and phone consultations.
- Mobile Food Business Application – approved and completed.
- Fixed Food Business Application – approved and completed.
- Temporary Food Business Application Form – adopted.
- Temporary Food Applications – assessed and approved, licenses issued.
- Information email sent to CEO informing grease trap considerations – legacy issue.

Barcoo

- Emails and phone consultations.
- New Food Business Application Assessment – conducted.

Local Laws

Blackall – Two x Caravan Park/wet weather event parking complaint – actioned and closed.

Barcaldine

- Accommodation discussion – ongoing.
- Caravan Park Renewals – completed.
- Commercial Use of Roads (CUR) emails and phone consultation.

Boulia – Caravan Park Application and Inspection Forms – response received.

Longreach

- Footpath dining complaint – suggestions given to operator.
- Footpath dining complaint – letter sent to permit holders reminding them of the permit conditions.

Winton

- CUR – Roadside Vending Permit Template – shared with administration.
- CUR – Roadside Vending Application Template – shared with administration.
- CUR – Roadside Vending Policy ideas – shared with management.
- Footpath Dining Application Assessed – permit Issued.

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Diamantina

- Local laws review conducted - ongoing.
- Local Laws burial of human remains - breakdown and information sheet completed.

Environmental Management/Public Health

Blackall

- Changes to drinking water testing process - undertaken.
- Request for replacement of distribution taps in Tambo - sent to management.
- Water testing equipment ordered - received.
- Meeting request sent to Blackall Hospital - no response received.
- Concerns raised regarding adequate toilet facilities for truckers after hours, BP area and public camping areas - concern shared with management.
- Mosquito Sand Larvicide - ordered and received.
- Draft Water Testing Lab Proposal - shared with team.
- Shared native fish, licensed hatcheries list and contact details with local fishing club.
- Lodged fire risk concern for resident with Qld Fire and Emergency Services (QFES) - response received, complaint actioned by QFES.
- Lodged safety risk with DES - no response received.
- Organised tri-annual bore water tests with Toowoomba Labs.
- Organised water sample transport with Greyhound Freight.
- Collected tri-annual bore water tests and sent to Toowoomba Labs.
- Organised and received free tri-annual bore water testing with laboratory after sample misplacement - lab rectified issue graciously.

Barcaldine - Accommodation complaint received - inspection conducted, no public health issues confirmed, complaint closed.

Longreach

- Customer consultation/s - information and suggestions given.
- Public Health (Infection Control for Personal Appearance Services) complaint raised - letter sent to accused with compliance information.
- Public Health (Infection Control for Personal Appearance Services) complaint raised - compliance email sent to accused.
- Contaminated building inquiry received - Manager Regulatory Services obtained information. Limited and pertinent information shared with client via phone call.
- Dust complaint received - actions taken, complaint resolved.
- Odour complaint received - actions taken, complaint resolved.

Boulia: Flood Recovery Grants for Primary Producers, Small Businesses and Non-Profit Organisations - shared with Council.

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Winton

- Flood Recovery Grants for Primary Producers, Small Businesses and Non-Profit Organisations – shared with Council.
- Emails and phone consultations.

Barcoo

- Mold Information and removal – shared with Group Manager Community Services.
- Mosquito Management Info Fact Sheet – developed and shared with CEO.
- Flood Recovery Grants for Primary Producers, Small Businesses and Non-Profit Organisations – shared with Council.

Diamantina

- Burial of human remains – breakdown and information sheet completed.
- Composed hierarchy of responsibility regarding historic Aboriginal cemetery inquiry – shared with CEO.
- Informed CEO of existing Operation of Cemeteries Local Law and how it pertains to the inquiry regarding historic Aboriginal cemetery.
- Verbal information given on camping on Council land.

Pest Management

All Councils

- Developed a Mosquito Management Plan for Remote Area Planning and Development (RAPAD) region – with Blackall administration for editing and checks.
- Consulted with Rockhampton Public Health Unit (mosquitoes).

Blackall

- Firearms License – approved and received.
- Membership with Blackall Pistol Club – completed.
- Adult Mosquito Management Action – organised and carried out, ongoing.
- Covering for Land Management Officer – euthanised pest animal.
- Disposal of pest animal carcasses.

Barcaldine

- Shared Firearms License details with CEO to assess assistance viability. Response received – no assistance required at this stage.
- Phone discussion with District Manager regarding mosquito mitigation measures.

Diamantina – Wild dog baiting information and contacts shared with Council Management.

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Waste Management

Blackall

- Request for clearing of holding dams sent to management – ongoing.
- Oil/Cooking Oil drop off points management process – developed, awaiting media release.
- Suggested landfill site in Blackall clean up – clean up actioned by depot staff.

Longreach

- Animal Carcass Disposal Pits research and report – shared with Regulatory Team.
- Animal Carcass Disposal Pit concerns raised by Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF) – note developed and shared with management.
- Requested copies of Current Environmental Relevant Activities (ERA's) Permits – received.
- DES advised 1000 tonnes of animal carcasses triggers an ERA – ERA not required.
- Obtained ERA permit online – no in-depth details on public facing document. DES shared permit.

Boulia – updating Waste Reduction and Recycling Plan – beginning stage.

Diamantina – breakdown and meaning of ERA 60 Waste Information sheet – completed.

Consultation (external)

Request for Food Safety Resource Kits sent to Central Queensland Public Health Unit, Manager Environmental Health – no response received.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

Policy, Asset and Legal Implications

Nil

Risk Management Implications

Low risk – information report only