



ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

Thursday 5 September 2019

commencing at 9:30am

Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom
50 Brolga Street Quilpie

Ordinary Meeting of Council

30 August 2019

The Mayor and Council Members
Quilpie Shire Council
QUILPIE QLD 4480

Dear Members

Notice is hereby given that a Pre Meeting Briefing will be held in the Council Boardroom, on Thursday, 5 September 2019, commencing at **8:30am**.

Notice is also hereby given that an Ordinary Meeting of the Quilpie Shire Council will be held at the Council Chambers, on Thursday, 5 September 2019, commencing at **9:30am**.

The agenda for the ordinary meeting is attached for your information

Yours faithfully

Dave Burges
Chief Executive Officer





ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL AGENDA

Thursday 5 September 2019
Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom

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6.1 (09/19) – Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held Friday 9 August 2019

IX: 182422

Author: Chief Executive Officer, Dave Burges

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held in the Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street Quilpie on Friday, 9 August 2019.

Attachment:

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held on Friday, 9 August 2019

Recommendation:

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting on Quilpie Shire Council held on Friday, 9 August 2019 are taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.



Ordinary Meeting of Council

MINUTES

Friday 9 August 2019

Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom
50 Brolga Street, Quilpie Qld 4480



ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Friday 9 August 2019

Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom

MINUTES

1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9.25am.

2 PRESENT

Cr Stuart Mackenzie (Mayor)

Cr Jenny Hewson (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Bob Hall

Cr Roger Volz

Cr Bruce Paulsen

Mr Dave Burges (Chief Executive Officer)

In attendance: Mrs Maree Radnedge (Minutes Secretary)

3 APOLOGIES

Nil.

4 CONDOLENCES

Council noted the recent passing of Barney Rutledge and Charly Orupe and expressed their condolences to their families.

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

6 RECEIVING AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1 (08/19) – Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held Tuesday 9 July 2019

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held in the Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street Quilpie on Tuesday, 9 July 2019.

Resolution No: (01-08-19)

Moved by: Cr Roger Volz

Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held on Tuesday, 9 July 2019 are taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

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7 ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Nil

8 MAYORAL REPORT

Mayor Mackenzie provided a verbal update on activities he has undertaken since the July 2019 Ordinary meeting of Council. Cr Mackenzie attended and participated in a range of meetings on a recent trip to Toowoomba and Brisbane including:

- A Migration Round table meeting attended with the Chief Executive Officer, Dave Burges regarding possible opportunities to encourage business migrants;
- A Rail forum regarding information about the rail, problems with tonnage allowed on lines and the renewal of the cattle contract;
- Outback Queensland Tourism Authority (OQTA) meeting;
- Geological Bioregional Assessment (for the Cooper basin) panel meeting;
- Council Mayors meeting; and
- While in Toowoomba, the Mayor took the opportunity to make contact with Katie Williams of the Premiers Department.

Other meetings that the Mayor attended during the month include:

- Regional Development Australia (RDA) meeting; and
- Bush Councils forum in Roma, at which the Mayor gave a presentation.

9 COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIO REPORTS

Councillors provided a brief overview of activities they have undertaken since the July Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Cr Volz attended the Naidoc celebrations at both the library and the Mulga Mates Centre in addition to a Geocaching workshop. Cr Volz also opened the local Photography exhibition at the Quilpie Visitor Information Centre, Museum and Gallery.

Councillors Volz and Hewson attended a meeting at Eromanga with Architectus regarding Stage 2 of the Eromanga Natural History Museum.

Cr Hall spoke with various property owners regarding their progress with exclusion fencing throughout the month in addition to attending the Larry and the Dame show at the Shire Hall.

Cr Paulsen advised that he has held various discussions with relevant parties regarding the Outback Master's Golf, an upcoming visit from the Wanderer's and hosting a large football event during the next three years.

Cr Hewson attended the South West Hospital Community Engagement meeting, the Toompine/Nockatunga Polocrosse carnival and the Annual General Meetings of the Quilpie and Eromanga QCWA.

In addition to the activities noted above, all Councillors attended interviews for the role of the Director of Engineering Services.

Councillors Mackenzie, Volz and Hewson attended the Break Bash on Brolga, which was well received by visitors and locals alike.

10 STATUS REPORTS

10.1 (08/19) – Engineering Services Status Reports

Noted.

10.2 (08/19) – Corporate and Community Services Status Reports

Noted.

10.3 (08/19) – Financial Services Status Report

Noted.

10.4 (08/19) – Governance Status Reports

Noted.

11 ENGINEERING SERVICES

Nil Reports.

ATTENDANCE

Corporate and Community Services Manager, Mrs Lisa Hamlyn attended the meeting at 10.43am.

12 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

12.1 (08/19) – Request for Assistance, Quilpie Club Inc.

Correspondence has been received from Quilpie Club Inc. requesting Council's consideration of donating 40 cubic metres of 20mm gravel to enhance the gardens at the main entrance to the Quilpie Club Inc.

Resolution No: (02-08-19)

Moved by: Cr **Bruce Paulsen**

Seconded by: Cr **Jenny Hewson**

That Council approves the request received from Quilpie Club Inc. to donate a maximum of 40 cubic metres of 20mm gravel to enhance the garden at the main entrance to the Quilpie Club Inc.

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13 FINANCE

13.1 (08/19) – Finance Report for Month Ending 31 July 2019

The Finance report for the period ending 31 July 2019 was presented to Council for consideration.

Resolution No: (03-08-19)

Moved by: Cr **Bob Hall**

Seconded by: Cr **Roger Volz**

That Council receives the Finance Report for the period ending 31 July 2019.

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ATTENDANCE

Corporate and Community Services Manager, Mrs Lisa Hamlyn left the meeting at 11.12am.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11.12am for morning tea and resumed at 11.35am.

14 GOVERNANCE

14.1 (08/19) – Delegations Register Annual Review

The Local Government Act 2009 (*The Act*) requires a Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to establish a register of delegations which must record all delegations by the Council, Mayor or CEO.

Section 257 of *The Act* stipulates that a delegation to the Chief Executive Officer must be reviewed annually by the local government.

Resolution No: (04-08-19)

Moved by: Cr **Bob Hall**

Seconded by: Cr **Bruce Paulsen**

That pursuant to section 257 (5) of the Local Government Act 2009, Council review the current delegations to the Chief Executive Officer.

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14.2 (08/19) – Delegations Register

The Local Government Act 2009 requires a Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to establish a register of delegations which must record all delegations by the Council, Mayor or CEO.

The Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) provides a delegations database to assist Councils in identifying potential amendments to delegated activities.

Updates to the database were made in May 2019. As such, Council is requested to consider amendments to Council's *Register of Delegations – Council to CEO* in order to ensure our legislative obligations are met.

Resolution No: (05-08-19)

Moved by: Cr **Roger Volz**

Seconded by: Cr **Jenny Hewson**

That pursuant to section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009, the powers referred to in the document titled "Register of Delegations – Council to CEO" are adopted in accordance with the proposed amendments presented in Attachment A to this report.

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14.3 (08/19) – Australian Local Government Association National Local Roads and Transport Congress

The Australian Local Government Association has invited Council colleagues to attend this year's National Local Roads Congress in Hahndorf, South Australia from 18 – 20 November.

Noted

14.4 (08/19) – Request for Assistance – Dan and Louise Hoch

By emails of 19 July 2019, Dan and Louise Hoch are requesting assistance from Council in relation to two matters connected to their business at *The Lake*. The requested assistance is:

- The provision and installation of a grid and gate on the western entrance to the lake; and
- Additional signage directing tourists to the lake similar to the large brown tourism signs on the entrance to Toompine.

Resolution No: (06-08-19)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council approve the provision and installation of a grid and gate on the western entrance to The Lake on the basis that public access to The Lake is maintained free of charge; and

That Council does not approve the request for additional signage directing tourists to The Lake at two locations.

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14.5 (08/19) – Quotation Q06 1920 Gyrica Gardens Multi-function Centre

Tenders for the high level conceptual design of a multi-function centre at Gyrica Gardens were called on 29 June 2019.

The following two responses were received on Vendor Panel by the closing time:

Name	Offer (Ex GST)	Details
Elia Architecture	\$7,325	This includes an amount of \$2,100 for a Quantity Surveyor
DM2 Architecture	\$25,315	This includes a provisional sum amount of \$4,500 for a Quantity Surveyor

Resolution No: (07-08-19)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council accepts the offer from Elia Architecture for the high level conceptual design of a multi-function centre at Gyrica Gardens for a price of \$7,325 exclusive of GST.

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14.6 (08/19) – Attendance at LGAQ Annual Conference

The LGAQ Annual Conference is being held from Monday 14 to Wednesday 16 October 2019 at the Cairns Convention Centre.

Resolution No: (08-08-19)

Moved by: Cr **Bruce Paulsen**

Seconded by: Cr **Bob Hall**

That Council approve Crs Mackenzie, Volz and Hewson to attend the 2019 LGAQ Annual Conference.

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14.7 (08/19) – Building Our Regions Funding Program

The State Budget has announced an additional \$70 million over four years to implement Round 5 of the Building our Regions program. This program enables regional areas to deliver infrastructure projects to meet specific community needs, with a focus on driving economic outcomes and job creation.

Projects must be capable of commencing construction by 30 April 2020.

Resolution No: (09-08-19)

Moved by: Cr **Roger Volz**

Seconded by: Cr **Jenny Hewson**

That Council submit an Expression of Interest for a Truck Weighbridge facility under Round Five of the State Government's "Building our Regions" program and that Council make a co-contribution of 25%.

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14.8 (08/19) – 2019 DRFA Project Management

The Minister for Fire and Emergency Services has approved an extension of the jointly funded Commonwealth/State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) for Severe Tropical Cyclone Trevor and associated low pressure system, 19-27 March 2019. The following relief measures have been approved for Quilpie Shire Council:

- Counter Disaster Operations; and
- Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA).

It is envisaged that the project management will be conducted by one project manager and supervisor for the duration of the works.

Resolution No: (10-08-19)

Moved by: Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council appoint Proterra Group as project manager for the 2019 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements Restoration of Essential Public Assets works program under LocalBuy Contract number BUS220-0811.

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14.9 (08/19) – 2019 Christmas Shutdown

The relevant awards stipulate that Council must provide at least 90 days' notice of a shutdown period. Traditionally, the Council Administration Office (including Library and VIC) closes down for a period between Christmas and New Year.

The Engineering Services Department generally close down for a period from a week prior to Christmas to the second week in January. Some staff continue to work over this period to ensure essential services are maintained.

Resolution No: (11-08-19)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council's Executive, Corporate and Community Services close for the Christmas period on Friday 20 December 2019 and resume on Monday 06 January 2020 and Engineering Services close for the Christmas period from Friday 20 December 2019 and resume on Monday 06 / 13 January 2020.

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15 CONFIDENTIAL

Resolution No: (12-08-19)

Moved by: Cr Roger Volz

Seconded by: Cr Bob Hall

That Council enters into closed session under s275 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 at 12.31pm to discuss the following matter:

- *Appointment of Director of Engineering Services.*

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ATTENDANCE

Cr Mackenzie left the meeting at 12.33pm and Cr Hewson assumed the position of Chair.

Resolution No: (13-08-19)

Moved by: Cr **Bob Hall**

Seconded by: Cr **Bruce Paulsen**

That Council moves out of closed session and resumes the Ordinary Meeting at 12.37pm.

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ATTENDANCE

Cr Mackenzie returned to the meeting and resumed the position of Chair at 12.39pm.

15.1 (08/19) – Appointment of Director of Engineering Services

Interviews for the role of Director of Engineering Services were held on Friday 26 July 2019.

Resolution No: (14-08-19)

Moved by: Cr **Bob Hall**

Seconded by: Cr **Bruce Paulsen**

That Council confirm the appointment of Mr Peter See as the Director of Engineering Services.

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16 LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Nil

17 LATE ITEMS

Nil

18 GENERAL BUSINESS

18.1 (08/19) – Cars on footpath in Jabiru Street

Councillor Volz raised concerns about derelict cars on the footpath in Jabiru Street.

18.2 (08/19) – Footpaths

Councillor Volz raised the issue that some footpaths are not being adequately maintained. The Chief Executive Officer will encourage residents to maintain their footpaths in the monthly Community Newsletter.

18.3 (08/19) – Old Fire Station

Staff are requested to submit a report to the September Ordinary Meeting of Council regarding the use of the Old Fire Station for the display and sale of indigenous art.

18.4 (08/19) – John Waugh Park

For safety purposes, staff are requested to look at possible alterations to the concrete platform at John Waugh Park.

18.5 (08/19) – Quilpie Wellspring

In order to further progress the Quilpie Wellspring project, Council should now undertake a detailed Business Case Study in order to confirm the potential economic and other benefits of the project.

Resolution No: (15-08-19)

Moved by: Cr Roger Volz

Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council submit an application under Round Five of the State Government's "Building our Regions" program (Planning Stream) to progress the planning for the Quilpie Wellspring project; and that Council contribute \$50,000 towards the project.

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19 MEETING DATES

The next Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council will take place on Thursday 5 September 2019 in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom commencing at 9.30am.

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 2.36pm.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true record of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on the Friday, 9 August 2019.

Submitted to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the Thursday, 5 September 2019.

Cr Stuart Mackenzie

Date

Mayor of Quilpie Shire Council

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No Reports

Strategic Decision Report

Corporate and Community Services

12 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

12.1 (09/19) – 2020 Australia Day Programs

Author: Manager of Corporate and Community Services, Lisa Hamlyn

IX: 183507

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider correspondence received from the Premier of Queensland in relation to Expressions of Interest that are now open for 2020 Australia Day Programs:

- Australia Day Ambassador Program
- Great Australian Bites Program

POLICY:

NA

CORPORATE PLAN:

6.2.4 Embrace and promote community activities and special occasions

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council submits / does not submit an Expression of Interest to participate in the Australia Day Ambassador Program and / or the Great Australian Bite Program.

BACKGROUND:

Correspondence was forwarded to the Mayor in regard to the 2020 Australia Day Programs from Annastacia Palaszczuk MP, Premier of Queensland and Minister for Trade. An outline of each program is provided below:

Australia Day Ambassador Program

Expressions of Interest are invited for the Australia Day Ambassador Program, coordinated by the Queensland government in association with Nation Australia Day Council. The program matches inspirational Queenslanders with Australia Day celebrations across the State.

Australia Day Ambassadors include past recipients of the Australian of the Year Awards, athletes, medical professionals, business people, television personalities and community workers who provide inspiration and pride to Australia Day events.

Great Australian Bites

Great Australian Bites was introduced in 2015 to encourage Queensland communities to come together with friends and family on Australia Day and celebrate what it means to be Australian, while enjoying local fresh produce and listening to homegrown music talent. Originally starting in Brisbane, Great Australian Bites Food & Music Festival has spread across the State, now solely

delivered in regional Queensland. In hosting this event, you would be supported by a partnership arrangement with the department, including funding of up to \$14,000 for the program.

Expressions of Interest for both programs are to be submitted by Friday 13th September 2019.

DISCUSSION:

NA

FINANCIAL:

Australia Day Ambassador Program

- Accommodation of the Ambassador and one nominated travelling companion for the duration of their stay
- Meal expenses of the Ambassador and one nominated travelling companion for the duration of their stay
- Other non – financial requirements must be met by Council.

Great Australian Bites

- Partnership support of up to \$14,000 funding if successful (no more than 50% of overall expenditure budget)
- Council contribution – “Applicants are required to make a significant contribution to the proposed event (financial / in-kind)”

CONSULTATION:

NA

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A - 2020 Australia Day Program Overview

Dear Councillor MacKenzie

Every year on Australia Day, Queenslanders come together to celebrate what being Australian means to them. To encourage community engagement across the State, the Queensland Government is coordinating a number of programs and I invite your council to participate.

Expressions of interest for local councils are now open for the 2020 Australia Day Ambassador and Great Australian Bites programs.

Australia Day Ambassador Program

The Australia Day Ambassador Program, coordinated by the Queensland Government in association with the National Australia Day Council, matches inspirational Queenslanders with Australia Day celebrations across the State. In 2019, more than 47 Ambassadors participated in Australia Day events across Queensland.

Australia Day Ambassadors include past recipients of the Australian of the Year Awards, athletes, medical professionals, business people, television personalities and community workers who provide inspiration and pride to Australia Day events.

Ambassadors generously volunteer their time and energy to contribute to celebrations. They participate in a diverse range of activities which have included providing a formal address to share their story, presenting Australia Day awards, judging baking competitions, and connecting with locals over a cup of tea. Participation of an Australia Day Ambassador in community events is regularly cited as one of the highlights of community celebrations.

I encourage you to consider how an Ambassador could enhance your Australia Day celebrations, and [register your interest](#) to host an Ambassador for your 2020 Australia Day celebrations.

Great Australian Bites

Great Australian Bites was introduced in 2015 to encourage Queensland communities to come together with friends and family on Australia Day and celebrate what it means to be Australian, while enjoying fresh local produce and listening to homegrown music talent.

Originally starting in Brisbane, Great Australian Bites has spread across the State, now solely delivered in regional Queensland. I invite your council to [apply to host a Great Australian Bites event](#) and be part of the 2020 Australia Day celebrations.

In hosting this event, you would be supported by a partnership arrangement with my department, which would include funding of up to \$14,000 for the program, as well as in-kind marketing and event support.

Expressions of interest for both programs are to be submitted by **Friday 13 September 2019**.

For more information, or to discuss your interest in the 2020 Australia Day Ambassador or Great Australian Bites programs, please contact Events and Engagement within my department by email at australiaday@premiers.qld.gov.au or on telephone (07) 3003 9200.

Thank you for considering your involvement in Queensland's 2020 Australia Day celebrations.

Yours sincerely



**ANNASTACIA PALASZCZUK MP
PREMIER OF QUEENSLAND
MINISTER FOR TRADE**



Australia Day Ambassador

2020 Australia Day Ambassador Program Expression of Interest form for councils

Eligibility criteria

By submitting this expression of interest to participate in the Australia Day Ambassador Program ("Program") I, on behalf of the council, accept the following conditions:

- While the best efforts are made to ensure the most appropriate Australia Day Ambassador ("Ambassador") is matched with the council, the Ambassador's availability and willingness to travel may influence placements.
- Ambassadors cannot be confirmed until all required information has been received.
- The Department of the Premier and Cabinet (the Department) (as coordinator of the Program) will only support and coordinate visits of the official Ambassador matched with the council for the council's Australia Day celebration.
- The Australia Day celebration must be an event managed by the council having regard to the National Australia Day Event Organiser Toolkit.
- The council will pay for the accommodation of the Ambassador and one nominated travelling companion for the duration of their stay. Accommodation will be of a suitable standard and in some instances travelling arrangements may dictate the need for accommodation for the night prior to and/or the night after the actual event.
- The council will pay for the meal expenses of the Ambassador and one nominated travelling companion for the duration of their stay in the local council area.
- Flights and/or travel expenses as well as meals in transit will be covered by the Program.
- The council must provide the Department with a contact person within the council who will be available during December 2019 and January 2020 to assist the Department with program planning.
- The council must comply with all reasonable requests of the Department in promoting, coordinating and reporting on the Program including the Ambassadors.
- The council must include the National Australia Day Council logo on all collateral that promotes the Ambassador.
- The council will liaise with the Ambassador to ensure the Ambassador is fully aware of their role and the council's expectations.

Great Australian Bites Australia Day 2020

About Great Australian Bites

Great Australian Bites is a food and music festival showcasing quality Queensland produce and local musical talent in celebration of Australia Day. The format and vision of the event has evolved over the years, with 2020 being the seventh year of the event.

The inaugural Great Australian Bites was held on 26 January 2014 at South Bank Parklands in Brisbane. It was an evening event and formed part of the Australia Day celebrations hosted by the Queensland Government.

The ticketed event showcased the multicultural theme of the modern day Australian BBQ through the menu, presentations and live musical entertainment in a festival-like atmosphere.

A variety of cuisines was served from individual food tents positioned throughout the space, creating a marketplace environment. Each food tent had a live cooking station where attendees were able to sample all cuisines as part of the ticket cost.

The format of Great Australian Bites was revised in 2015 to incorporate four days of programming at River Quay, South Bank Parklands. Free entry was offered to patrons and bite-sized tasting plates prepared by local chefs were available at affordable prices. A full stage program featuring local talent entertained attendees during opening times.

Great Australian Bites was held in Brisbane for the third time in 2016, and for the first time the program was extended to include the regional locations of Airlie Beach and Port Douglas. Brisbane events replicated those of 2015, being held across four days at River Quay, South Bank, with regional events held as one-day festivals.

In 2017 Great Australian Bites returned to Brisbane, and the regional program was extended to include Longreach in addition to Airlie Beach and Port Douglas.

In 2018, the program was delivered entirely regionally. Local councils in Airlie Beach, Longreach, Rockhampton and Charters Towers held one-day festivals, bringing their communities together and showcasing the very best of what their region had to offer.

In 2019 the program was further expanded across Queensland with one-day events held in Airlie Beach, Bundaberg, Rockhampton, Townsville and Warwick.

Partnership opportunity

Purpose of a Great Australian Bites partnership

To encourage Queenslanders to come together and celebrate, showcase and promote regional produce and local culinary and musical talent in honour of Australia Day.

Aim of the partnership

To create a fun and relaxed picnic style atmosphere where local residents and visitors can come together to celebrate what it means to be Australian while enjoying local produce and culinary and musical talent.

Great Australian Bites partnership objectives

- To raise awareness, interest and participation in Australia Day celebrations.
- To give local residents and visitors an entertaining, affordable and relaxed day out to celebrate Australia Day.
- To showcase local produce and culinary and musical talent in an outdoor environment, making the most of Queensland's summer weather.
- To give local residents and visitors an opportunity to enjoy a variety of high quality regional produce prepared by chefs from acclaimed local restaurants.
- To give local producers the opportunity to gain exposure and educate the community about their produce.
- To give local musical performers an opportunity to showcase their talents and build their profile.
- To develop and encourage community harmony in regional areas throughout Queensland.
- To deliver a well-executed event that is positively received by the community.

Key messages

- Spend Australia Day enjoying an entertaining and affordable day out at Great Australian Bites.
- Celebrate local Australian food and music with family and friends at Great Australian Bites.
- Treat yourself to delicious bite-sized tasting plates served by acclaimed local restaurants.
- Enjoy live entertainment by local musicians.
- Like [australiadayqueensland](#) on Facebook.
- Follow Australia Day on Instagram [@australiadayqld](#) [#australiadayqld](#) [#greataustralianbites](#).
- Share photos of your celebrations using [#australiadayqld](#) [#greataustralianbites](#).
- For more information visit qld.australiaday.org.au.

Target audience

- Adults aged 18–60 years
- Families
- Food/restaurant industry
- Communities of each location and surrounding areas
- Visitors to each location and surrounding areas.

What are the characteristics of a Great Australian Bites event?

- Pop up stalls from local acclaimed restaurants, serving high quality food and drinks
- Affordable bite-sized tasting plates
- Local, seasonal produce

- Reasonably priced food and drink
- High quality live entertainment by local musicians
- Relaxed, picnic atmosphere
- For all members of the community
- Free entry
- Consistent branding across all Great Australian Bites events.

Core components across all Great Australian Bites events

- Four or five pop up stalls run by acclaimed local restaurants offering taster plates and beverages for under \$10 each
- A stage program showcasing live local musical talent
- Shaded areas i.e. marquees, umbrellas, picnic rugs and chairs set up for people to sit back and relax.

Restaurants will supply their own cooking equipment, ingredients and serving materials, and council will provide a tent, table, fire equipment (extinguishers/blankets) and power for each of the restaurant stalls as well as a shared cold room (one between two stalls) and ice.

Additional ideas

Within your overall program, you may consider including additional elements to build further on the core components of your Great Australian Bites event, such as:

- mini producer trail with restaurant suppliers showcasing their produce
- short talks by local producers in between musical acts
- 'selfie' photo station set up for Great Australian Bites branded photos to be uploaded to social media platforms
- a VIP function held at a designated time during the event, providing complimentary food vouchers for key VIPs
- live cooking demonstrations by chefs included in stage program during changeover of musical acts
- recipe competition on social media in lead up to event for best recipes incorporating local produce
- onsite activity included in the program such as a designated space for totem tennis poles, ping pong or badminton
- cross-promotional activities with restaurants in the lead up to the event, for example, working together on a launch media announcement.

Whether you use the ideas listed above or create your own, the event should have a relaxed nature and a fun, festival-like atmosphere. Theming of the event should focus on core Australia Day branding and encourage a relaxed and informal environment. Great Australian Bites branded signage including generic and program signage, teardrop banners, restaurant and menu branding, and bunting will be provided by DPC to councils to enhance overall theming.

Benefits to your council and region

Great Australian Bites is an opportunity to:

- increase community engagement
- showcase regional produce, local businesses and culinary expertise
- promote local musical talent
- advocate healthy eating and eating local, seasonal, fresh produce
- deliver various other economic and social benefits to all sectors of the community
- grow your local Australia Day celebrations.

14 GOVERNANCE

14.1 (09/19) – AgForce Queensland Request for Support

IX: 183293

Author: Chief Executive Officer, Dave Burges

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to provide Council an opportunity to consider and respond to a request for support from AgForce Queensland in promoting a whole of Queensland sheep industry “Blueprint”.

POLICY/LEGISLATION:

Not applicable

CORPORATE PLAN:

Priority Focus Area: Work with landholders to enhance primary production
Encourage business and productivity diversification

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council provide a letter of support to AgForce Queensland in relation to their plan to design a whole of Queensland sheep industry “Blueprint”.

BACKGROUND:

Not applicable

DISCUSSION:

By email of 19 August 2019, AgForce Queensland have advised they have a goal is to design a whole of Queensland sheep industry “Blueprint” that aims to encourage a return to operating sheep and wool enterprises in Queensland. A prospectus was attached to the email and was forwarded to Councillors on 19 August.

The Prospectus identifies the needs to:

- Educate governments and the financial services sector about the benefits that sheep and wool enterprises bring to rural communities and the Queensland economy;
- Promote continuation of private and public investment into exclusion fencing to protect Queensland’s sheep flock from predation by pest animals;
- Improve extension services capacity and capability to ensure productivity gains are achieved, thereby validating the public investment into cluster exclusion fencing projects; and
- Promote greater awareness of Queensland’s sheep and wool industries, including economic returns, to encourage new entrants to industry.

To achieve the above, AgForce intends to complete a thorough consultation process with Queensland's sheep and wool growers by facilitating four or five regional forums. These forums will help determine industry's priorities, providing direction for industry by which to design the Blueprint. This will be followed by designing and building an online platform that digitally showcases industry's goals and the progress toward meeting them.

To undertake this work, it is estimated that a \$100,000 budget is required, which we are seeking from sponsors.

AgForce has requested a letter of support from Council endorsing this plan.

FINANCIAL:

Not applicable

CONSULTATION:

Not applicable

ATTACHMENTS:

Not applicable

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