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C.101 Internet Public Use Policy

OBJECTIVE

The objective of this policy is to ensure adequate controls are in place for the public accessing the internet at Quilpie Shire Council (Council) facilities.

2 SCOPE

This policy applies to all publicly accessible internet points operated by Council.

3 STATEMENT

Council maintains internet terminals and Wireless Internet Access for public use at the Quilpie Library and Quilpie Visitor Information Centre, subject to its Internet Public Use Policy. If you make use of this service, then you agree to the following terms.

By using the Council's Internet Service or Wireless Internet Access, users release and discharge the Council from any liability which might arise from the use of the service including liability in relation to defamatory or offensive material or any breach of copyright which may occur as a result of use.

Council staff are not responsible for restrictive content or supervising internet use. Persons under the age of 18 must have parental/guardian/carer supervision, before access is available. Some material available on the internet is unsuitable for minors. Parents/guardians/carers must assume responsibility for supervision or restriction of access to the internet when a user is under the age of 18 years. Consideration will be provided to minors who are living independently.

Users should be aware that downloading of illegal information from the internet could lead to prosecution.

As with most public wireless networks, the internet access via our wireless connection is not secure and the use of it is entirely at the risk of the user. Anti-virus and security protection of personal laptops, notebooks, and other mobile devices are the responsibility of the owner.

Council staff cannot guarantee that a user's device will work with the Council's Wi-Fi access points. Due to a wide variety of wireless devices, Council staff cannot provide troubleshooting support nor are the staff allowed to handle a patron's device.

What the staff can do, however, is provide general information and guidance on how to connect to Council's wireless networks.

4 HUMAN RIGHTS COMPATIBILITY STATEMENT

This Policy has been assessed as compatible with the Human Rights protected under the Human Rights Act 2019.

5 DEFINITIONS

Nil

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6 RELATED POLICIES | LEGISLATION | OTHER DOCUMENTS

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