

The December edition of the community newsletter will feature business trading hours over the Christmas period.

If you would like opening hours for your business included please email [ninab@quilpie.qld.gov.au](mailto:ninab@quilpie.qld.gov.au) no later than Wednesday 11 December. Should you wish, you may also include a short Christmas message to your customers.

## Running for council in 2020?

Stay across eligibility conditions, campaign requirements and councillor responsibilities at [www.dlgrma.qld.gov.au/candidates](http://www.dlgrma.qld.gov.au/candidates)



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## 2019/20 Council Training Calendar

Quilpie Shire Council is committed to the training and professional development of staff and as such, are proposing to undertake the following training courses during the 2019/2020 financial year. Council would like to extend an invitation to local businesses and community members to participate in any of the following courses. Please register your interest with Council's HR Officer, Maree Radnedge by phoning 07 4656 0500 or emailing [hr@quilpie.qld.gov.au](mailto:hr@quilpie.qld.gov.au)

### Plant Operator Tickets/Certificates of Competency COMING JANUARY / FEBRUARY

- Forklift Ticket
- Bobcat Ticket
- Certificate of Competency – Excavator
- Certificate of Competency – Backhoe/Front End Loader
- Certificate of Competency – Drott

### Safety/Traffic Management

- Confined Spaces
- Traffic Management Implementation

### Other

- Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Outlook, Excel)

Council wishes to advise the community that After School Craft Activities at the Library will not take place on Monday afternoons for the remainder of the 2019 school term.

### Removal of Grids on Local Roads

If any property owners are interested in having grids removed on local roads, Council has this year budgeted some funds for this purpose. To express your interest please contact Tom Hennessy ( email [tomh@quilpie.qld.gov.au](mailto:tomh@quilpie.qld.gov.au)) with your contact details and approximate location of the grid. Alternatively you can give him a call on 07 4656 0500.

## YOUR COUNCILLORS

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# BuyLocal to WIN!

Quilpie Eromanga Adavale Toompine

Support local business and you could win one of nine **(9) local shopping vouchers!** There are two \$500 prizes, 3 \$200 prizes and four \$100 prizes up for grabs! Vouchers will be issued at \$50 & \$20 vouchers so you can shop around!

To enter, simply **spend at least \$30** in one transaction at any business within the Quilpie Shire Council. You can put your name and contact details on the back of the receipt and pop it into one of the entry boxes located at various shops and the council office. If you need to keep your receipt simply enter online and if your name is drawn just make sure you can show the receipt when claiming your prize!

To complete an online entry head to Council's website [www.quilpie.qld.gov.au](http://www.quilpie.qld.gov.au) and complete the **online entry form**. If you don't have access to enter online simply call or drop into Council's administration office (phone 4656 0500) and we will be happy to do it for you.

**WINNERS WILL BE DRAWN ON 20 DECEMBER AT THE BUSINESS STREET PARTY**

## WHY SHOP LOCALLY?

**Local Economic Stimulus** - When you purchase from locally-owned businesses more money is kept in the local community as local business often purchase from other local business and employ local residents. Spending your money at local business stimulates the local economy.

**Business Owners Have Invested in Our Community** - Our local businesses are generally owned by people who live in our community. They are far more committed to **our community's welfare and future** than businesses in major cities or even overseas.

**You Matter More** - Your values and wants are much more important to our local business owners than they are to managers of large chain stores. You can also help mould a local store through your purchasing decisions and feedback. As the success of local business relies on you, local business owners are going to be more likely to treat you well and provide you with excellent service.

**More Choices** - The more we spend at our local businesses, the more options they have to provide greater variety and better prices. This in turn means visitors are likely to spend more in our community as well.

### Terms and Conditions:

1. To enter the draw a shopper must spend \$30 or more in a single transaction at a business located in the Quilpie Shire Council area.
2. Receipts dated from 20<sup>th</sup> November to 20<sup>th</sup> December are valid for entry.
3. Entries for the draw closes at **12.00 noon** on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019.
4. If entry is made online, the original purchase receipt must be presented to claim a prize. If the receipt is not able to be presented a re-draw will occur.



Quilpie Shire Council  
**AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS 2020**

On 26 January 2020, Australians all around the country will celebrate what's great about Australia. We would like you to help us celebrate what's great about our community by nominating someone you know for an Australia Day Award.

The Quilpie Shire Council Australia Day Awards will recognise members of our community who have made an outstanding contribution to the community throughout 2019.

The Award categories open for nominations are:

- Citizen of the Year
- Community Group Award
- Australia Day Sports and Recreation Award
- Australia Day Outstanding Junior Achievement Award
- Australia Day Outstanding Achievement Award
- Australia Day Certificates of Appreciation

**Eligibility in Categories:** All nominees must be a resident of Quilpie Shire at the time of nomination.

**Selection Criteria:** There are selection criteria in the nomination form that are required to be considered when completing the nomination.

**How to nominate:** Nomination forms are available at the Council Office. Please complete this form and submit to Council by 5.00pm on the closing date Friday 10th January, 2020

**Award Recipients:** Award recipients will be announced at the ceremony during our Australia Day celebrations at the Quilpie Swimming Pool on Sunday 26th January 2019, commencing at 9.45am.

**Enquiries:** Please contact Lisa Hamlyn (4656 0504) or Janet Foley (4656 0550).

**Quilpie Swimming Pool Hours**  
**21 September 2019 - 24 April 2020**

Monday -	6.00am - 8.30am, 3.00pm - 6.30pm
Tuesday -	6.00am - 8.30am, 3.00pm - 6.30pm
Wednesday -	6.00am - 8.30am, 3.00pm - 5.00pm
Thursday -	6.00am - 8.30am, 3.00pm - 6.30pm
Friday -	6.00am - 8.30am, 3.00pm - 6.00pm
Saturday -	8.00am - 11.00am, 2.00pm - 7.00pm
Sunday -	11.00am - 6.00pm

**27 Gallery Coffee**  
**Theme Nights**  
**Phone: 0417 082 454**

**07 December**  
**Bush Xmas HO HO HO**  
**RSVP 29 November**

*RSVP Dine in only*  
*BYO Drinks and Glass*  
*Limited Seating*



**ST FINBARR'S PARISH QUILPIE**  
**Sunday Mass Times and Special Celebrations 2019**

The community is openly welcome to attend any or all of the Liturgy Celebrations & Assemblies held at St Finbarr's School.

**Sunday 24th November**  
End of year Mass  
St Finbarr's Church 6pm

Christmas Mass times to be advised

**Do you have an event  
planned for 2020?**

**CALL THE VIC TODAY  
TO BE ON THE SHIRE  
EVENTS LIST 2020!**

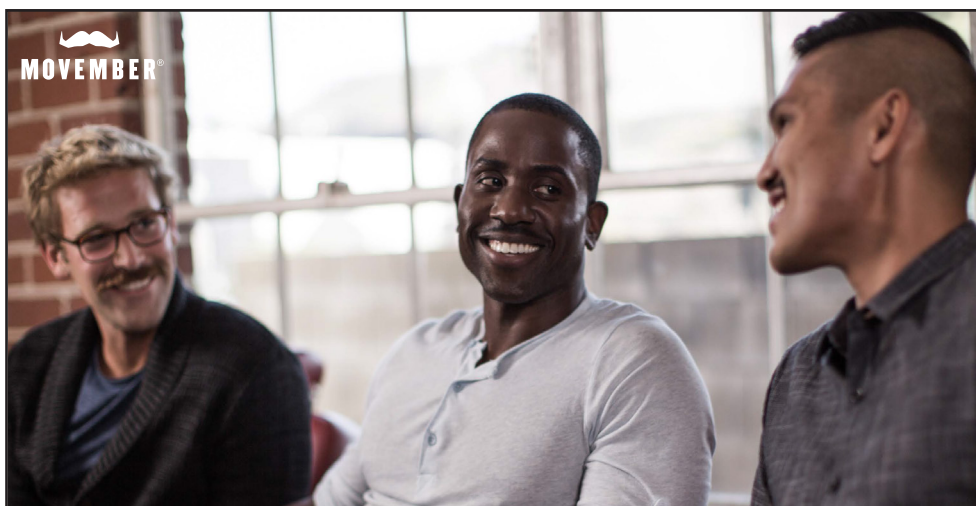
Contact us  
on 4656 0540 or via  
[tourism@quilpie.qld.gov.au](mailto:tourism@quilpie.qld.gov.au) to have  
your event included on the list.



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Find out more at **MOVEMBER.COM**

## LEARN THEM. LIVE THEM. AND PASS THEM ALONG.

### 01

#### MAKE MAN TIME

Stay connected. Spending time with your friends is good for you. Catch up regularly, check in and make time.

### 02

#### HAVE OPEN CONVERSATIONS

Talk about what's really going on. Listen. Being there for someone can be lifesaving.

### 03

#### KNOW THE NUMBERS

At 50, talk to your doctor about prostate cancer. If you're of African or Caribbean descent, or have a family history of prostate cancer, have the conversation at 45.

### 04

#### KNOW THY NUTS

Give 'em a feel regularly and get to know what's normal for you. Something doesn't seem right? Go to the doctor.

### 05

#### MOVE MORE

Get active on a daily basis. Do more of what makes you feel good.

## Submitting a Council Request

A Customer Request includes a request to take action about a Council service, or a request for information.

Customers may request that Council Staff inspect, remove, replace, repair or reinstate Council facilities or amenities which have been damaged or ask for information about a Council service, program or project.

You can submit a request in a number of ways:

- Phone or visit the Administration Office during office hours (8.00am - 5.00pm) on 07 4656 0500;
- Email us at [admin@quilpie.qld.gov.au](mailto:admin@quilpie.qld.gov.au);
- Complete the online form at [quilpie.qld.gov.au/contact/](http://quilpie.qld.gov.au/contact/); or
- Write to us at PO Box 57 Quilpie 4480.

To ensure your request is considered in a timely matter and to allow work to be prioritised according to urgency, please do not contact operational employees directly. All requests should be via the process above.

## CURRENT VACANCIES

### PAYROLL / HR OFFICER

#### Fulltime Position

**Salary:** \$60,085 - \$69,834 depending on skills and experience, plus locality allowance  
**Closing Date:** 4.00pm Monday 25 November

### MULTI SKILLED PLANT OPERATOR (ROAD TRAIN / SIDE TIPPER)

#### Fulltime Position

**Salary:** \$52,721 plus applicable allowances plus overtime  
**Closing Date:** 4.00pm Friday 06 December

Salary sacrifice options including novated care lease, rent, mortgage and more are available to council employees.

For all the details, including how to apply, visit our website at [www.quilpie.gov.au](http://www.quilpie.gov.au).



**WE'RE  
HIRING!**

**JOIN OUR TEAM**



**PUT YOUR  
MONEY  
where Your**



**is...**

**Buy  
Local**

**HAD A NEAR MISS OR ACCIDENT ON  
THE ROAD?**  
(Particularly along the main state  
controlled roads)

In an important move to collect data in  
relation to safety issues on our roads  
Council has established a dedicated  
email address ([roads@quilpie.qld.gov.au](mailto:roads@quilpie.qld.gov.au)) to allow residents to advise Council  
of dangerous experiences.

The data will be used to support road  
funding applications, particularly to the  
State Government.

If you report an incident please include  
location, time of day, and details of the  
experience.



**Open in Quilpie**



As of 25 October, Halliebec Towing & Contracting (41 Chipu Street) will be an approved  
Container Refund point for anyone wanting to recycle eligible beverage containers, bottles or  
cans.

Exchange is opening on Tuesday's from 4:30 – 6:00pm. *(These times may be subject to change)*

*Quantities over 1500 will initially be taken by appointment please.*

To set up your Scheme ID visit <https://consumer.containersforchange.com.au/create-account>

Or for more information visit <https://www.containersforchange.com.au/>



## QCWA Christmas Cent Auction



**Raffle**



**Lots of Fun & Prizes**

**When:** Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December

**Where:** Supper Room

**Time:** 10.00am

**Cost:** Adults \$5.00      Children Free

Gluten Free & Lactose Free Diets also catered for.

**Dress in your Best Xmas Outfit**



### From the CEO's Desk

The last Ordinary meeting of Council was held on Friday 15 November. In addition, two (2) Special meetings of Council have been held in the past month.

At the meeting held 29 October, the 2018-19 Annual Report was adopted. This document is now available on Council's website. Council accepted a quotation for the resurfacing of the Eromanga tennis court. The tender for the construction of the Eromanga Natural History Museum Stage 2A was awarded to Rosecove Constructions while project management of the project was awarded to Hartecs.

Rosecove Constructions subsequently withdrew their tender offer and at the Ordinary Meeting held 15 November New State Builders were awarded the works.

The Special Meeting held 05 November saw four (4) flood damage tenders awarded. Additional works were also awarded at the Ordinary meeting.

Council have approved a proposal for Quilpie Shire Council Library staff to provide a library outreach service to the Eromanga Community on a trial basis. Further details will be available in the near future.

The National Disability Insurance Scheme Coordinator role was initially approved for a twelve (12) month period. Council resolved to continue to fund the position for a further two (2) years until December 2021.

In progressing the Eromanga Natural History Museum Stage 2A project, Council accepted the quotation from Ralph Walker Trust to undertake the bulk earthworks, and approved the material change of use application to allow construction of the museum.

Applications made under the Regional Arts Development Program (RADP) were considered with \$25,883.25 in funding approved.

The Queensland government have announced grants of up to \$250,000 for transport costs associated with recycling under the Regional Recycling Transport Assistance Package (RRTAP). Applications under this program close on 29 November 2019. Council supported the South West Regional Waste Group in collaborating with Bulloo, Paroo and Murweh Shire Councils in submitting a grant application under the package for transport costs associated with the disposal of unused tyres up to 150 tonne from the Quilpie Shire Landfill sites.

As usual a range of other administrative matters were considered including debt recovery matters and the adoption of a Human Rights Policy as per recently introduced legislation.

The full minutes and agendas of Council meetings are available on Council's website at [www.quilpie.qld.gov.au](http://www.quilpie.qld.gov.au). Minutes are generally available on the Tuesday or Wednesday following a Friday meeting.

The next Ordinary Meeting is scheduled for Friday 13 December. All meetings of Council are open to the public.

I am happy to meet with anyone that would like further information on any meeting outcomes. Members of the community are also reminded that all Councillors are happy to speak with you on any issue.

Regards

Dave B

## St Finbarr's School

invites

The Quilpie Community

to attend our

# 2019 AWARDS EVENING

Tuesday 3rd December  
at St Finbarr's School

Dinner provided by P & F from - 6pm

Awards presentation commences - 7pm

Rsvp -07 4656 1412

### Quilpie Visitor Information Centre Opening Hours

#### October

Weekdays 8am – 5pm  
Weekends 9am – Midday

#### November to February

Weekdays 8am – 5pm  
Weekends – Closed

#### Tourism Season 2020

March – October  
Phone: 07 46 560 540



**QUILPIE SHIRE**  
YOUR OUTBACK ADVENTURE





# ARE YOU PLAYING RENOVATION ROULETTE?

IF YOU FIND ASBESTOS IN OR  
AROUND YOUR HOME;

**DON'T CUT IT!**  
**DON'T DRILL IT!**  
**DON'T DROP IT!**  
**DON'T SAND IT!**  
**DON'T SAW IT!**  
**DON'T SCRAPE IT!**  
**DON'T SCRUB IT!**  
**DON'T DISMANTLE IT!**  
**DON'T TIP IT!**  
**DON'T WATERBLAST IT!**  
**DON'T DEMOLISH IT!**

AND WHATEVER YOU DO...

**DON'T DUMP IT!**

Visit [asbestosawareness.com.au](http://asbestosawareness.com.au)  
and find out what you need to know!

Renovating? Go Slow!  
**ASBESTOS IT'S A NO GO**



**ASBESTOS** can be in any home built or renovated before 1987. Before you renovate or maintain your home, find out where asbestos could be and how to deal with it safely. Visit [asbestosawareness.com.au](http://asbestosawareness.com.au)



The Queensland Government's 2019 - 21 **Thriving Cohesive Communities** grants provide \$930,000 over a two year period in funding to eligible projects that respond to one of the funding streams:

*Stream One: Youth Connect - Contribute - Lead*

Families play an important role in identifying the early signs that an individual is vulnerable and may be in need of support. This can be critical to engaging young people and fostering a sense of belonging within their communities. Ensuring families know where to turn and how to engage with local community supports and activities is a key component to ensuring cohesive communities.

Funding up to \$120,000 (exc. GST) per project is available for applications under Youth Connect – Contribute - Lead

*Stream Two: Locals speaking to locals*

Having positive connections with others who will back us and acknowledge our contribution are important to feeling like we belong in the places and spaces where we live and work. Queenslanders of all ages, backgrounds and abilities have the right to respect, fair treatment and opportunities to meaningfully contribute. Bringing together communities and supporting dialogue between people across and within these communities can help promote understanding and increase community bonds and trust.

Funding up to \$45,000 (exc. GST) per project is available for applications under Locals Speaking to Locals

Applications for the 2019 - 21 Thriving Cohesive Communities grants close 2.00 PM Queensland time on Monday 25 November.

To submit an application and for further details visit <https://communities.smartygrants.com.au/TCCGPR1/238840/view>

## South West District Western Reseal Program

The Department of Transport and Main Roads will be commencing reseal works on various sections of South West District roads between late November 2019 and late January 2020, weather permitting.

Reseals are part of our ongoing maintenance program for the South West District and are an important part of the districts overall maintenance program. Resealing our roads preserves the surface and improves the reliability of the road network.

Various sections of the below roads are scheduled for resealing:

- Warrego Highway (Mitchell - Morven)
- Warrego Highway (Morven - Charleville)
- Mitchell Highway (Barringun - Cunnamulla)
- Mitchell Highway (Cunnamulla - Charleville)
- Balonne Highway (Bollon - Cunnamulla)
- Cooper Developmental Road (Quilpie - Bundeena)

We will try to minimise traffic delays as much as possible by using traffic control, speed restrictions and single lane closures. Motorists should slow down, drive carefully and follow the instructions of traffic controllers and construction signage and allow up to an additional 15 minutes for their journey.

For the latest traffic and travel information visit [QLDTraffic.qld.gov.au](http://QLDTraffic.qld.gov.au) or call 13 14 90. For any other enquires please contact 13QGOV.

Please don't hesitate to call 4622 9511 during business hours, (8.30am to 5pm), or email [SouthWest.office@tmr.qld.gov.au](mailto:SouthWest.office@tmr.qld.gov.au) if you have any questions, concerns or feedback.

## RURAL RATES DUE SOON

A reminder that rates for property owners in rural categories 6, 8 and 9 for the period 1st July 2019 to 31st December 2019 are due on **06 January 2020**.

All other rate categories are now overdue, your prompt attention to settle your outstanding rates would be much appreciated.

If you are having difficulties paying your rates please contact the Council office at your earliest convenience to make alternative arrangements. Please note that the rates for the first half of 2020 will be issued in March 2020.

## WILD DOG CONTROL PROGRAM

Residents and visitors are advised that Council will be conducting an aerial and on-ground Wild Dog Baiting Program commencing 6th November 2019 and continuing throughout the month.

Town Commons are not included in the baiting program, however care should be taken when exercising dogs and other animals.

This is a necessary and planned program aimed at controlling the Wild Dog problem within the Quilpie Shire.

For further information please contact Council's Customer Service Centre on (07) 4656 0500.



# Need help to pay your electricity or gas bills? You have rights

When life is tough and you need help paying your bill – call your energy provider and talk to them about your situation.

You can also ask a support person to contact your energy provider for you.

Your energy provider may be able to assist you with:

- different options to pay your bills
- the best energy plan for you
- tips on how to manage your energy use
- information on government concessions, relief schemes, energy rebates and financial counselling services.

Under the law, your energy provider must have a **hardship policy** that tells you how they can assist you if you are having trouble paying your energy bills due to hardship. You can find it on their website or ask them to send you a copy.

**If you are in a hardship program and meeting its conditions, your energy provider cannot disconnect you.**

**Call your energy provider as soon as you know you may have trouble paying your energy bill.**



## What you need to do

Talk to the energy provider that sends your electricity or gas bills.

Make sure you tell your energy provider how much you can pay and when you can pay it.

Their contact information is on your bill.



**If you're not happy with how your energy provider has helped you, call the energy ombudsman in your state or territory.**

### New South Wales

Energy & Water Ombudsman NSW  
1800 246 545  
ewon.com.au

### South Australia

Energy & Water Ombudsman SA  
1800 665 565  
ewosa.com.au

### Tasmania

Energy Ombudsman Tasmania  
1800 001 170  
energyombudsman.tas.gov.au

### Queensland

Energy & Water Ombudsman QLD  
1800 662 837  
ewoq.com.au

### Australian Capital Territory

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal  
02 6207 7740  
acat.act.gov.au



AUSTRALIAN  
ENERGY  
REGULATOR

This information applies to residential energy consumers in New South Wales, South Australia, Tasmania, Queensland and the Australian Capital Territory.

Australian Competition and Consumer Commission, 23 Marcus Clarke Street, Canberra, Australian Capital Territory 2601

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## QUILPIE LIBRARY

Notice is hereby given that children under 8 years of age must be accompanied by a responsible adult when visiting the Quilpie Shire Library, unless participating in an organised program event which includes appropriate supervision. Quilpie Shire Library staff are not responsible for any children left unattended.



Congratulations to Mrs Beryl Pegler, local resident of Quilpie who celebrated her 100th Birthday on Thursday 14 November with family and friends at a morning tea hosted by the Quilpie Shire Council.

“100 years” of memories and 100 yrs of life.... You are very special and surely, honour is due for all the great experiences that life has given you. You have done more in a lifetime than others can only dream and you are the most amazing 100yr old that most have ever known or seen!

Happy Birthday and welcome to the centenarian club.

### Quilpie Shire Council RADF ROUND 2, 2019-2020

Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) is a partnership between the Queensland Government and the Quilpie Shire Council to support local arts and culture in regional communities.

Quilpie Shire Council’s local priorities for the 2019-2020 program, under the framework of the Arts and Cultural Plan are:

- Our People & Community- A creative, engaged, cohesive community which supports and acknowledges its artists and artisans
- Our Place - An appealing, attractive Shire with quality arts & cultural facilities and amenities
- Our Past - Preservation and celebration of our rich natural and cultural heritage
- Our Partnerships - Productive partnerships and alliances within and external to the Region
- Our Prosperity- An arts and cultural sector that contributes economic value and prosperity

#### **ROUND TWO will close on 3 February 2020**

Before submitting please read the new RADF Program Guidelines. Application forms are available on the Quilpie Shire Council website – [www.quilpie.qld.gov.au](http://www.quilpie.qld.gov.au).

For further information please contact RADF Liaison Officer Toni Bonsey at [radf@quilpie.qld.gov.au](mailto:radf@quilpie.qld.gov.au) or on (07) 4656 0500.



## November 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				1 10.00am Library Under 5's Morning	2	3
4 9.00am Quilpie Pool Aqua with Alina	5 <b>Show Holiday</b>	6 10.00am Foot Care Quilpie Hospital	7 9.00am Aqua with Alina 2.00pm CWA Hall Healthy Minds	8 10.30am St Matthews Hall Bingo	9	10
11 9.00am Quilpie Pool Aqua with Alina	12 2.00pm St Matthews Hall Craft and Chat	13 10.30am St Matthews Hall Board Games	14 9.00am Aqua with Alina 2.00pm St Matthews Hall Healthy Minds	15 10.30am St Matthews Hall Hoy	16	17
18 9.00am Quilpie Pool Aqua with Alina	19 2.00pm CWA Hall Craft and Chat	20 12.00pm Quilpie Club Seniors Luncheon <b>RSVP 15/11/19</b>	21 9.00am Aqua with Alina 2.00pm CWA Hall Healthy Minds	22 10.30am St Matthews Hall Bingo	23	24
25 9.00am Quilpie Pool Aqua with A	26 2.00pm St Matthews Hall Craft and Chat	27 10.00am Men's Group Gyrca Gardens	28 9.00am Aqua with Alina 2.00pm St Matthews Hall Healthy Minds	29 10.30am St Matthews Hall Jumble Sale	30	

### Visiting Services

#### Dental Services

The Dental Truck visits Quilpie on a regular basis. To make appointments please call 0400 473 441. or email truck@thedentalstation.com.au.

#### Allied Health Visits - Quilpie Hospital

A range of allied health and medical specialists visit Quilpie Hospital on a regular basis. For further information and dates contact the Quilpie Medical Centre directly on 07 4656 1158.

#### Women's Health Nurse - 11 & 12 December

#### Dental Services

South West Oral Health Clinic – will be providing Oral Health Services at the Quilpie Hospital Dental Clinic. To make an appointment call: 1300 215 659.

#### CWAATSICH

A range of specialist services visit CWAATSICH on a regular basis. Please contact them on 4656 1391 to make an appointment.

#### Physiotherapist - 28 & 29 November

#### Occupational Therapist - 28 & 29 November

### ONGOING WATER MAIN UPGRADE

Residents are advised that Council continues to undertake water mains replacement works in Quilpie.

Please be advised that from early October to December 2019, there will be regular road closures and water supply interruptions in all of Pegler Street and Buln Buln Street from Winchu to Galah.

Council's planned water main replacement program will, over time, help to reduce the number of service interruptions experienced by consumers, increase water pressure and equalise flow rates.

Households affected will be notified in advance when Council needs to interrupt water supply to undertake planned maintenance and repair work. We aim to provide you with at least 48 hours' notice prior to the event.

Please be advised that there may be occasions when unexpected supply interruptions are experienced. During such times, if your service is affected, Council's maintenance personnel aim to restore your connection as quickly as possible.

For further information please contact Council's



# The National Disability Insurance Scheme (also called the NDIS) is the new way of providing disability support.

The NDIS will provide all Australians under the age of 65 who have a permanent and significant disability with the reasonable and necessary supports they need to enjoy an ordinary life.



The NDIS will help people with disability achieve their goals. This may include greater independence,



As an insurance scheme, the NDIS takes a lifetime approach, investing in people with disability early to improve their outcomes later in life.



The NDIS also provides people with disability, their family and carers with information and referrals to existing support services in the community.



By 2019, the NDIS will support about 460,000 Australians with disability.



## Can I access the NDIS?

To become an NDIS participant a person must:

- ✓ Have a permanent disability that significantly affects their ability to take part in everyday activities;
- ✓ Be aged less than 65 when they first enter the NDIS;
- ✓ Be an Australian citizen or hold a permanent visa or a Protected Special Category visa; and
- ✓ Live in Australia where the NDIS is available.

### Can I still receive support if I do not meet the access requirements for the NDIS?

A person does not have to be an NDIS participant to receive support from the NDIS. The NDIS will connect people with disability, their families and carers, including people who are not NDIS participants, to disability and mainstream supports in their community.

**To find out more call or visit  
Council's NDIS Support  
Coordinator, Chris Houghton on  
0436 816 827**

