

The *Galilee Gazette*

AUGUST 2026



Gallop around the Galilee

Council had the rare opportunity this year to formulate and adopt the 5 year corporate plan, The annual Operation Plan and the annual budget. All documents were adopted at the 15 July Council meeting. All these documents are now on the website for public viewing. There will also be a budget overview in this edition of the Gazette. This budget is massive. Operational spend is currently \$56 million and Capital \$19 million. Council and staff are very pleased to see our unrestricted cash balance rising year on year with around \$13.5 million current balance.

Council concluded its latest round of community consultation meetings in Alpha on Monday, 3 August. While the meetings were scheduled for 5.30pm, attendance was lower than anticipated across the region. As a result, Council is investigating new approaches to community consultation that will better suit local residents and encourage greater participation.

Construction teams and contractors are flat out at the moment with several flood damage packages still to go to tender, especially the Jericho, North and South, packages. Alpha/Clermont seal is the next job and also Aramac/Barcaldine extension to the widening of that road.

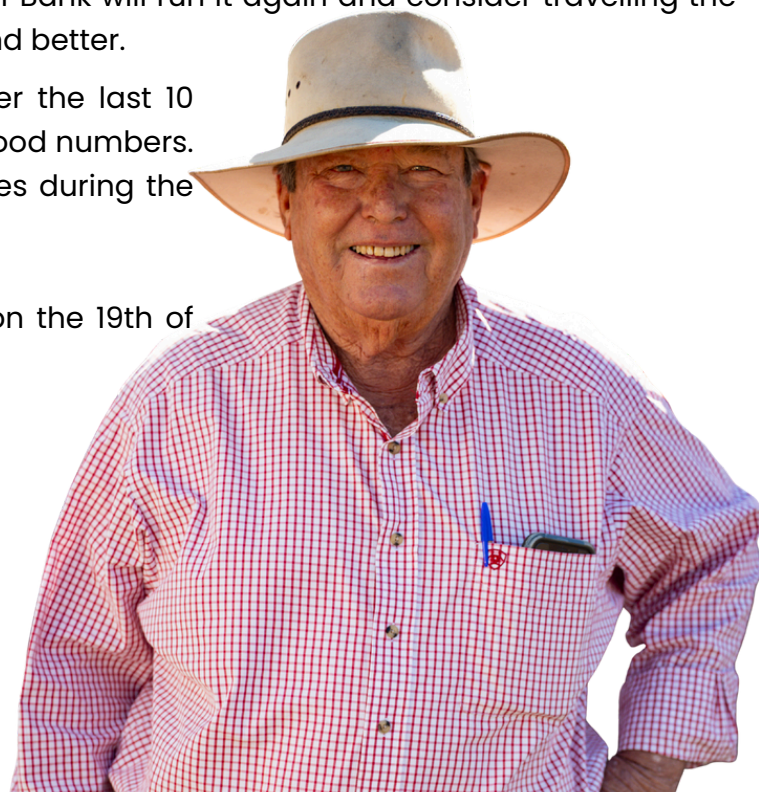
Muttaborra races were this Saturday and what a fantastic event! Congratulations to the Muttaborra Race Committee and town on a wonderful weekend. Aramac Races will follow on the 22nd of this month, they are fantastic race meetings. Aramac's big year is their 150th anniversary of horse racing which will be in August 2027. The Outback Rowing sprint races are on again this year, the first week of October. We expect up to 300 visitors that weekend in Barcaldine. The sculpture trail and Lake Dunn have seen large numbers of visitors this season and the cattle drive that came through Muttaborra, Aramac and Barcaldine in June was a great success. Hopefully Beef Bank will run it again and consider travelling the same track next year. This event can only get bigger and better.

Great to see the visitor numbers have picked up over the last 10 weeks with most parks and camping areas enjoying good numbers. These visitors are the life blood of our small businesses during the cooler months.

This month's Council meeting will be held in Jericho on the 19th of August.

Ring anytime,
0427 512 314

Cheers Rob



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ARAMAC

MUTTABURRA

26/27 Budget Snapshot

**\$74
MILLION
TOTAL BUDGET**



Highlights



**10.9 MILLION
NET RESULT**



**\$3MILLION
INCREASE IN
UNRESTRICTED
CASH**



**ALL FINANCIAL
SUSTAINABILITY
MEASURES
ON TRACK TO
MEET TARGETS**



**\$19 MILLION
CAPITAL WORKS
PROGRAM
(\$15 MILLION
FUNDED)**



**4%
INCREASE
RATES AND
CHARGES**



What are we *spending* your money on?

Operating Budget

\$14.3million

*in Main Roads Contracts – to improve
our major roads across the region*

\$10.9million

*in Council roads and town
street operational works*

\$4.48million

*in water, sewerage
and waste utility programs*

\$3.8million

in Community Care Services

\$723K

in Rural and Agriculture activity spending

Capital Budget

\$5.6million

in Roads and Town Street Projects

\$3.6million

*for Barcaldine Outback Renew and
Recovery Centre*

\$2.5million

for John Miller Industrial Estate Extension

\$2million

for Barcaldine Sewerage Treatment Plant

\$500K

for Pomona Reservoir Roof renewal

Key Projects

- John Miller Industry Estate Extension
- Barcaldine Outback Renew and Recovery Centre
- Resheeting program
- Alpha Tambo Road Sealing
- Barcaldine Aramac Road Widening
- Unsupervised access to Muttaborra Pool pilot
- Local Laws Uplift Program
- Flood Damage works from 2025 and 2026 events
- \$300K in community enhancements to streetscapes, gardens, town entries and visual amenity

**Full project is available on Council's website*



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2026 – 2031 Corporate Plan

This plan presents Council's vision for the region and outlines its priorities over the next five years, from 2026 to 2031. It has been developed after listening to our communities, consulting with Councillors and staff, and drawing on the evidence from the 2025 Community Satisfaction Survey.

Vision

One region. Five communities. One future.

Mission

To earn the trust of our community by delivering on what we commit to, every time.

Our Six Strategic Themes

Council's strategic direction for 2026 to 2031 is centred on the following six themes:

1 PLACES

Parks, streetscapes, public spaces and community infrastructure



2 SERVICES

Water, sewerage, waste and Council's commercial activities



3 CONNECTIONS

Roads, transport, footpaths and accessibility



4 ECONOMY

Tourism, agriculture, local business and economic development



5 ORGANISATION

Governance, workforce and financial sustainability



6 PEOPLE

Community wellbeing, inclusion, safety and social connection



The plan is structured around six strategic themes. For each theme, we have identified the results we want to achieve, observable end-states that tell us whether we are succeeding, the measures we will use to track progress, and the key actions we will take over the plan period.



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Barcaldine Updates

CONGRATULATIONS

Barcaldine Regional Council wishes to extend our congratulations to the Barcaldine Sandgoannas on winning the 2026 Central West Rugby League Grand Final on Saturday 18 July 2026. It was a fantastic grand final game against the Longreach Ilfracombe Tigers and could have gone either way.

ARTESIAN HOTEL

We have commenced the procurement process for the demolition of the Artesian Hotel, with the project currently progressing through the tender evaluation stage. Before the demolition contract can be finalised, Council is required to complete a number of regulatory and compliance requirements. Further updates will be provided as the project progresses.

OAK STREET GARDENS

Council town services staff along with contribution from an enthusiastic group of community gardeners have commenced a revitalisation project on Oak Street. The first garden bed was done in April with the results starting to show.

Preparation work has commenced on the next stage, watch this space as Oak Street comes to life.

TREE OF KNOWLEDGE

Following a recent structural safety inspection, defects were identified within the suspended timber canopy of the Tree of Knowledge (TOK). The inspection also found that some timber members could not be fully accessed and assessed. As a result, engineering advice recommended the site be closed to the public until further inspections and any necessary remediation works can be completed.

Council is continuing to work closely with specialist engineers and the original project architects to develop a safe access system that will enable thorough inspections, repairs, and ongoing maintenance of the structure. Once the design is finalised, Council will explore funding opportunities to support the installation of the access system and any required repair works.

The Tree of Knowledge will remain closed while these important safety measures are undertaken, ensuring the long-term preservation of this iconic landmark and the safety of visitors.



Aramac / Muttaborra Updates

CAPITAL WORKS PROJECTS AND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS

- Aramac - Gym and Squash Court internal upgrade - Project activities have not commenced at this stage
- Aramac - Tennis Court - Building removal and reconnect power supply - Tender for the tennis court building removal is scheduled to be released shortly
- Aramac - Campground Power Box Replacement - Project activities have not commenced at this stage
- Aramac - SES Shed (grant funded) - VendorPanel is currently live and accepting quotes for the building fit-out works
- Aramac Works Depot Shed - Project activities have not commenced at this stage
- Aramac - RTC Workstation Renewal - Quotes received
- Muttaborra Campdraft Grounds - replace light pole and power box upgrade - VendorPanel has now closed. The procurement process is underway, and tender evaluations have commenced to assess submissions and determine the preferred contractor.
- Muttaborra Pool Upgrades - Discussions are underway, with Council working alongside a range of stakeholders to progress the transition to an unsupervised pool model, while retaining support from pool staff.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND EVENT UPDATES:

- Aramac P&C and Desert Recreation: 400 participant car rally stopped in Aramac on Sunday 12 July and departed on Monday 13 July. Great reviews received - 'I have never heard such extensive praise for a stopover regarding the quality of the food, the structural setup, and the overall hospitality extended by the Aramac community. Out of the twelve rallies I have been a part of, this was hands down one of the absolute best stopovers we have ever experienced, and the feedback confirms it was just as spectacular as your past events. One of our crew members said the lunch was the best he has had in his 40+ rallies'.
- Aramac Community Development Association (ACDA) Subcommittee - Linen on the Lawn: a successful event held on Saturday 25 July 2026. The weather was great this year, a sold-out event with great reviews.
- Muttaborra Amateur Turf Club: The annual race meet was held on Saturday 8 August 2026. The committee hosted a great family friendly day with lots on offer. Proudly supported and sponsored by Barcaldine Regional Council.
- Aramac Racing Club Incorporated: Annual race meet scheduled for Saturday 22 August 2026.



Linen on the Lawn, photo Satisfaction Photos

Alpha / Jericho Updates

Council has now adopted the 2026/27 Budget, with all new fees and charges now in effect. A number of capital and operational projects are already underway across the region, with the new Jericho Drive-in sign now installed and the Alpha Washdown Bay nearing completion.

Congratulations to the Alpha Race Club on another incredible race day with close to 3000 attendees being welcomed to town. The Alpha Race Day markets were also a great hit on the day. The Alpha Campdraft is also coming up from the 13 - 16 August and I wish the competitors and committee a safe and successful weekend!

There are plenty of exciting events planned over the coming months, so we encourage everyone to get involved and support the many community activities happening throughout the region.

Until next time, stay safe.

Daffodil Day ♡
A day together. A cause that matters.

SATURDAY 22nd AUGUST 11AM
ALPHA JOCKEY CLUB ♡

We'd love to see you there! ♡

- ✔ Homemade food
- ✔ Raffles & prizes
- ✔ Fresh daffodils
- ✔ Fun & great company
- ✔ All for a great cause

Donate today! ♡
Every donation helps support the Cancer Council's life-saving research, prevention and support services.

Don't make it on the day?
You can still support our fundraiser with a donation. Every dollar counts!

www.daffodilday.com.au/s/1976/33104

Give hope | Support families | Fund vital research

GREAT COMMUNITY | STRONGER TOGETHER | BRIGHTER TOMORROWS



You are invited to our
ALPHA BRUMBIES PRESENTATION NIGHT

WHEN-6:00PM SATURDAY 22ND AUGUST
WHERE - ALPHA TOWN HALL

SPONSORS AND FRIENDS, PLEASE JOIN US FOR A MEAL AND DRINKS TO CONGRATULATE THE CORCH AND TEAM ON A JOB WELL DONE.

NO TICKETS REQUIRED JUST BRING YOURSELVES AND CELEBRATE THE BRUMBIES SEASON

CATERING PROVIDED BY SANDI FORD AND THE DUST DEVILS BARR OPERATING - EFTPOS AVAILABLE
DRESS- SMART CASUAL & KIDS WELCOME



Community Recovery and Resilience Officer Update

Following recent weather and disaster events, Council's Community Recovery and Resilience Officer, Debra Young is working closely with residents, community groups, businesses, service providers and government agencies to help strengthen our region's ability to prepare for, respond to and recover from future emergencies.

The Community Recovery and Resilience Officer role focuses on supporting long-term recovery while building stronger, more connected and resilient communities. Recovery is about more than rebuilding infrastructure. It is about ensuring people, businesses and organisations have the support, knowledge and networks they need to recover faster and adapt to future challenges.

Since commencing in the role, a key focus has been engaging directly with community groups, sporting clubs, businesses and local organisations across the region to gather feedback and identify opportunities for greater collaboration. These conversations are helping shape future initiatives aimed at strengthening community preparedness and resilience.

Work is also underway with service providers to identify training, workshops and educational opportunities that can be delivered locally. These programs will help equip residents, volunteers and businesses with practical skills and knowledge before, during and after disaster events.

Community events are another important focus, with plans being developed for activities across each town. These events will provide opportunities for residents to connect, share experiences, access information and celebrate the strength of their communities.

In addition, a comprehensive review of the Local Disaster Management Plan and all associated sub-plans and supporting documents is currently being undertaken. This work will ensure local arrangements remain effective, current and aligned with best-practice emergency management principles.

Lessons learned from the March 2026 weather event continue to guide improvement efforts across the region. Follow-up actions identified through the post-event review process are being progressed to strengthen future emergency management and recovery outcomes.

To stay informed about emerging trends, innovative approaches and best practices in disaster management, Debra is also attending the Disaster and Emergency Management Conference, bringing valuable insights back to benefit the region.

Resilient communities are built through collaboration, preparedness and strong local connections. By working together, we can continue to strengthen our towns and ensure they are well-positioned to recover from future challenges.

For more information or to discuss recovery and resilience initiatives in your community, please contact Debra on 07 4651 5625.



Council Meetings

JUNE AND JULE GENERAL MEETINGS – BARCALTINE

Council held three meetings in June and July, here is a summary of the decisions considered by Councillors.

COMMUNITY GRANTS

Council approved more than \$22,000 in funding through the Quick Response Round of the Community Grants Program, supporting local schools, community organisations and events across the region.

Successful recipients included:

- Aramac State School
- Aramac P&C
- Barcaldine State School P&C Association
- Exchange Hotel Social Club
- Jericho State School
- Jericho State School P&C
- Muttaborra Campdraft Association
- Muttaborra State School
- Alpha Golf Club
- Longreach School of Distance Education P&C
- Westech

BARCALTINE RACECOURSE

Council resolved to support the establishment of a Management Agreement with the Barcaldine Race Club, enabling the Club to take on day-to-day management of the Barcaldine Racecourse.

The agreement will allow Council and the Race Club to work together under a structured governance and funding framework, while Council will continue to provide support including water, utilities, general building maintenance and agreed in-kind or financial contributions.

INFRASTRUCTURE & FINANCIAL DECISIONS

Council considered funding options for the Barcaldine Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade and resolved not to proceed with the previously approved Queensland Treasury Corporation loan at this time.

Council also reviewed the May Financial Performance Report and received updates on the Capital Works Program, major infrastructure projects and Transport and Main Roads works across the region.

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

Council has adopted a number of key documents that will help guide the Barcaldine Region over the coming year and beyond.

The Corporate Plan 2026–2031 sets out Council’s vision, values and priorities for the next five years, shaped through input from Councillors, staff and the community.

The 2026–27 Annual Operational Plan turns these longer-term priorities into practical actions, projects and services that Council will deliver throughout the year.

Council has also adopted the 2026–27 Budget, which sets out how Council will invest in our region, including maintaining essential services and infrastructure, delivering priority projects and supporting our communities.

Together, these documents provide a clear plan for where we’re heading and the work Council will focus on to support a strong and thriving Barcaldine Region.

 View the plans and budget:

<https://www.barcaldinerc.qld.gov.au/Our-Council/Council-Documents/Council-plans>

Council Meetings

COMMUNITY & GOVERNANCE

Council adopted the updated Community Grants Policy, introducing a new Young Achievers category that provides funding of up to \$200 to eligible students while also making minor improvements to the policy's clarity and operation.

Council also accepted the generous gift of the Comet Masonic Lodge building and its contents at 24 Beech Street, Barcaldine, preserving an important piece of the region's local history.

BUILDING REGIONAL RESILIENCE

Council endorsed the Local Resilience Action Plan for submission to the Queensland Reconstruction Authority, helping identify and prioritise projects that strengthen disaster resilience and support long-term recovery across the region.

Councillors also resolved to support ongoing advocacy to retain existing Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) and authorised the Mayor to write to the Australian Government expressing Council's concerns about proposed funding changes that could significantly impact regional Queensland communities.

ORGANISATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS

Council endorsed a revised organisational structure designed to better align staffing resources with service delivery, operational requirements and future growth, while establishing staffing caps for the 2026–27 financial year.

FINANCIAL & OPERATIONAL UPDATES

Council reviewed its interim June financial performance, received the end-of-year Capital Projects Report and noted updates from the Mayor, Chief Executive Officer and Council officers covering works, community care, planning, grants, workplace health and safety and major infrastructure projects.

OPERATIONS & COMMUNITY

Councillors received monthly reports covering:

- Infrastructure and Works
- Community Care Services
- Grants and Funding
- District Operations
- Workplace Health and Safety
- Environmental Health
- Planning and Development

These reports provide regular oversight of Council services and projects being delivered across the Barcaldine Region.

The next Council meetings will be held on 19 August in Jericho and 16 September in Barcaldine.



JOIN OUR TEAM AT BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL

Looking for a rewarding career where you can make a real difference to regional communities? Barcaldine Regional Council is currently recruiting for a range of exciting opportunities across engineering, administration, community care and outdoor operations. Whether you're looking to grow your career or make a tree change, there's a role for you.

Current vacancies include:

- [Plant Operator \(Roller\)](#)
- [Plant Operator \(Truck Driver HC\)](#)
- [Regional CCS Coordinator](#)
- [Team Leader Care Services](#)

CCS- Supporting Independence Across Our Region

Whether you need a little extra help around the home or more ongoing support to continue living independently, Barcaldine Regional Council's Community Care Services (CCS) is here to help.

We proudly support residents across the Barcaldine Regional Council area, offering a variety of services tailored to individual needs. Our services are delivered through a range of government funded programs, including the National Disability Insurance Scheme, Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP) and Support at Home Program.

The Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP) provides entry-level support for older Australians who need a small amount of assistance to continue living independently at home. It is designed for people who are generally managing well but require some extra help to stay safe, independent, and connected to their community.

Support at Home is the Australian Government's in-home aged care program for older Australians with more ongoing or complex support needs. It provides coordinated, person-centred care to help people remain independent and continue living safely and comfortably in their own homes for as long as possible.

Community Care Services also supports NDIS participants as both a registered Service Provider and Plan Manager. We can assist with services such as personal care, domestic assistance, community access, transport, support coordination, assistive technology and home modifications, while also helping participants manage their NDIS funding. Our team works closely with participants to provide tailored supports that promote independence, wellbeing and achievement of individual goals.

Community Care Services coordinates both Home Assist Secure and Home Modifications to help people remain safe and independent at home.

Home Assist Secure assists with minor home maintenance, repairs and safety improvements, while Home Modifications provides more permanent changes, such as grab rails, ramps and bathroom modifications, to improve accessibility and support people to continue living safely in their own homes.

Depending on eligibility and funding, CCS may be able to provide services including domestic assistance, personal care, social support (Individual and Group), transport, nursing services, Multidisciplinary Team Referrals and Coordination, Meals on Wheels, home and garden maintenance, home modifications, Home Assist Secure Services, NDIS Plan Management and support coordination.

If you or someone you know may benefit from additional support at home, our friendly team is here to help. We can guide you through the referral process, explain the services available, discuss eligibility, and answer any questions you may have, we'd love to hear from you. Contact Community Care Services on 07 4651 5640 to speak with our team.

Welcoming New Faces to the CCS Team

Community Care Services is pleased to welcome Bruce Bryan and Rachel Kuskey to the team.

Bruce has joined us as our Acting Regional Community Care Coordinator, bringing valuable experience and leadership while recruitment for the permanent position is underway.

Rachel has also recently joined the team as our Senior Administration Officer, and we are excited to have her on board as she settles into her new role.

We look forward to the knowledge, enthusiasm and support they will both bring as we continue delivering quality services across our communities.

Know Your Bin Entitlement and Collection Requirements

Barcaldine Regional Council is reminding residents and businesses about wheelie bin collection entitlements and collection requirements.

Residential Properties

Most residential properties are entitled to one wheelie bin collection per service day. JJ Richards will only collect one bin per residential property unless Council has approved additional services.

An exception applies to units and multiple dwellings on the same parcel of land, where each dwelling is entitled to its own bin service. For example, a property with five units may present five bins for collection.

If you own multiple properties, bins must be placed out at the address they are allocated to and cannot be combined at one location.

Business Properties

Business waste services are based on the number of refuse collection services charged on the rates notice, not the property's rating category.

Businesses can request additional services, and in Barcaldine business can arrange collection on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Bin Collection Requirements

To help ensure your bin is collected:

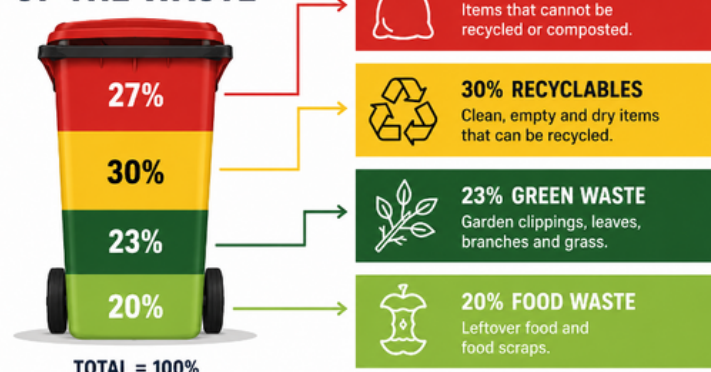
- Put your bin out the night before collection day.
- Return your bin to your property within 24 hours of collection.
- Place bins facing the road, with wheels and handles facing your house.
- Keep bins clear of parked vehicles.
- Do not overfill bins. The lid must close completely.
- Bins must not weigh more than 80kg.
- Overfull, overweight or damaged bins may not be collected.

Wheelie bins have an expected lifespan of approximately seven years. If your bin is cracked, split or otherwise damaged, please contact Council to arrange a replacement.

To find your collection day, visit the My Bin Day page on Council's website:

www.barcaldinerc.qld.gov.au/Services/Waste-Recycling/My-Bin-Day

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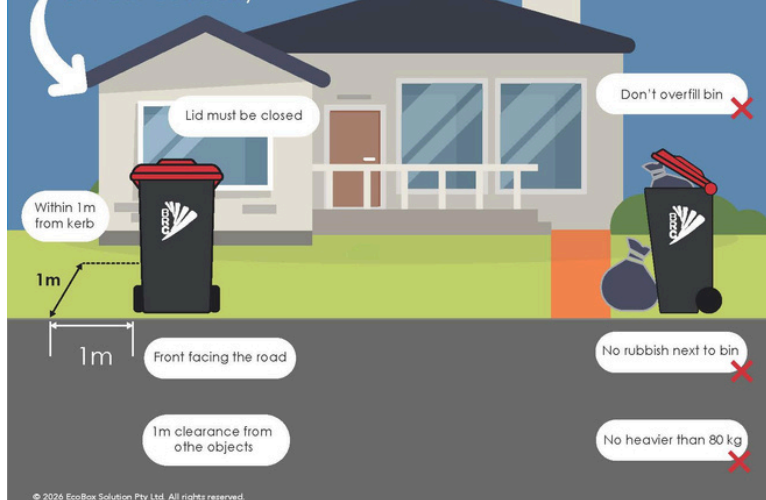


Bin day

BARCALDINE
REGIONAL COUNCIL

- ✓ Bin out **before 6am** on bin day.
- ✓ Bring bin in as soon as possible.
- ✓ Leave space between bin and other objects (parked cars, trees, light poles and letter boxes).
- ✓ Your bin won't be emptied if it is overflowing, too full or contaminated.
- ✓ Lid must be closed.
- ✓ If it is too heavy to wheel to the kerbside, it's probably too heavy for the truck arm to lift.

How to put your bin out correctly



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Your bin will still be collected on public holidays.

Find out your bin collection day.
<https://www.barcaldinerc.qld.gov.au/>





THE FIVE-MINUTE HABIT THAT CHANGED PETER'S MONDAYS

Every Monday starts the same way for Peter.

By seven o'clock, the Barcaldine gardener has already loaded his trailer.

Palm fronds from one property. Fallen branches from another. A few bags of grass clippings. Old cardboard boxes from a new irrigation pump. Somewhere underneath it all, a broken wheelbarrow.

"It's only one trip," he tells himself every week.

Then comes the part he never enjoys.

Arriving at the Waste Transfer Station usually meant climbing on and off the trailer, pulling branches away from timber, lifting cardboard buried under green waste and trying to remember where everything was supposed to go.

"It always seemed to take longer than I expected."

One morning, another resident pulled up beside him.

"Next time," the man smiled, *"sort it before you leave home."*

Peter laughed: *"Who's got time for that?"*

But the following weekend, curiosity got the better of him.

Before loading his trailer, Peter visited the Council's website and opened the **Sort Before You Go** flyer. One tip immediately caught his attention: keep **mulch, small branches, and large logs and palm trunks** in separate piles. Small branches can be processed on site, while large logs and palm trunks require different handling. Keeping mulch separate also helps ensure it can be recovered and reused effectively.

He also discovered another simple trick: **load the trailer in reverse order, so the first materials to be unloaded are the easiest to reach.**

It only took a few extra minutes. When Peter arrived at the upgraded Waste Transfer Station, the difference was obvious. Instead of digging through a mixed load, he simply moved from bay to bay: furniture first, metals next, construction and demolition waste, Green Waste and finally, General Waste and Cardboard. Everything had its place, and unloading was quicker than ever. That's exactly how the new Waste Transfer Station has been designed to work.

The idea behind Sort Before You Go isn't about asking residents to do more. It's about making every visit quicker, safer and more efficient. When materials arrive already sorted, unloading is faster, more resources can be recovered for recycling, and less ends up in landfill.

Now Peter has a new Monday routine.

- Five extra minutes at home.
- A faster visit to the Waste Transfer Station.
- And the satisfaction of knowing that a small change in how he loads his trailer helps keep valuable materials out of landfill and gives them a second life.

Because sometimes the biggest improvements don't come from doing more. They come from doing things in a different order.

Council would like to hear from the local business community. We encourage you to complete the survey via the following [SURVEY](#) OR via the QR code.



Council launches new Community Grants Program

Council is pleased to introduce its updated Community Grants Program, designed to make it easier for local groups, organisations and young people to access support.

The program offers four funding streams, ranging from small grassroots requests through to major regional events and initiatives.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Community Support provides up to \$1,500 through a combination of:

- Up to \$1,000 in in-kind support
- Up to \$500 in cash funding

This stream supports small, local requests for materials, services, equipment or the use of Council venues and facilities. It is designed to provide simple, low-risk support for grassroots activities.

Applications are open all year round, with no closing date.

COMMUNITY GRANTS

Community Grants provide up to \$5,000 in cash funding, in-kind support or a combination of both.

This stream supports community programs, events, projects and initiatives that demonstrate a clear benefit to the wider community. Applicants will need to provide a basic project budget and outline the intended outcomes of their proposal.

REGIONAL IMPACT FUNDING

Regional Impact Funding provides \$10,000 or more for major or flagship events and initiatives.

This funding is intended for projects expected to deliver significant economic, tourism or regional-profile outcomes. The stream will support fewer, higher-impact investments, with successful applicants required to submit an acquittal report following their event or project.

Examples may include major regional events such as the Tree of Knowledge Festival and Alpha Races.

GRANT ROUNDS

Community Grants and Regional Impact Funding applications are assessed across four grant rounds each year:

- Round 1: Opens 1 July, closes 3 September, with applicants notified by 30 September.
- Round 2: Opens 1 September, closes 2 November, with applicants notified by 25 November.
- Round 3: Opens 1 December, closes 1 February, with applicants notified by 26 February.
- Round 4: Opens 2 March, closes 3 May, with applicants notified by 28 May.

Applicants are encouraged to plan ahead and apply during the round that best aligns with their proposed project or event.

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE SUPPORT (YOUTH)

Council will provide \$200 per eligible individual to school-aged children and young people aged 10 to 18 years who are selected to represent the region at state level.

Funding can assist with travel, uniforms and participation costs, with a maximum of two applications per person.

The new program provides a clearer and more flexible way for Council to support community participation, local initiatives and events that contribute to a strong and vibrant region.

For application forms, full eligibility requirements and further information, visit Council's website or contact Council.

Community GRANTS Program

*Supporting Local Ideas,
Events & Young Achievers*



COMMUNITY SUPPORT UP TO \$1,500

- Up to \$500 cash
- Up to \$1,000 in-kind support
- Venue hire & facilities
- Equipment, materials & services
- Open all year



COMMUNITY GRANTS UP TO \$5,000

- Community events
- Projects & initiatives
- Community programs
- Cash, in-kind support or both



REGIONAL IMPACT FUNDING \$10,000+

- Major regional events
- Economic outcomes
- Tourism growth
- Regional profile initiatives



YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE SUPPORT \$200

- State representation
- Uniform costs
- Travel assistance
- Participation expenses
- Ages 10-18

GRANT ROUNDS

ROUND 1

OPEN: 1 JULY

CLOSES: 3 SEPT

**NOTIFIED BY:
30 SEPT**

ROUND 2

OPEN: 1 SEPT

CLOSES: 2 NOV

**NOTIFIED BY:
25 NOV**

ROUND 3

OPEN: 1 DEC

CLOSES: 1 FEB

**NOTIFIED BY:
26 FEB**

ROUND 4

OPEN: 2 MARCH

CLOSES: 3 MAY

**NOTIFIED BY:
28 MAY**

READY TO APPLY?

Contact council for eligibility and application forms on grants@barc.qld.gov.au or visit our website [BRC Grants and Funding](#) or scan the QR code.

RADF

The Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) is a partnership between the Queensland Government and Barcaldine Regional Council that invests in local arts and cultural priorities across Queensland. Learn more at <https://www.barcaldinerc.qld.gov.au/Living-here/Grants-and-funding/RADF>



DOG REGISTRATION – Renewal Notices

(for registrations that expired 30 June 2026)

Council has had a change of operating systems which has seen a delay in issuing of dog registration renewal notices. We are expecting that your **renewal notices will be received by mid-August 2026**.

Renewal notices (for registrations that expired 30 July 2026) will be issued to customers to the last postal address advised. If you have not received your notice, please contact your local Council Administration Office.

If you receive your notice and no longer have your dog, please contact Council so we can update our records.

Registrations are due and payable by Friday, 4 September 2026. Registration fees for 2026/2027 are:

- 1st Dog Entire – \$71.00
- 1st Dog Desexed – \$39.00
- 1st Dog Desexed & Microchipped (Lifetime) – \$159.00
- 2nd Dog Entire – \$82.00
- 2nd Dog Desexed – \$46.00
- 2nd Dog Desexed & Microchipped (Lifetime) – \$181.00
- Rural Dog – MUST be kenneled on land outside the designated animal control area – \$28.00
- Regulated Dog, Dangerous – \$833.00
- Regulated Dog, Menacing – \$520.00

Pound Release Fees (Dog Pound):

First Release

- Registered Dog (if collected same day) – \$35.00
- Registered Dog (overnight or weekend) – \$200.00
- Unregistered Dog – \$385, plus registration, plus sustenance fee

Subsequent Release

- Registered Dog – \$255.00, plus sustenance fee
- Regulated Dog
- Regulated Dog (including Dangerous or Menacing) – \$635.00, plus sustenance fee

Other Fees:

- Replacement registration tag – \$6.30
- Animal Sustenance Fee – \$25.00/per day
- Surrender of Dog (if accepted by Council) – \$200.00 each



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Upcoming Events

AUGUST

- **13-16** - Alpha Campdraft
- **15** - SES Recruitment Day - Alpha
- **15** - Jericho Drive In - Moana
- **15** - Working Bee Aramac Race Course
- **19** - Council Meeting - Jericho
- **21-4 Sept** - Barcaldine Art Exhibition and Competition
- **21** - Jericho Xmas Tree AGM
- **22** - Daffodil Day
- **22** - Alpha Brumbies Presentation night
- **29** - Barcaldine Rodeo

SEPTEMBER

- 4-7** - Alpha Horse & Pony Club Clinic & Rally Day
- 12** - Spring Markets
- 12** - Barcaldine Sandgoannas Presentation Night
- 11-14** - Alpha Horse & Pony Club Annual Gymkana
- 11-13** - Muttaborra Campdraft
- 18-20** - Ballyneety Rodeo and Campdraft
- 30** - ABBA Girls Tribute Show- Barcaldine

OCTOBER

- 10** - Alpha Beef Dinner
- 17** - Jericho Bush Bash

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SATURDAY 15 AUGUST
9:00am – 12:00pm



SES SHED OPEN
Take a look at our vehicles,
equipment and operations.



MEET OUR VOLUNTEERS
Chat with our friendly team
and ask all your questions.



MEET PADDY THE PLATYPUS
Say hello to our SES mascot
and grab a photo!



FUN FOR THE KIDS
Colouring-in books
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JOIN US.
MAKE A DIFFERENCE.
BE PART OF SOMETHING
BIGGER.

**SATURDAY
15 AUGUST**

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