ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

Thursday 29 October 2026
commencing at 11:00 AM

Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom
50 Brolga Street, Quilpie

Ordinary Meeting of Council

22 October 2026

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 29 October 2026,** commencing at ***10.30 am*.**

Notice is also hereby given that an Ordinary Meeting of the Quilpie Shire Council will be held at the Council Chambers, on **Thursday 29 October 2026**, commencing at ***11:00 AM*.**

The agenda for the ordinary meeting is attached for your information

Yours faithfully

Julie Reitano

Acting Chief Executive Officer

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL AGENDA

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6.1 ORDINARY MEETING OF QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2026

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Author: Callie Dabovich, Executive Officer

Authorisors: Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: 1. Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 15 September 2026

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 15 September 2026 be confirmed.

Ordinary Meeting of Council

MINUTES

Tuesday 15 September 2026

Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom

50 Brolga Street, Quilpie

MINUTES OF QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL BOARDROOM, 50 BROLGA STREET, QUILPIE
ON TUESDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 9:30 AM

1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 8.43am

2 ATTENDANCE

Mayor Ben Hall, Deputy Mayor Roger Volz, Cr Lyn Barnes, Cr Tony Lander, Cr Milan Milosevic

In Attendance: Mr Eng Lim (Chief Executive Officer, Acting), Ms Lisa Hamlyn (Director Community and Business Development), Ms Sharon Frank (Director Corporate Services) (via Teams), Mr Brian Weeks (Deputy Director Infrastructure Services), and Kathryn Muller (Secretariat).

3 APOLOGIES

Nil

4 CONDOLENCES

Formal condolences from Council were forwarded to the families of Robyn Cherry, Lenny Morris, Jill Pegler and Kerrod Gorringe, Anne Kidd, Michael (Mick) Gibson, William Wharton, Dwayn Wharton, Nola Bodkin.

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Chapter 5B of the *Local Government Act 2009* (the Act) requires councillors to declare any material personal interest (MPI) or conflict of interest (COI). Councillors must submit the Declaration in writing to the Chief Executive Officer before the Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Information required	Legislation	Declaration
Agenda item number	s254C *Local Government Regulation 2012*	16.1
Agenda item description	—	Purchase of farewell gift for outgoing Chief Executive Officer
Declaring councillor	s150EI (MPI) and s150EJ (COI) *Local Government Act 2009*	Councillor Lyn Barnes
Exemption check	s150ED (general exemptions) and s150EF(2) (COI-specific exemptions) *Local Government Act 2009*	No. No general exemption under s150ED applies, as this is a direct personal financial benefit, not an interest common to residents or ratepayers generally. This is a material personal interest, not a conflict of interest, so the s150EF(2) exemptions are not relevant.

Information required	Legislation	Declaration
Type of interest	s150EE (MPI) and s150EF(1) (COI) *Local Government Act 2009*	Material personal interest (real). Councillor Barnes stands to receive a direct financial benefit of $2,700 (excluding GST) depending on the outcome of Council's decision.
Person with the interest	s150EE(1) (MPI) and s150EF(1), (3) (COI) *Local Government Act 2009*	Councillor Barnes herself, as the person who will receive payment for the artwork.
Associate (MPI)	s150EG *Local Government Act 2009*	Not applicable. The interest is held directly by Councillor Barnes, not by an associate.
Related party (COI)	s150EH *Local Government Act 2009*	Not applicable. This is a material personal interest, not a conflict of interest.
Particulars for the minutes	s150EI(7) (MPI) and s150EJ(6) (COI) *Local Government Act 2009*	Councillor Lyn Barnes declared a material personal interest in the item concerning the purchase of a farewell gift for the outgoing Chief Executive Officer, being the $2,700 (excluding GST) financial benefit she stands to receive as the supplier of the artwork. Councillor Barnes left the meeting, including any area set aside for the public, before the item was discussed, and did not return until after the vote.
Action	s150EI(2), (4)–(6) (MPI) and s150EJ(2)–(3), (5), (7) (COI) *Local Government Act 2009*	Councillor Barnes left the meeting at 12:54pm, and did not participate in the discussion or vote on this item. She returned to the meeting at 12:56pm.

6 RECEIVING AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1 ORDINARY MEETING OF QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 18 AUGUST 2026

MOTION

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes
Seconded: Cr Tony Lander

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18 August 2026 be confirmed.

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6.2 SPECIAL MEETING OF QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2026

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC201-09-26)

Moved: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz
Seconded: Cr Lyn Barnes

That the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 1 September 2026 be confirmed.

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6.3 SPECIAL MEETING OF QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2026

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC202-09-26)

Moved: Cr Milan Milosevic
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz

That the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 9 September 2026 be confirmed.

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7 ITEMS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Nil

8 MAYORAL REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2026 — MEETINGS AND OFFICIAL ATTENDANCES

Enter 1 to record attendance. Ordinary Meeting of Council and Special Meeting of Council rows are highlighted automatically.

Details / Meeting	Date	Location	Hall	Volz	Barnes	Lander	Milosevic
Ordinary Meeting of Council	18.08.26	Boardroom	1	1	1	1	1
SWHHS CEO meeting	19.08.26	Boardroom	1	1			
State Goverment deputations	24.08.26	Brisbane	1	1	1		
OQTA meeting	25.08.26	Brisbane	1	1	1		
WQAC conference	25-27.08.26	Brisbane	1	1	1		
Special Meeting of Council	01.09.26	Boardroom	1	1	1	1	1
Swimming pool community welcome BBQ	03.09.26	Quilpie		1			
Councillor Workshop	04.09.26	Boardroom	1	1	1	1	1
Water Plan meeting	04.09.26	Boardroom	1	1	1	1	1
Special Meeting of Council	09.09.26	Boardroom	1	1	1	1	1
LBIF Review Panel	09.09.26	Boardroom	1	1	1		
R U OK Day Morning Tea	10.09.26	Quilpie		1			
QSC - Information Stand Quilpie Show	11-12.09.26	Quilpie		1	1		
Quilpie Show Opening	12.09.26	Quilpie	1				

9 COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIO REPORTS

Nil

At 8:59 am, Deputy Mayor Roger Volz left the meeting.

At 9.00am, Corey Richards joined the meeting.

At 9:13 am, Deputy Mayor Roger Volz returned to the meeting.

10 OPERATIONAL STATUS REPORTS

10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES STATUS REPORTS

10.1.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES STATUS REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report outlined the key activities and achievements of the Infrastructure Services Directorate for August 2026. It summarised the progress of major infrastructure projects, routine maintenance across the Shire, and the continuing delivery of flood-damage restoration works from the March 2025 rain event. Council operations have largely returned to business-as-usual, noting some delays of works impacted by the more recent February and June/July 2026 rain events.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC203-09-26)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes
Seconded: Cr Tony Lander

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During discussion, Council raised the type of gravel used on Cooma Road. Refer details under General Business.

At 9.27am, Mwewa Chisenga joined the meeting.

10.2 COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT STATUS REPORTS

10.2.1 DEPUTY DIRECTOR COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT STATUS REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

For the month of August, business development activities continued to focus on strengthening investment attraction, economic development and community partnerships through the Quilpie Travel and Transport Precinct EOI, attendance at the TSBE Surat Basin Energy Summit, and progression of the Destination Management and Economic Development Plan. The Local Business Innovation Fund closed its first round with eleven applications received from local businesses. Health and wellbeing initiatives also progressed through community engagement, Census promotion, planned service opportunities, local events and health promotion programs that support a connected and healthy Quilpie Shire.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC204-09-26)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes
Seconded: Cr Tony Lander

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At 9.42am, Corey Richards left the meeting.

10.2.2 COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT STATUS REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The reporting period saw continued progress across community development, recovery and operational programs. The Exclusion Fence Restitution Program remains active, with ongoing support being provided to applicants and 156.8 km of fencing repaired to date. Community health advocacy continues through the Community Advisory Network, particularly in relation to dental services and allied health access. The Quilpie and Eromanga swimming pool seasons are underway, with operators engaging proactively with local communities and user groups. Council has also progressed disaster management planning, executed a new lease with the Quilpie QCWA, and continued supporting residents impacted by the March 2025 flood event through recovery initiatives and community engagement activities.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC205-09-26)

Moved: Cr Milan Milosevic
Seconded: Cr Tony Lander

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10.3 CORPORATE SERVICES STATUS REPORTS

10.3.1 CORPORATE SERVICES STATUS REPORT - AUGUST 2026

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Corporate Services activities in August 2026 spanned procurement of goods and services, rates and charges, information technology, stores and compliance administration, applications for grants and subsidies, finance operations, preparations for the 2025/26 financial statements, governance matters, and meetings attended by Corporate Services staff.

This report was provided for Council's information.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC206-09-26)

Moved: Cr Milan Milosevic
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz

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At 10.23am, Mwewa Chisenga left the meeting.
At 10.27am, Brian Weeks left the meeting.

10.4 OFFICE OF THE CEO STATUS REPORTS

10.4.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER - MONTHLY STATUS REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report updated Council on key activities within the Chief Executive Officer's portfolio for the month of August 2026.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC207-09-26)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes
Seconded: Cr Milan Milosevic

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At 10.27am, Lisa Hamlyn left the meeting.
At 10.29am, Lisa Hamlyn returned to the meeting.
At 10.36am, Brian Weeks returned to the meeting.

11 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

11.1 ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN (AMP) - BUILDINGS AND OTHER STRUCTURES (2026)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* and Council Resolution QSC293-12-24 in late 2024, Council has undertaken a review of the Asset Management Plan (AMP) for Buildings and Other Structures following the completion of the 2025 asset revaluation. The review leverages the comprehensive building valuation and condition assessment undertaken in 2025, providing an updated asset inventory, condition data, replacement costs and useful life information.

The updated AMP establishes an evidence-based framework for managing, maintaining and renewing Council's building assets over the long term and ensures alignment with Council's Long-Term Financial Plan, and serves as a critical strategic tool to support informed decision-making, financial sustainability and advocacy for external funding where required.

The report recommended adoption of the revised Buildings and Other Structures Asset Management Plan as part of Council's ongoing commitment to sustainable asset management and compliance with legislative requirements.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC208-09-26)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz

That Council adopt the Asset Management Plan – Buildings and Other Structures (2026).

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11.2 ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN (AMP) - OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION (2026)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* and Council Resolution QSC293-12-24 in late 2024, Council has undertaken a review of the current (2024) Asset Management Plan (AMP) for Buildings and Other Structures following the completion of the 2025 asset revaluation. The review leverages the comprehensive building valuation and condition assessment undertaken in 2025, providing an updated asset inventory, condition data, replacement costs and useful life information.

As part of the review of the asset information for Buildings and Other Structures, it was identified that certain assets would be more appropriately classified under a proposed new asset class, Open Space and Recreation.

The new AMP Open Space and Recreation was developed as an evidence-based framework for managing, maintaining and renewing Council's open space and recreation assets over the long term and ensures alignment with Council's Long-Term Financial Plan, and serves as a critical strategic tool to support informed decision-making, financial sustainability and advocacy for external funding where required.

The report recommended adoption of the Open Space and Recreation Asset Management Plan as part of Council's ongoing commitment to sustainable asset management and compliance with legislative requirements.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC209-09-26)

Moved: Cr Milan Milosevic
Seconded: Cr Tony Lander

That Council adopt the Asset Management Plan – Open Space and Recreation (2026).

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At 10.40am, Corey Richards attended the meeting.
At 10:44 am, Cr Lyn Barnes left the meeting.

11.3 RFQL04 26-27 SCREENING OF MATERIAL FOR 2025 FLOOD DAMAGE WORKS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report recommended awarding RFQL 04 26-27 –Screening of Material for 2025 Flood Damage Works to APV Contracting. The screening package involves material preparation at multiple pit locations on Coonaberry Creek Road and Mt Howitt Road, to support the reconstruction of flood-damaged road networks.

One conforming submission was received from a prequalified supplier. Following evaluation, APV Contracting Pty Ltd achieved the highest weighted score and submitted an advantageous offer to Council, demonstrating value for money and proven capability.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC210-09-26)

Moved: Cr Milan Milosevic
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz

That Council:

1. Award RFQL 04 26-27 Screening of Material for 2025 Flood Damage Works to APV Contracting Pty Ltd for an amount of $461,005.66 including GST ($409,196.05 excluding GST); and
2. Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to s. 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, to negotiate, finalise, and execute all matters related to this contract, including any options or variations, in accordance with Council's Procurement Policy.

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At 10:49 am, Cr Lyn Barnes returned to the meeting.

At 10:52 am, Deputy Mayor Roger Volz left the meeting.

At 10:53 am, Deputy Mayor Roger Volz returned to the meeting.

12 COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

12.1 THE BRICK HOTEL SPONSORSHIP REQUEST FOR 100 YEAR CELEBRATION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council received a request from The Brick Hotel for support through Sponsorship and raffle prize donations, to assist them in delivering The Brick Hotel 100 Year Celebration to be held from Friday 02 October to Sunday 04 October 2026. Funds raised throughout the celebration will be reinvested into our local community through sponsorship and support of local charities and community organisations, as well as supporting the vital work of the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC211-09-26)

Moved: Mayor Ben Hall
Seconded: Cr Lyn Barnes

That Council:

1. Acknowledge the Community Assistance Grant Sponsorship request received from The Brick Hotel.
2. Note that the request does not conform with the Quilpie Shire Council - C.01 Community Assistance Grant Policy.
3. Not support the commercial sponsorship prospectus.

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12.2 2027 AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report sought Council's endorsement for the proposed 2027 Quilpie Australia Day Awards Program, categories and celebration events.

The proposal was subject to the success of a grant application submitted to the National Australia Day Council. Key recommendations within this report included maintaining categories set in 2026 - Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Community Group of the Year, Certificate of Appreciation and Quilpie Shire Business Award. The event schedule features a community celebration at Bulloo Park on Friday, 22 January 2027 to accommodate families, and family-friendly pool parties being held in Quilpie and Eromanga on Australia Day.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC212-09-26)

Moved: Cr Tony Lander
Seconded: Cr Milan Milosevic

That Council:

1. Endorse the following categories for the 2027 Quilpie Australia Day Awards:
   (a) Citizen of the Year
   (b) Young Citizen of the Year
   (c) Community Group of the Year
   (d) Certificate of Appreciation
   (e) Quilpie Shire Business Award
2. Endorse the following dates and times for 2027 Quilpie Australia Day Celebrations:
   (a) Friday, 22 January 2027**:** Australia Day Connect & Celebrate Community Event at Bulloo Park, from 5:00 pm.
   (b) Tuesday, 26 January 2027**:** Great Aussie Pool Party at the Quilpie Swimming Pool, from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm.
   (c) Tuesday 26 January 2027**:** Great Aussie Pool Party at the Eromanga Swimming Pool, from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm.

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12.3 QUILPIE LOCAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW AND UPDATE

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report sought Council approval to accept a quotation from Disaster Management and Resilience Consultancy for $50,000.00 excluding GST to undertake a comprehensive review and update of the Quilpie Local Disaster Management Plan and associated sub-plans. The project will ensure Council's disaster management framework remains current, compliant and fit for purpose, and is fully funded through the QRRP Stream 3 Human and Social Recovery Planning Fund (HSRPF) 2025-2026, with no direct financial impact on Council.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC213-09-26)

Moved: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz
Seconded: Cr Lyn Barnes

That Council:

1 Engage Disaster Management and Resilience Consultancy to undertake a comprehensive review and update the Quilpie Local Disaster Management Plan for the amount of $55,000.00 including GST ($50,000.00 excluding GST) in accordance with section 235 (b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, noting the specialised nature of the services being sought and the impracticality for Council to invite quotes or tenders.

2 Delegate power to the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009* to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this contract including without limitation any options and / or variations.

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At 11.07am, Corey Richards left the meeting.
At 11.09am, Mwewa Chisenga joined the meeting.

13 CORPORATE SERVICES

13.1 T01 26-27 REGISTER OF PREQUALIFIED SUPPLIERS OF MOBILE PLANT AND EQUIPMENT FOR WET AND DRY HIRE 2026-2028

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report was to provide Council with a recommendation to accept pre-qualified suppliers with the technical, financial and managerial capability necessary to provide the services of mobile plant and equipment for wet and dry hire.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC214-09-26)

Moved: Cr Milan Milosevic
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz

That Council:

1. Approve the selection of the suppliers listed in Table 1 as 'pre-qualified suppliers' for the T01 26-27 Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers of Mobile Plant and Equipment for Wet and Dry Hire.
2. Approve the issuance of Notices of Successful Tender to the suppliers listed in Table 1 in respect of T01 26-27 Register of Prequalified Suppliers of Mobile Plant and Equipment for Wet and Dry Hire.
3. Delegate power to the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009* to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to contracts with the suppliers listed in Table 1 pursuant to T01 26-27 Register of Prequalified Suppliers of Mobile Plant and Equipment for Wet and Dry Hire, including without limitation, any options and/or variations as per Council's procurement policy.

Table 1 – Approved Suppliers of Mobile Plant and Equipment for Wet and Dry Hire

No	Legal Entity	Business/Trading Name	ABN
1	Australian Construction Equipment Rental Pty Ltd	ACE Rental Pty Ltd	87 104 968 925

2	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	29 169 579 104
3	BHL & DA Hall	BHL & DA Hall Transport	40 846 702 293
4	Brooks Hire Service Pty Ltd	Brooks Hire Service Pty Ltd	20 008 975 988
5	Ellis Profiling QLD Pty Ltd	Ellis Profiling QLD Pty Ltd	52 090 899 095
6	Commercial Fleet Rental Investments Pty Ltd	FleetCrew	55 151 696 445
7	Quilpie Towing	Gilby Tonkin Mechanical	17 645 629 447
8	Half Hitch Contracting Pty Ltd	Half Hitch Contracting Pty Ltd	93 692 638 501
9	Hunt Earthmoving Contractors Pty Ltd	Hunt Earthmoving Contractors Pty Ltd	50 650 113 205
10	Jason Bell Contracting Pty Ltd	Jason Bell Contracting Pty Ltd	42 687 678 744
11	Sc and KG Bowen Earthmoving	Sc and KG Bowen Earthmoving	43 846 443 873
12	Kev Richardson Welding	Kev Richardson Welding	60 072 120 793
13	Long Plain Trading Pty Ltd	Long Plain Trading Pty Ltd	47 677 229 739
14	Kemshead Pty Ltd ATF The Kemshead Family Trading	Monster Hire	51 709 608 654
15	Rollers Queensland	Rollers Queensland	50 087 309 091
16	Stabilcorp Pty Ltd	Stabilcorp Pty Ltd	25 162 342 001
17	The Stabilising Pty Ltd	The Stabilising Pty Ltd	34 633 525 229
18	The Trustee for Cross Country Fusion Trust	Cross Country Fusion	18 668 005 583
19	The Trustee for The Mascott Earthmoving Trust	Mascott Earthmoving Pty Ltd	91 759 395 478
20	Tolbra Earthmovers and Haulage	Tolbra Earthmovers and Haulage	96 606 706 898
21	United Rentals Australia Pty Ltd	United Rentals Australia Pty Ltd	38 069 244 417
22	Western Solutions Group Pty Ltd	Western Solutions Group Pty Ltd	17 692 131 909

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13.2 FINANCIAL SERVICES REPORT MONTH ENDED 31 AUGUST 2026

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report was to present the monthly financial report to Council in accordance with section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* for the period ended 31 August 2026.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC215-09-26)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes
Seconded: Cr Milan Milosevic

That Council receive and note the Monthly Finance Report for the period ending 31 August 2026.

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At 11.23am, Dominique Wells joined the meeting.

13.3 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION - DA10 25-26 CHANGE APPLICATION - RECONFIGURING A LOT - INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, ANZAC DRIVE QUILPIE

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council was asked to consider and decide a change application (other change) to an existing approval for Reconfiguring a Lot at 1, 10, 15, 18, 23, 28, 31, 36, 41, 43, 44, 52 and 54 Anzac Drive, Quilpie, described as Lots 2-4 & 15 in SP313216 & Lots 5-14 on SP273738. The applicant is Quilpie Shire Council, owner of the affected premises.

The existing approval for the establishment of the Quilpie Industrial Estate was to subdivide one (1) lot into 21 lots. Stage 1 of the approval has been completed. Council has submitted a change application to vary Stage 2 of the development, reducing the overall scale of the development to sixteen (16) lots.

In accordance with Section 82 of the *Planning Act 2016*, assessing and deciding change applications for other changes, the relevant provisions apply as if the change were a new development application. Therefore, the development is subject to Code assessment and must be assessed against the assessment benchmarks specified in Section 45 of the *Planning Act 2016*, to the extent relevant, and any matter prescribed by regulation. The Development Assessment Rules set out the procedural requirements that Council must follow in the development assessment process. Pursuant to s.83 of the *Planning Act 2016*, Council must decide whether or not to approve the change.

The application was assessed against the applicable assessment benchmarks, being the relevant provisions of the Quilpie Shire Planning Scheme. The proposal was considered to be generally consistent with the relevant assessment benchmarks.

Approval was recommended subject to conditions addressing compliance with relevant servicing and engineering standards and amenity protection. The decision is compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019*. No unmanaged legal risks arose from this report.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC216-09-26)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes
Seconded: Cr Tony Lander

That Council:

1. Receive this report.

2. Pursuant to section 83 of the *Planning Act 2016*, the change application (Other) for the existing Reconfiguring a Lot Approval for One (1) lot into **sixteen (16)** lot industrial subdivision, new road and easements on land situated at Lot at 1, 10, 15, 18, 23, 28, 31, 36, 41, 43, 44, 52 and 54 Anzac Drive, Quilpie, described as Lots 2-4 & 15 in SP313216 & Lots 5-14 on SP273738, subject to the listed conditions and general advice.

Conditions

Table 1 Approved conditions

No.	Condition
1	Approval is granted for the purpose of Reconfiguring a Lot (1 into **sixteen (16)** Lot Industrial Subdivision, New Road and Easements).
2	The approved development is to be carried out in accordance with following approved plans and subject to the approval conditions. Where there is any conflict between the approval conditions and the details shown on the approved plans, the approval conditions prevail.

Plan/Document Number	Plan/Document Name	Date
PRJ-0860-06-SK01	Stage 02 – Layout & Staging Plan	29 May 2026
250238-1/03	Working Plan	17/06/2026

3	The new road shall have a minimum reservation width generally in accordance with the approved plans.
4	The new road shall be sealed, designed and constructed in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 2: Standards for Roads, Carparking, Manoeuvring Areas and Access, Section 2.1(1) of the Quilpie Shire Planning Scheme or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards.
5	The new road shall be appropriately named.
6	Each proposed lot shall be given an appropriate street number in accordance with Australian Standard AS4819.
7	Street lighting shall be provided in the new road in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 2: Standards for Roads, Carparking, Manoeuvring Areas and Access, Section 2.1(1) of the Quilpie Shire Planning Scheme or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards.
8	Each proposed lot shall have vehicle access from a formed road in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 2: Standards for Roads, Carparking, Manoeuvring Area and Access, Section 2.3 (1) and (2) of the Quilpie Shire Planning Scheme or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards.
9	The existing water supply main shall be extended to the subject site within the road reserves, and of sufficient length to facilitate direct connection from each proposed lot to the water supply main, with capacity sufficient for the development, including adequate pressure for fire fighting purposes, in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 3: Standards for Water Supply, Section 3.1(1) of the Quilpie Shire Planning Scheme or to or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards.
10	Each proposed lot shall be connected to Council's reticulated water supply system, in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 3: Standards for Water Supply, Section 3.1 of the Quilpie Shire Planning Scheme or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards.
11	Fire hydrants shall be provided in the new road reserve in accordance with the accepted and endorsed engineering standards.
12	Prior to the submission to Council of the Plan of Survey required by Condition 26, reporting demonstrating that each lot can be adequately provided with an on-site effluent disposal system in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 4: Standards for On-Site Sewerage, Section 4.2 or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards, shall be prepared by a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland (RPEQ)-Civil or other suitably qualified person and shall be submitted to and for the endorsement of Council.
13	Each proposed lot shall have stormwater collected and discharged in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 5: Standards for Stormwater Drainage, Section 5.1 of the Quilpie Shire Planning Scheme or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards.
14	Each proposed lot~~,~~ shall be connected to the reticulated electricity supply system in accordance with relevant standards required by the service provider.
15	A statutory covenant, pursuant to section 97A of the *Land Title Act 1994*, shall be registered over Easements A to G as shown on the approved plans, for the purpose of retaining vegetation for screening and visual amenity along and for the entire length of the subject site where it has frontage to Diamantina Developmental Road~~.~~
16	Easements A to G, generally as shown on the approved plans, shall be provided in favour of Council to facilitate access by Council to the covenant areas required by Condition 15 for the purpose of vegetation amenity and maintenance.
17	All utility services shall be located within the road reserve where possible in accordance with accepted and endorsed engineering standards.

18	Any filling or excavation necessitated to meet the conditions of this approval shall be undertaken in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 1: Standards for Construction Activities, Section 1.1 of the Quilpie Shire Planning Scheme or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards.
19	Best practice soil erosion control techniques shall be used at the location of all works to be completed on the subject site in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 1: Standards for Construction Activities, Section 1.1 of the Quilpie Shire Planning Scheme or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards and shall remain in place for the duration of construction.
20	No construction shall take place until the appropriate erosion control and silt collection measures are in place as required by Condition 20 (above). Such erosion control and silt collection measures shall remain on-site throughout the construction period.
21	Prior to undertaking any works required by the conditions of approval for the road (including street lighting), vehicle crossovers, water supply main extension (including fire hydrants), water supply connections and stormwater drainage, engineering plans and specifications shall be prepared by a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland (RPEQ)-Civil in accordance with the relevant standards required by the conditions of approval and shall be submitted to and for the endorsement of Council.
22	On completion of the works, "as constructed" plans shall be submitted to Council, with certification by a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland (RPEQ)-Civil that the works have been completed in accordance with the endorsed plans and any approved modifications.
23	The cost of carrying out works and providing services to each proposed lot, as required by conditions of approval, shall be at the expense of the applicant.
24	Council may identify lot/s for sale. In respect of those identified lot/s and prior to their release for sale by Council, all works necessitated by the conditions of approval for roods (including street lighting), vehicle crossovers, water supply main extensions (including fire hydrants), water supply connections, stormwater drainage, earthworks and reticulation of electricity shall be completed.
25	The applicant shall submit a detailed Plan of Survey, including the statutory covenant and easement documentation required by Conditions 15 and 16, prepared by a licensed surveyor, for the approval of Council.

Table 2 General Advice

No.	Category	Condition
(a)	Relevant Planning Scheme	The relevant planning scheme for this development is the Quilpie Shire Planning Scheme. All references to the 'Planning Scheme' and 'Planning Scheme Schedules' within these conditions refer to this planning scheme.
(b)	Future Permits	A development permit for a Material Change of Use will be required for any activity or development on the approved lot(s) that does not comply with the accepted development criteria in the Quilpie Shire Planning Scheme.
(c)	Duty of Care	This approval in no way removes the duty of care responsibility of the applicant under the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003*. Pursuant to Section 23(1) of the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003*, a person who carries out an activity must take all reasonable and practicable measures to ensure the activity does not harm Aboriginal cultural heritage (the "cultural heritage duty of care").
(f)	Environmental harm	The *Environmental Protection Act 1994* states that a person must not carry out any activity that causes, or is likely to cause, environmental harm unless the person takes all reasonable and practicable measures to prevent or minimise the harm. Environmental harm includes environmental nuisance. In this regard, persons and entities involved in the operation of the approved

		works are to adhere to their 'general environmental duty' to minimise the risk of causing environmental harm to adjoining premises.
(g)	Necessary Permits	It is the responsibility of the developer to obtain all necessary permits and submit all necessary plans to the relevant authorities for the approved use.
(h)	Future changes	In completing an assessment of the proposed development, council has relied on the information submitted in support of the development application as true and correct. Any change to the approved plans and documents may require a new or changed development approval. it is recommended that the applicant contact council for advice in the event of any potential change in circumstances.

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At 11.38am, Dominique Wells and Mwewa Chisenga left the meeting

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Nil

15 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC217-09-26)

Moved: Cr Milan Milosevic
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz

In accordance with the provisions of section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that Council resolve to close the meeting to the public to discuss a confidential item that its Councillors consider is necessary to close the meeting.

In accordance with Section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the following table provides:

(a) the matter that is to be discussed; and

(b) an overview of what is to be discussed while the meeting is closed.

Agenda Item	**Reasons Matters to be discussed (to close the meeting under the *Local Government Regulation 2012*)**	**Overview**
15.1 Consultation - Application for Conversion of Term Lease to Freehold - L20 on SP118806	(i) a matter the local government is required to keep confidential under a law of, or formal arrangement with, the Commonwealth or a State;	The Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development (the 'Department') has sought Council's views on an application for conversion of a lease (industrial purposes) to freehold over Lot 20 on Plan SP118806.

		Council is asked to advise the Department for any views and/or requirements. If Council has an objection to the application, a full explanation stating the reason for such an objection must be provided.
15.2 T02 26-27 Quilpie Rural Residential and Industrial Subdivision Civil Works	(c) the local government's budget; (g) negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government;	T02 26-27 Quilpie Rural Residential and Industrial Subdivision Civil Works involves the delivery of civil infrastructure required to support the development of both rural residential and industrial subdivisions, including roadworks, associated civil works and water reticulation works as well as the installation of NBN pits and pipes.

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MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC218-09-26)

Moved: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz
Seconded: Cr Lyn Barnes

That Council move into closed session at 11.39am.

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MOVE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC219-09-26)

Moved: Cr Milan Milosevic
Seconded: Cr Tony Lander

That Council move out of closed session and resume the Ordinary Meeting at 12.02pm.

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15.1 CONSULTATION - APPLICATION FOR CONVERSION OF TERM LEASE TO FREEHOLD - L20 ON SP118806

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development (the 'Department') sought Council's views on an application for conversion of a lease (industrial purposes) to freehold over Lot 20 on Plan SP118806.

Council was asked to advise the Department of any views and/or requirements. If Council had an objection to the application, a full explanation stating the reason for such an objection was required to be provided.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC220-09-26)

Moved: Cr Milan Milosevic
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz

That Council advise the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development that it has no objection to the application for conversion to freehold over Lot 20 on Plan SP118806.

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15.2 T02 26-27 QUILPIE RURAL RESIDENTIAL AND INDUSTRIAL SUBDIVISION CIVIL WORKS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

T02 26-27 Quilpie Rural Residential and Industrial Subdivision Civil Works involved the delivery of civil infrastructure required to support the development of both rural residential and industrial subdivisions, including roadworks, associated civil works and water reticulation works as well as the installation of NBN pits and pipes.

The procurement was conducted through VendorPanel, via open Public Tender where MCC Group Pty Ltd achieved highest weighted score of 80.8/100. However, this offer exceeded the project allocated budget (revised scope) of $3,085,405 by $144,246. The only respondent within the project budget (ranked 4th out of 8 at 71.5/100) was North Queensland Estimating and Civil Services.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC221-09-26)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes
Seconded: Cr Tony Lander

That Council:

1. Award T02 26-27 Quilpie Rural Residential Civil Works (including Diamantina Intersection Civil Works) and Industrial Subdivision NBN Works (pits and pipes installation) to NQ Estimating and Civil Services Pty Ltd for an amount of $3,136,034.00 including GST ($2,850,940.00 excluding GST).
2. Pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's Procurement Policy.

Reasons for the decision - value for money (sound contracting principles).

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At 12.10pm, adjourned for lunch.
At 12.54pm, reconvened from lunch.

At 12:54 pm, Cr Lyn Barnes left the meeting as she had declared a material personal interest in Item 16.1 below.

16 LATE ITEMS

16.1 PURCHASE OF FAREWELL GIFT FOR OUTGOING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Informal discussion occurred in relation to a farewell gift from Quilpie Shire Council for Council's outgoing Chief Executive Officer. It was timely to consider and arrange the gift while the Chief Executive Officer was on pre-arranged leave.

A suggestion put forward was that Council adopt a similar approach to the previous Chief Executive Officer; that being an original painting. The gift was intended to be a memento of Mr Hancock's time in Western Queensland and in appreciation of his contribution to:

- Council well beyond the expectations of the role; and
- the Quilpie Shire Council team during his time with Council.

The Mayor had identified a painting at Lyn Barnes Gallery which he felt would make for an ideal farewell gift, as it features local landscape.

The proposed gift was tabled for other Councillors' consideration noting that:

- the Chief Executive Officer worked closely with all Councillors and the report provided for endorsement of the Mayor's suggestion.
- Lyn Barnes is a sitting Councillor, and the matter related to her business.
- a new legislative framework came into effect from 1 July 2026 (Chapter 5B of the *Local Government Act 2009*) which outlines the transparent process to be taken for this type of decision.

The tabled information complied with Council's adopted Procurement Policy which states that at least one written quote must be obtained, and it will be attached to the invoice should Council proceed.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC222-09-26)

Moved: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz
Seconded: Cr Milan Milosevic

That Council:

1. Approve the purchase of the artwork identified by the Mayor, from Councillor Lyn Barnes to the value of $2,700 (excluding GST), as a farewell gift for the outgoing Chief Executive Officer.
2. Delegate authority to the Mayor, under section 257 (1) (a) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, to finalise the purchase and arrange presentation of the gift.

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At 12:56 pm, Cr Lyn Barnes returned to the meeting.

At 2:02 pm, Cr Milan Milosevic left the meeting.

At 2:13 pm, Cr Milan Milosevic returned to the meeting.

17 GENERAL BUSINESS

Councillors were invited to raise any matters they wished to discuss. Matters raised included:

- Cr Barnes raised community concerns during the Infrastructure Services Status Report regarding the quality and construction standards of gravel roads across the Shire. To support these concerns, Cr Barnes tabled a sample of gravel from Cooma Road provided by a resident for consideration. In response, the Director Infrastructure Services and Deputy Director Infrastructure Services outlined Council's current gravel sourcing, selection and quality management practices. It was noted that, unlike sealed road construction projects where formal laboratory testing and specification compliance are routinely undertaken, unsealed road networks rely on naturally occurring gravel materials whose properties can vary between individual pits and across extraction areas within the same pit. The officers further advised that these variations are managed through operational experience, field assessment and ongoing monitoring of road performance. Given the scale of Council's gravel resheeting program, which utilises approximately 480,000 cubic metres of gravel annually, sourcing a consistent and sustainable supply of suitable materials remains a key consideration in the maintenance of the Shire's extensive unsealed road network.
- Cr Barnes highlighted opportunities presented by the upcoming 2028 solar eclipse. Staff briefed Council on Quilpie's near-total coverage, projected visitor numbers based on the 2023 Shark Bay eclipse, current accommodation bookings, potential Tourism and Events Queensland (TEQ) funding, and Eromanga's "most inland town" positioning. Councillors discussed target demographics to guide future entertainment and accommodation strategies.
- Cr Barnes raised concerns from airport users regarding the administration of landing fees, questioning whether an annual subscription option had been considered as an alternative to per-landing charges. Director Corporate Services Sharon Frank advised a subscription model is being investigated, noting the difficulty of pricing it fairly across infrequent and frequent users, and agreed to follow up with Avdata regarding a pre-paid account option.
- Cr Barnes raised the benefit of a permanently placed, regionally based disaster recovery officer, noting the delay in resourcing recovery support following the last disaster event. Councillors discussed resourcing options, including the possibility of multiple officers based across different towns within the region. The Mayor advised he would raise the matter through the South West Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils (SWQROC) for consideration.
- Cr Barnes raised the condition of the staff toilets, describing them as uncomfortable for staff and presenting poorly to visitors, and requested consideration of remedial works through a budget amendment. Staff discussed several options, including relocating and consolidating public and staff toilet facilities. It was agreed the matter would be brought back to a Council briefing in November for further consideration.
- Cr Barnes raised the status of the pool shade structure, noting she had been asked about it several times by the community. Staff advised the existing structure is damaged beyond economical repair, with a like-for-like replacement estimated at approximately $200,000, and recommended Council go to market for a retractable shade solution. Council's preference on style and coverage was sought to finalise the tender scope, and staff will proceed with scoping documents.
- Cr Barnes raised the need to secure a meeting with the Premier of Queensland, the Hon David Crisafulli, regarding Lake Eyre Basin, noting a prior meeting request had not been successful. Staff advised that a follow-up letter would be prepared reiterating Council's openness to a meeting at a future date. Cr Barnes advised that recent discussions with industry representatives confirmed the relevant framework change can be made administratively, by regulation, rather than requiring legislative change.
- Cr Volz was pleased with the presentation of Bulloo Park, noting the facility is well used when made available outside race season, although he raised concern regarding the appearance of standard wheelie bins during events, suggesting mobile bin enclosures as an improvement.

- Cr Volz raised the recent water pressure test and flow rate results for the town supply, which did not meet standard, and queried whether current supply and pressure would be sufficient once the Travel and Transport Precinct and Rural Residential development come online. Staff advised that firefighting-fitting requirements are likely to apply to rural residential building applications, that pressure on the airport side of the network is currently adequate, and that a proposed 100 mm water main upgrade on Cemetery Road would improve capacity on the town side.

18 MEETING DATES

The next Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council will take place on Thursday 29 October 2026 in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street, Quilpie commencing at 9:30 AM.

There will be a Special Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday 22 September at 8.30 am.

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 2.21pm.

These Minutes are to be confirmed at the next Ordinary Meeting. In Accordance with the public notice of meetings published by Council, the next Ordinary Meeting will be held on Thursday 29 October 2026 in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street, Quilpie commencing at 9:30 AM.

6.2 SPECIAL MEETING OF QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2026

IX: 280334

Author: Callie Dabovich, Executive Officer

Authorisors: Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: 1. Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 22 September 2026

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 22 September 2026 be confirmed.

Special Meeting of Council

MINUTES

Tuesday 22 September 2026

Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom

50 Brolga Street, Quilpie

MINUTES OF QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL BOARDROOM, 50 BROLGA STREET, QUILPIE
ON TUESDAY, 22 SEPTEMBER 2026
WITH A SCHEDULED COMMENCEMENT TIME OF 8:30 AM

1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 8:56 am.

2 ATTENDANCE

Mayor Ben Hall, Deputy Mayor Roger Volz (via Teams), Cr Lyn Barnes, Cr Tony Lander (via Phone), Cr Milan Milosevic

In Attendance: Mr Eng Lim (Chief Executive Officer, Acting), Ms Lisa Hamlyn (Director Community and Business Development), Ms Sharon Frank (Director Corporate Services) (via Teams), Mr Corey Richards (Deputy Director Community and Business Development), and Ms Callie Dabovich (Secretariat).

3 APOLOGIES

Nil

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Chapter 5B of the *Local Government Act 2009* (the Act) requires councillors to declare any material personal interest (MPI) or conflict of interest (COI). Councillors must submit the Declaration in writing to the Chief Executive Officer before the Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Nil

5 COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

5.1 COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE GRANT APPLICATION - QUILPIE MOTORCYCLING ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Quilpie Motorcycling Association submitted a Community Assistance Grant application for Council's support of their 2027 Quilpie Motorbike Gymkhana and Enduro. The Association requested a direct cash contribution of $2,500 and In-kind supply of ten (10) wheelie bins, one (1) skip bin, two (2) portable shade structures, one hundred (100) chairs, ten (10) tables, a large generator and accompanying extension leads.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC235-09-26)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes
Seconded: Cr Tony Lander

That Council:

1. Acknowledge the Community Assistance Grant application received from the Quilpie Motorcycling Association.

2. Approve a direct cash contribution of $2,500.

3. Approve in-kind support of:
   (i) ten (10) wheelie bins;
   (ii) one (1) skip bin;
   (iii) two (2) portable shade structures;
   (iv) one hundred (100) chairs;
   (v) ten (10) tables;
   (vi) a large generator and accompanying extension leads.

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5.2 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) 01 26-27 THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE QUILPIE TRANSPORT AND TRAVEL PRECINCT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report presented the results of EOI 01 2026/27 The Development of the Quilpie Transport and Travel Precinct for Council's consideration and adoption. The EOI was released to test market interest and engage with investors, developers and businesses with intent to understand the requirements for investment attraction. The EOI was launched on the VendorPanel Portal on Monday 6 July 2026 and closed on Monday 17 August 2026. Three (3) responses were received presenting diverse commercial and developmental approaches in response to the scope.

The report presented the recommendation to progress two (2) of the three (3) respondents, Durack Civil Pty Ltd and McHugh Modular Pty Ltd, to an inform-and-negotiate stage, noting that this decision does not constitute acceptance of any offer or form a binding contractual commitment.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC236-09-26)

Moved: Cr Milan Milosevic
Seconded: Cr Lyn Barnes

That Council:

1. Endorse the outcome of EOI 01 26-27 for the development, operation and activation of the Quilpie Transport and Travel Precinct.
2. Shortlist the following respondents to proceed to a further inform-and-negotiate stage, noting that this decision does not constitute acceptance of any offer or form a binding contractual commitment:
   (i) Durack Civil Pty Ltd (ABN 35 633 665 380); and
   (ii) McHugh Modular Pty Ltd (ABN 92 615 734 202)

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6 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

RECOMMENDATION

In accordance with the provisions of section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that Council resolve to close the meeting to the public to discuss a confidential item that its Councillors consider is necessary to close the meeting.

In accordance with Section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the following table provides:

(a) the matter that is to be discussed; and

(b) an overview of what is to be discussed while the meeting is closed.

Agenda Item	**Reasons Matters to be discussed (to close the meeting under the *Local Government Regulation 2012*)**	**Overview**
6.1 Amended Budget 2026-27, 22 September 2026	(c) the local government's budget;	This report presents an Amended Budget for 2026/27 for Council's consideration and adoption.

MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC237-09-26)

Moved: Cr Milan Milosevic
Seconded: Cr Tony Lander

That Council move into closed session at 9:06 am.

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MOVE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC238-09-26)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes
Seconded: Cr Milan Milosevic

That Council move out of closed session and resume the Special Meeting at 9:18 am.

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6.1 AMENDED BUDGET 2026-27, 22 SEPTEMBER 2026

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report presented an Amended Budget for 2026/27 for Council's consideration and adoption.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC239-09-26)

Moved: Cr Milan Milosevic
Seconded: Cr Tony Lander

That Council:

1. Note that the budget has been prepared on an accrual basis and is consistent with Council's adopted Corporate Plan 2026-2031 and Operational Plan 2026/27.
2. Approve the 2026/27 budget amendments (operational and capital) which are outlined in the report.
3. Approve the revised financial statements for the 2026/27 budget amendments and the following report attachments:
    (a) Revised Budget Financial Statements (Financial Position, Cash Flow, Income and Expenditure and Changes in Equity) - 2026/27 and the next two years
    (b) Revised Long Term Financial Forecast - 2026/27 and the next nine (9) financial years
    (c) Revised Measures of Financial Sustainability for 2026/27 and the next nine (9) financial years (Ratios)
    (d) Revenue Policy 2026/27
    (e) Revenue Statement 2026/27
    (f) Revised Total Value of Change in Rates and Charges.
4. Include the Amended Budget 2026/27 document on Council's website.

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There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 9:19 AM.

These Minutes are to be confirmed at the next Special Meeting. In accordance with the public notice of meetings published by Council, the next Ordinary Meeting will be held on Thursday 29 October 2026 in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street, Quilpie commencing at 9:30 AM.

6.3 SPECIAL MEETING OF QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2026

IX: 280335

Author: Callie Dabovich, Executive Officer

Authorisors: Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: 1. Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 6 October 2026

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 6 October 2026 be confirmed.

Special Meeting of Council

MINUTES

Tuesday 6 October 2026

Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom

50 Brolga Street, Quilpie

MINUTES OF QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL BOARDROOM, 50 BROLGA STREET, QUILPIE
ON TUESDAY, 6 OCTOBER 2026
SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE AT 1:00 PM

1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 1:06 pm.

2 ATTENDANCE

Mayor Ben Hall, Deputy Mayor Roger Volz, Cr Lyn Barnes, Cr Tony Lander,

In Attendance: Mr Justin Hancock (Chief Executive Officer), Ms Lisa Hamlyn (Director Community and Business Development), Mr Eng Lim (Director Infrastructure Services), Ms Sharon Frank (Director Corporate Services) (via Teams), Mr Corey Richards (Deputy Director Community and Business Development), and Ms Callie Dabovich (Secretariat).

3 APOLOGIES

Cr Milan Milosevic

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Chapter 5B of the *Local Government Act 2009* (the Act) requires councillors to declare any material personal interest (MPI) or conflict of interest (COI). Councillors must submit the Declaration in writing to the Chief Executive Officer before the Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Nil

5 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

5.1 ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN (AMP) - WATER INFRASTRUCTURE (2026)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Following the 2026 asset revaluation, the Director Infrastructure Services reviewed Council's Asset Management Plan (AMP) for Water Infrastructure. The review responded to s 104(5)(a)(ii) of the *Local Government Act 2009* and Resolution QSC293-12-24 of 17 December 2024. It draws on the revaluation and condition assessment completed in 2026, which provided an updated asset inventory, condition data, replacement costs and useful life information.

The revised AMP sets an evidence-based framework for managing, maintaining and renewing Council's water infrastructure assets over the long term. It aligns with Council's Long-Term Financial Plan and supports informed decision-making, financial sustainability and advocacy for external funding.

This report recommended that Council adopt the revised AMP as part of its ongoing commitment to sustainable asset management and legislative compliance.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC240-10-26)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes
Seconded: Cr Tony Lander

That Council lay the report on the table.

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5.2 ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN (AMP) - SEWERAGE INFRASTRUCTURE (2026)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Following the 2026 asset revaluation, the Director Infrastructure Services reviewed Council's Asset Management Plan (AMP) for Sewerage Infrastructure. The review responds to s 104(5)(a)(ii) of the *Local Government Act 2009* (Qld) and Resolution QSC293-12-24 of 17 December 2024. It draws on the revaluation and condition assessment completed in 2026, which provided an updated asset inventory, condition data, replacement costs and useful life information.

The revised AMP sets an evidence-based framework for managing, maintaining and renewing Council's sewerage infrastructure assets over the long term. It aligns with Council's Long-Term Financial Plan and supports informed decision-making, financial sustainability and advocacy for external funding.

This report recommends that Council adopt the revised AMP as part of its ongoing commitment to sustainable asset management and legislative compliance.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC241-10-26)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz

That Council lay the report on the table.

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6 COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

6.1 QUILPIE SMALL BUSINESS FRIENDLY COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT AND 2026/27 SMALL BUSINESS ACTION PLAN ENDORSEMENT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report sought Council endorsement of the *Quilpie Shire Council Small Business Friendly Program Annual Report 2025/26* and the *Quilpie Shire Council Small Business Action Plan 2026/27*, authorisation for both endorsed documents to be published on Council's website, and authorisation for the Annual Report to be submitted to the Queensland Small Business Commissioner (QSBC). The Annual Report outlines Council's 2025/26 small business support activities, including economic development and destination planning, the proposed Quilpie Shire Business Collective, the Local Business Innovation Fund and grant-writing support. The Action Plan set out Council's 2026/27 priorities for engagement, capability building, procurement information, monitoring and reporting.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC242-10-26)

Moved: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz
Seconded: Cr Lyn Barnes

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Small Business Friendly Program Annual Report 2025/26.
2. Endorse the Small Business Friendly Program Annual Report 2025/26 for submission to the Queensland Small Business Commissioner (QSBC).
3. Endorse the Small Business Action Plan 2026/27 as Council's Small Business Friendly Program action plan with minor amendment.
4. Authorise both endorsed documents to be published on Council's website and communicated through appropriate Council channels.
5. Support implementation of the actions contained within the Small Business Action Plan, subject to available resources and annual budget considerations.

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6.2 2026 BUY LOCAL CAMPAIGN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Money spent in Quilpie Shire businesses this Christmas will support local jobs and help keep those businesses viable. The 2026 Quilpie Buy Local Campaign rewards residents and visitors who shop locally, with $5,000.00 in Shop Local gift cards to win. Officers sought Council's endorsement of the campaign and approval of the prize pool.

The campaign will run from Monday 2 November 2026 to Wednesday 9 December 2026. Shoppers who spend $20.00 or more in a single transaction at a participating business can enter a draw for 20 gift cards, which winners can spend only at participating Shire businesses.

Council will fund the prize pool from the 2026/27 Economic Development budget. GST does not apply to the purchase of face-value gift cards, the cost is $5,000.00 both inclusive and exclusive of GST.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC243-10-26)

Moved: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz
Seconded: Cr Tony Lander

That Council:

1. Endorse the 2026 Quilpie Shire Christmas / New Year Buy Local Campaign, to run from Monday 30 November 2026 to Monday 11 January 2027 and draw the winners at the Australia Day 2027 celebration.
2. Approve a prize pool of $5,000.00 (GST does not apply) in Shop Local gift cards, funded from the 2026/27 Economic Development budget.
3. Under section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to finalise and publish the campaign terms and conditions, conduct the prize draw, and make minor operational changes to the campaign that do not increase the prize pool.

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7 CORPORATE SERVICES

7.1 AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report was for the Chief Executive Officer to present a report of the Audit Committee Meetings held on 3 February 2026 and 9 June 2026, on the matters reviewed at the meeting and the committee’s recommendations about the matters, in accordance with section 211(4) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC244-10-26)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz

That Council receive and note the report and recommendations from the Audit Committee Meeting held on 3 February 2026 and 9 June 2026.

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8 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

RECOMMENDATION

In accordance with the provisions of section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that Council resolve to close the meeting to the public to discuss a confidential item that its Councillors consider is necessary to close the meeting.

In accordance with Section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the following table provides:

(a) the matter that is to be discussed; and

(b) an overview of what is to be discussed while the meeting is closed.

Agenda Item	**Reasons Matters to be discussed (to close the meeting under the *Local Government Regulation 2012*)**	**Overview**
8.1 Endorsement of Queensland's South West Six Brand Style Guide	(g) negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government;	This report seeks Council endorsement of the South West Six Brand Style Guide, developed through the South West Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils, to support a regional drive tourism product across South West Queensland. The report addresses commercial matters associated with this endorsement, discussion of which in open session would be likely to prejudice Council's interests.

MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC245-10-26)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz

That Council move into closed session at 1:55 pm.

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MOVE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC246-10-26)

Moved: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz
Seconded: Cr Tony Lander

That Council move out of closed session and resume the Special Meeting at 2:05 pm.

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8.1 ENDORSEMENT OF QUEENSLAND'S SOUTH WEST SIX BRAND STYLE GUIDE

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report sought Council endorsement of the South West Six Brand Style Guide, developed by the South West Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils (SWQROC), as the basis for a new regional drive tourism product across South West Queensland. Endorsement will support consistent regional branding and coordinated visitor collateral and will allow continued delivery of the drive tourism product development project, funded through the Queensland Government's Remote Area Board Program.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC247-10-26)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz

That Council:

1. Endorse Queensland's South West Six Brand Style Guide as the basis for developing a new regional drive tourism product for South West Queensland.
2. Note that the project tourism and events consultant is available to brief Council in person should councillors require further information.

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9 LATE ITEMS

10 GENERAL BUSINESS

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 2:05 PM.

These Minutes are to be confirmed at the next Ordinary Meeting. In accordance with the public notice of meetings published by Council, the next Ordinary Meeting will be held on Thursday 29 October 2026 in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street, Quilpie commencing at 9:30 AM.

7 ITEMS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Nil

8 MAYORAL REPORT

Nil

9 COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIO REPORTS

Nil

10 OPERATIONAL STATUS REPORTS

10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES STATUS REPORTS

10.1.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES STATUS REPORT

IX: **280339**

Author: **Eng Lim, Director Infrastructure Services**

Authorisors: **Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer**

Attachments: **1. Proterra Group Monthly Progress Report - September 2026**

KEY OUTCOME

Nil

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report outlines the key activities and achievements of the Infrastructure Services Directorate for September 2026. It summarises the progress of major infrastructure projects, routine maintenance across the Shire, and the continuing delivery of flood-damage restoration works from the March 2025 rain event. Council operations have largely returned to business-as-usual, noting some delays of works impacted by the more recent February and June/July 2026 rain events.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be noted.

ACTION ITEMS

There are no outstanding action items arising from previous Council resolutions in relation to this report.

OPERATIONAL UPDATE

General

Council crews have resumed normal operations following recent rain disruptions. Road crews continue to provide assistance to Transport and Main Roads (TMR) on state-controlled road networks as required.

Roads

- **New Lockabie Road:** Council has installed road closure signs on the old Lockabie Road, and officers are shortlisting potential names for the new road. Council's request to waive the purchase price for the permanent closure of the old road did not succeed. Officers will continue to work with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines to progress the closure and finalise the outstanding matters.
- **Baldy Top Walking Path:** Work on the concrete footings for the pedestrian bridges began in mid-September and will continue until the end of October.

RMPC and TIDS works

- **RMPC**: One road crew has completed maintenance works on Quilpie to Thargomindah Road under the RMPC contract and is now mobilising to Windorah Road. The crew also responded

to emergent works on Council roads and prepared the end of Anzac Drive for upcoming sealing works associated with the industrial lot subdivision.

- **Adavale–Blackall Road (TIDS)**: Council's road crew is planning the next TIDS section for early 2027. The works will extend 6 kilometres north from the Milo Road intersection, in coordination with the TMR flood damage works that Council road crews are also delivering.

Flood Damage Works

- **Council roads:** A detailed progress report for September 2026 is attached.
- **TMR roads:** Site works are progressing well on site with the support of a local road contractor. Officers are waiting for an approved variation to undertake additional works from TMR which will extend the current deadline of December 2026 to early 2027.

Concrete and Structures

- **Concrete footpaths in Quilpie:** Council has completed two footpath projects and is planning the remaining projects. TMR did not approve funding for several additional footpath projects that Council submitted. Council has requested a review session with the funding assessor to understand the assessment outcomes and strengthen future grant applications.
- **Eromanga pool:** Council has put the shed installation by a local contractor on hold until the swimming season ends, as the pool is now open.
- **Floodway program:** The select tender for various floodway improvements, funded from Council's budget this financial year, has closed. Officers are now evaluating the tenders.

Council Buildings and Facilities

- **Renovation works:** Most works on 6 Neal St in Eromanga are completed with internal painting works remaining.
- **Community services storage shed**: The concrete slab has been poured before the shed will be installed by the Council crew.
- **Depot office redesign:** Additional offices are close to completion for Human Resource officers in the main depot building.

Water and Sewerage

- **Drinking Water Quality Management Plan (DWQMP)**
  - Council submitted a revised DWQMP on 24 September 2026, ahead of the 30 September 2026 deadline, and is awaiting the regulator's approval.
  - With the regulator's agreement, the six South West Queensland councils will organise the one-off testing for PFAS and *Naegleria fowleri* at a regional level.
- **Drinking Water Service Annual Report for FY2025/2026**
  - Council is preparing the annual report for submission before the December 2026 deadline. The report summarises Council's drinking water quality performance for the reporting period and its progress in implementing the Risk Management Improvement Plan (RMIP).
  - Council will publish the report on its website and make it available for inspection at the Council office on request.

Town Services

Alongside routine mowing, watering, whipper-snipping, waste management and cleaning of public amenities, the crew supported a high volume of community events and functions in September. This support included venue set-up and pack-down, cleaning, and delivery of tables, chairs and bins for the following:

- Kangaranga Doo
- Quilpie Show
- St Finbarr's Father's Day event
- Golf Club Gymkhana
- ABBA Girls performance at Quilpie Shire Hall
- Pony Club event at Bulloo Park
- Bicentennial Social BBQ
- Six Supper Room functions
- Skip bin hire services near Eromanga, including two servicing visits
- Child Safeguarding training/event at Eromanga Hall
- Multipurpose Centre event at Gyrica Gardens

Aerodromes

- **Quilpie:** Council is continuing discussions with TMR's Aviation division about providing a shuttle bus service between Quilpie and Charleville Airport.
- **Toompine:** The fencing installation under Round 11 of the Remote Airports Upgrade Program (RAUP) finished in March 2026. Council submitted the final progress report on 9 September 2026 and expects to receive the final close-out payment in early November 2026.

Fleet and Workshop

Workshop staff completed 19 scheduled services during the month and recorded only three unscheduled breakdowns, which reflects the ongoing success of the preventative maintenance program.

Workshop activity for the month comprised 12 light vehicle services, five heavy vehicle and plant services, 13 tyre repairs or replacements, five hydraulic repairs, eight fabrication and welding tasks, and four electrical diagnostic jobs. Major works included fleet servicing, trailer repairs, a hydraulic pump replacement, heavy plant maintenance, generator servicing and the continued installation of Starlink units in Council vehicles.

One fleet incident occurred when a vehicle reversed into a light pole at the airport. Council is managing the repairs through an insurance claim. Workshop staff also continued their Workplace Health and Safety discussions, focusing on dash camera safety and depot safety practices.

Workshop staff repaired three cattle grids, on Eulo Road, Big Creek Road and the Adavale-Charleville Road. They also began preparing for the delivery and fit-out of three new Council vehicles: two Ford Everests and one Ranger Super Duty.

Key issues during the month included drivers inadvertently leaving Starlink units switched on, which flattened vehicle batteries, and ongoing faults with the chemical dispensing system in the depot wash bay. The generator also needs attention because of a coolant leak associated with the engine oil cooler. To manage battery drain, workshop staff are progressively installing Redarc electrical isolation systems in vehicles fitted with Starlink.

Workplace Health and Safety (WH & S) performance remained positive. The workshop recorded no lost time injuries (LTIs) or medical treatment injuries (MTIs) during the month.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Not applicable.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

FINANCIAL AND REVENUE IMPLICATIONS

All activities are being delivered within Council's approved budget.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Risks are being managed in accordance with Council's Risk Management Policy and Framework.

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DRFA – FLOOD RESTORATION PROJECTS

March 2025 Event - Emergent Works Completed

March 2025 Event - REPA Construction phase progressing

February 2026 Event - Emergent Work Completed

February 2026 Event – REPA Submission phase

June 2026 Event - Emergent Work Completed

June 2026 Event - REPA Submission phase

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AMENDMENT, DISTRIBUTION and APPROVAL

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CONTRACT SUMMARY

Contract Number	**RFQL13 24-25**
Principal Representative's Delegate	PROTERRA GROUP
Project Manager	Peter Polizzi
Target Date for Practical Completion of March 2025 event works	30 June 2027
Target Date for Practical Completion of 23/24 event works	30 December 2026

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Description	Status	Percentage Completed
2025-March event works Submissions		
Emergent Works	Completed	100%
Completed submissions Sub 90,76,73,70,71,85	Completed	100%
Submissions,71;72;73;74;75;76;77;78;79;80;81;82;83;84;85;86;88 QSC.0090.0106,103 2425 QSC.	Approved	100%
March 2025 Current construction phase 77,79,80,82,86	Under construction	-

Description	Status	Percentage Completed
2026-February event works Submissions		
Emergent Works	Completed	100%
QSC Submissions 113,115,111,118,120,119	Waiting for approval	25%
QSC. 116,117	Approved	100%

Description	Status	Percentage Completed
2026- June event works Submissions		
Emergent Works	Completed	100%
QSC Submissions 122,124,125,123	Waiting for approval	0%
QSC.	Approved	0%

Event date	Percent Complete	Estimated Final Cost
4 January 2024	79%	$12,852,077.00
March 2025	48%	$80,000,000.00
February 2026	2%	$8,100,000.00
June 2026	1%	$2,600,000.00

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Description	Status	Percentage Completed
2026-February event works Submissions		
Emergent Works	Completed	100%
Submission Building in progress	Completed	100%

Description	Status	Percentage Completed
2026-June event works Submissions		
Emergent Works	Completed	100%
Submission Building in progress	Completed	100%

Description	Status	Percentage Completed
Emergent Work Cost		
Emergent Work January 2024 Event cost $357,776.89	Completed	100%
Emergent Work March 2025 Event cost $1,518,754.49	Completed	100%
Feb 2026 Emergent work cost total was $205,595.37	Completed	100%
June 2026 Emergent work cost total was $306,829.18	Completed	100%

FINANCIAL DISCUSSION

All funds for submissions approved by QRA have had the required upfront funds transferred to QSC.

For the November 2024 event, several roads were rolled over and reassessed, with the work being completed under current contracts as agreed with QRA. Costs to date on those submissions are being claimed in full from QRA.

VARIATIONS / SCOPE CHANGES

Stabilcorp Variations as per Council resolution (Flood Damage FD V1,V2,V4,V7; Council-funded Var V5 V6) are summarised in table below under section 6.2

PROGRAM

Following the March 2025 weather event, Proterra Group has progressed well with assessments across the network. All known damages have been claimed under the QRA guidelines, except for the section on Adavale Charleville Rd Ch 75.000 that is a separate submission for this work that has been submitted to repair the damaged sections. The Quilpie seal package has been completed, and construction has commenced on several roads, including the reconstruction of damaged sections on Tobermory Road and Old Thargomindah Road.

Several screening packages have been awarded for material preparation. As material becomes available, physical works will commence following the tender process.

Heavy rainfall in June 2026 has delayed progress on road packages however site commencement for Tobermory Road, Ingerberry Road, Mulliana Road and Old Thargomindah Road has commenced work.

EMERGENT WORK - February 2026 Rain Event 100% complete.

EMERGENT WORK - June 2026 Rain Event 100% complete.

PROCUREMENT

6.1 UPCOMING TENDERS

- RFQL04 26-27 Mt Howitt Gravel Screening tender with closing date on the 4th of September 2026.
- RFQL08 26-27 Congie Road Package tender with closing date on the 9th of October 2026.

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March 2025 Event Completed Road List

Road Completed	Start Chainage	End Chainage	Sealed Road Gravel Road	Completion Date
Adavale Black Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 96.092	Seal and gravel Road	Nov 25 – March-26
Adavale Link Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 15.119	Gravel Road	October 2025
Adavale Airport Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 3.854	Gravel Road	October 2025
Adavale-Charleville Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 81.200	Seal and gravel Road	December 2025
Arranfield Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 4.300	Gravel Road	March 2026
Big Creek Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 61.400	Gravel Road	July 2025
Black Water Street Adavale	Ch 0.0	Ch 522	Seal and gravel Road	December 2025
Canaway Downs Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 36.400	Gravel Road	March 2026
Duck Creek Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 26.400	Gravel Road	July 2025
Humeburn Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 61.00	Gravel Road	July 2025
Mickinlay Street Adavale	Ch 0.0	Ch 1.44	Seal and gravel Road	October 2025
Mumberry Street	Ch 0.0	Ch .3	Seal and gravel Road	December 2025
Napoleon Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 27.500	Seal and gravel Road	December 2025
Nelson Street	Ch 0.0	Ch 1.1	Gravel Road	October 2025
Nickavilla Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 4.3	Gravel Road	October 2025
Nimboy Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 21.00	Gravel Road	November 2025
Old Charleville Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 96.000	Gravel Road	April 2026
Onion Creek Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 19.300	Gravel Road	April 2026
Patrica Park Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 10.600	Gravel Road	December 2025
Rosella Road	Ch 0.0	Ch .700	Seal and gravel Road	December 2025
Shepherd Street	Ch 0.0	Ch.3	Seal and gravel Road	December 2025
Trinidad Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 93.700	Gravel Road	April 2026
Wareo Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 35.400	Gravel Road	December 2025

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Road Completed	Start Chainage	End Chainage	Sealed Road Gravel Road	Completion Date
Ambathalla Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 47.100	Gravel Road	May 2026
Patrica Park Service Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 0.135	Seal Road	May 2026
Eromanga Dump Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 0.275	Seal Road	May 2026
Adavale Bore Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 0.033	Seal Road	May 2026
Adavale Link Road	Ch 1.700	Ch 1.800	Seal Road	May 2026
Coonaberry Creek Road	Ch 10.000	Ch 20.000	Seal Road	May 2026
Eulo Road	Ch 3.400	Ch 3.500	Seal Road	May 2026
Mt Margaret Road	Ch 6.000	Ch 21,932	Seal Road	May 2026
Ray Road	Ch 20,073	Ch 20,100	Seal Road	May 2026
Kyabra Road Various locations	Ch 1.700	Ch 84.000	Seal Road	May 2026
Boondoon Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 17.800	Gravel Road	May 2026
Cane Grass Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 6.500	Gravel Road	May 2026
Boran Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 8.1	Gravel Road	July 2026
Giberoo Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 1.8	Gravel Road	August 2026
Pinkenetta Road	Ch 0.0	Ch 28.4	Gravel Road	August 2026

6.2 TENDERS/QUOTES AWARDED- March 2025 Event Works

Tender	Contractor	Total (incl GST) & Variation	Status	Award Date
RFQL01 25-26 FD Adavale Black Road Pkg	Travers	$4,631,131.63	Completed	28th August 2025
RFQL04 25-26 FD Screening Tender – Old Charleville Rd Area	Tolbra Earthmoving and haulage	$550,431.99	Completed	15th July 2025
RFQL05 25-26 FD Patricia Park Rd Pkg	APV Contracting	$756,941.90	Completed	28th August 2025

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Tender	Contractor	Total (incl GST) & Variation	Status	Award Date
RFQL14 25-26 FD Old Charleville Rd Pkg	SA Travers & SL Travers	$2,806,443.68	Completed	28th October 2025
RFQL16 25-26 FD Napoleon Rd Pkg	APV Contracting	$688,176.62	Completed	28th October 2025
RFQL17 25-26 FD Quilpie Screening -Part 1	Tolbra Earthmoving and haulage	$1,752,341.02	80% complete	28th October 2025
RFQL20 25-26 FD Sealed Road Reconstruction - Pkg 1	Stabilcorp Pty Ltd	$2,222,414.31	Completed	28th October 2025
RFQL21 25-26 FD Quilpie Screening-Part 3	APV Contracting	$2,204,367.41	80% complete	19th November 2025
RFQL22 25-26 FD Quilpie Screening-Part 4	APV Contracting	$1,813,047.56	51% complete	19th November 2025
RFQL22 25-26 FD Quilpie Screening-Part 4 Variation 01	APV Contracting	Original contract value $1,813,047.56 V1 $202,898.12 New Contract value $2,015,945.67	45% complete	30th April 2026
RFQL06 25-26 Flood Damage	APV Contracting	$1,666,108.62	Completed	17th December 2025
RFQL25 25-26 Flood Damage	APV Contracting	$930,316.20	Completed	17th December 2025
RFQL27 25-26 Flood Damage Trinidad Road	APV Contracting	$3,311.064.25	Completed	29th January 2026
RFQL20 25-26 Variations 1 & 2	Stabilcorp Pty Ltd	$561,488.73	Completed	29th January 2026
RFQL20 25-26 - Various Variations	Stabilcorp Pty Ltd	Original: $2,222,414.3 V04– $61,821.08	Completed	29th January 2026

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Tender	Contractor	Total (incl GST) & Variation	Status	Award Date
		V05– $119,664.00 V06 – $15,308.00 V07– $180,443.20 V08 - $105,079.28 New Contract: $3,148,196.43		
RFQL23 25-26 Ambathalla Road Pkg	SA Travers & SL Travers	$2,883,040.18	Completed	17th February 2026
NVP-01 Kyabra Road Drainage Pkg	Stu Bowen	$923,421.25	97% complete	10th March 2026
Arranfield Road Pkg	Stu Bowen	$131,360.00	Completed	Quote
RFQL30-25-26 Tobermory Road Gravel Pkg	APV Contracting	$7,357,623.90	11% complete	18th March 2026
RFQL37-25-26 Pinkenetta Road Pkg	SA Travers & SL Travers	$1,225,215.72	Completed	5th May 2026
RFQL39 25-26 Flood Damage Old Thargomindah Road Pkg	SA Travers & SL Travers	$1,923,723.00	Work has not commenced.	16th June 2026
RFQL 03 26-27 Flood Damage Cheepie Adavale Pkg	SA Travers & SL Travers	$2,573,987.46	TBA	1st September 2026
RFQL29 25-26 Flood Damage Keeroongooloo Rd Pkg Awarded portion Regleigh Road pkg and Springfield Road pkg	SA Travers & SL Travers	$805,640.52	TBA	1st September 2026

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Tender	Contractor	Total (incl GST) & Variation	Status	Award Date
RFQL04 26-27 Flood Damage Mt Howitt Screening pkg	APV Contracting	$461,005.66	TBA	15th September 2026

6.3 GRAVEL SCREENING

RFQL17 was awarded to Tolbra Earthmoving and Haulage, where works have commenced on Hell Hole Gorge and is ongoing currently.

RFQL21 was awarded to APV Contracting, and work has started near Toompine.

RFQL22 was awarded to APV Contracting. Work commenced Jan 2026.

RFQL06 was awarded to APV Contracting. Work commenced Jan 2026 and now completed.

6.4 ROAD PACKAGES

RFQL37 25-26 Pinkenetta Road package was awarded to SA Travers & SL Travers. Work has been completed in May 2026

RFQL39 25-26 Flood Damage Old Thargomindah Road Package awarded to SA Travers & SL Travers. Commencement of work delayed due to recent rainfall which has impacted this road.

RFQL03 25-26 Cheepie Adavale Road package was awarded to SA Travers & SL Travers.

RFQL29 25-26 Keeroongooloo Road pkg portion Springfield Road & Regleigh Road pkg was awarded to SA Travers & SL Travers.

6.5 WATER ISSUES

Recent rain falls from the February/June rain event (2026) will help with this issue.

A program is in place to signpost approved water sources that are subject to agreements between local landowners and Quilpie Shire Council (QSC).

The current works program for March 2025 will be tendered to secure access to water resources until sufficient rainfall occurs. Where water sources are unavailable, water cartage will be required as the only viable option to support the works program.

QRA LIAISON

Since the March 2025 event, officers from the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) have visited Quilpie on several occasions to assist Council in fast-tracking damage assessments and progressing funding approvals associated with that event.

The latest meeting was held on 3rd of September 2026 Online between Regional Liaison Officer RLO, Jai Green with Justin Hancock (CEO), Eng Lim (Director Infrastructure Services) Peter Polizzi (Project Manager, Proterra Group) via Online Teams meeting to review progress and discuss outstanding submissions. The March 2025 program is currently progressing well however due to the loss of production from rain fall in June 2026 we have currently lost 129 days of site production on various sites which will result in an extension of time to the March 2025 Event. The June 2026 Rain Event value is currently being assessed.

A follow-up meeting was scheduled for 1st of October 2026 at 2:00pm with Jai Green.

Council has also kept QRA informed of the recent June 2026 rainfall event and its impacts, ensuring early visibility of potential damage and funding implications.

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EMERGENT WORK - February 2026 Rain Event completed.

On 11th February 2026, Quilpie Shire experienced a significant rainfall event, with some locations recording more than 180mm overnight. Storms and heavy rainfall impacted multiple areas across the Shire and surrounding regions.

Since Quilpie Shire does not have a local weather radar, it has been challenging to accurately determine the precise locations and intensity of rainfall across the network. The event resulted in temporary road closures, with access to Adavale, Quilpie, and Thargomindah cut off due to flooding.

Council crews have been working closely with Proterra to inspect, document, and prioritise damage across the affected road network. Engagement is ongoing with impacted landholders to identify the most severely affected areas and ensure works are undertaken to rectify hazards and restore safe access as quickly as practicable.

Council continues to provide regular updates to the community regarding affected roads and locations via the Council dashboard, social media platforms, and direct phone communication.

The Emergent work for Feb 2026 has now been completed. We are now assessing the volume of REPA works to repair the damaged to the assets.

EMERGENT WORK - June 2026 Rain Event.

Weather and Impact Overview
Between 9th of June and 2nd of July 2026, the Quilpie Shire experienced heavy, consistent rainfall. This severe weather impacted multiple areas across the Shire and surrounding regions. Because the region lacks a local weather radar, accurately tracking the precise location and intensity of the rain proved difficult. The consistent downpour resulted in widespread temporary road closures

Council Action and Inspections
Council crews have partnered closely with Proterra to inspect, document, and prioritise damage across the affected road network. Our teams are actively engaging with impacted landholders. This helps us identify the most severely affected areas so we can clear hazards and restore safe access as quickly as possible.

All June 2026 Emergent work repairs are completed: **Community Updates**
We remain committed to keeping the community informed. We provide regular updates on affected roads and locations via the following channels.

- Quilpie Shire Council Dashboard
- Quilpie Shire Council's Official Facebook Page
- Direct phone communication.

Photo Below of Congie Road flood damage-Rain event 9th June 2026.



Photo Below of Congie Road flood damage repaired by APV.



Photo Below of Emergent work June 2026 on Adavale-Black Road.



Photo Below of Emergent work June 2026. Repair completed by Stu Bowen on Adavale-Black Road.



RFQL21 25-26 -APV Gravel Screening Pkg. Photos below of APV Screening on Telephone Bore Road Ch 24.



RFQL22 25-26- Gravel Screening Pkg by APV at Beltram Park Road - Photo below.



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RFQL22 25-26- Gravel Screening Pkg by APV at Corowa Road - Photos below.





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RFQL 17 25-26 Tolbra - Screening Works

Photos below show Tolbra completed screening on Gooyea Road.



Photos below show Tolbra completed screening on Milo Road Ch 01



Photo below show damage on Seco Crossing Road from March 2025 event.



Photo below show completion of work on Seco Crossing Road from Quilpie Shire Council.



Kyabra Drainage package - Photo below of damage on Kyabra Road.



Photo Below shows restoration by Stu Bowen.



QSC – DFRA MONTHLY PROJECT REPORT

September 2026

RFQL37 25-26 Pinkenetta Road package - Photo below show damage on Pinkenetta.



Photo below of completion on Pinkenetta Road by Masott Earthmoving.



QSC – DFRA MONTHLY PROJECT REPORT

September 2026

Photo below of Ingerberry Road. APV has commenced work.





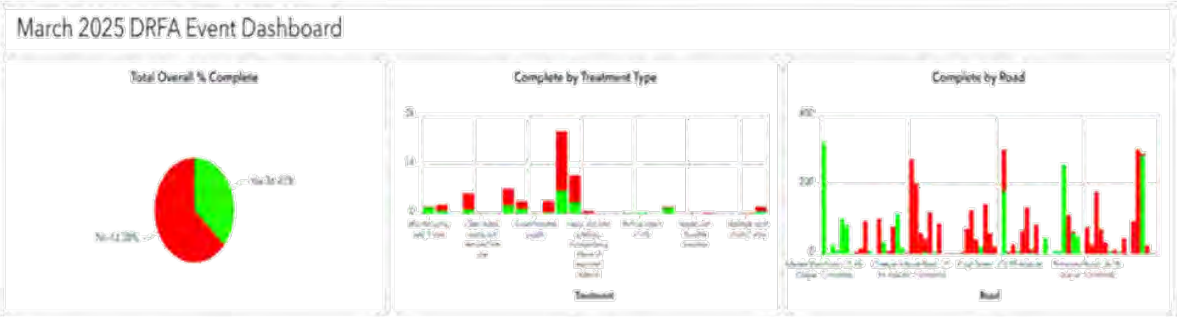


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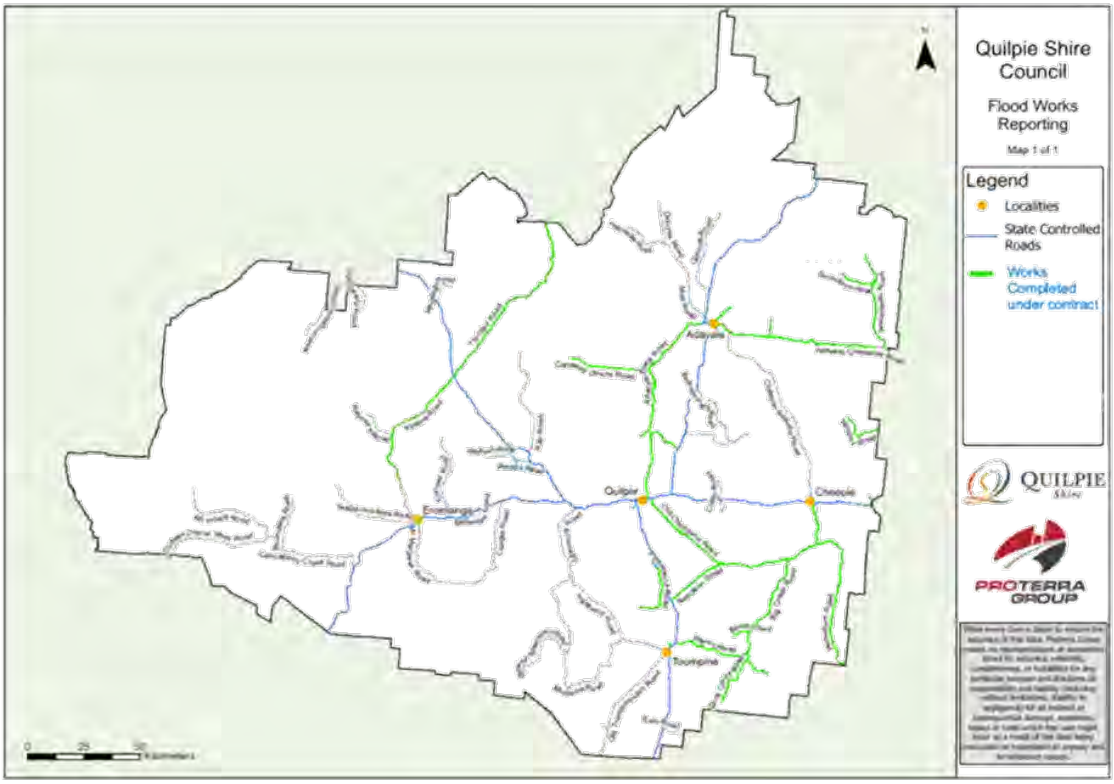
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APPENDIX A – MAP



10.2 COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT STATUS REPORTS

10.2.1 LIBRARY SERVICES STATUS REPORT

IX: **280369**

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Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: **Nil**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	7.	Community Services and Facilities
Key Initiative:	7.1	Community services
	7.2	Community facilities

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report outlines Quilpie Library's services, programs and performance for the first quarter of the 2026/27 financial year (July to September 2026). The library recorded 1,339 visitors and loaned 399 items during the quarter. It delivered regular programs, including First 5 Forever, school holiday activities and Book Club, and held a NAIDOC Week Storytime and an outreach visit to Adavale. The library also completed interviews with 10 long-term residents for the inaugural Quilpie Shire Oral History Project, which State Library of Queensland subsidies funded.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be noted.

ACTION ITEMS

There are no outstanding action items arising from previous Council resolutions or Director commitments relevant to library services.

OPERATIONAL UPDATE

Performance overview

Library visitation this quarter was slightly lower than for the same period last year. The library recorded 1,339 visitors from July to September 2026, compared with 1,453 from July to September 2025. The library loaned 399 items during the quarter.

Program delivery

Table 1 Library programs, July to September 2026

Program	Total Sessions	Average Attendees
First 5 Forever	10	17
Seniors Digital Literacy	2	4
School Holiday Activities (29/06/2026 – 10/07/2026)	9	10
School Holiday Activities (21/09/2026 – 2/10/2026)	8	10
Book Club	2	6
Creative Workshops	1	8

Community partnerships, special events and projects

NAIDOC (National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee) Week Storytime

As part of Quilpie Shire's NAIDOC Week Celebrations, Quilpie Library held a NAIDOC Week Storytime on 14 July 2026. Aunty Ruby Andrews was invited as a guest reader and to share stories about her Country, Dieri.

Library visit to Adavale

On 30 July 2026, Librarian Annie-Jo Vogler and Health Promotions Officer Michelle Donohue travelled to Adavale to deliver First 5 Forever and craft programs. Library items were available for community members to borrow. A total of 10 people attended — six children and four adults. The next library visit to Adavale is planned for November 2026.

Quilpie Shire Oral History Project

From 4 to 11 August, Quilpie Library engaged historian Jane Harding (Dotting the Past) to conduct interviews with 10 long-term Quilpie residents as part of the inaugural Quilpie Shire Oral History Project. This project was funded by State Library of Queensland subsidies and coordinated by Librarian Annie-Jo Vogler and Health Promotions Officer Michelle Donohue.

The project aimed to capture everyday life as well as significant events or changes in Quilpie Shire from the 1940s-1990s. Interviewees were found through word of mouth at seniors' community programs and advertising through Quilpie Shire Council's media channels. Feedback from interviewees was very positive and many expressed gratitude at the opportunity to share their life story in this way.

The interviewees ranged in age from 72 to 95 years and included:

- four men and six women
- people who had lived on stations or been graziers, people who had run businesses in town, and people who had worked on stations or in local businesses
- people from multi-generational district families and people who had moved to the area as young adults
- eight people who live in Quilpie and two who live in Eromanga.

Each interview was unique and covered a wide range of topics, capturing poignant memories and significant detail of life in western Queensland and in Quilpie. Some common themes or topics that emerged include:

- the strong community spirit in Quilpie and the surrounding district
- the resourcefulness and resilience that outback life requires
- the challenges of educating children in a remote area

- the role of social and sporting activities, particularly dances and balls, polo, polocrosse and football, in community cohesion
- changes in Quilpie and the surrounding district over roughly the last 60 years, including changing demographics and the closure of the railway line
- the impact of natural disasters, such as floods, fires, drought and severe storms.

All draft transcripts and recordings have now been returned to the Library. Over the coming months, Librarian Annie-Jo Vogler will consult with interviewees to finalise the transcripts and recordings. Following this, the interviews will be made available to the public through Quilpie Library's Local History Collection.

Book Week Celebration at Quilpie State College

On 26 August 2026, Librarian Annie-Jo Vogler attended Book Week celebrations at Quilpie State College as a guest reader. This was a great opportunity to engage with school students about the joy of reading.

Cook & Connect School Holiday sessions

During the April and July school holidays, library staff collaborated with Community Services Coordinator Emma Lunney to hold two Cook & Connect sessions for school-aged children. In April, 10 participants cooked fried rice. In July, 18 participants made sushi rolls. These sessions were valuable opportunities for children to learn hands-on food preparation skills and the importance of healthy eating. Based on positive feedback from participants and their parents, we look forward to collaborating on future sessions.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Consultation relevant to this quarter's activities occurred with the following parties:

- **State Library of Queensland:** compliance with the Public Library Standards, program delivery requirements under the Service Level Agreement between Council and the State Library of Queensland, and reporting obligations for the 2025/26 financial year.
- **Director and Deputy Director Community and Business Development**: program planning and outreach activities.
- **Council staff:** coordination with Health Promotions Officer Michelle Donohue for the Adavale outreach visit and the Oral History Project, and with Community Services Coordinator Emma Lunney for the Cook + Connect program.
- **Quilpie Shire community:** ongoing engagement through program delivery, library membership and attendance at community events.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 2009, s 4: local government principles

Section 4 of the *Local Government Act 2009* requires Council to act in accordance with the local government principles, including delivering effective and efficient services in the public interest. Library Services directly supports the social and community wellbeing of Quilpie Shire residents, and the programs and activities in this report are consistent with those principles.

Libraries Act 1988

Section 54 of the *Libraries Act 1988* allows a local government to establish, maintain and conduct a library facility as a function of local government. Council operates Quilpie Library under this provision and delivers its services under the Service Level Agreement with the State Library of Queensland. The activities in this report are consistent with that agreement.

FINANCIAL AND REVENUE IMPLICATIONS

All programs and activities in this report operate within Council's adopted 2026/27 budget and existing operational budget allocations, and within the delegation of the Director Community and Business Development. Council has incurred no unbudgeted expenditure and proposes none. Council has not spent any State Library of Queensland grant funding outside the terms of the Service Level Agreement. There are no revenue implications for this reporting period.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Nil

10.2.2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT STATUS REPORT

IX: **280837**

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Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: **Nil**

KEY OUTCOME

Nil

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

During the reporting period, business development activity focused on supporting the University of Southern Queensland's socio-economic drought indicators pilot, preparing for the Quilpie Housing and Prosperity Summit, progressing the Destination Management and Economic Development Plans, and completing the first round of the Local Business Innovation Fund for Council's consideration. Community health and wellbeing initiatives included Women's Health Week activities, planning for the community screening of *Just a Farmer*, completion of the Cook + Connect program, funded by the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR), and well-attended health promotion programs for children, young people and adults across the Shire.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be noted.

ACTION ITEMS

There are no outstanding action items arising from previous Council resolutions in relation to this report.

OPERATIONAL UPDATE

Business Development

Plotting the Socio-Economic Drought Indicators Research Project – University of Southern Queensland (USQ)

The University of Southern Queensland is leading this Future Drought Fund Phase 1 pilot in partnership with Quilpie Shire Council. The pilot will identify and develop practical indicators to measure the human and socio-economic impacts of drought on the Quilpie community. Through consultation with Council, residents, businesses and key stakeholders, the project will develop a Green–Amber–Red indicator toolkit, identify critical tipping points and consider the impacts on vulnerable groups. The findings will support better drought planning and preparedness, and better targeting of assistance. Phase 1 is due for completion by the end of November 2026. Corey Richards, Deputy Director Community and Business Development, has supported the rollout of the program and engagement with it.

Quilpie Shire Housing and Prosperity Summit

Council hosted the Quilpie Shire Housing and Prosperity Summit on 12 and 13 October 2026. Council promoted the event widely, making clear that it was open to all residents and businesses. The program included an overview of Council's development plans, with announcements on the

Rural Residential subdivision and the Powerhouse Estate subdivision. Panel discussions brought together representatives of government departments, modular construction and building methods, the community, businesses and real estate.

The summit attracted 60 attendees, generated significant audience engagement and received very positive feedback. The networking function at the Brick after the summit gave attendees and Council a further opportunity to engage with stakeholders. The summit has already produced tangible outcomes, including changes in how government reports the housing shortage, and the identification of potential cost savings through modular construction and on-site delivery.

Destination Management and Economic Development Plan – Project Update

Work on the Destination Management and Economic Development Plans continues. The fortnightly work in progress (WIP) meetings have now become working meetings to develop the draft plans. Council is due to review the draft plans on 16 October 2026, and a two-week community consultation period will start on 13 November 2026.

Local Business Innovation Fund

The Local Business Innovation Fund (LBIF) launched on 1 July 2026, and Council wrote to eligible businesses in the Quilpie Shire. The closing date for round one moved from 28 August 2026 to 9 October 2026. Officers will present the applications to Council at its October meeting for resolution.

Health and Wellbeing Programs

Community Service Coordinator Updates July 2026

- The Community Services Coordinator and the Health Promotions Officer collaborated on Women's Health Week, held from 7 to 11 September 2026. Celebrations included a Council staff morning tea and recipe swap, and a community walk.
- The Community Services Coordinator continued to coordinate key community engagement initiatives, including a planning meeting with TRACC on 14 September 2026 to prepare for the community screening of *Just a Farmer*.
- The Cook + Connect adult session attracted 12 adults, and the children's session booked out, with 16 children making sushi. These two sessions were the last of the programs that the FRRR funded.

Health Promotions Update

Program	Attendance
Wheelie Walk and wiggle	12
Youth Group	18
Craft and Chat	12
Healthy Minds	32
Afterschool Craft	21

- Dr Catherine Barrett facilitated the Old is Beautiful workshop at Quilpie Shire Council. Ten participants attended, and two others were unable to attend. The workshop generated positive discussion and strong engagement. The project uses interviews with local seniors to explore what growing older in the Quilpie community is like and to share their experiences. The next stage is a publication of the interviews and portraits, with a launch at an exhibition celebrating ageing at the Visitor Information Centre in the new year.

CONSULTATION (INTERNAL/EXTERNAL)

Chief Executive Officer

Executive Leadership Team

Director Community and Business Development

Council Staff

Community

Program Stakeholders

Local, State and Commonwealth Governments

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

No legal impacts are noted that are relevant to this report.

FINANCIAL AND REVENUE IMPLICATIONS

Programs within this directive operate within the 2026-2027 Quilpie Shire Council budget.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Programs are delivered in accordance with Council's Enterprise Risk Management Policy (G.11) and Framework (G.11-A).

10.2.3 COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT STATUS REPORT

IX: **281175**

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Lisa Hamlyn, Director Community and Business Development

Attachments: **Nil**

KEY OUTCOME

Nil

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Exclusion Fence Restitution Program continues to progress, with 24 applications completed and 156.8 kilometres of exclusion fencing repaired to date. Community Recovery Officers are planning further engagement, including an Emergency Services Day and attendance at the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) Big Map sessions. Council also continues to work with Rotary to support Adavale and the wider Shire. Planning for the Adavale Sport and Recreation Facility upgrade is advancing, with a focus on flood resilience and best-practice design. Council also continues to take part in strategic resilience and community development initiatives, including the Local Government Playbook project and the review of the Quilpie Local Disaster Management Plan.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be noted.

ACTION ITEMS

Condolences

Formal condolences from Council were forwarded to the families of Mick Gibson, William Wharton, Dwayne Wharton, Scott Pacey and Isla Wharton-Neho.

OPERATIONAL UPDATE

Exclusion Fencing Recovery Program (EFRP)

Table 1 EFRP Statistics

Program Statistics (September)

Item	QSC / SWQROC	Totals
Total Expressions of Interest (EOIs) received	71	71
Number of EOIs that did not proceed	29	29
Number of Applications in draft	18	18
Number of Applications completed	24	24
Total number of applications fully acquitted	0	0
Total number of km repaired (to date)	156.8	156.8

A Department of Primary Industries Taskforce project meeting on 11 September 2026 reviewed the program's progress and current status, and the challenges arising during delivery. Property

inspections with participating landholders will take place throughout October and November 2026 to support the program's ongoing delivery.

Community Recovery

Community Recovery Officers continue to progress their remit, with a range of activities and engagement opportunities planned in the coming months to support ongoing recovery and resilience-building efforts. Upcoming initiatives include an Emergency Services Day aimed at increasing community awareness, preparedness and understanding of available support services. Community Recovery Officers will also attend all Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) Big Map sessions across the Shire, providing valuable opportunities to connect directly with residents, share information, identify emerging needs and ensure community members remain informed and supported throughout the recovery process.

Following the completion of a community survey by Rotary within Adavale, a meeting was held with Chair of the Rotary District 9620 Conference 2027 and Coordinator of the Western Queensland Flood Appeal for Rotary Districts 9560 and 9620, and from Rotary Australia World Community Service. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the survey findings and explore potential opportunities for Rotary to support Adavale and the broader Quilpie Shire community as recovery efforts continue and future community development initiatives are identified.

Adavale Sport and Recreation Inc.

During the month, the Director of Infrastructure Services, Director of Community and Business Development, Building and Planning Officer, and Project Manager from Proterra met to review the preliminary design for the Adavale Sport and Recreation Facility upgrade, funded through the Sport and Recreation Recovery Grant. The meeting focused on ensuring the proposed works incorporate resilient design principles and align with the Queensland Reconstruction Authority's best practice guidance, *Strengthen Your Home for Flood – Get Ready Queensland*, to improve the facility's capacity to withstand future flood events. Regular project meetings will continue throughout the planning and delivery phases to support effective project implementation and ongoing collaboration.

Local Government Playbook Engagement

Council is participating in the Local Government Playbook project being undertaken by Sarah Mitchell, Public and Youth Policy Leader. The Local Government Playbook project serves as a strategic roadmap designed to guide local councils in building more connected, inclusive, and resilient communities. Developed by the Queensland Kids Partnership, the playbook provides actionable frameworks for local governments to design community-focused spaces, infrastructure, and policies that explicitly support the well-being, access and belonging of children and families. By focusing on critical municipal areas—including growth, public parks, libraries, and local grant procurement—the project empowers councils to integrate child- and family-friendly principles directly into their long-term planning and daily operations. Sarah will be visiting Quilpie during the last week of November to engage with Council staff, community and businesses across the Shire.

Quilpie Local Disaster Management Group

Quilpie Local Disaster Management Group meeting will be held on Monday 26 October 2026, commencing at 1.00pm.

The reviewed and updated Quilpie Local Disaster Management Plan, prepared by Disaster Management and Resilience Consultancy and funded through the Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Program (QRRRP), will be presented in draft form at this meeting for consideration and feedback.

Table 2 Meeting and Events – September

Date	Type	Title	Location
01 September	Meeting	Special Meeting of Council	Boardroom

Date	Type	Title	Location
01 September	Meeting	Councillor Briefing Session	TEAMS
02 September	Meeting	Exclusion Fencing Recovery Program (EFRP) – Project Management Meeting	TEAMS
02 September	Meeting	Department of Primary Industries / Quilpie Shire Council – Project Projection Meeting	TEAMS
02 September	Meeting	Quilpie Housing & Prosperity Summit Planning Meeting	Boardroom
03 September	Event	Welcome BBQ - LeisureSafe	Bicentennial Park
07 September	Meeting	Exclusion Fencing Recovery Program (EFRP) – Program Leadership Group	TEAMS
07 September	Meeting	Strategic Management Team Meeting	TEAMS
09 September	Meeting	Special Meeting of Council	Boardroom
09 September	Meeting	Local Business Innovation Fund (LBIF) Program – Application Review	Boardroom
09 September	Meeting	Dept. Communities – Community Recovery	TEAMS
10 September	Meeting	Cascade	TEAMS
10 September	Event	R U OK Day – Morning Tea	Office
11 September	Event	Quilpie Show Agriculture (Ag) Day	Bulloo Park
14 September	Meeting	Exclusion Fencing Recovery Program (EFRP) – Program Leadership Group	TEAMS
14 September	Meeting	Strategic Management Team Meeting	TEAMS
15 September	Meeting	Council Meeting	Boardroom
16 September	Workshop	Child Safeguarding Workshop	Eromanga
16 September	Meeting	Charleville Area Bushfire Management Committee	TEAMS
17 September	Workshop	Child Safeguarding Workshop	Quilpie
21 September	Meeting	Exclusion Fencing Recovery Program (EFRP) – Program Leadership Group	TEAMS
21 September	Meeting	Strategic Management Team Meeting	TEAMS
23 September	Meeting	Community Recovery	TEAMS
23 September	Meeting	Community Town Hall	TEAMS
28 September	Meeting	Exclusion Fencing Recovery Program (EFRP) – Program Leadership Group	TEAMS
28 September	Meeting	Strategic Management Team Meeting	TEAMS

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Chief Executive Officer

Executive Leadership Team

Deputy Director Community and Business Development

Council Staff

Community

Program Stakeholders

Local, State and Commonwealth Government representatives

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

No legal impacts are noted that are relevant to this report.

FINANCIAL AND REVENUE IMPLICATIONS

Programs within this directive operate within the 2026/27 Quilpie Shire Council budget.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Programs are delivered in accordance with Council's Enterprise Risk Management Policy (G.11) and Framework (G.11-A).

10.3 CORPORATE SERVICES STATUS REPORTS

10.3.1 RATES STATUS REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2026

IX: **280281**

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Attachments: **Nil**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	9.	Finances and Resources
Key Initiative:	9.4	Financial accountability

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report updates Council on overdue rates and charges following the first rates levy for the 2026/27 financial year. The outstanding rates and charges balance as at 30 September 2026 was $13,369,085.51. Rate Category 14 (Mining and Oil Production) accounts for the largest share of overdue rates, totalling $12,740,610.33 across seven assessments.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be noted.

OPERATIONAL UPDATE

Outstanding rates as at 30 September 2026

Council issued Levy 1 for 2026/27 on 25 August 2026, with payment due on 24 September 2026. The outstanding rates and charges balance as at 30 September 2026 was $13,369,085.51.

Rate Category 14 (Mining and Oil Production) accounts for the largest share of overdue rates, with $12,740,610.33 outstanding across seven assessments. The next largest amount is in Rate Category 1 (Town Quilpie, Residential <1 ha), with $251,572 outstanding across 63 assessments.

Council will issue the first overdue reminders for Levy 1 by the end of October 2026.

As at 30 September 2026, unpaid rates include $175,812.41 in arrears owed to the Queensland Fire Department, and prepaid rates total $30,661.49.

Table 1 Outstanding rates as at 30 September 2026: value by year

Time	Amount	# Ass.
Levy 1	$ 1,576,225.09	219
Supp Levy	$ 8,826.82	3
1-2 Years	$ 2,332,904.92	58

Time	Amount	# Ass.
2-3 Years	$ 2,083,520.93	33
3-4 Years	$ 1,728,179.21	24
4-5 Years	$ 2,897,158.26	16
5+ Years	$ 187,784.66	9
Interest	$ 2,554,485.62	
TOTAL	**$ 13,369,085.51**	

Table 2 Outstanding rates and charges by rating category and year

Category	Levy 1	Supp Levy	1 Year	2 Years	3+ Years	Interest	Total
Cat 1 - Town Quilpie - Res <1ha	$ 80,615	$ 2,036	$ 28,657	$ 19,403	$ 70,148	$ 50,712	**$ 251,572**
Cat 2 - Town of Quilpie - Res 1-10ha	$ 931	$ -	$ -	$ 235	$ 2,773	$ 2,714	**$ 6,653**
Cat 3 - Town of Quilpie Commercial	$ 41,630	$ -	$ 2,375	$ -	$ -	$ 413	**$ 44,418**
Cat 4 - Town of Quilpie Industrial	$ 8,608	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 39	**$ 8,647**
Cat 5 - Township of Eromanga	$ 13,314	$ -	$ 3,068	$ 1,418	$ -	$ 1,373	**$ 19,173**
Cat 6 - Other Rural Towns	$ 13,950	$ -	$ 8,371	$ 6,525	$ 3,350	$ 3,348	**$ 35,545**
Cat 7 - Opal Mines	$ 46,069	$ 315	$ 3,756	$ 1,885	$ 2,231	$ 1,739	**$ 55,995**
Cat 8 - Other	$ 64	$ -	$ 123	$ -	$ -	$ 8	**$ 194**
Cat 9 - Rural - Pumps and Bore Sites	$ 204	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 0	**$ 204**
Cat 10 - Rural and Res Land 10-100ha	$ 2,133	$ -	$ -	$ 255	$ 471	$ 118	**$ 2,977**
Cat 11 - Rural - Grazing & Ag <100ha	$ 142,594	$ -	$ 11,996	$ 740	$ -	$ 4,597	**$ 159,927**
Cat 12 - Rural - Carbon Credits	$ 32,134	$ 6,476	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 49	**$ 38,659**
Cat 13 - Transformer	$ 4,506	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 7	**$ 4,513**
Cat 14 - Mining and Oil Prod	$ 1,189,474	$ -	$ 2,274,560	$ 2,053,296	$ 4,733,913	$ 2,489,368	**$12,740,611**
Cat 15 - Oil Distillation/Refining	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	**$ -**
TOTAL	**$ 1,576,225**	**$ 8,827**	**$ 2,332,905**	**$ 2,083,756**	**$ 4,812,887**	**$ 2,554,486**	**$13,369,086**

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Deputy Director Corporate Services.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Part 12 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* sets out the framework for overdue rates and charges, including overdue reminders, overdue notices and debt recovery action. Council's issue of

Levy 1 on 25 August 2026, and its scheduled overdue reminders at the end of October 2026 and in mid-November 2026, are consistent with Part 12.

Officers will bring separate reports to Council on debt recovery action for significant overdue balances, particularly the $12,740,610.33 outstanding in Rate Category 14. Each report will address the specific legislative basis for recovery action.

The reporting officer declares no conflict of interest in any matter in this report.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council conducts its rates recovery activities in accordance with its Revenue Statement and Revenue Policy, which it adopts as part of the annual budget under s 169 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*. The issue of Levy 2 and the scheduled overdue reminders are consistent with those instruments.

FINANCIAL AND REVENUE IMPLICATIONS

The outstanding rates and charges balance of $13,369,085.51 as at 30 September 2026 is a material receivable in Council's accounts. Rate Category 14 (Mining and Oil Production) accounts for $12,740,610.33 of this balance across seven assessments, or 95.3% of the total.

The total includes interest of $2,554,485.62, which continues to accrue on overdue amounts in accordance with Council's Revenue Statement.

As at 30 September 2026, Council holds prepaid rates of $30,661.49, and Queensland Fire Department arrears from unpaid rates total $175,182.41.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

This report relates to Council's rates receivables and does not affect Council's asset base.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Risks associated with the outstanding rates balance have been assessed in accordance with Council's Enterprise Risk Management Policy (G.11) and Risk Management Framework (G.11-A). Ratings apply Council's adopted risk matrix (Likelihood × Consequence).

Table 3 Risk register

Risk name and description *What could happen and why?*	**Current controls** *Are there current controls?*	**Impacts** *Impact if the risk eventuates*	**Likelihood**	**Consequence**	**Risk rating**	**Risk treatment** *Additional controls to reduce risk rating*
Rates debt default — Rate Category 14 (Mining and Oil Production) assessments remain unpaid, representing 93.9% of total outstanding balance.	Overdue reminder notices issued 14 April 2026. Second overdue notices issued 11 May 2026. Debt recovery action to be addressed in separate report/s to Council.	Reduced cashflow, constraints on service delivery and capital works programs.	C. Possible	4. Major	E	Escalate to formal debt recovery action under Part 12 of the LGR 2012. Separate report/s to Council to authorise recovery steps. Monitor monthly. Residual risk: High pending recovery action.
Queensland Fire Department arrears — unpaid rates result in QFD levy amounts	Arrears tracked separately. Balance as at 31 March 2026 is $130,193.31.	Outstanding QFD levy obligation. Financial exposure to Council.	B. Likely	2. Minor	H	Include Queensland Fire Department arrears in debt recovery action. Report recovery progress to

Risk name and description *What could happen and why?*	**Current controls** *Are there current controls?*	**Impacts** *Impact if the risk eventuates*	**Likelihood**	**Consequence**	**Risk rating**	**Risk treatment** *Additional controls to reduce risk rating*
remaining unremitted.						Council. Residual risk: Medium.
Sustained high overdue balance — material overdue rates balance remains unresolved over multiple financial years.	Regular reporting to Council under Part 12 of the LGR Debt recovery policy in place.	Adverse finding in Council's annual audit. Impact on Council's financial sustainability reporting.	D. Unlikely	2. Minor	L	Maintain transparent reporting to Council. Progress debt recovery action. Residual risk: Low.

The Rate Category 14 outstanding balance represents a significant financial risk to Council. Debt recovery action will be the subject of separate report/s.

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

Council considered this report under s 58 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*. The report is for information only. It does not impose a rates liability, start enforcement action or affect any ratepayer's rights. It describes existing outstanding balances and scheduled administrative actions under the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Section 15: Equality before the law. Council applies its rates levy and recovery processes consistently under the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and its adopted Revenue Statement, without discriminating between ratepayers. This report does not limit this right.

Section 24: Property rights. This right will be relevant to any future debt recovery action that affects ratepayers' property interests. Council will assess that action for human rights compatibility in a separate report. This report does not authorise or start recovery action, and does not limit this right.

This report is compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019*. It limits no human right and engages no other right under the Act.

10.3.2 CORPORATE SERVICES STATUS REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2026

IX: **280556**

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Authorisors: **Sharon Frank, Director Corporate Services**

Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: **Nil**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	9.	Finances and Resources
Key Initiative:	9.3	Financial planning
	9.4	Financial accountability
	9.5	Financial policies and processes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Corporate Services activities in September 2026 covered procurement of goods and services, rates and charges, information technology, stores and compliance administration, grant and subsidy applications, finance operations, preparation of the 2025/26 financial statements, governance matters, and meetings that Corporate Services staff attended.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be noted.

ACTION ITEMS

For information only.

OPERATIONAL UPDATE

Procurement of Goods and Services

- Prepared expenditure by area reporting and Quilpie area spend analysis – monthly and year to date reporting.

Table 1 Tenders and requests for large quotes

Tenders and Requests	Status
EOI 01 26-27 The Development and Operation of the Quilpie Transport and Travel Precinct	Evaluated and awarded
T02 26-27 Quilpie Rural Residential and Industrial Subdivision Civil Works	Evaluated and awarded
RFQL02 26-27 Flood Damage Blackall- Adavale Road Pkg	Evaluated and awarded
RFQL03 26-27 Flood Damage Cheepie Adavale Road Pkg	Evaluated and awarded

Tenders and Requests	Status
Register Of Prequalified Suppliers Of Mobile Plant And Equipment for Wet And Dry Hire 2026-2028	Evaluated and awarded
RFQL04 26-27 Screening of material for 2025 flood damage works	Evaluated and awarded
RFQL 05 26-27 Supply & delivery 1 (one) Mobile Horizontal Waste Shredder	Established – Posted and Monitoring open request
RFQL 06 26-27 Quilpie Floodway Program	Established – Posted and Monitoring open request
RFQL07 26-27 Supply & Delivery of 1 (one) 2.5m3 Tool Carrier Loader	Established – Posted and Monitoring open request
RFQL08 26-27 Flood Damage Congie Road pkg	Established – Posted and Monitoring open request
T04 26-27 Managed Services Provider for Information Technology (IT)	Established – Posted and Monitoring open request

Number of purchase orders: 129

Estimated value: $821,304.89

Expenditure by area reporting

The table and graphs below provide an overview of Council's expenditure on goods and services, categorised by the locations where the businesses operate. Expenditure within the Quilpie Shire encompasses all businesses within the region, highlighting the importance of every business to our community and local economy.

Graph 1 Expenditure by area – September 2026

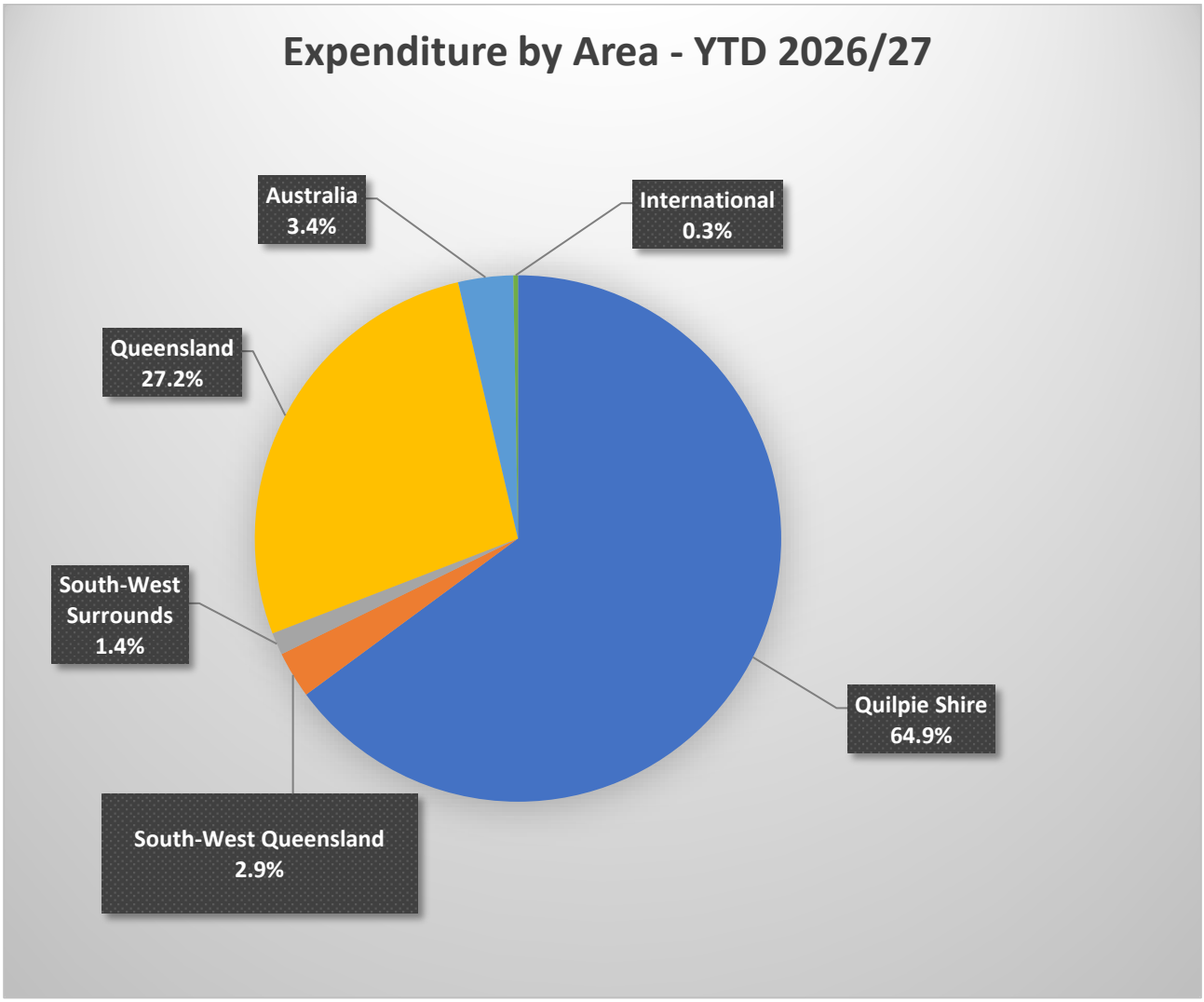


Table 2 Procurement of goods and services 2026/27

July to September 2026

Expenditure By Area

Area	July	%	August	%	September	%	2026/27 YTD Total	YTD %
Quilpie Shire	1,529,524	55.1%	2,041,285	70%	2,827,388	68%	6,398,196.71	64.9%
South-West Queensland	138,589	5.0%	126,722	4%	17,268	0%	282,579.43	2.9%
South-West Surrounds	108,209	3.9%	21,002	1%	5,701	0%	134,911.90	1.4%
Queensland	839,873	30.2%	643,175	22%	1,199,862	29%	2,682,910.36	27.2%
Australia	137,900	5.0%	67,704	2%	126,893	3%	332,497.39	3.4%
International	23,143	0.8%	-	0%	5,142	0%	28,285.73	0.29%
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR GOODS AND SERVICES BY AREA	**$ 2,777,239**	**100%**	**2,899,889**	**100%**	**4,182,253**	**100%**	**9,859,381.52**	**100%**

	July	August	September	YTD
TOTAL PAYMENTS	**10,983,436**	**3,681,292**	**4,633,672**	**19,298,399.72**
Less:				
Government Agency	34,331	16,834	101,639	152,805.12
Tax Payments	150,763	104,761	184,945	440,470.32
Internal Adjustments - Quilpie Shire Council	-	-	-	-
Investment Movements	7,800,000	-	-	7,800,000.00
NAB Purchase Card	55,909	57,778	41,031	154,718.27
Superannuation	85,004	84,674	123,802	293,479.58
Local Government Arrangement	80,189	517,356	-	597,544.91
	8,206,197	781,403	451,418	9,439,018.20
NET CREDITOR PAYMENTS	**$ 2,777,239**	**$ 2,899,889**	**4,182,253**	**9,859,381.52**

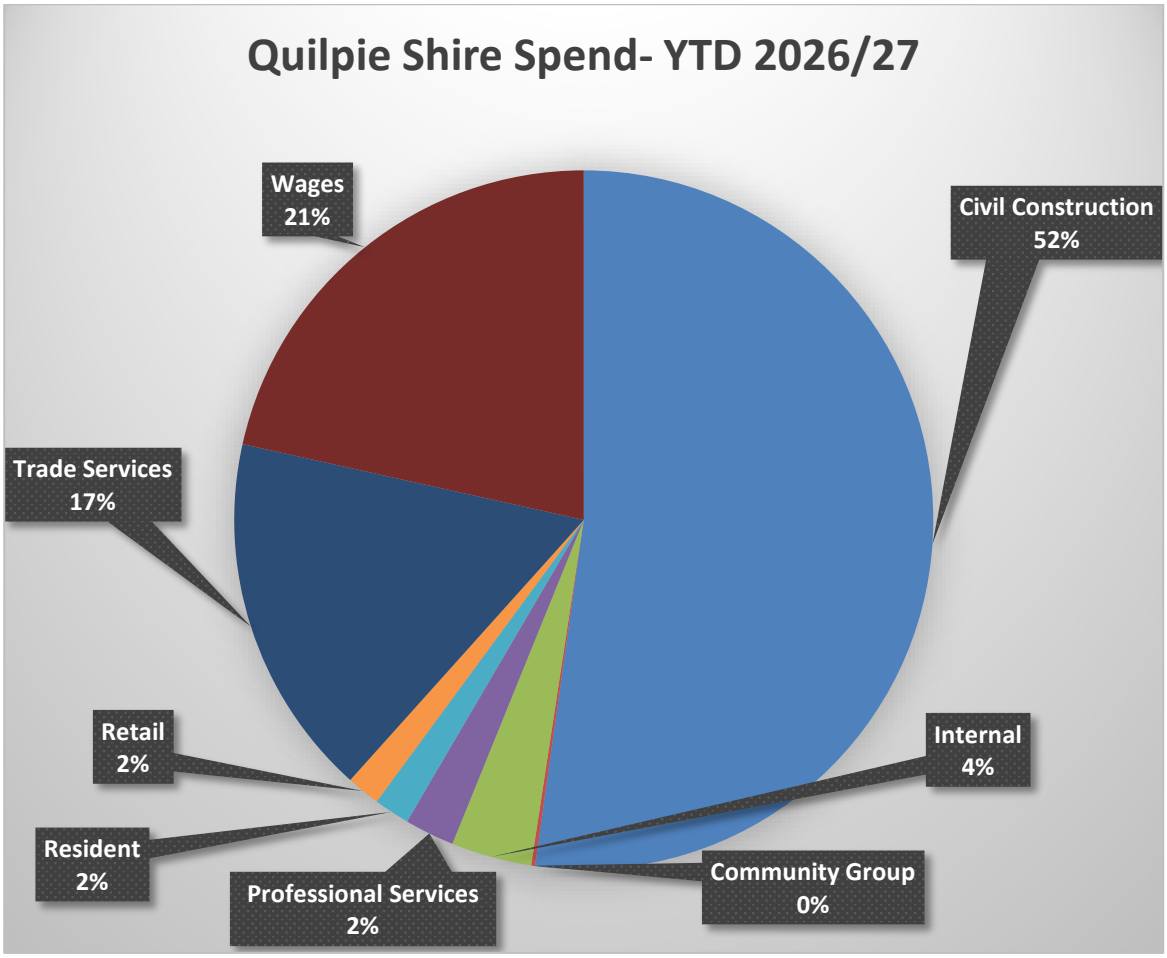
Table 3 Expenditure by area – definitions

Expenditure by Area - Definitions	
Area	**Area Definition**
Quilpie Shire	Procurement of good and/services from suppliers operating within the Quilpie Shire.
South-West Queensland	Procurement of good and/services from suppliers operating within the other five South West Queensland Council areas which include Balonne, Bulloo, Maranoa, Paroo and Murweh.
South-West Surrounds	Procurement of good and/services from suppliers operating in local government areas that surround South West Queensland council areas - Banana, Barcoo, Blackall-Tambo, Central Highlands, Goondiwindi, Longreach and Western Downs.
Queensland	Procurement of good and/services from suppliers operating within the rest of Queensland (excluding suppliers operating from Quilpie Shire, South-West Quueensland and South-West Surrounds areas).
Australia	Procurement of good and/services from suppliers in NSW, Victoria, ACT, SA, WA, NT and Tasmania.
International	Procurement of good and/services from international suppliers i.e. from outside Australia.
Exclusions:	
Government Agency	Includes the Queensland Government, a government entity, a corporatised business entity or another local government; or another Australian government or an entity of another Australian government; or a local government of another State.
Australian Taxation Office	Taxation Obligations - PAYG, GST, FBT
Internal Adjustments - Quilpie Shire Council	Example between QSC General and Trust Accounts
Investment Movements	Queensland Treasury Corporation and Term Deposits
National Australia Bank Purchase Card Payment	NAB is not the supplier of the goods or service. Council uses NAB to transact the purchase.
Superannuation	Includes Council and individual contributions
Local Government Arrangement	LGAQ, Local Government Mutual Insurance Scheme, Local Government Workcare

Quilpie Shire spend analysis reporting

The tables below provide a g*eneral spend analysis of the purchase of goods and services from within the shire (e.g. civil construction, trade services, retail, professional services, community groups, wages and salaries, residents).*

Graph 2 Quilpie Shire spend analysis – September 2026



Rates and charges

- First half year Rates levy due 24 September 2026
- Processing of new or changed service charges as required.
- Change of ownership and property data updated as per DDX files from Department of Resources. Supplementary notices issued as required.

Information technology

- Gathering information and responding to IT tender queries
- Organised new cabling to be run at the Library and Visitor Information Centre (VIC).
- Installed cameras in the Art Gallery and Museums back of the Visitor Information Centre (VIC).
- Set up the new Supervisor's office.
- General IT support.
- Updated procedure/policy for handling quarantined emails.

- Preparations for Shire Networks shut down
- Preparing information for Aspire AI integration
- Replacement of laptops due
- General IT support
- Continuing with onboarding of outdoor staff to the network and training in Outlook and Phriendly Phishing.

Stores

- Training and learning policies and procedures
- Maintaining store stock levels and issuing store items ongoing

Compliance administration

- Food Business licence renewal follow ups
- Planning and building meetings with applicants
- DA10 25-26 ROL Industrial Estate
- Liaison with Planner and Building Certifier
- Coordination of final inspections for October
- Building and Planning application requirements advice
- General records duties
- Front counter cover and admin emails
- Planning and building compliance correspondence
- Issue of food business licence certificates
- Draft removal, relocation and demolition of buildings policy

Customer Service

- Managing Council's social media platforms
- General customer service duties

Applications for grants and subsidies

Table 4 Competitive grant funding application submissions 2025/26

Funding Program	Funded By	Project	Subsidy Request	Status
Local Government Battery Collection	Queensland Government: Department of the Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation	The project will install permanent fireproof battery collection boxes at four waste facilities to safety manage problem batteries and includes community awareness activities about the new collection points.	Funding request: $80,000 Total project cost: $100,000 Council in-kind support valued at $20,000	Application Successful

Funding Program	Funded By	Project	Subsidy Request	Status
Resource Recovery Boost Fund (Stream 1 – Small)	Queensland Government: Department of the Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation	The project will procure a mobile horizontal grinder and material handling attachment (rotating grab / grapple bucket) for existing council loader or excavator and the construction of a concrete waste processing bay.	Funding request: $654,000 Total project cost: $730,000 Council in-kind support valued at $20,000	Application successful
Regional Tech Hub	Regional Tech Hub Grant	Quilpie Connectivity Catch-ups – Quilpie, Eromanga	Funding requested: $1,000	Application successful Planning in progress
Lit Up	Australia Reads	Literacy Program being delivered in collaboration with schools	Funding Requested	Application successful
2026 Australia Day Community Events Grants Program	National Australia Day Council	Australia Day Awards and Community Connect Events being held Friday 23 January 2026 and Monday 26 January 2026	Funding Request: $10,000.00 Total Project cost: $17,740.00 Council contribution: $7,740.00	Application successful
Cat C - Community Health and Wellbeing Package **(CRO)** **(CRRSO)**	Department of Families, Seniors, Disability Services and Child Safety	Employment of Community Recovery and Resilience Officer Employment of Community Recovery Rebuild Support Officer Associated activities	Funding Request: $927,000.00 CRRO - $669,000 CRRSO - $258,000	Application Successful
Early Intervention Aged Care (EIAC) Program	WQPHN Western Qld Primary Health Network	Employment and activities relating to Health and Wellbeing for Seniors	Funding Request: $150,000.00	Application Successful
Arts Queensland	Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF)	Funding to boost local arts and cultural activities	Funding Request: $26,250.00 (25-26) *multi-year funded Council in kind contribution: $5,000.00	Application Successful
Care Collective South-West Primary Care Pilot Program	Queensland Health	Employment of Community Services Coordinator (PT)	Funding Request: $95,040.00	Application Successful
Active Transport Grant Program 2026/27	Queensland Government Department of Transport and Main Roads	**Application 1**: Planning Project category – preparation of Walking Network Plan (WNP) **Application 2**: Design & Construct – Footpath sections on Gyrica Street and Chulungra Street	Funding Request: $37,500 Council contribution: $12,500 Total project cost: $50,000 Funding Request: $232,500 Council Contribution: $77,500 Total project cost: $310,000	Application Submitted

Funding Program	Funded By	Project	Subsidy Request	Status
Safer Local Roads & Infrastructure Program (SLRIP)	Federal Government Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development Communications and the Arts (DITRDCA)	Construction of a new rest area on the Diamantina Development Road (93B) next to the intersection with Kyabra Road	Funding request: $1,840,000 Council contribution: $230,000(26/27) and $230,000 (27/28) Total project cost:$2.3m	Application submitted
Residential Activation Fund (RAF) – Round 2	Queensland Government Department of State Development, Infrastructure, and Planning	Quilpie Sewage Treatment Plant	Total project cost: $13,173,197 Funding request: $11,861,191 Council Contribution: $1,312,006	Application unsuccessful
Residential Activation Fund (RAF) – Round 2	Queensland Government Department of State Development, Infrastructure, and Planning	Powerhouse Residential Estate - Stage 2 (Trunk Infrastructure)	Total project cost: $6,387,944 Funding request: $6,002,455 Council Contribution: $385,489	Application Successful
Disability Standards Upgrade Program (DSUP)	Queensland Government Department of Transport and Main Roads	Retrofitting accessibility requirements for Quilpie Airport terminal building	Total project cost: $153,750 Funding request: $78,750 Council Contribution: $75,000	Application Successful

Finance

- Prepared the monthly Finance Report – for the prior month.
- Undertook the grant and contract assessment – monthly review with revenue recognition and adjustments for contract assets and contract liabilities as required. Some new grants that have been approved and received are still being assessed for the correct accounting treatment under the accounting standards.
- Reconciled the work in progress and capital expenditure.
- Processed monthly journals.
- Manage investments as required.
- Processing of vehicle registrations.
- Animal registrations.

Preparations for financial statements 2025/26

- Coordination and collation of external audit requests for information.
- Coordination and collation of grant acquittals requiring external audit.
- Collation and preparation of draft financial statements for 2025/26.

Governance

- Review and updating policy register.
- Presentation to Council of policies for adoption.

Meetings

Table 6 Meetings

Date	Meeting
2 Sept	Online meeting with External Auditors
7 Sept	Online meeting with External Auditors
10 Sept	Online meeting with External Auditors
15 Sept	Council Meeting
22 Sept	Special Council Meeting
23 Sept	Rapid Platform Workshop
28 Sept	Online meeting with External Auditors

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Chief Executive Officer

Corporate Services Team

Directors

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

None noted.

FINANCIAL AND REVENUE IMPLICATIONS

In accordance with Council's adopted 2026/27 budget.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Low, in accordance with Council's Risk Management Policy.

10.3.3 GOVERNANCE STATUS REPORT - SEPTEMBER QUARTER

IX: **281201**

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Attachments: **Nil**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	4.	Development
Key Initiative:	4.1	Planning and building
Key Outcome:	8.	Teamwork
Key Initiative:	8.1	Customer service and responsiveness

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report updates Council on governance activities for the September 2026 quarter.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be noted.

ACTION ITEMS

For information only.

OPERATIONAL UPDATE

Local Law review

Council is in the early stages of reviewing its current local laws and subordinate local laws. The current local laws are more than 10 years old.

A review of the current Local Laws is necessary to ensure they remain contemporary, relevant and effective. The review will consider the latest Queensland Model Local Laws as a guide, while assessing whether the existing provisions continue to meet Council's operational requirements, and address the needs and expectations of the local community.

There are currently 5 Local Laws (LL) and 19 Subordinate Local Laws (SLL):

- *Local Law No. 1 (Administration) 2012* and Subordinate LL1.01 – SLL1.16;
- *Local Law No. 2 (Animal Management) 2012* and Subordinate LL2;
- *Local Law No. 3 (Community and Environmental Management) 2012* and Subordinate LL3;

- *Local Law No. 4 (Local Government Controlled Areas, Facilities and Roads) 2012* and Subordinate LL4; and
- *Local Law No. 5 (Aerodromes) 2012.*

New draft Local Laws & Subordinate Local Laws (SLL) have been prepared based on the State's Model Local Laws, with some drafting improvements:

- SLL1.01 – 1.16 has been consolidated into one as SLL1, with schedules.
- SLL2 and SLL4 have been workshopped with new draft subordinate local laws ready for further review.

The next steps will be a report to Council to propose (by Council resolution) making the proposed local laws and consulting with the public and relevant government entitles (about the overall State interest) on the proposed local laws.

New Council Website

Council has started planning for a new website through LGAQ digital services. The software is a Granicus product which will be a website administered and supported by LGAQ.

The new website design has been developed in line with Council's branding guideline (currently in draft) and Council.

Content migration has been progressing from the current website. Over the next few weeks, Council teams will be reviewing and updating content and developing new content, adding to the image library.

Training has been organised for website editors and approvers.

Go live scheduled for 1 December 2026.

Insurance Renewals

The 2026/27 insurance renewals for Local Government Mutual Liability and Asset Covers have been completed and are in place.

- Property Protection – includes new protection for catastrophic rainfall events – Wet Perils Parametric Cover. Unlike indemnity cover, which pays after a loss is assessed and agreed, the parametric cover pays based on a pre agreed, objective trigger, specifically the volume of rainfall over a 7-day period. Because payment is not tied to proven damage, it can help address impacts that traditional cover often doesn't capture, such as broader economic and operational disruption. (Seeking further information from LGMS).
- Motor Vehicle
- Crime
- Engineering (Machinery Breakdown)
- Marine Hull Commercial
- Group Personal Accident
- Group Voluntary Works (now includes work experience)
- Travel
- Public Liability (Products Liability) / Professional Indemnity
- Employment Practices Liability
- Cyber Liability
- Casual Hirers Liability

Sale of Land – Portion of Lot 2 SP258470

The contract for the sale and purchase of a portion of Lot 2 on SP258470 has been signed by both parties and fully executed.

The next step is a written valuation of the proposed purchase area. The valuation had been ordered.

Rates Debt Recovery

There is one property progressing through advance debt recovery processes for overdue rates.

Planning scheme review

- Housing Needs Assessment completed
- Councillor workshop held to confirm full scope of amendment and Scheme drafting underway
- Now commencing early engagement with State Agencies.

Community Newsletter

Newsletters for July, August and September have been prepared and issued using the new format.

Branding Guideline

Stage 1 of the Branding Guideline (the brand and guide) is almost completed. The Current draft has been workshopped by Council. Stage 2 will be the development of template files across a range of applications (based on the brand guidelines) for internal use (e.g. policy, report, PowerPoint, letter, forms).

Trust Lease – Bureau of Meteorology

A draft trust lease is being prepared between the Commonwealth of Australia (represented by the Bureau of Meteorology) and Council for a Weather Watch Radar in Quilpie.

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Table 1 Meeting and events - March

Date	Type	Title	Location
6 July	Meeting	Special Council Meeting	Boardroom
6 July	Meeting	Outback Car Hire Launch	Quilpie Airport
7 July	Meeting	Artificial Intelligence Customer Service Presentation	Boardroom
7 July	Meeting	Briefing Session	Boardroom
7 July	Meeting	External Audit – Preparations for Final Visit	TEAMS
13 July	Meeting	Executive Leadership Team Engagement Session for the Economic Development Plan and Destination Management Plan	TEAMS
13 July	Meeting	Safety in Design Workshop – Eromanga Natural History Museum (ENHM)	TEAMS
13 July	Meeting	AEC Group - Overheads	TEAMS
21 July	Meeting	Peak Services - Grant Support Introduction Meeting	TEAMS
28 July	Meeting	Special Budget Meeting	TEAMS
28 July	Meeting	Ordinary Council Meeting	TEAMS
29 July	Meeting	Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) – Website	TEAMS
4 August	Meeting	Briefing Session	TEAMS

Date	Type	Title	Location
6 August	Meeting	Audit Meeting – RSM	TEAMS
10 August	Meeting	Aspire AI (Artificial Intelligence) Demonstration Meeting	TEAMS
11 August	Meeting	Meeting with onsite auditors	Administration centre
12 August	Meeting	Meeting with onsite auditors	Administration centre
12 August	Meeting	Supply of water to land outside the water service area	Boardroom
13 August	Meeting	Meeting with onsite auditors	Administration centre
14 August	Meeting	Meeting with onsite auditors	Administration centre
17 August	Meeting	Local Laws Review Project	TEAMS
18 August	Meeting	Ordinary Council Meeting	TEAMS
19 August	Meeting	Meeting with External Audit	TEAMS
21 August	Meeting	Meeting with External Audit	TEAMS
24 August	Meeting	Executive Leadership Team	TEAMS
25 August	Meeting	Meeting with Internal Audit	TEAMS
31 August	Meeting	Executive Leadership Team	TEAMS
4 September	Meeting	Meeting with modular home supplier	Onsite
7 September	Meeting	Meeting with External Audit	TEAMS
7 September	Meeting	Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) – Website	TEAMS
9 September	Meeting	Special Meeting	Boardroom
15 September	Meeting	Ordinary Meeting	TEAMS
18 September	Meeting	Jardine Lloyd Thompson (JLT) Public Sector Risk Report 8th Edition and Local Government Mutual Services (LGMS) Risk Initiatives	TEAMS
18 September	Meeting	Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) – Website	TEAMS
28 September	Meeting	Quilpie Economic Development Plan and Destination Management Plan	TEAMS
28 September	Meeting	Strategic Management Team Weekly Chat	TEAMS

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Deputy Director Corporate Services

Corporate Services Team

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

No legal impacts are noted that are relevant to this report.

FINANCIAL AND REVENUE IMPLICATIONS

In accordance with Council's adopted 2025/26 budget.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Program is delivered in accordance with Council's Enterprise Risk Management Policy (G.11) and Framework (G.11-A).

10.4 OFFICE OF THE CEO STATUS REPORTS

Nil

11 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

11.1 RFQL07 26-27 SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF 1 (ONE) 2.5M3 TOOL CARRIER LOADER

IX: **280266**

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Sharon Frank, Director Corporate Services

Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: **Nil**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	9.	Finances and Resources
Key Initiative:	9.8	Fleet and workshop

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report recommends awarding Request for Quotation (RFQL) 07 26-27 Supply and Delivery of 1 (one) 2.5 – 3.5m3 All Wheel Drive (AWD) Tool Carrier Front End Loader, with trade, to Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd, as part of Council's 2026/27 Plant Replacement program.

The procurement was conducted through VendorPanel Marketplace. Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd achieved the highest weighted score of 86/100 and demonstrates value for money having regard to specification compliance.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Award RFQL 07 26-27 Supply and Delivery of 1 (one) 2.5 – 3.5m^3 AWD Tool Carrier Front End Loader to Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd for an amount of $379,170.00 including GST ($344,700.00 excluding GST); and
2. Accept the trade offer tendered in RFQL 07 26-27 Supply and Delivery of 1 (one) 2.5 – 3.5m^3 AWD Tool Carrier Front End Loader from Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd for an amount of $136,400.00 including GST ($124,000.00 excluding GST); and
3. Pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to delegate, negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's procurement policy.

BACKGROUND

Council's adopted budget for 2026/27 allocated $3.277 million for plant replacement as part of Council's ongoing commitment to maintaining a reliable, efficient, and fit-for-purpose fleet. This investment supports the delivery of essential infrastructure and maintenance services across the Shire, particularly in remote and challenging operating environments.

Within this allocation, provision was made for the replacement of the current loader utilised by staff. These pieces of plant are critical support assets, enabling operators to conduct and respond to operational requirements across the shire safely and efficiently.

The replacement program specifically targets unit 3402, which has reached the end of its economic service life. Continued operation of the ageing asset presents increased risks in terms of reliability, maintenance costs and downtime, which can directly impact service delivery and productivity.

The procurement of a new loader will ensure improved safety, reliability, and operational efficiency for the end user. Newer vehicles are expected to deliver reduced whole-of-life costs, improved fuel efficiency and enhanced compliance with current safety and environmental standards, ultimately supporting Council's objective of delivering high-quality and cost-effective services to the community.

REPORT

The RFQL 07 26-27 procurement activity was undertaken for the Supply and Delivery of 1 (one) 2.5 – 3.5m^3 AWD Tool Carrier Front End Loader, with or without trade.

Following evaluation, the panel is recommending the submission from Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd for the supply and delivery of the Front End Loader, on the basis that it represents the best value for money and fit for purpose. A trade was offered as part Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd response, which Council evaluated as a sufficient trade value.

Procurement method

In accordance with Part 3 Division 2 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and Council's Procurement Policy, Council invited quotes from 3 suppliers via Localbuy pre-qualified arrangement Heavy and Light Plant Machinery LB345.

Description	Details
Advertising platform	VendorPanel Portal
RFQ / Tender open	Thursday 10 September 2026
RFQ / Tender close	2:00 PM Thursday 24 September 2026
Suppliers invited	3 Suppliers - Localbuy Heavy and Light Plant Machinery LB345
Conforming responses received	3

Suppliers	Response
Hastings Deering (Australia) Limited	Response Received
Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd	Response Received
RDO Equipment Pty Ltd	Response Received

Evaluation

The evaluation applied the following published criteria to all conforming submissions: Price (30%), Compliance with Specifications (20%), Warranty (20%), Service and Spare Parts (15%), and Delivery Time (15%). The evaluation was conducted through VendorPanel Multiparty. The evaluation was conducted in accordance with the published criteria and weightings.

Supplier	Tendered Price:	Price 30%	Compliance with Specifications 25%	Warranty, Service and Spare Parts 20%	Delivery Time 25%	Overall score
Hastings Deering (Australia) Limited	$507,650.00 GST Inc. $461,500.00 GST Exc	22.4	20	16	15	73.4/100
Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd	$379,170.00 GST Inc. $344,700.00 GST Exc.	30	20	16	20	86/100
RDO Equipment Pty Ltd	$509,300.00 GST Inc. $463,000.00 GST Exc.	22.3	20	14	15	71.3/100

The panel's assessment, as detailed in Table 5, scored Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd highest overall (86).

Therefore, the panel considers Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd submission has met all requirements and is most advantageous outcome overall.

The table below outlines the trade offers for Unit 3402, Komatsu WA320PZ Loader.

Suppliers	Trade Offer
Hastings Deering (Australia) Limited	$99,000.00
Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd	$136,400.00
RDO Equipment Pty Ltd	$0

The panel assessment concluded to recommend accepting the trade offer from Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd.

Council may decide not to accept any of the responses it receives. If Council accepts a response, it must select the option that is most advantageous, noting that the lowest price and/or highest weighted score may not necessarily represent the most beneficial outcome.

This assessment aligns with the sound contracting principles in *section 104(3) of the Local Government Act 2009*, particularly:

- value for money
- open and effective competition
- the development of competitive local business and industry
- environmental protection
- ethical behaviour and fair dealing

Value for money

Council is satisfied that Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd has met all required specifications and has demonstrated the capability and resources to deliver the required plant item as per the response submitted. Council is satisfied that the recommended award to Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd represents best value for money for the purposes of section 104 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 228 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Probity

This procurement process was conducted in accordance with Council's Procurement Policy and processes.

OPTIONS

Option 1 – Recommended

That Council:

1. Award RFQL 07 26-27 Supply and Delivery of 1 (one) 2.5 – 3.5m3 AWD Tool Carrier Front End Loader to Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd for an amount of $379,170.00 including GST ($344,700.00 excluding GST); and
2. Accept the trade offer tendered in RFQL 07 26-27 Supply and Delivery of 1 (one) 2.5 – 3.5m3 AWD Tool Carrier Front End Loader from Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd for an amount of $136,400.00 including GST ($124,000.00 excluding GST); and
3. Pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to delegate, negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's procurement policy.

Option 2

That Council:

1. Award RFQL 07 26-27 Supply and Delivery of 1 (one) 2.5 – 3.5m^3 AWD Tool Carrier Front End Loader to Hastings Deering (Australia) Limited for an amount of $507,650.00 including GST ($461,500.00 excluding GST); and
2. Accept the trade offer tendered in RFQL 07 26-27 Supply and Delivery of 1 (one) 2.5 – 3.5m^3 AWD Tool Carrier Front End Loader to Hastings Deering (Australia) Limited for an amount of $99,000.00 including GST ($90,000.00 excluding GST); and
3. Pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to delegate, negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's procurement policy.

Option 3

That Council resolve not to award RFQL 07 26-27 Supply and Delivery of 1 (one) 2.5 – 3.5m^3 AWD Tool Carrier Front End Loader.

If Council's decision is inconsistent with the recommendation, Council is required to provide reasons for the decision in accordance with Part 2, Division 1A of the Local Government Regulation 2012. A statement of reasons must be recorded in the minutes.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Chief Executive Officer

Deputy Infrastructure Services

Fleet and Workshop Manager

Technical Officer

Procurement Supervisor

INTERESTED PARTIES

Hastings Deering (Australia) Limited

Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd

RDO Equipment Pty Ltd

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive

LEGISLATION / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Under section 254H of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, if Council makes a decision inconsistent with the officer recommendation, and the contract value exceeds $200,000 or 1% of Council's net rate and utility charges, the minutes must include a statement of reasons.

For the purposes of Section 254H (1)(a)(ii), 1% of Council's net rate and utility charges as stated in Council's audited Financial Statements in the 2024/25 adopted Annual Report is $59,606.70 (net rates, levies, and charges - $5,960,670 x 1%).

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Procurement Policy

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

This procurement activity is funded by Council's 2026/27 Plant Replacement Budget.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The replacement of unit 3402, is a direct investment in the operational capacity and long-term sustainability of Council's asset portfolio.

- **Reduced Lifecycle Costs:** Introducing a new, reliable asset into the fleet will lower maintenance and repair expenditures compared to the ageing unit it replaces, while also improving fuel efficiency and operational availability.
- **Enhanced Service Delivery:** Modern and reliable vehicles ensure that Council's administration teams can perform essential tasks efficiently and without unexpected downtime, directly supporting consistent service delivery to the community.
- **Fleet Optimisation:** The purchase is a strategic action under Council's Fleet Management Plan, ensuring the fleet remains modern, fit-for-purpose, and reduces the risk of major operational failures.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Council will manage risks associated with this purchase/project in accordance with the G.11 Enterprise Risk Management Policy and the G.11-A Risk Management Framework. Key risks have been identified, assessed and documented, with existing controls applied to reduce the likelihood

and impact of adverse outcomes. Risk management activities will continue throughout the procurement and delivery phases to ensure risks remain within Council's approved risk appetite.

Risk Name and Description *What could happen and why?*	**Current Controls** *Are there current controls for the risk*	**Impacts** *Impact if the risk eventuates*	**Risk Assessment**			**Risk Treatment** *Depending on risk rating - additional controls / mitigation strategy to be implemented (to reduce risk rating)*
			Likelihood	**Consequence**	**Risk Rating**	
			Refer to risk calculator provided below for measures			
Example: *Insufficient funding*	*None*	*Delays to purchasing*	*C Possible*	*4 Major*	*High*	*Ensure funding approvals obtained at start of project*
Lack of availability of suppliers	Evaluation Criteria set to determine the ability of suppliers	Delays in meeting delivery deadlines	Unlikely	Minor	Medium	Conduct evaluation and market research ensuring suppliers availability.
Conflict of interest (COI)	Conflict of interest checks/declaration in place for requesting officer and evaluation team	Reputational risk, failure to act in the best interest of the entity and public sector, poor governance.	Possible	Moderate	High	Conduct all possible conflict of interest processes and procedures with documentation and sufficient records kept. *Note: Initial panel constituted independent of Council which also contributes to COI risk mitigation.*
Response non-conformance	Competitive process allowing multiple suppliers from Local Buy list to respond. Clear response criteria	No suitable supplier, different procurement approach, additional administrative cost	Possible	Minor	Medium	Ensuring the documentation is clear and the response schedule meets the request criteria
No suitable vehicles available	Multiple options and suppliers available	Extended use of existing fleet	Possible	Minor	Medium	Conduct evaluation and market research ensuring suppliers' availability

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

In accordance with section 4(b) of the *Human Rights Act 2019*, Council has considered the human rights protected under the Act in making this decision. These rights include, but are not limited to, the right to recognition and equality before the law, the right to life, freedom of movement, property rights, and cultural rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The assessment confirms that awarding RFQL 07 26-27 Supply and Delivery of 1 (one) 2.5 – 3.5m^3 AWD Tool Carrier Front End Loader to Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd does not limit any protected human rights. The decision is reasonable, proportionate, and consistent with Council's lawful objectives.

By ensuring open and competitive procurement, adherence to established governance frameworks, and effective risk management, Council's decision supports equitable treatment of suppliers and the broader community. This approach demonstrates compatibility with human rights obligations while delivering essential infrastructure in a safe, timely, and accountable manner

11.2 RESIDENTIAL ACTIVATION FUND (ROUND 2) - DETAILED DESIGN WORKS FOR STAGE 2 POWERHOUSE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ON WINCHU STREET

IX: 280376

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Attachments: 1. Hartecs Group proposal

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	1.	Land and Housing
Key Initiative:	1.1	Land development, housing construction and refurbishment

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks Council approval to accept a quotation from Hartecs Group Pty Ltd for $54,615.00 including GST to undertake detailed civil design and operational works documentation for the Stage 2 Powerhouse residential development on the old Depot site in Winchu Street. The project is funded through the Residential Activation Fund (RAF) Round 2 with no direct financial impact on Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Engage Hartecs Group Pty Ltd to undertake detailed civil design for the amount of $54,615.00 including GST ($49,650.00 excluding GST) in accordance with Section 235 (b) *Local Government Regulation 2012*, due to the specialised nature of the services being sought and that it would be disadvantageous for Council to invite additional quotes.

2. Delegate power to the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to Section 257 *Local Government Act 2009* to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this contract including without limitation any options and / or variations.

BACKGROUND

The Queensland Government has announced funding through Round 2 of the Residential Activation Fund (RAF), providing $27.75 million across four South West Queensland councils to accelerate housing development by investing in essential trunk infrastructure. The program is expected to unlock approximately 2,150 new homes across the region, contributing to the State's broader strategy to increase housing supply and address ongoing housing shortages.

As part of this funding round, Quilpie Shire Council has secured $6 million to deliver critical infrastructure supporting Stage 2 of the Powerhouse Residential Estate, enabling the development of an additional 28 residential lots within Quilpie town. This investment represents a significant opportunity to expand local housing availability, support population growth, and strengthen the long-term sustainability of the community.

The announcement highlights the importance of regional councils in addressing Queensland's housing needs and recognises the role of strategic infrastructure investment in bringing forward residential development. The funding will assist Council in progressing key infrastructure works that would otherwise be difficult to deliver within existing budget constraints, while supporting local economic activity and future workforce attraction and retention.

REPORT

Hartecs Group was engaged by Council during the preliminary and concept design phase of the Stage 2 Powerhouse subdivision and played a key role in developing the concept design that underpinned the successful RAF funding application. Hartecs also provided technical support to Peak Services and Council throughout the funding submission process, ensuring the project scope, servicing strategy and cost estimates were sufficiently developed to support the funding application.

As a result, Hartecs has developed a detailed understanding of the site, servicing constraints, infrastructure requirements and Council's strategic objectives for the project. The consultant proposes to retain the same project team for the detailed design phase, providing continuity and maintaining project momentum.

Hartecs has submitted a proposal to undertake the detailed civil design, including:

- Earthworks and road design.
- Stormwater drainage design.
- Water and sewer reticulation design.
- Preparation of RPEQ-certified detailed design documentation.
- Bill of Quantities.
- Operational Works and Reconfiguring a Lot application documentation.
- Issued for Construction documentation.

The proposed lump sum fee of $49,650 excluding GST represents very good value for Council, particularly given the substantial amount of concept and preliminary design work already completed by Hartecs. The consultant notes that the existing concept design will be used as the basis for the detailed design, allowing them to deliver the work efficiently and at a reduced cost compared with a new consultant commencing the project from the beginning.

Based on the proposal, the detailed design component equates to approximately $1,600 per lot, which is considered competitive given the scope of engineering design, certification and approval documentation required.

Advantages of Direct Engagement

There are several advantages in directly engaging Hartecs under an exemption to Council's standard procurement process:

- Continuity and Reduced Project Risk

Hartecs completed the concept design and funding support work and has significant project knowledge. Engaging another consultant would require duplication of investigations, review of previous work and familiarisation with the project, likely resulting in additional cost, delays and increased project risk.

- Competitive Fee

The proposed fee reflects efficiencies gained from Hartecs' previous involvement. A competitive procurement process is unlikely to deliver substantial savings once mobilisation and familiarisation costs for a new consultant are considered.

- Ability to Deliver Quickly

Hartecs has advised it can commence immediately and has proposed a program that could see the detailed civil design completed before Christmas 2026, subject to survey information being obtained

in a timely manner. This positions Council to proceed towards tendering and project delivery at the earliest opportunity.

- Alignment with Housing Summit Outcomes

A key theme arising from Council's Housing Summit was the need to accelerate housing delivery and remove barriers to development. Directly engaging Hartecs supports this objective by reducing lengthy procurement timeframes and enabling Council to move rapidly into detailed design, approvals and subsequent construction procurement.

- Funding Delivery Confidence

The project has recently secured State funding through the RAF program. Maintaining continuity with the consultant who assisted in developing the successful funding submission reduces the risk of scope changes and ensures the project proceeds in a manner consistent with the approved funding application.

Procurement Considerations

Council's procurement framework provides the ability to consider exemptions where there is demonstrated value for money, continuity of specialist services, project urgency, or where engaging an alternative supplier would not provide a material advantage.

In this case, an exemption can be justified on the basis that:

- Hartecs possesses unique project knowledge obtained through its preparation of the concept design and funding support activities.
- The proposed fee represents value for money.
- Re-tendering is unlikely to generate significant savings.
- Direct appointment will accelerate project delivery and support Council's housing objectives.
- Continuity of consultant services will reduce overall project risks.

Hence this report seeks an exemption from its standard procurement process and engage Hartecs Group to undertake the detailed civil design, Operational Works documentation and associated approvals for the Winchu Street Residential Subdivision (Powerhouse Residential Estate Stage 2), on the basis of demonstrated value for money, continuity of specialist services, reduced project risk and the need to progress housing delivery outcomes in accordance with Council's Housing Summit objectives.

OPTIONS

Option 1 (recommended)

That Council:

1. Engage Hartecs Group Pty Ltd to undertake detailed civil design for $54,615.00 including GST ($49,650.00 excluding GST) in accordance with Section 235 (b) *Local Government Regulation 2012*, due to the specialised nature of the services being sought and that it would be disadvantageous for Council to invite additional quotes.

2. Delegate power to the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to Section 257 *Local Government Act 2009* to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this contract including without limitation any options and / or variations.

Option 2

That Council does not accept the quotation submitted by Hartecs Group Pty Ltd.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Chief Executive Officer

Director Corporate Services

Director Infrastructure Services

INTERESTED PARTIES

Quilpie residents

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive

LEGISLATION / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Officer recommendations

Under Section 254H *Local Government Regulation 2012*, if Council makes a decision inconsistent with the officer recommendation, and the contract value exceeds $200,000 or 1% of Council's net rate and utility charges, the minutes must include a statement of reasons.

For the purposes of Section 254H (1)(a)(ii), 1% of Council's net rate and utility charges as stated in Council's audited Financial Statements in the 2024/25 adopted Annual Report is $59,606.70 (net rates, levies, and charges - $5,960,670 x 1%).

Exceptions for medium-sized contractual arrangements

Under Section 235 (b) *Local Government Regulation 2012* a local government may enter into a medium-sized contractual arrangement or large-sized contractual arrangement without first inviting written quotes or tenders if the local government resolves that, because of the specialised or confidential nature of the services that are sought, it would be impractical or disadvantageous for the local government to invite quotes or tenders.

The benefits of the recommended approach were included previously, but are included below for completeness:

- Hartecs possesses unique project knowledge obtained through its preparation of the concept design and funding support activities.
- The proposed fee represents value for money.
- Re-tendering is unlikely to generate significant savings.
- Direct appointment will accelerate project delivery and support Council's housing objectives.
- Continuity of consultant services will reduce overall project risks.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Procurement Policy

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

As funding has already been secured, there will be no unbudgeted financial impact on Council.

Internal resourcing requirements are expected to be moderate and will be managed within existing staff capacity. Council officer involvement will primarily relate to project oversight, coordination, stakeholder engagement, review of draft documents, and contract administration. No additional staffing resources are anticipated to be required because of this project.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The development of Stage 2 of the Powerhouse Residential Estate will create several new public infrastructure assets that will ultimately become Council-owned and maintained assets. While the project is expected to deliver significant social and economic benefits through increased housing supply, it will also result in ongoing operational, maintenance and renewal responsibilities for Council.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Council will manage risks associated with this project in accordance with the G.11 Enterprise Risk Management Policy and the G.11-A Risk Management Framework.

Key risks have been identified, assessed and documented, with existing controls applied to reduce the likelihood and impact of adverse outcomes. Risk management activities will continue throughout the procurement and delivery phases to ensure risks remain within Council's approved risk appetite.

Risk Name & Description *What could happen and why?*	**Current Controls** *Are there current controls for the risk*	**Impacts** *Impact if the risk eventuates*	**Risk Assessment**			**Risk Treatment** *Depending on risk rating - additional controls / mitigation strategy to be implemented (to reduce risk rating)*
			Likelihood	**Consequence**	**Risk Rating**	
			Refer to risk calculator provided below for measures			
Delays in completing detailed design resulting in delayed delivery of Regional Activation Fund (RAF)-funded infrastructure.	Traditional procurement process via Request for Quotation (RFQ). Establish clear milestones and reporting requirements.	Delays could impact milestones within the funding agreement	Possible	Moderate	Medium	Directly engage Hartecs who have existing project knowledge and can commence immediately.
Additional project costs arising from redesign, scope changes or duplication of previous work.	Utilise existing concept design and project knowledge	Minimise design time, duplicated costs and project rework	Unlikely	Moderate	Medium	Retain consultant responsible for preliminary design and Regional Activation Fund (RAF) funding support. .
Future maintenance and renewal costs associated with additional	Annual budget process	Occasional shortfall when undertaking reactive repairs which will be	Possible	Moderate	Medium	Incorporate assets into Council's Asset Management Plans and Long-Term Financial Forecast.

infrastructure assets.		managed through budget amendments				Consider whole-of-life costs during detailed design.

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

Section 4(b) of the *Human Rights Act 2019* requires public entities to act and make decisions in a way compatible with human rights. The *Human Rights Act 2019* requires public entities to only limit human rights in certain circumstances. The human rights protected under the *Human Rights Act 2019* are not absolute. This means that the rights must be balanced against the rights of others and public policy issues of significance.

Consideration of the 23 human rights protected under the *Human Rights Act 2019* has been undertaken as part of this decision. It has been determined that this decision on the project is expected to have a positive impact on human rights and does not adversely affect any identified human rights.

Date: 12/10/2026

Eng Lim
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Dear Eng,

Qulipie Residential Subdivision Detailed OPW Design – Winchu Street

Fee Proposal

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a fee proposal for the detailed civil design of the Winchu Street residential subdivision in Quilpie.

We appreciate the opportunity to continue our relationship with Quilpie Shire Council, building on our successful work to date in supporting Council to secure funding approval through the Residential Activation Fund. We look forward to continuing this collaboration and working closely with Council to deliver the detailed design of the subdivision, with a focus on practical, cost-effective and deliverable outcomes.

Project Understanding and Scope of Works

The project involves the detailed civil design of a 28-lot residential subdivision in Winchu Street, Quilpie. Following the successful completion of the concept design, which supported Council in securing funding through the Residential Activation Fund (RAF), the project will now progress to detailed design and statutory approvals.

As identified during the concept design phase, confirmation of existing service invert levels at the Winchu Street and Chulunga Street intersection is required to inform the detailed design. We understand Quilpie Shire Council will arrange the necessary survey pickup.

Hartecs' scope of works will build on the completed concept design and include:

- **Design development and coordination:** Review existing design information and confirm applicable Council and authority requirements.
- **Earthworks and roadworks:** Detailed lot and road levels, earthworks, road geometry, intersections and pavement design.
- **Stormwater drainage:** Minor and major drainage design, including hydraulic calculations, pipework, pits and overland flow paths. As per the concept design phase, council have confirmed WSUD treatment is not a requirement as part of this development. There is no allowance for a Stormwater Management Plan as part of these works as the design progression is based on the agreed parameters progressing from the approved concept phase of design.

- **Sewer and water reticulation:** Detailed reticulation design, including pipework, associated infrastructure and connections to existing services. There is no allowance for network analysis as confirmed with council during the concept phase of the design development. This can be arranged separately if requested by council.
- **Approval and construction documentation:** Preparation of coordinated civil design drawings and supporting documentation for the combined Reconfiguring a Lot (ROL) and Operational Works (OPW) application, followed by final Issued for Construction (IFC) documentation.

All design documentation will be prepared in accordance with applicable Council requirements, relevant standards and Hartecs' internal quality assurance procedures.

To progress this project quickly, Hartecs can provide a survey brief or request quotes for the survey pickup required.

Delivery Methodology

Hartecs has completed a substantial amount of preliminary design work as part of the concept phase, putting us in a good position to quickly and efficiently progress the project through detailed design. Our approach is outlined below.

- **Survey Confirmation and Design Verification:** The first step is to confirm existing service invert levels at the Winchu Street and Chulunga Street intersection, based on the survey pickup to be provided by Council. This information is required to confirm the proposed stormwater drainage strategy before progressing the detailed design. If the survey identifies a service clash that requires a change to the proposed stormwater strategy, the resulting redesign will be treated as additional work and subject to an additional fee.
- **Project Initiation and Data Review:** Review the existing concept design, available survey and service information, and Council requirements to confirm the design basis and identify any constraints.
- **Detailed Design Development:** Prepare the detailed designs for earthworks, roads, stormwater drainage, sewer and water infrastructure in accordance with relevant standards and Council requirements, with consideration given to constructability and cost efficiency.
- **Internal Review and Quality Assurance:** Review the design documentation to check technical accuracy, coordination between disciplines and compliance with applicable requirements before submission.
- **Authority Approvals:** Prepare the documentation for the combined Reconfiguring a Lot (ROL) and Operational Works (OPW) application and address Council's design-related review comments.
- **Issued for Construction Documentation:** Finalise the civil design drawings and supporting documentation for Issued for Construction (IFC) following completion of the design and resolution of relevant approval requirements.

We would be more than happy to support any further additional services that that are required and welcome a discussion on our services.

Deliverables

Hartecs will provide the following deliverables as part of the detailed civil design:

1. **Survey Brief:** Prepare a brief outlining the survey requirements to confirm existing service invert levels at the Winchu Street and Chulunga Street intersection, to be undertaken by Council's surveyor.
2. **RPEQ-Certified Civil Design:** Detailed civil engineering design drawings and supporting documentation for:
   - Bulk earthworks;
   - Roadworks and pavement design;
   - Stormwater drainage;
   - Sewer reticulation;
   - Water supply infrastructure; and
   - Concept erosion and sediment control design.
3. **Bill of Quantities (BOQ):** Prepare a BOQ to assist with project cost estimation and tendering.
4. **Combined ROL / OPW Application:** Prepare the application documentation for submission to Council, including the required forms, drawings and supporting information.
5. **Issued for Construction (IFC) Documentation:** Finalise the coordinated civil design package for construction following completion of the design and relevant approval requirements.

All deliverables will be prepared in accordance with applicable Council standards and submission requirements, and Hartecs' internal quality assurance procedures.

Assumptions and Exclusions

The following items are excluded from this fee proposal unless otherwise agreed with Council:

- Survey and Service Locating: Council to engage survey and potholing services. Hartecs will provide a survey brief and obtain quotes if requested.
- Geotechnical Investigations: Excluded. Pavement design will assume a subgrade CBR of 3%, to be confirmed by the contractor. Redesign due to differing conditions will incur additional fees.
- Stormwater Assessments: Flood modelling, external catchment assessments, specialist stormwater quality modelling and SWMP preparation.
- Non-Civil Utilities: Electrical, telecommunications and other utility design. Coordination with the appointed electrical consultant is included.
- Specialist Design: Landscape architecture, street lighting and structural design.
- Tendering and Construction Services: Cost estimates beyond the BOQ, tender assessment, contract administration, site inspections and construction support.

- Fees and Charges: Council application fees, infrastructure charges and service authority fees.
- Additional Services: Specialist investigations, third-party approvals and significant redesign arising from service conflicts, changes to the concept design or revised Council requirements.
- Detailed erosion and sediment control design drawings / report are excluded form this proposal but can be provided to the civil contractor or council under a separate engagement prior to OPW approval or construction.

The fee proposal is based on the following assumptions:

- The existing concept design will form the basis of the detailed design.
- Council will provide the required survey pickup of existing service invert levels at Winchu Street and Chulunga Street.
- Existing survey, service and infrastructure information provided by Council is accurate and suitable for design purposes.
- The preliminary pavement design will be based on an assumed subgrade CBR of 3%.
- Council's stormwater management requirements and discharge arrangements will be confirmed early in the design process.
- The fee is based on the progression of the existing concept design. If the detailed survey identifies required changes to this concept stormwater strategy an additional design fee will be applicable.
- The design will comply with applicable Council standards and relevant authority requirements.
- Council will provide consolidated review comments within agreed timeframes to support the project program.
- The combined ROL/OPW application will be based on the existing concept layout, with no major changes to the subdivision configuration.

Any departure from these assumptions may require a review of the scope, fee and delivery program.

Program

As Hartecs has progressed the design significantly during the concept phase, we are well positioned to deliver the detailed civil design efficiently, allowing us to offer a competitive fee and delivery program.

The program will be driven by the early confirmation of existing service invert levels at the Winchu Street and Chulunga Street intersection, which are required to verify the proposed stormwater drainage strategy. Subject to receipt of this information and confirmation that no significant design changes are required, Hartecs anticipates progressing the detailed design in accordance with the following stages:

Milestone	Duration	Date
Council Engagement and Project Initiation	3 days	15/10/2026
Prepare survey brief and confirm price for council engagement	6 days	23/10/2026
Council survey procurement and pickup of existing services	3 Weeks	13/11/2026
Review survey results and confirm stormwater design approach	2 days	17/11/2026
100% Detailed civil design– including RPEQ review and certification, QA, Safety in Design and BOQ	4.5 weeks	18/12/2026
Submission of Complete Detailed Design package to council	-	18/12/2026
Finalise IFC documentation following relevant approvals and design comments	1 Week following approval	

The proposed program is tight, with completion of the civil detailed design prior to Christmas dependent on the timely acceptance of Hartecs' fee proposal and Council's engagement of the required detailed survey. It is unlikely that the electrical design, which is to be commissioned separately by Council, will be completed within the same timeframe.

Completing the civil design prior to Christmas will allow the project to proceed to tender early in the new year while the electrical design is being finalised.

Nominated Team

Hartecs proposes to retain the same design team for the detailed design phase as was engaged during the concept design. This will maintain continuity throughout the project, building on the team's existing knowledge of the site, design constraints and Council requirements, while minimising the need to revisit previous design decisions.

Professional Fees

As Hartecs has completed substantial design work during the concept phase, we are well positioned to progress the detailed design efficiently and offer a competitive fee. We propose to complete the scope of works outlined in this proposal for a lump sum fee of $49,650 excluding GST as per the following breakdown.

This fee is based on the scope, assumptions and exclusions detailed in this proposal.

Description	Fee (Ex GST)
Preparation of the survey brief, review of the detailed survey and confirmation of the stormwater design approach	$4,850
RPEQ Certified Detailed Civil Design Package suitable for OPW submission ($1,600 per lot)	$44,800
Total	**$49,650**

Terms of Engagement

We propose to complete this project using Hartec Group's standard terms of engagement. A copy of the terms are attached. Please complete the relevant sections, sign and return as confirmation of your acceptance of this proposal.

We would be happy to discuss any element of this proposal with you to ensure it appropriately reflects your requirements. Please do not hesitate to contact Barry Kearney on 0448 014 023 if you would like to discuss any aspect of the offer.

We look forward to working with you on this project to achieve the outcomes required.

Sincerely,

Barry Kearney

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11.3 FLOOD STUDIES FOR BULLOO, PAROO AND QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCILS

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Attachments:
1. **Flood Studies Technical Specifications**
2. **Summary of Submissions**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	3.	Transport
Key Initiative:	3.2	Disaster response and recovery (for road assets)
Key Outcome:	10.	Effective Leadership
Key Initiative:	10.4	Disaster planning, risk management, response and recovery
Key Outcome:	9.	Finances and Resources
Key Initiative:	9.3	Financial planning

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Following the significant flooding events across South-West Queensland in 2025, Bulloo, Paroo and Quilpie Shire Councils secured funding through the Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Program (QRRRP) Flood Risk Management Program to undertake flood studies for regional townships across the three local government areas.

The flood studies comprise two parts:

- Part A – Flood Studies, with hydrological and hydraulics modelling
- Part B – Flood Risk Management Studies and Plans

A joint procurement process was undertaken to engage a suitably qualified consultant to deliver Part A of the project, being the preparation of flood studies that will provide critical flood intelligence to support disaster management, infrastructure planning, land-use planning, asset management and future flood risk management initiatives.

Five submissions were received and assessed against the published evaluation criteria. Following independent assessment and moderation by the Evaluation Panel, Synergy Solutions achieved the highest overall score of 89.2/100 and was identified as the preferred consultant based on demonstrated capability, methodology, delivery approach, regional experience and value for money.

The project will deliver significant strategic benefits by strengthening flood risk knowledge, improving disaster preparedness, informing future planning and development decisions, supporting long-term

asset management and resilience planning, and providing the technical foundation for future Part B - Flood Risk Management Studies and Plans.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Receive and note the report regarding the joint procurement process for Part A of the South-West Queensland Regional Towns Flood Studies undertaken in partnership with Bulloo and Paroo Shire Councils.
2. Endorse the outcome of the Evaluation Panel and accept the recommendation to appoint Synergy Solutions as the consultant for the flood studies of Quilpie, Eromanga, Adavale and Toompine for $ 243,111 including GST ($221,010 excluding GST).
3. Note that Part B - Development of Flood Risk Management Studies and Plans for participating townships will be subject to a separate procurement process anticipated to be undertaken in early 2027.

BACKGROUND

Following the significant flooding experienced across South-West Queensland in 2025, Queensland Government announced $450 million Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Program (QRRR) – Hazard and Risk Priorities Fund (Stream 3) has been allocated $15 million across two projects to be led by Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA):

- $10 million – Bulloo Catchment and Lower Thomson River and Cooper Creek catchment Flood Risk Management Program (FRMP) – this includes flood studies, floodplain management studies and plans, floor level surveys and associated flood mitigation initiations; and
- $5 million – South-West Total Flood Warning Review (TFWR), focusing on improving flood intelligence, enhancing situational awareness and identifying priority investments in weather and warning infrastructure.

REPORT

Bulloo, Paroo and Quilpie Shire Councils (‘Councils’) have received financial support through FRMP, to undertake flood study and flood risk management study and plan (FRMS&P) for the South West Queensland regional towns under the jurisdiction of the aforementioned Councils (‘the project’).

Councils agreed to a joint procurement process and nominated a Technical Specialist to prepare the Technical Specifications for the project, as well as supporting the appointment of a suitably qualified and experienced consultant to deliver the project.

This collaborative approach reflects a shared commitment to improving flood risk knowledge and coordinating future planning, resilience, and disaster management outcomes across the South-West region of Queensland.

The flood studies comprise two parts:

- Part A – Flood Studies, with hydrological and hydraulics modelling
- Part B – Flood Risk Management Studies and Plans

Procurement Objective

The key procurement objectives of this engagement are to establish an agreement with a consultant that demonstrates suitable capability, capacity and relevant experience to successfully deliver the project.

In line with the Queensland Flood Risk Management Framework, the primary objective of the Flood Studies is to define the flood hazard across each town's study area.

The Flood Studies will form the initial stages of the flood risk management process and will provide the technical foundation to further develop a Flood Risk Management Study and Plan (Part B) for each township. These studies will also provide a better understanding of flood behaviour across the full range of design flood events.

For each town the study will include consideration of the local flood history, available collected flood data, and the development of hydrologic and hydraulic flood models that are calibrated and verified, where possible, against historic flood events.

The flood study outputs are intended to:

1. inform future decision making;
2. assist in effective disaster management planning;
3. support a review of planning schemes and development controls;
4. facilitate selection of potential mitigation options as part of the FRMS&P;
5. inform decisions on, and investment in critical community infrastructure; and
6. guide future growth and economic development opportunities.

Part A – Preparation of Flood Studies for the following towns:

Town	Catchment/River	Council
Thargomindah	Bulloo	Bulloo
Hungerford	Paroo	Bulloo
Cunnamulla and Wyandra	Warrego	Paroo
Eulo	Paroo	Paroo
Adavale, Quilpie & Toompine	Bulloo	Quilpie
Eromanga	Cooper	Quilpie

Part B - Development of a Flood Risk Management Study and Plan for each town will require the issuing of a separate Request for Quotation (RfQ) process at a later stage in early 2027.

Evaluation Panel

Councils formed an Evaluation Panel (EP) comprising of one representative from each Council and a Technical Specialist/Advisor, as shown below.

Panel Member	Eng Lim	Quilpie Shire Council (chair)
Panel Member	Chris Woodland	Bulloo Shire Council
Panel Member	Bill Zhang	Paroo Shire Council
Technical Specialist/Advisor	Don Carroll	Don Carroll Project Mgt Pty Ltd

The EP met several times, together with QRA representatives, to discuss and approve the evaluation process, criteria, technical specifications, RfQ timeframes, and agreed also that the project be separated into two components/RfQ as described earlier.

Procurement Timetable

The evaluation process to date has followed the timetable outlined below:

Description	Timeframe
Evaluation Panel Inception meeting	24 July 2026
Technical Specifications Approved	27 July - 5 August 2026
RfQ Invitation Issued	7 August 2026
Consultant Clarification Period Ends	14 August 2026
RfQ Closing date	31 August 2026
Independent Assessments	1-18 September 2026
Moderation Panel Consensus Meeting	24 September 2026
Notification to Unsuccessful Consultants	30 September 2026
Clarification/Negotiation	7 October 2026
Project Completion	30 March 2027 (*amended 28 May 2027)*

Under the QRRRP Guidelines, Flood Risk Management Program funding arrangements there is a requirement that all program scope of works be completed by 30 June 2028.

Project completion was initially set down for March 2027, however the deadline was moved to 28 May 2027, an extra two months, to account for Flown LiDAR capture delivery.

The provision of Flown LiDAR capture (project lead by Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development Services (NRMMRRD) is scheduled for completion late January 2027, with prioritised early delivery of Bulloo catchment data - noting however that this timeframe is subject to consultant capacity.

Request for Quote (RfQ) Invitees

On 7 August 2026, the RfQ was issued for Part A – Preparation of Flood Studies for each town, to the six nominated consultants (2 nominations by each Council representative on the Evaluation Panel).

The nominated consultants are as follows:

No.	Consultant Name
1	Genesis Hydrology
2	GHD
3	HARC
4	Synergy Solutions
5	WMS Engineering
6	Flood Smart Engineering

Email invitation was sent to six consultants attaching the South West Queensland Regional Towns Flood Studies - Technical Specifications (refer Attachment) with the indicative project timetable and evaluation criteria and a Price Schedule of Costs Template.

The consultants were required to include the following in their proposals:

- A detailed fee proposal, including any assumptions and exclusions

- Proposed project methodology and delivery approach
- Relevant experience and capability statements, particularly in a regional/remote context
- Key personnel proposed for the project
- A proposed project schedule

While the consultants needed to provide a detailed breakdown of hours, resources, and costs for each activity within their proposals, the price schedule template (included in the RfQ invitation) was intended to capture a summary of the total costs by town and key work package and enable a consistent basis for EP to compare submissions at an aggregated level.

On 8 August 2026, Flood Smart Engineering declined to submit an RfQ due to capacity issues.

One addendum was issued on 14 August 2026 that related to further clarification and updates to consultants regarding sizes of the various townships and modelling methodology, LiDAR and extended project timeline, and the priority for Thargomindah.

Consultants were also encouraged to look at a staggered and overlapping delivery approach, to start with the Bulloo Catchment and enable the Thargomindah flood study to proceed first, noting their priority for a levee design, and make any adjustment to the overall project timeline to support effective project delivery while maintaining overall project objectives.

Following a late email request, on 25 August 2026 an additional consultant was approved by the EP. However, the consultant was advised that the EP wanted to maintain the existing closing date of the RfQ as 31 August 2026, due to the urgency of the work. That consultant elected not to submit an RfQ.

RfQ Response

Five out of the six nominated consultants provided their offers on time as per the requirements of the RfQ. As noted above, one consultant withdrew prior to the closing date, due to capacity issues.

No.	Consultant Name
1	Genesis Hydrology
2	GHD
3	HARC
4	Synergy Solutions
5	WMS Engineering

Evaluation Process

The evaluation process was carried out using by the following criteria and weighting:

No.	Criteria	Weighting
1	Understand of the Project & Proposed Methodology	25%
2.	Project Team Capability, Relevant Experience and Past Performance	25%
3.	Local Knowledge and Stakeholder Engagement Approach	15%
4.	Project Delivery Program, resourcing and availability	15%
5.	Price/Value for Money	20%
	Total	**100%**

Independent Scoring

During the evaluation process, each EP member independently assessed and scored each offer against the evaluation criteria within the allocated timeframe. All assessments were compiled/consolidated and the scores averaged/summarised.

Moderation Session

At 3.00pm on Thursday 24 September 2026, the EP, together with the Technical Specialist Advisor convened to commence the moderation session. Queensland Reconstruction Authority, Greg Scroope (Project Lead – QRRRRP) and Debbie Hunter (Project Officer – QRRRP) were also in attendance providing administrative support.

The EP reviewed each member's individual assessment and rationale, and discussed the scores awarded against the approved evaluation. The Panel identified the key differentiators between consultants as the extent to which each offer demonstrated a practical and proven approach to delivering the requirements under the RfQ.

A high-level summary of the EP's assessment of each proposal is provided below presenting the final scores after applying the published percentage weightings, as follows:

Tenderer	Method /25	Team /25	Local /15	Delivery /15	Value /20	Final /100	Rank
Genesis Hydrology	23.4	23.3	13.4	12.8	13.6	86.6	2
GHD	20.6	23.1	11.2	11.9	11.0	77.8	4
HARC	21.1	22.9	10.8	11.8	8.3	74.9	5
Synergy Solutions	24.0	22.9	14.2	13.4	14.8	89.2	1
WMS Engineering	20.3	18.0	11.1	11.6	18.5	79.5	3

At the moderation meeting, the EP discussed the evaluation outcomes, considering strengths, weaknesses, risks and value-for-money propositions of each submission, with the panel reaching a consensus on the preferred consultant, the consultant who ranked 1st overall, which was Synergy Solutions.

A high-level summary of the EP assessment of each offer is provided in **Attachment 2**.

The fees proposed by the preferred consultant are shown for each of the four townships within Quilpie Shire Council. They are within the funding amount allocated by Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA).

Town	Proposed fees (excluding GST)	Proposed fees (including GST)
Quilpie	$ 72,000	$ 79,200
Eromanga	$ 56,010	$ 61,611
Adavale	$ 48,000	$ 52,800
Toompine	$ 45,000	$ 49,500
Total	$ 221,010	$ 243,111

Bulloo Shire Council is willing to continue in the role of lead sponsor for these flood studies and will be responsible for appointing the preferred consultant. Quilpie Shire Council and Paroo Shire Council will each contribute towards the costs of the flood studies undertaken within their respective local government areas, supporting a collaborative and cost-effective delivery model across the three councils.

OPTIONS

Option 1 (recommended)

That Council:

1. Receive and note the report regarding the joint procurement process for Part A of the South-West Queensland Regional Towns Flood Studies undertaken in partnership with Bulloo and Paroo Shire Councils.
2. Endorse the outcome of the Evaluation Panel and accept the recommendation to appoint Synergy Solutions as the consultant for the flood studies of Quilpie, Eromanga, Adavale and Toompine for $ 243,111 including GST ($221,010 excluding GST).
3. Note that Part B - Development of Flood Risk Management Studies and Plans for participating townships will be subject to a separate procurement process anticipated to be undertaken in early 2027.

Option 2

That Council:

1. Does not accept the recommendation of the Evaluation Panel.
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to work with Bulloo and Paroo Shire Councils to undertake a revised procurement process.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Infrastructure Services Directorate

Bulloo Shire

Paroo Shire

INTERESTED PARTIES

All residents and community members within Quilpie Shire Council.

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive.

LEGISLATION / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 2009

This flood study project supports Councils' obligations to:

- Ensure the good rule and governance of local government.
- Plan for sustainable development and management of local government assets.
- Make decisions in the long-term interests of their communities.
- Manage risks associated with natural hazards and climate events.

Local Government Regulation 2012

The collaborative joint procurement approach adopted by Bulloo, Paroo and Quilpie Councils aligns with procurement requirements to achieve value for money and efficient use of resources.

Disaster Management Act 2003

The flood study outputs will:

- Improve flood intelligence through identifying hazards and risks.
- Undertake disaster risk reduction activities and develop Disaster resilience strategies.
- Support Local Disaster Management Groups (LDMGs) including evacuation planning, emergency response planning and improve community risk awareness.

Planning Act 2016

The flood study provides information for:

- Planning schemes.
- Development assessment.
- Land-use zoning.
- Building and subdivision controls.
- Identification of areas unsuitable for future development and minimum floor levels.
- Infrastructure servicing constraints.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Enterprise Risk Management Framework

The flood study is fundamentally a risk reduction project and contributes to Council's management of strategic risks including:

- Natural disasters.
- Community safety.
- Infrastructure failures.
- Service interruption.

Asset Management Strategy

The study will inform:

- Asset planning.
- Lifecycle management.
- Capital works prioritisation.
- Renewal forecasting.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The cost of these flood studies is fully covered by the Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Program (QRRRP) program through Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA).

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The flood studies will enable positive asset management outcomes through an improved understanding of flood-related risks to existing and future assets.

The studies will identify the susceptibility of key infrastructure assets, including roads, culverts, floodways, water and sewer networks, stormwater systems, airports and community facilities, to flooding events.

The resulting flood intelligence will provide a stronger evidence base for infrastructure planning, asset renewal programs, capital works prioritisation, disaster resilience initiatives and long-term financial planning. This will assist Council in managing asset risks proactively while ensuring future infrastructure investments are targeted towards areas of greatest need and community benefit.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Council will manage risks in accordance with G.11 Enterprise risk management policy and G.11-A Risk Management Framework.

Risk Name & Description *What could happen and why?*	**Current Controls** *Are there current controls for the risk*	**Impacts** *Impact if the risk eventuates*	**Risk Assessment**			**Risk Treatment** *Depending on risk rating - additional controls / mitigation strategy to be implemented (to reduce risk rating)*
			Likelihood	**Consequence**	**Risk Rating**	
			Refer to risk calculator provided below for measures			
Example: *Insufficient funding*	*None*	*Delays to purchasing*	*C Possible*	*4 Major*	*High*	*Ensure funding approvals obtained at start of project*
Insufficient understanding of flood behaviour and flood risks across Council areas	Existing flood history records, local knowledge, disaster management planning arrangements	Poor planning and infrastructure decisions can result in increased flood exposure	Possible	Moderate	High	Complete flood studies and calibrated flood models; regularly update flood intelligence and mapping; integrate outcomes into planning schemes and Local Disaster Management Plan as well as operational decision-making
Flood damage to roads, culverts, floodways and other critical water and sewerage infrastructure	Routine inspections, maintenance programs, Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) reconstruction processes, Asset Management Plans	Network closures, safety risks and increased asset deterioration	Possible	Moderate	High	Identify vulnerable assets and prioritise resilience upgrades, flood immunity improvements via capital works program.
Unplanned infrastructure expenditure following flood events	Annual budgeting process, disaster recovery funding arrangements.	Budget pressure and reduced funding availability for other priorities	Possible	Moderate	High	Use flood risk information to improve resilience, investment prioritisation and grant funding applications.
Reputational impacts arising from perceived inadequate flood risk management	Governance framework, Council reporting processes and statutory compliance	Loss of public confidence and stakeholder trust	Possible	Moderate	High	Demonstrate proactive flood risk management and transparent decision-making informed by study outcomes. Improve community awareness and communicate flood risk information.

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

Section 4(b) of the *Human Rights Act 2019* requires public entities to act and make decisions in a way compatible with human rights. The *Human Rights Act 2019* requires public entities to only limit human rights in certain circumstances. The human rights protected under the *Human Rights Act 2019* are not absolute. This means that the rights must be balanced against the rights of others and public policy issues of significance.

Consideration of the 23 human rights protected under the *Human Rights Act 2019* has been undertaken as part of this decision. It is considered that the project will have a positive impact on several protected rights by improving Council's understanding of flood risk and supporting informed decision-making aimed at protecting communities, property and critical infrastructure.

In particular, the project supports the protection of:

- the right to life through improved identification and management of flood hazards;
- the right to security of person by enhancing disaster preparedness, emergency response planning and community resilience;
- the right to protection of families and children through improved planning for natural hazard risks and community safety;
- the right to property by informing future land-use planning, infrastructure investment and risk mitigation measures aimed at reducing flood-related damage; and
- the cultural rights of Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islander peoples, by providing information that may assist in identifying and managing flood risks that could affect culturally significant land, places and community assets.

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Technical Specification

S-W QLD regional towns; Flood Studies for Bulloo, Paroo and Quilpie Shire Councils

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1 Introduction

The Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Program (QRRRP) is Queensland's new approach to providing a strategic, annual funding program, using Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements. The QRRRP is funded through efficiencies realised under the joint Commonwealth-state Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA).

Following the catastrophic 2025 floods that affected communities in the state's southwest, funding has been allocated to Bulloo, Paroo and Quilpie Shire Councils ('Councils') to undertake flood studies and subsequent flood risk management studies (FRMS&P) for flood mitigation projects identified for vulnerable townships. Table 1 lists the nominated towns, their respective river catchments and Shire Council.

Town(s)	Catchment/River	Council/Shire
Thargomindah	Bulloo	Bulloo
Hungerford	Paroo	Bulloo
Cunnamulla & Wyandra	Warrego	Paroo
Eulo	Paroo	Paroo
Adavale, Quilpie & Toompine	Bulloo	Quilpie
Eromanga	Cooper	Quilpie

Table 1: Selected Project Towns

The project is separated into two components;

- Part A is the preparation of Flood Studies for each town, and
- Part B is the development of a Flood Risk Management Study and Plan for each town.

This Request for Quotation (RfQ) is for Part A of the project but includes generating sufficient data and maps to facilitate development of Part B - Flood Risk Management studies and Plan. It is expected that Part A will be completed by the end of March 2027. Part B of the project will require issue of a separate RfQ and is expected to commence in early 2027.

Councils by mutual agreement may elect to sole source the Consultant selected for Part A to undertake Part B of the project.

Tenderers responding to this RfQ must include all towns listed in Table 1. Cost estimates should be provided both by Shire Council and as a consolidated total for undertaking flood studies across all towns.

The contract may be awarded to a single consultant to deliver all the work.

1.1 Project Stakeholders and Governance

Governance arrangements and stakeholders for the project are shown in Figure 1 below.

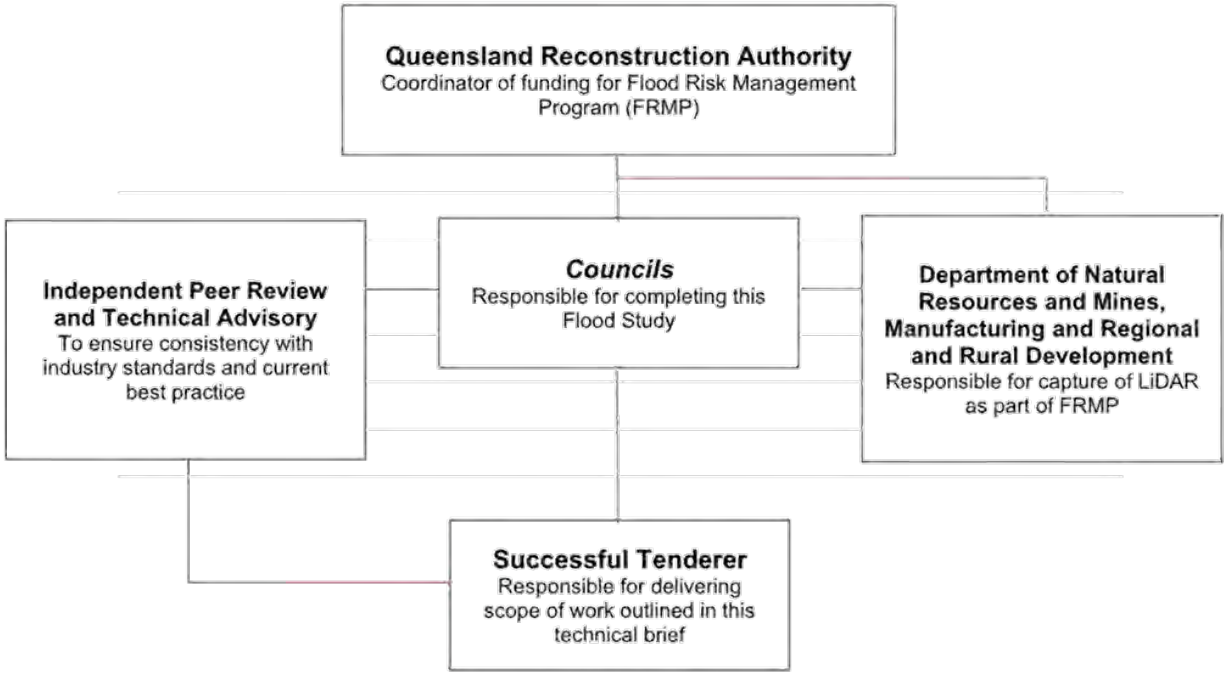


Figure 1: Project Stakeholders

1.2 Study Objectives and Outputs

The Councils require flood studies to provide comprehensive technical investigations of flood behaviour for the listed towns. In line with the Queensland Flood Risk Management Framework (refer ***Figure 2***), the primary objective of the Flood Studies is to define the flood hazard across each town's study area. The Flood Studies will form the initial stages of the flood risk management process and will provide the technical foundation to further develop a flood risk management study and plan.

The aim of the project is to provide a better understanding of flood behaviour across the full range of design flood events. For each town the study will include consideration of the local flood history, available collected flood data, and the development of hydrologic and hydraulic flood models that are calibrated and verified, where possible, against historic flood events.

The primary objectives for each town's flood study are to:

- Develop a calibrated hydrologic and hydraulic flood model in line with industry best practice to understand flood behaviour across the full range of design flood events from the 50% AEP up to and including the PMF. The full range of design flood events are detailed in Section 5.3.3.
- Define current and future flood behaviour for all catchments affecting each town.
- Provide the required information to inform future flood risk management studies, local planning schemes, disaster management and future investment decisions

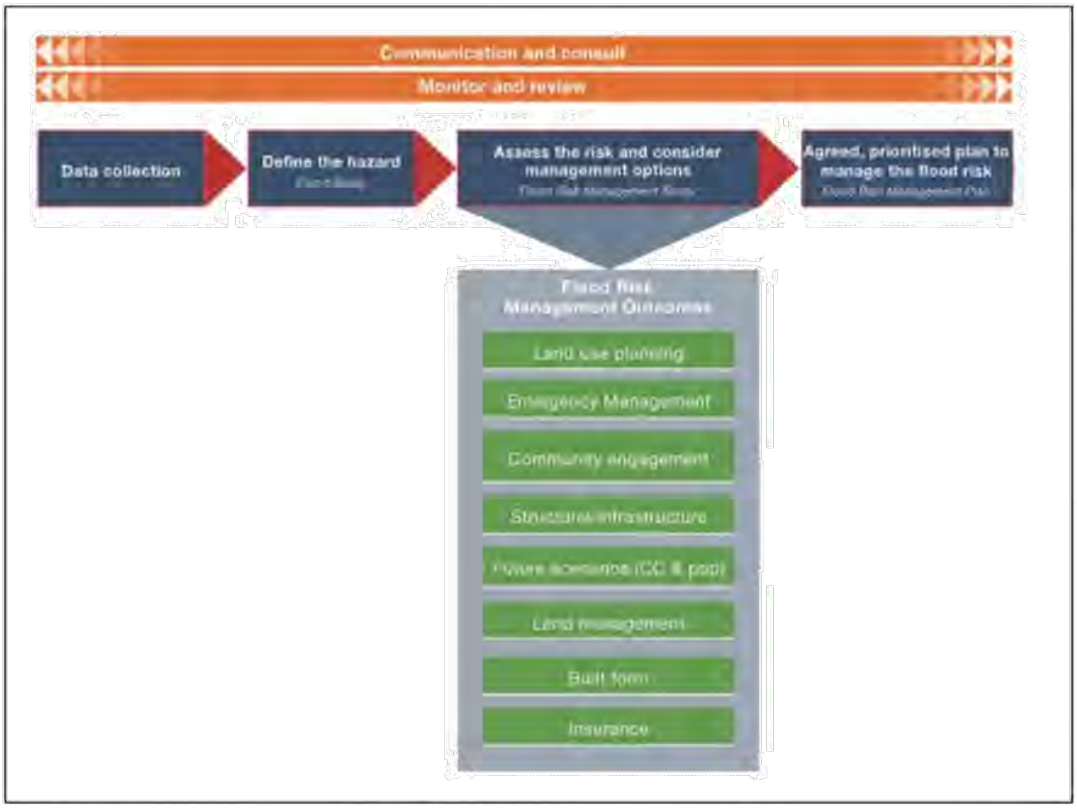


Figure 2: Flood Risk Management Process (QRA, 2021)

The flood study outputs are intended to:

1. inform future decision making;
2. assist in effective disaster management planning;
3. support a review of planning schemes and development controls;
4. facilitate selection of potential mitigation options as part of the FRMS&P;
5. inform decisions on, and investment in critical community infrastructure; and
6. guide future growth and economic development opportunities.

2 Study Areas Background

2.1 Bulloo Shire

Bulloo Shire has two towns for flood study investigation; Thargomindah and Hungerford.

Bulloo Shire is a remote local government area in South-West Queensland covering approximately 73,880 km². The Shire has a very small and dispersed population of around 330–350 residents, centred on Thargomindah and surrounding pastoral properties. The economy is primarily driven by grazing agriculture, tourism, local government services and resource sector activity. The region is characterised by vast distances, low population density, strong community networks, nationally significant environmental assets, and a reliance on critical transport and telecommunications infrastructure.

Thargomindah serves as the administrative centre for the Shire of Bulloo in South West Queensland and lies directly on the banks of the Bulloo River along the Adventure Way, roughly 1,000 kilometres west of Brisbane. The town is prone to isolated outback flooding, managed via local monitoring systems and historical levee infrastructure.

The average rainfall for the town is ~300 mm per. Annual totals vary greatly from year to year with some years experiencing prolonged dry spells while others receive heavy monsoonal-linked downpours. The wettest period is typically during the summer and early autumn months (such as February and March). An aerial map of Bulloo Shire is provided in Figure 3.



Figure 3: Bulloo Shire area (in red)

2.1.1 Catchment Description

The Bulloo River rises in the Gowan Range and Idalia National Park uplands and flows roughly 600 kilometres south through Adavale, Quilpie and Thargomindah before ending in the Bulloo Lakes on Bulloo Downs Station. The river is characterised by braided channels that typically remain dry. Figure 4 provides a map of catchment.



Figure 4: Bulloo catchment area to NSW border (source Bureau of Meteorology)

2.1.2 Flood Behaviour Description

Flooding is a defining feature of the Bulloo landscape. The Shire is subject to large-scale riverine flooding associated with the Bulloo River catchment, Cooper Creek and Wilson River, with extensive floodplains capable of inundating roads for extended periods. Due to the flat terrain and size of the catchment, floodwaters can spread over vast areas, resulting in lengthy isolation of communities and pastoral properties. Flood events can significantly impact transport networks, supply chains, tourism, agriculture, businesses, housing and access to essential services.

Recent flood events within the Bulloo River catchment have demonstrated the vulnerability of key community assets, transport networks and essential infrastructure. These events have highlighted the need for improved flood forecasting, resilience planning and infrastructure adaptation measures to reduce future flood impacts, support community safety and maintain continuity of essential services during and after flood events.

2.1.3 Flood History Description

Thargomindah

The Thargomindah TM gauge is part of the Bureau of Meteorology's flood warning system for the Bulloo River catchment having records dating back to 1949.

Figure 5 below provides flood level peak estimates of historical floods through the town. Of particular note are the 1963, 1974, 2010 and 2025 flood events. The Bureau report "*The flood of March/April 2025" exceeded the previous record flood in Thargomindah as the river level is estimated to have reached 7.5 m after the official gauge board was overtopped. This resulted in the rupture of the town's levee, widespread inundation of houses and long isolation periods.*

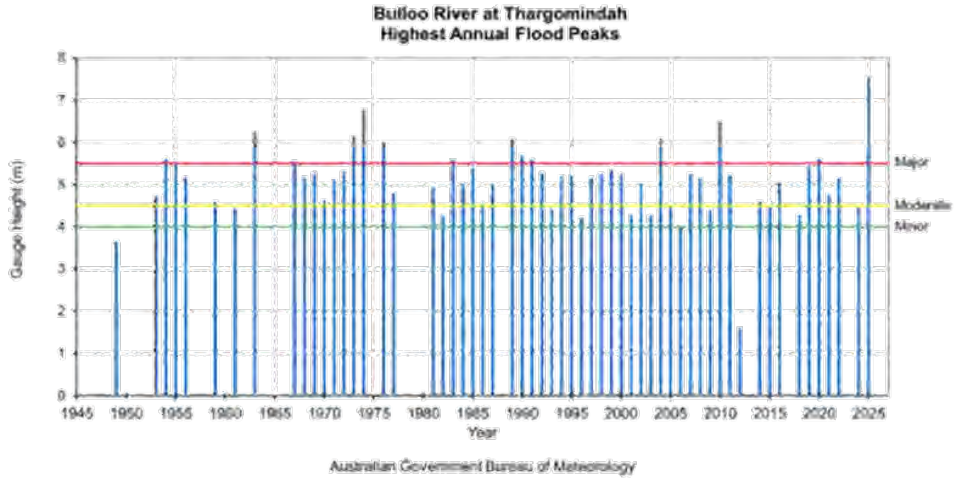


Figure 5: Flood history for Thargomindah (Source: Bureau of Meteorology)

Hungerford

The town of Hungerford is affected by the Paroo River whose catchment lies mainly in the Paroo Shire Council. The town itself lies on the border between New South Wales and Queensland.

The Bureau of Meteorology maintain a river level gauge in the town with records dating back since 1974. Floods take weeks to pass through due to flat outback topography and wide, interconnected floodplain channels.

Recent events are listed below characterized by water entering the town during major flood events resulting in inundation of several residences and isolation by floodwaters for a considerable period.

March–April 2025: Reached a record peak of 3.15 meters at the Hungerford gauge.

March 2010: Reached 2.87 meters

April 1990: Reached 2.92 meters

January 1974: Reached 2.90 meters

Figure 6 below shows the peak levels reached in the town since 1974.

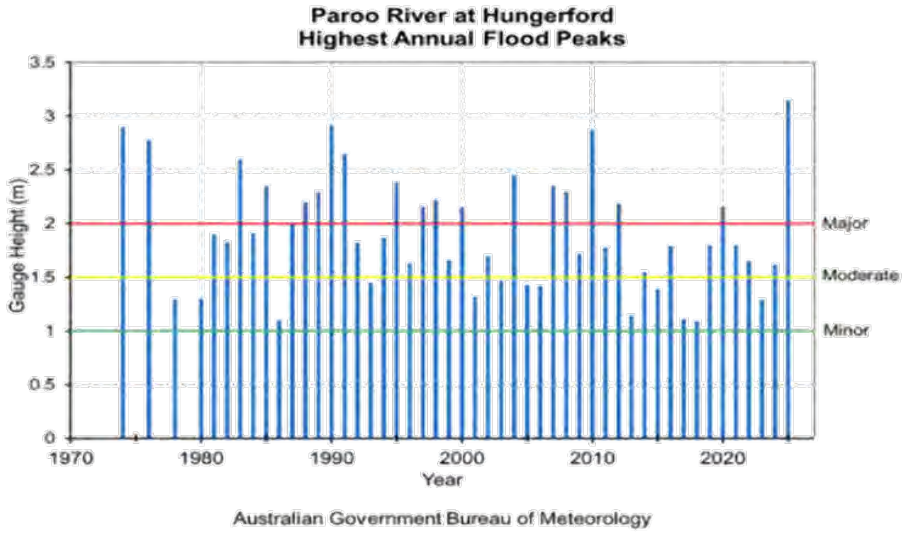


Figure 6: Flood history for Hungerford (Source: Bureau of Meteorology)

2.2 Quilpie Shire Council

Quilpie Shire Council have four towns that require flood studies; Quilpie, Adavale, Toompine and Eromanga.

The Shire of Quilpie is a local government area in South-West Queensland, Australia. It covers an area of 67,415 square kilometres and its administrative centre is the town of Quilpie. The dominant industry is grazing (cattle & sheep). Opal fields are also worked within the shire. In the 2021 census, the Shire of Quilpie had a population of 698 people. A map of the shire is shown in Figure 7 below.



Figure 7: Quilpie Shire Council (in red)

2.2.1 Quilpie, Adavale & Toompine

The towns of Quilpie (administrative centre), Adavale and Toompine are located in the Bulloo River catchment. Figure 4 above refers.

A brief history of flooding in these towns follows:

Quilpie

The Bulloo River at Quilpie has well documented history of flooding dating back to 1950. The flood of May 1989, 2010, and to a lesser extent the flood of April 1990, caused inundation of many properties in Quilpie.

The flood of March/April 2025 was a significant event and while it did not exceed the record flood height of 7.85 m in 1963, the river level peaked at 7.31 m on 29 March 2025, and the town was heavily affected.

For the March/April 2025 flood event, Council officers recorded flood debris heights at selected points within Quilpie township, captured in a GIS layer that can be shared with the appointed consultant to support model calibration or validation. Quilpie Shire Council can also provide the 2012 Level 2 flood study for Quilpie town (within the Bulloo Catchment) as a reference document.

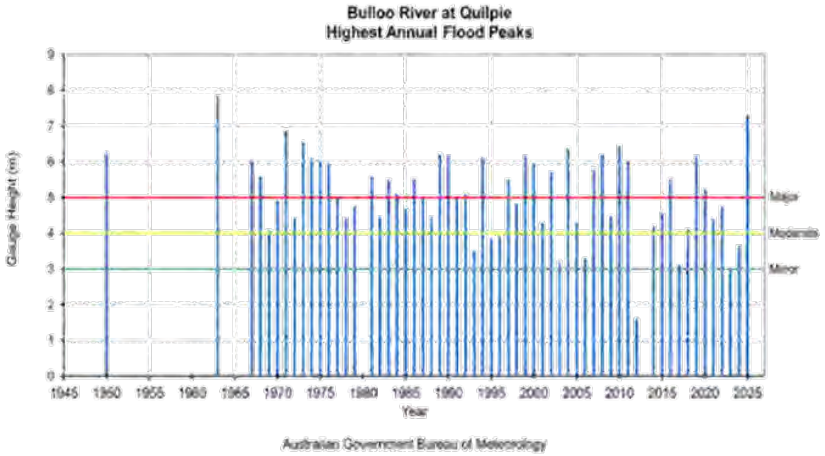


Figure 8: Flood history for Quilpie (Source: Bureau of Meteorology)

Adavale

The Blackwater Creek, which straddles the town, is a tributary of the Bulloo River. The flooding that frequently inundates Adavale usually happens because the Blackwater creek, at a point a couple of kilometres to the south of the town, flows between two small hills. It is here where this bottleneck causes the water to backup and inundate the town.

This, however, is not always the case. The Great Flood of 1963 was a different story. Heavy rain fell in the north, around Listowel Downs and Boondoon. This caused a wall of water to cascade down the Blackwater, with such force that the town was almost washed away. When this water reached the already swollen bottleneck downstream, this huge amount of water began to backup and was to cause further destruction and misery to the town and its residents. Other notable flood events occurred in 1930, 1963 and 1971 and most recently 2025 when the town had to be evacuated.

For the March/April 2025 flood event, Council officers have measured flood debris heights at selected points within Adavale township and recorded them in a GIS layer which can be shared with the appointed consultant for model calibration or validation.

Quilpie Shire Council can share the previous 2012 Level 2 flood studies for Adavale town within the Bulloo Catchment, as reference documents.

Paraphrased from https://www.facebook.com/outbackqldhistory/posts/flooding-in-adavalean-inquiry-from-someone-that-has-purchased-some-blocks-in-the/869457559763306/

Toompine

Toompine is located approximately 70 km south-west of Quilpie on the Bulloo River floodplain. While there is no official Bureau of Meteorology flood gauge at Toompine, the township is influenced by two distinct flood mechanisms: localised flooding from intense rainfall over the eastern ranges and regional flooding associated with the Bulloo River system.

The floodplain surrounding Toompine is broad and relatively flat, allowing floodwaters to spread laterally across multiple flow paths rather than remaining confined to defined river channels. This results in widespread overland flooding and prolonged inundation of low-lying roads and floodways. Local residents report that flooding occurs, on average, around four times each year, depending on seasonal rainfall patterns. Severe local storm events have previously resulted in floodwaters entering the Toompine Hotel on several occasions.

The March 2025 flood event was exceptional, with local observations indicating flood levels were approximately 800 mm higher than previously experienced in the area. It also demonstrated the interaction between these two flood sources. Flooding within the Toompine township was primarily generated by local runoff from severe storm events, with Toompine Creek and Wallara Creek overtopping their banks and inundating surrounding areas. Fortunately, the local floodwaters had largely receded before the peak flood wave in the Bulloo River arrived downstream. Had these two events coincided, the resulting flood levels and duration of inundation within Toompine would have been significantly greater and potentially devastating for the township.

Although the township itself avoided the combined impacts of simultaneous local and Bulloo River flooding, the event caused extensive disruption to the surrounding transport network. Access roads were closed for approximately four to five weeks, including crossings at Murgoo Creek, Balbaroo Creek, Toompine Creek and the Goorie Channels, isolating the community and surrounding pastoral properties.

A key issue consistently identified by local residents is the prolonged closure of the Quilpie–Thargomindah Road, principally due to inundation at the South Comongin Crossing. This crossing remained impassable for several weeks following the 2025 flood, significantly delaying the restoration of through access even after floodwaters had receded elsewhere.

Recognising the strategic importance of this route, the Queensland Government has committed funding to raise the South Comongin Crossing. Construction is scheduled to commence during the 2026–27 financial year, with completion anticipated by June 2028. Once delivered, the upgrade is expected to substantially improve flood immunity and reduce the duration of road closures along this critical transport corridor.

2.2.2 Eromanga

Eromanga is a small outback town in the Quilpie Shire, sitting above the vast geological Cooper-Eromanga Basin. Cooper Creek is an iconic, ephemeral outback river system that shapes the Channel Country and flows toward Lake Eyre in the south. The primary watercourse near Eromanga is the Wilson River, which is part of the vast Channel Country River network flowing toward Cooper Creek and Lake Eyre. Local creeks and watercourses around the town feed into the wider Cooper Creek system.

A recent history of floods in Eromanga follows:

March 2025 Deluge: Local stations like Tallyabra recorded over 520mm of rain in just eight days—double an average annual total—isolating Eromanga as an island, topping 1974 flood levels in places, causing severe livestock and property losses. For the March/April 2025 flood event, Council officers have measured flood debris heights at selected points within Quilpie township and recorded them in a GIS layer which can be shared with the appointed consultant for model calibration or validation.

January 2022 Inundation: Heavy monsoon rains across southwest Queensland cut off road access and turned dry landscape around town infrastructure and local refineries temporarily aquatic, with residents navigating via kayaks.

March 2010 Event: Heavy regional downpours produced major riverine height peaks along Webber Street and surrounding catchments, prompting official Bureau of Meteorology flood monitoring reports.

Barcoo Shire Council who is currently close to finalising their ongoing flood studies for Windorah, Jundah and Stonehenge within the upstream section of the Cooper Catchment can be requested to share their reports which can be referenced in the flood study for Eromanga.

2.3 Paroo Shire Council

Paroo Shire Council has three towns requiring Flood Studies; Cunnamulla, Eulo and Wyandra. Two main rivers run through the shire, both from north to south; the Warrego (through the centre) and the Paroo (to the west).

The Shire of Paroo is a local government area in South-West Queensland, Australia. It is bounded by the Open Mitchell Grass Flood Plains in the East to the Yowah opal fields where the Yowah nut is found and the Mulga lands to the West. The Paroo Shire covers an area of 47,623 square kilometres. The region contains rich plains and river flats and makes ideal grazing lands for sheep and cattle. In the 2021 census, the Shire of Paroo had a population of 1,679 people.

The region incorporates the towns of Cunnamulla, Yowah, Eulo and Wyandra, the administrative centre is the town of Cunnamulla centrally situated on the crossroads of the Balonne and Mitchell Highways. The Warrego River passes through the towns of Cunnamulla and Wyandra. The Paroo River passes through Eulo. Figure 9 shows a map of shire boundaries.

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Figure 9: Map of Paroo Shire (source Qld Gov ECQ)

Two main rivers flow through the Paroo Shire the Warrego and the Paroo. A map of both catchments is provided in Figure 10.

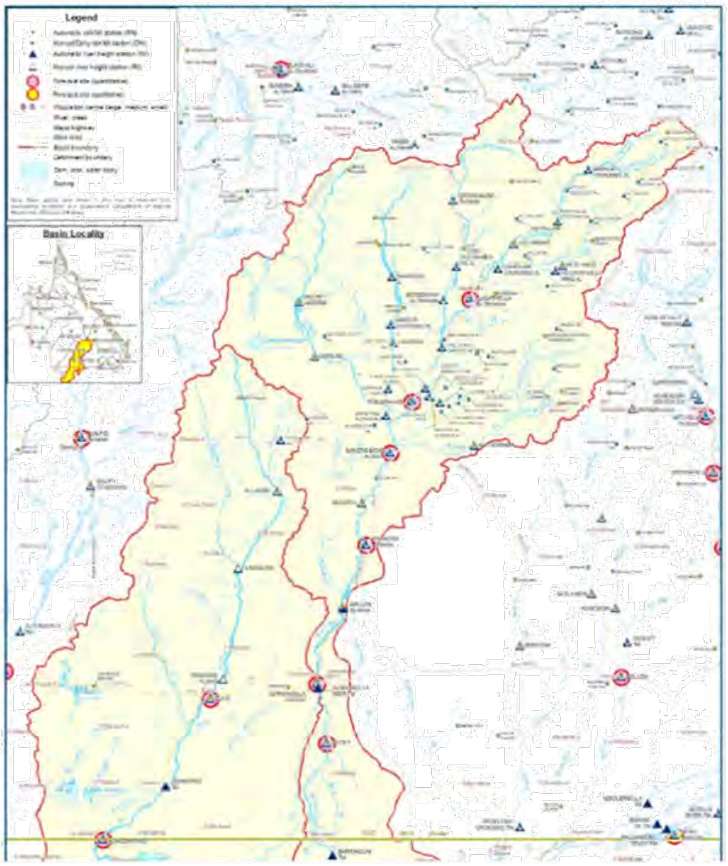


Figure 10: Map of Warrego and Paroo Catchments (Source Bureau of Meteorology)

Warrego River

Paraphrased from https://www.bom.gov.au/qld/flood/brochures/warrego/warrego.shtml

The Warrego River catchment is located in southwest Queensland and northwest New South Wales and covers an area of approximately 65,000 square kilometres. The upper Warrego rises in the Carnarvon Ranges, flowing through Augathella, before being joined by major tributary the Nive River south of Augathella. The Warrego River then flows past Charleville, Wyandra and Cunnamulla. During major flood events river flows from the Warrego can breakout overland into the Paroo River around Cunnamulla. While flash flooding may be experienced in upper parts of the catchment. Floods on the Warrego River typically take several days to move through the system following heavy rainfall.

Cunnamulla has flood mitigation levees in place to reduce the impacts of flooding to at least 10.5 metres on the flood gauge.

During major flood events, significant inundation of pastoral land, damage to fencing, and disruption to major transport routes occur. While levees have reduced the impact of major flooding on these communities, levee overtopping is possible if floods of a similar magnitude to 1990 were to occur again.

Previous Flooding

Cunnamulla

The Warrego River has a well-documented history of flooding with records of the larger floods dating back to 1910. The April 1990 floods remain the flood of record for much of the Warrego River catchment.

More recently, in 2012 major flooding occurred again on the Warrego River, with the highest levels since the record 1990 floods for many locations. The levees protected Cunnamulla from any significant inundation, but extensive transport impacts occurred. Figure 11 below shows the significant flood peaks at Cunnamulla since records began.

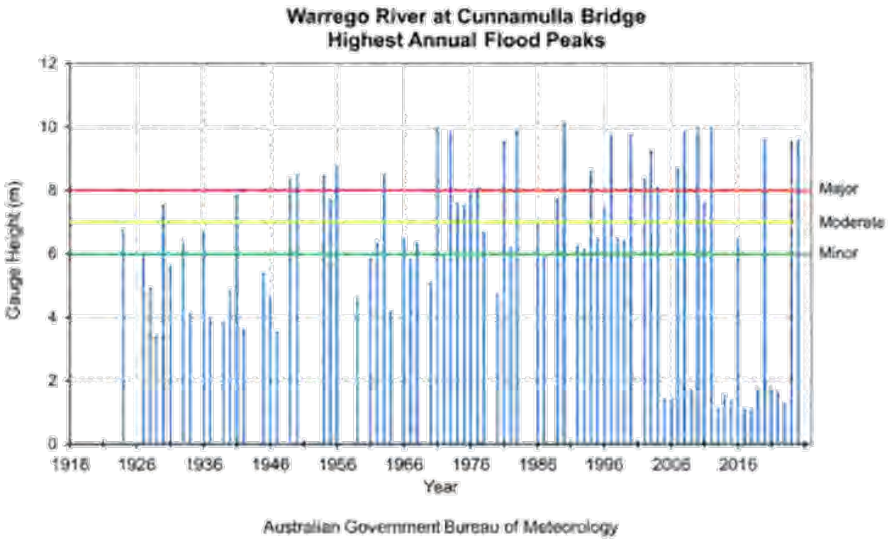


Figure 11: Flood history for Cunnamulla (Source: Bureau of Meteorology)

Wyandra

A good reference for understanding Warrego flood behaviour can be found in a paper titled *The Behaviour of Floods in Australia's Dryland Warrego River* see https://www.rbms.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/22-shjarn-winkle.pdf. Extracts from this paper have been paraphrased and incorporated in this document.

The northern section of the Warrego system consists of several tributary streams that join to form a main single channel north of Wyandra. The reach described by the Wyandra and Cunnamulla gauges is largely a single channel meandering stream. A stream gauge is available at Wyandra (423203A). Information for this gauge can be found in the state government's WMIP.

The Bureau of Meteorology has reported on peak level gauge event data, replicated in the table below. As for Cunnamulla, it is noted that from this record the April 1990 event was the highest recorded event.

Apr-56	Apr-90	Feb-97	Jan-08	Mar-10	Feb-12	Feb/Mar 2020	Apr-24	Mar/Apr 2025
9.26	10.24	9.86	9.41	9.68	9.95	8.83	8.99	8.73

Table 2: Recorded peak level flood events at Wyandra (Source BoM)

Paroo River

Paraphrased from BoM https://www.bom.gov.au/qld/flood/brochures/paroo/paroo.shtml

The Paroo River catchment is located in southwest Queensland and covers an area of approximately 31,000 square kilometres. The river rises in country to the north of Cheepie and flows in a southerly direction. It is joined by its major tributary, Beechal Creek, immediately below Humeburn before passing through Eulo, and eventually crossing the Queensland-New South Wales border at Hungerford.

The Paroo River catchment is in an arid part of Queensland, with average annual rainfall in the order of 300-400mm. As a result, the Paroo River presents intermittent flows and is no more than a chain of waterholes for much of the year.

Floods normally develop in the headwaters of the Paroo River and Beechal Creek, however, flooding may result from heavy rainfall falling in the middle to lower reaches of the catchment. Flooding in the Paroo River is slow due to the relatively flat topography, large floodplain and high number of interconnected channels. The flood waters take around a week to pass from the top of the catchment to the New South Wales border.

The town of Eulo is not usually directly affected by floodwaters, with water only entering the lowest parts of town in major flood events. However significant disruption to transportation, extensive inundation of pastoral land and significant stock losses occurs during major flood events.

Widespread rainfall of 100mm or more will typically lead to major flooding on the Paroo River.

Previous Flooding

The Paroo River at Eulo has a well-documented history of flooding dating as far back as 1890.

The April 1990 and March 2010 floods at Hungerford, on the Queensland-NSW border, caused both inundation of several residences and isolation by floodwaters for a considerable period of time.

In March and April 2025, record flooding occurred in the Paroo catchment, with record flood levels observed at both Eulo and Hungerford. This was the result of persistent heavy rainfall caused by a slow-moving trough in the area, with between 200-300mm recorded across the upper catchment over 48 hours, and daily totals in excess of 100mm. This flooding caused widespread stock losses, damage to fencing and scouring of topsoil due to the fast-flowing nature of the water, as well as damage to homesteads and long isolation periods.

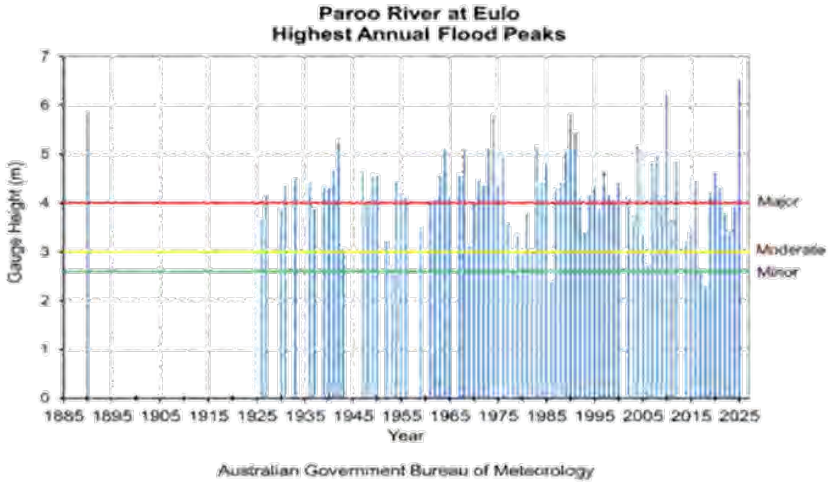


Figure 12: Flood history for Eulo (Source: Bureau of Meteorology)

3 Available Information

The data listed in Table 2 will be provided, or arrangements made for access prior to commencement of the project.

Table 2: Available information for the Flood Study project.

Dataset	Description	Format	Author / Source
Historical flood information, including: • Anecdotal evidence, • damage reports, • flood/debris marks	Available information on historical flood impacts will be provided	Hardcopy records	Council
Gauge data (rainfall, water level, stream flow)	Water level and rainfall records	.csv	BoM, State and Council
LiDAR	LiDAR-derived digital elevation model data	.asc	Department of Resources
Critical infrastructure locations	Available information on the location of critical infrastructure will be provided	Hardcopy maps and digital spatial data	Council
Essential community services locations	Available information on the location of critical infrastructure will be provided	Hardcopy maps and digital spatial data	Council
Drainage infrastructure	Available information on the location of drainage infrastructure will be provided	Hardcopy maps and digital spatial data	Council

4 Current Guidelines and References

The Flood Study should be delivered in line with current industry best practice guidelines, manuals and technical reference documents relevant to the project, including as listed but not limited to those in Table .

Table 3: Current Guidelines and References

Reference Document
Australian Rainfall and Runoff (ARR) 2019 - all projects and chapters https://arr.ga.gov.au/arr-guideline
Managing the Floodplain: A Guide to Best Practice in Flood Risk Management in Australia (Handbook 7) (AIDR, 2017) https://knowledge.aidr.org.au/media/3521/adr-handbook-7.pdf
Queensland Urban Drainage Manual https://ipweaq.intersearch.com.au/ipweaqjspui/bitstream/1/4983/1/2042%20QUDM%20FINAL%2018%20August%202017%20%282%29.pdf
Coastal hazard technical guide, Determining coastal hazard areas (former DEHP) https://www.qld.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0025/67462/hazards-guideline.pdf
A guide to 'good practice' storm inundation mapping and modelling (DES, 2018) https://www.publications.qld.gov.au/ckan-publications-attachments-prod/resources/93336e30-e1fd-4a1e-89e8-b4056692e26c/storm-tide-inundation-guidelines.pdf?ETag=2f101b1511eccc53dee83079b543d9ec
State Planning Policy (SPP), Natural Hazards, Risks and Resilience – Flood https://dilgpprd.blob.core.windows.net/general/spp-guidance-natural-hazards-risk-resilience-flood.pdf

5 Scope of Work

The primary purpose of this study is to better understand flood behaviour across the full range of design flood events. To achieve this and satisfy objectives outlined in Section 1.2, this study includes the development of a detailed hydrologic and hydraulic model. The proposed scope of work to be delivered is outlined below.

5.1 Data Collection

At the project inception, Councils will provide the available data listed in Table . Additional data required for collection and/or development is outlined below.

5.1.1 Survey Capture

LIDAR data covering a combined area of approximately 7000sq kms will be provided by the Department of Natural Resources and Mine. It is expected that this information will be provided under a staged program to be completed early 2027.

Tenderers should review the available data in the study area and where necessary include an optional scope of work to acquire:

- Bathymetric survey if necessary where such surveys can significantly influence flood level estimation.
- Survey of hydraulic structures (bridges and culverts) including invert levels, dimensions and lengths
- Survey of significant drainage network to better understand flood behaviour
- Survey of gauge datums where found questionable

It is expected that if considered necessary, Tenderers are required to provide individual indicative costs for the three Councils as part of their Fee Proposal. Extent of capture and associated costs are to be refined following engagement and receival of quotes from surveyors. The successful tenderer will be responsible for engagement and supervision of the approved subconsultant and will be responsible for ensuring the overall quality of the data.

5.1.2 DEM Development

The flood study requires development of a Digital Elevation Model (DEM) as a key input into hydrological and or hydraulic models. The tenderer should identify and provide a description of the methodology for DEM development. New LiDAR is currently being flown and will be made available over the next 4 months expecting completion by late January, pending weather conditions.

5.1.3 Data Review

A comprehensive data review should be completed as part of the initial stage of the study commencement. This should aim to identify if all necessary data is available, the quality of data available and provide recommendations to Council where additional datasets will be required. This should be raised with Council early to ensure a suitable methodology for addressing gaps can be identified and agreed.

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5.2 Site Visit

A site visit is to be undertaken as part of all studies to ensure the successful tenderer has an appreciation of catchment condition and major hydrologic and hydraulic features. Expected outcomes of the site visit include:

- Understanding of potential flooding mechanisms and flows paths
- Location of all key drainage assets within the catchment to ensure accuracy of dataset
- Where information is missing, capture sizing and invert levels of key structures
- Ensure major hydraulic features including cross-drainage infrastructure and waterway crossings is identified.

It is recommended that the tenderer be accompanied by key Council staff to provide an opportunity for Council to raise any potential issues and highlight areas of interest.

5.3 Flood Behaviour

This section outlines the proposed methodology and requirements to understand existing and future flood behaviour across the study area. This understanding of flood behaviour and data produced as part of the Flood Study will be used to inform future work and future studies including but not limited to a Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan. The future requirements of the hydrologic and hydraulic flood models and data outputs should be considered as part of the model development to ensure compatibility with future requirements.

5.3.1 GIS Systems

All analysis and modelling and study outputs are required to be undertaken under the following GIS specification.

- Datum GDA 2020
- Coordinate System MGA 55

5.3.2 Software

Modelling software selected should be appropriate for the catchment characteristics and type of flooding. Any modelling software adopted should be industry standard package with no constraints for future use. Software selected should either be freely available or the costs for access and maintenance should be clearly articulated in the response.

The selection of hydraulic modelling software must be fit for the purpose of the study. Available 1D and 2D hydraulic modelling software for use include:

- TUFLOW
- Flood Modeller
- HEC-RES
- InfoWorks ICM
- MIKE Flood.

It is Councils' preference that TUFLOW is adopted as the basis for hydrodynamic modelling, however the Tenderer may suggest an alternative modelling software where appropriate justification can be provided.

5.3.3 Design Event and Sensitivity Scenarios

Standard design events that should be included as a minimum for new flood studies are:

- 50% AEP,
- 20% AEP,
- 10% AEP,
- 5% AEP,
- 2% AEP,
- 1% AEP,
- 1% AEP including climate change,
- 0.5% AEP,
- 0.2%AEP,
- 0.1% AEP,
- 0.05% AEP design flood events,
- and the PMF.

Additional sensitivity scenarios to consider including where appropriate:

- Blockage scenarios in line with ARR19
- Modifications to Manning's 'n' to understand model sensitivity

These catchments are large and as such calculation of Areal Reduction Factors and inclusion of spatial patterns should be considered in the design event estimation analyses. The estimation of design losses will also require careful consideration.

Tenders should include a description of how sensitivity scenarios will be assessed as part of the project.

5.3.4 Climate Change

A climate change scenario should be included in all flood studies. Where considered appropriate a flood event rarer than the design event can be utilised as a proxy for a climate change scenario.

Following the climate change guidance by Australian Rainfall and Runoff (ARR) 2019 version 4.2 (August 2024), as a minimum Shared Socioeconomic Pathways SSP2 and SSP3 should be assessed to understand the catchments sensitivity to climate change.

5.3.5 Hydrologic modelling

The hydrologic model shall be developed in line with ARR19 v4.2 methodologies. Tenders should consider the following in their proposed modelling methodology:

- Software selection should consider application (for example there may be a requirement for future use in flood forecasting) and study needs
- Software selected should either be freely available or the costs for access and maintenance should be clearly articulated in the response
- Catchment delineation
    - Catchment delineation with suitable detail for the catchment size, areas of interest and consideration of inflow locations for the selected hydraulic model
    - Where catchments have been delineated using automated software, catchments should be checked manually to ensure sizing and shape are representative of hydrologic features

    - Catchment outlets should support the development of the hydraulic model and should consider the overall intent of the study (i.e., creek / riverine versus overland flow)
    - For areas of the catchment not included in the hydraulic model extent, consideration should be given to any potential attenuation or lag.
- Where localised IFDs are available these should be adopted
- Catchment land use scenario should consider future model use, where it is anticipated a Flood Risk Management Study will be completed consider two land use scenarios:
    - Existing land use (base case)
    - Ultimate development (representing a fully developed catchment based on the most recent planning scheme zoning)
- Model validation should consider the following options:
    - Existing hydrologic model / information
    - Regional methods
    - Flood frequency analysis
    - Model calibration

It is noted that catchment areas are very large and characterized by complex flooding behaviour. It is expected that the degree of hydrologic modelling complexity be cognisant of the data available and scaled accordingly. For some catchments design parameterization will need to be based on local data where available.

Reporting should clearly articulate methodology, calibration and validation results, selected parameters and justification and all model assumptions and limitations. The successful tenderer must provide all required files and associated necessary scripts to ensure the Councils and/or future consultants can view, modify and run the hydrologic model. Where internal scripts or tools have been prepared and are required to modify and run the model, these will be provided along with instructions of use.

5.3.6 Hydraulic modelling

Development of the hydraulic model must be in accordance with the recommendations of ARR19 v4.2. Tenders should ensure the proposed methodology must consider the following items:

- Necessary balance between model simulation time and required detail for the study
- Future use of the model (i.e., for use in a future floodplain risk management study, development assessments, infrastructure upgrades etc.)
- Use of latest software features where appropriate, such as sub-grid-sampling, quadtree as examples
- Ensure adequate detail is provided around areas of interest
- Representation of land use using Manning's 'n' should consider the future use of the model. This may require the assessment of two land use scenarios:
    - Existing land use (base case)
    - Ultimate development (representing a fully developed catchment based on the most recent planning scheme zoning)
- Other hydraulic modelling parameters including key hydraulic features, 1D structures & drainage infrastructure elements, and boundary conditions
- Where the study area discharges to a larger downstream river system, coincident flooding with this system should be incorporated into modelling methodology.

As part of the response, the tenderer must provide evidence that the hydraulic modelling software selected can meet the requirements of the brief. Where the selected software has ongoing costs associated with the visualisation or analysis of results this cost should be clearly defined so that each Council has a clear understanding of ongoing costs. The successful tenderer must provide all required files including the model log to ensure each Council or future consultants can view, modify and run the hydraulic model. Where internal scripts or tools have been prepared and are required to modify and run the model, these will be provided along with instructions of use

5.3.6.1 Required Outputs

The successful tenderer should ensure the following items are included in deliver:

- Water surface level (m AHD)
- Flood depth
- Flood velocity
- Velocity x Depth Product (Z0)
- A fit-for-purpose approach to flood hazard definition in line with ADR Guideline 7-3, Flood Hazard (2017) (ZAEM1)
- Timeseries Outputs (XMDF) for the 5% AEP, 1%AEP, 0.05% AEP design flood events and PMF.
- Time to Inundation (TTI) and Duration of Inundation (DOI) analysis and maps

5.3.7 Calibration Events

Tenders should include a discussion on proposed calibration methodology including:

- Selection of calibration and verification events to at least three historical events of varying magnitude where available
- Development or the use of existing rating curves
- A flood frequency analysis to inform design event flows

Calibration to flood / debris marks where available. Flood / debris marks have an element of uncertainty, and this should be considered when assessing calibration results.

All calibration events must be jointly calibrated between the hydrologic and hydraulic models and include generated hydrographs that it has been achieved.

It is expected that the March/April 2025 event will be used as a calibration event.

5.4 Community Consultation

A community consultation process will be completed as part of the Flood Study. This will include two main components, initial consultation to inform the public and collect information and public exhibition where the Draft Flood Study will be made available for comment by the community. The successful tenderer will work closely with Council on the development of consultation materials.

- Preparation of an information leaflets for the project towns providing information around the planned Flood Study and details of how the community can be involved

- Preparation of a questionnaire form seeking information around historic flood behaviour, flood marks, photographs and videos, known key issues and general information about flooding in the study area
- Where public exhibition is planned, advertisement of where and how the community can review the Draft Flood Study report (i.e., via Council website, mail drop, newspaper, etc.)
- Two-week period where the community can review results and the report and provide any questions, comments or additional information
- Organised community consultation sessions where the community can drop-in and ask questions or provide feedback
- Two-week period where the successful tenderer will address or answer any comments provided by the community.

Following this process, the Flood Study will be considered by each Council for approval and finalisation.

5.5 Deliverables

Deliverables to be provided are outlined in Table 4 below. It is expected deliverables will be provided via a data handover pack, which will include a description of file location, information included and how to interpret if necessary.

Table 4: Deliverable Requirements

Deliverable	Item	Requirements
Data	Any captured, generated and processed data.	Where data has been captured (i.e., ground survey, floor level etc.) provide a corresponding QA report.
Spatial information	Any captured, generated and processed data.	Relevant vector files are to be provided
Model Files (hydrologic and hydraulic)	Modelling input files	
	Output files (raw)	Water surface level, depth, velocity, Z0, ZAEM1
	Hydrologic analysis	Catchment and sub-catchment delineation (*.shp), ARR Data Hub download, and temporal pattern analysis.
	Processed output files	Water surface level, depth, velocity, Z0, ZAEM1, TTI and DOI Datum GDA 2020 Coordinate System MGA 55
	Timeseries outputs (XMDF)	5%AEP, 1%AEP, 0.05%AEP, PMF
	Log files and check files	Only required for one design event not all
	Modelling log	Should include any necessary instructions for model use, a summary of design events, scenario setup including sensitivity runs and details of critical duration assessment.
Mapping	Water surface level (m AHD)	PDF and common GIS file formats for each design event described in section 5.3.3 as requested by Councils
	Flood depth (m)	
	Flood velocity (m/s)	
	Velocity x depth	
	Hazard (ZAEM1)	

Reporting	Final Report	PDF and Word Individual maps and figures to be provided as separate files.
	Any interim reports not included in the final report.	PDF and Word
Community Consultation	Summary of community consultation comments and how these have been responded to or addressed.	Excel or Word

5.5.1 Reporting

The Flood Study report should include, as a minimum but not limited to, the following:

- Description of study area, catchment characteristics, land use across the catchment, key features and historic flood information.
- Hydrologic modelling methodology, key assumptions, data used, software selection, relevant calculations, model checks and any major hydrologic features (for example significant storage areas).
- Description of hydraulic modelling methodology, model schematisation, model checks, floodplain characteristics, assumptions and relevant calculations.
- Calibration and validation assessment. This should include a comparison of water levels and stream flows at gauges and comparison to flood level marks.
- Selected design events, critical duration and temporal pattern assessment. Where focal points have been used across the catchment, these should be mapped and details provided.
- Description of sensitivity assessments including the impact on flood behaviour and significance of the parameter or scenario tested (for example is the catchment particularly sensitivity to changes to land use or tidal conditions etc.).
- Written description of design and historical flood behaviour for a range of events for locations across the study area.
- Presentation of model results showing extents, depths, levels, velocities and hazard of design flood events including TTI and DOI. Results should be mapped for the entire study area and tabulated results at key locations across the catchment.

Preliminary identification and assessment of existing problem / hot spot areas across the study area.

Preliminary investigation of potential flood mitigation options (structural measures) identified from design and calibration runs

Preliminary Road Immunity and Upgrade Assessment

Property Specific Measures Assessment using hazard analysis

Identification of additional gauges that would assist in future flood studies

6 Intellectual Property

All data, models, modelling inputs and results, and reports associated with the development of the project is licensed by *Council* under a Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) 4.0 international licence. To view a copy of this licence, visit: https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/

The successful tenderer must provide all required files to ensure Council or future consultants can view, modify and run the hydrologic and hydraulic model. This includes instructions of use, a detailed model log, results and details of post processing to ensure final results can be replicated.

Where internal scripts or tools have been prepared and are required to modify and/or run models, or post process results, these will be provided along with instructions of use.

7 Program and Milestones

Under the FRMP funding arrangements there is a requirement that studies be completed by June 2028 with the Flood Studies completed by end of March 2027 (this RfQ) and the FRMS&M to be completed by June 2028.

Provision of all LiDAR data is expected to be completed by late January 2027, with prioritized early delivery of Bulloo catchment data.

Tenderers are requested to provide a high-level schedule as part of their response outlining how the project will be delivered to meet the timeframe requirements with program dates specified for the milestones documented in Table 5 below.

Table 5: Draft Project Program

Milestone	Target Date
Inception meeting	8 September 2026
Part A. Flood Study	
Hydrology Modelling	
Completion of hydrologic setup and schematisation	22 September 2026
Peer review hold point 1	23-25 September 2026
Completion of Calibration and/or validation results	13 October 2026
Peer review hold point 2	14-16 October 2026
Completion of hydrologic design event modelling and sensitivity assessments including flood frequency analysis comparisons	3 November 2026
Peer review hold point 3	4-6 November 2026

Hydraulic Modelling	
Completion of staged hydraulic model setup and schematisation (pending Lidar delivery) including calibration similitude of hydrologic and hydraulic estimates.	8 November 2026 to 10 February 2027
Peer review hold point 4 for each model (x9 towns)	thru to 10 February 2027
Draft Flood Studies (x3 by Shire)	thru to 26 February 2027
Peer Review hold point 5 for each flood study (x3 by Shire)	1 – 5 March 2027
Community Consultation	
Community briefing on work and collection of community information regarding flood behaviour	November 2026 *The precise date will be advised late Oct pending other related QRA projects*
Community briefing on findings including presentation of maps	February 2027
Finalisation of All Flood Studies	26 March 2027

7.1 Peer Review Process

An Independent Peer Review and Advisory Panel maybe appointed to ensure projects delivered are consistent with industry standards and current best practice. If appointed the review process will include a minimum of three review points for flood studies. Council may require more than three review points depending on the complexity of the project and Council's needs.

To achieve project program and budgetary constraints, the proposed review process is recommended to be collaborative and proactive. That is, the successful tenderer is required to engage with the appointed project peer reviewer and with Council in an open forum to discuss the proposed approach prior to undertaking tasks. To this end, the project peer reviewer will attend and provide input into the project progress meetings documented in the subsequent section.

Proposed review points are detailed in Table 6 below; additional review points may be added as needed. To support the Peer Review process there is a minimum expectation that at each review point the successful tenderer will provide to Council and the reviewer the following:

- Draft reporting documenting the appropriate sections of the ultimate flood study report
- Modelling files and results
- Modelling QA log.

Where the peer reviewer does not have a license to the selected modelling software, it is expected the successful tenderer will provide a licence to ensure the peer reviewer is able to complete their review. This cost will be paid for by the successful tenderer.

At each specified review point, the project peer reviewer will have a single opportunity to review the provided information and provide a single completed review document. Each item will be classified as OK, minor or major issue, with all major issues requiring rectification by the successful tenderer and close out with the peer reviewer before proceeding.

Table 6: Peer Review Points

Proposed review points	Deliverable	Target Date
Part A. Flood Study		
Review Point 1	Hydrology Model Schematisation	23-25 Sep 2026 (3 days)
Review Point 2	Hydrology Model Calibration / Validation	14-16 Oct 2026 (3 days)
Review Point 3	Design Hydrology and Flood Frequency Analyses	4-6 Nov 2026 (3 days)
Review Point 4	Hydraulic Model set up Schematization (x9 towns)	Nov 2026 thru to Feb 2027
Review Point 5	Draft Flood Studies for each shire (x3)	February/March 2027

7.2 Progress Reporting

Project progress shall be communicated and tracked via regular project meetings and project progress reports. Project meetings will be arranged as needed, however, will include the following key points:

- Inception meeting
- Presentation of data review and, hydrologic and hydraulic model setup and schematisation
- Presentation of calibration and validation results
- Completion of design event modelling and sensitivity assessments
- Final Flood Study Report presentation.
- Preparation and results of community consultation material
- Documentation of the outcome of community consultation

It is expected the successful tenderer will provide high level progress reporting monthly. This report will include the project status based on the agreed project schedule, work completed in the reporting month, work to be completed next month, any emerging risks or issues, and decisions required from each Council.

8 Tender Evaluation Criteria

Table 7 below details the weightings by criterion that will be used to assess submitted tender bids.

Table 7: Tender Evaluation Criteria

Criteria	Weighting
1. Understanding of the Project & Proposed Methodology	25%
2. Project Team Capability, Relevant Experience and Past Performance	25%
3. Local Knowledge and Stakeholder Engagement Approach	15%
4. Project Delivery Program, resourcing and availability	15%
5. Price / Value for Money	20%
Total	**100%**

Glossary

Term	Definition
Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP)	Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) expresses the probability of an event being equalled or exceeded in any year in percentage terms, for example, the 1% AEP design flood discharge. (ARR, 2019)
Australian Height Datum (AHD)	Australian surface level datum approximately corresponding to mean sea level.
Catchment	Area of land draining to a particular site downstream.
Digital Elevation Model (DEM)	Spatial dataset representing the topographic surface of the earth excluding buildings and trees.
Discharge	Rate of flow of water in terms of volume per time (m^3/s).
Floodplain	Extent of land which could be subject to inundation from floods up to and including the PMF.
Flood risk	Flood risk considers the likelihood and consequences including the flood behaviour across the full range of design events, exposure, land use, vulnerability, tolerability, evacuation or isolation, other risks including loss of services. Flood risk should be determined at the local level to reflect local context.
Hydraulics	Represents the study of how water flows through waterways and estimates flood behaviour parameters such as water level, depth and velocity.
Hydrology	Refers to the rainfall runoff process and provides a way to estimate peak flows, volumes and flow hydrographs at specified locations within the catchment.
Hydrograph	A graph showing the flood flow or level (stage) for different times during a flood.
LiDAR	Laser imaging, detection and ranging (LiDAR) uses remote sensing to measure the elevation of objects on the ground. Raw LiDAR will include trees and building measurements.
Overland Flow Flooding	Overland flow is the surface runoff following rainfall, concentrated in natural lower lying areas and swales across the landscape. Flooding is usually 'flashy' with peaks occurring shortly after rainfall.
Riverine Flooding	Flooding within large river systems where floods increase and break out of the riverbanks to inundate adjacent floodplains. Flooding is generated from rainfall across the broad catchment area. It may take many hours, or even days, for peak flood levels to occur as rainfall

	slowly drains from the catchment.
Hydrologic and hydraulic models	Computer modelling of rainfall and surface runoff to simulate real world flood conditions and therefore estimate likely flood extents and flood behaviour for theoretical future conditions and events.
Probable Maximum Flood (PMF)	Denotes the largest possible flood that could occur at a particular location. The PMF is generally estimated based on the PMP.
Probable Maximum Precipitation (PMP)	The PMP represents the largest depth of rainfall that could occur over a given catchment area.
Rating curve	A graph plotting flow versus stage (water level) at stream flow gauges.
Runoff	The amount of rainfall that will result in overland flow or streamflow.
Stage	Another term for water level and is measured based on a specified datum.
Water Sensitive Urban Design	Design and planning of the urban environment to consider the natural ecosystem and sustainable water management.

OFFICIAL

Bulloo Shire Council

Paroo Shire Council

Quilpie Shire Council

Technical Proposal – SW QLD Regional Towns; Flood Studies for Bulloo, Paroo and Quilpie Shire Councils

Summary of Submissions

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Synergy Solutions

Synergy has an excellent understanding of the local towns and a strong project plan that separates the Bulloo, Cooper, Paroo, and Warrego river systems. Their technical approach strikes a great balance—it is not overly complicated, it uses the preferred TUFLOW software, and it delivers the urgent Thargomindah flood data early.
The project is backed by a capable team of eight experts with deep experience in local government, flood modelling, and emergency management. They offer the strongest community engagement plan of all bidders, connecting local knowledge directly with emergency planning and even offering a $10,000 sponsorship to fund community barbecues and food stalls during consultation sessions.

The delivery schedule is practical, using experienced staff who can work on multiple tasks at once to keep everything on track. Financially, Synergy's price is highly competitive and reasonable, offering excellent overall value for money.

Synergy Solutions provided the strongest combination of capability, experience, methodology, stakeholder engagement, delivery confidence and credible pricing, and was considered to represent the best overall value for money and strongest mitigation of delivery risk.

Genesis Hydrology

Genesis Hydrology (Genesis) is a highly experienced team with exceptional local knowledge and a proven track record of delivering flood studies in the region. The proposal carries a few notable risks. They plan to use HEC-RAS software for the 2D hydraulic modelling; while technically sound, TUFLOW is the standard and preferred choice for Queensland Councils, meaning future model updates could be difficult due to a local shortage of HEC-RAS expertise. Additionally, the project relies heavily on a small, concentrated team leaving the Council with very little backup redundancy if a key team member becomes unavailable. Their pricing sits in the mid-to-high range and the final cost to the Council is highly likely to exceed the initial lump-sum quote.

WMS Engineering

WMS Engineering (WMS) offers a technically credible proposal with strong local knowledge and the lowest price, but carries significant key-personal delivery risk. WMS Engineering demonstrated an understanding of the study areas (especially Thargomindah), strong senior leadership, a relevant floodplain portfolio, and a transparent, well-structured program. While the proposal offers highly relevant, current local knowledge and the lowest price—earning the maximum score under the proportional price methodology—it presents a good, staggered program with transparent hours but carries some key-person risk, as the demonstrated long-term regional relationships are not as extensive as other offers.

GHD

GHD demonstrated a comprehensive and technically robust methodology. The approach addresses the requirements of the brief and is supported by relevant regional experience, however, it is comparatively more conventional and less specifically tailored to the individual flood mechanisms of the nine study towns than the highest-scoring submissions. Their local knowledge is somewhat limited, and community engagement is pretty much standard. A variation of $115K for additional community consultation is questionable. In terms of program delivery yes in terms of resources but modelling issues may compromise delivery. The resulting price is materially higher than the lower-priced submissions, although it includes substantial corporate delivery capacity and technical resources.

HARC

HARC demonstrated strong technical approach but less tailored to Thargomindah and Council's proportional-modelling direction. HARC have adopted a "whole of catchment" modelling approach involving spatial-temporal patterns. While commendable, is too complex for what is required. This is the most technically developed methodology submitted, with only minor reliance on provisional investigations for some additional analyses. It is agreed that HARC possesses significant expertise in flood hydrology and hydraulics. Direct experience within the specific three study Shires is somewhat less extensive than other offers. Although adequate engagement capability, local knowledge is somewhat limited and standard community engagement. HARC showed strong resources but no equally clear Thargomindah-first commitment. The proposal included a comprehensive specialist methodology and substantial engagement effort, however, the price is the highest of the submissions and therefore receives a lower score under the adopted proportional price methodology.

Conclusion

The report has been reviewed and approved by all EP members and will form part of each Council's approval documentation and provides the rationale supporting the recommended outcome.

Recommendation

The EP recommends **Synergy Solutions** as the preferred consultant, having achieved the strongest overall assessment against the approved evaluation criteria and providing the highest level of confidence in successful delivery.

Other consultants will be provided with an opportunity for feedback.

11.4 RFQL08 26-27 FLOOD DAMAGE CONGIE ROAD PKG

IX: **280420**

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Authorisors: **Eng Lim, Director Infrastructure Services**
Sharon Frank, Director Corporate Services
Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: **Nil**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	3.	Transport
Key Initiative:	3.4	Roads and drainage
	3.2	Disaster response and recovery (for road assets)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report recommends awarding Request for Quotation - Large (RFQL) 08 26-27 Flood Damage Congie Road Pkg to APV Contracting Pty Ltd, for the restoration of flood damaged areas of Congie Road outlined in this request.

The procurement was conducted through VendorPanel. APV Contracting Pty Ltd achieved the highest weighted score of 92/100 and demonstrates value for money having regard to programme delivery.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Award RFQL 08 26-28 Flood Damage Congie Road Pkg to APV Contracting Pty Ltd for an amount of $2,493,793 including GST ($2,267,084.54 excluding GST).
2. Pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's procurement policy.

BACKGROUND

In response to the Queensland Surface Trough and associated flooding between March and May 2025, Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA) works within Quilpie Shire are funded under the Disaster Relief Funding Arrangements (DRFA) and are essential to restoring safe, reliable access for residents, industry and emergency services.

This request for quotation relates specifically to works on Congie Road. The project scope has been designed to deliver the optimum amount of work over the shortest period, while remaining a manageable scale to encourage participation from contractors of varying capacities.

To support timely delivery and achieve best value for Council, all suitably qualified, experienced, and appropriately resourced contractors are invited to submit a quotation for the works.

REPORT

The procurement process allows Council to seek quotes from suitably qualified contractors registered on Council's Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers of Road & Civil Construction.

Schedule of works

A project plan for RFQL 08 26-27 has been developed and is scheduled.

Mobilisation	Start of Works	Duration	Practical Completion
November 2026 *(subject to contract execution)*	November 2026	*120 days*	February/March 2027

Procurement method

In accordance with Part 3 Division 2 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and Council's Procurement Policy, Council invited quotes from three suppliers via VendorPanel.

Description	Details
Advertising platform	VendorPanel Portal
RFQ / Tender open	Wednesday 16 September 2026
RFQ / Tender close	2:00 PM Friday 09 October 2026
Suppliers invited	4 Suppliers - T02 25-26 Register Of Pre-Qualified Suppliers of Road & Civil Construction
Conforming responses received	4

Suppliers	Response
APV Contracting Pty Ltd	Response Received
K.G Bowen & S.C Bowen	Response Received
The Trustee for the Mascott Earthmoving Trust	Response Received
Tolbra Earthmovers & Haulage Pty Ltd	Response Received

Evaluation

The evaluation applied the following published criteria to all conforming submissions: Price (40%), Experience (proven performance) 30%, and Quality/Environmental/Safety Management (30%). The evaluation was conducted through VendorPanel Multiparty. The evaluation was conducted in accordance with the published criteria and weightings.

Supplier	Tendered Price:	Price 40%	Experience (proven performance) including capacity to meet project timelines 30%	Quality/Environmental/ Safety Management Processes 30%	Overall score
The Trustee for the Mascott Earthmoving Trust	$2,370,996.66 GST Inc. $2,155,451.51 GST Exc.	40	21	27	88/100
APV Contracting Pty Ltd	$2,493,793.00 GST Inc. $2,267,084.54 GST Exc.	38	27	27	92/100
Tolbra Earthmovers & Haulage Pty Ltd	$2,602,457.53 GST Inc. $2,365,870.48 GST Exc.	36.4	27	27	90.4/100
K.G Bowen & S.C Bowen	$3,001,681.65 GST Inc. $2,728,801.50 GST Exc.	31.6	27	27	85.6/100

The panel's assessment, as detailed in Table 5, scored APV Contracting Pty Ltd highest overall (92).

Therefore, the panel considers APV Contracting Pty Ltd submission is the most advantageous outcome overall.

Council may decide not to accept any of the responses it receives. If Council accepts a response, it must select the option that is most advantageous, noting that the lowest price and/or highest weighted score may not necessarily represent the most beneficial outcome.

This assessment aligns with the sound contracting principles in Section 104(3) *Local Government Act 2009*, particularly:

- value for money
- open and effective competition
- the development of competitive local business and industry
- environmental protection
- ethical behaviour and fair dealing.

Council is satisfied that APV Contracting Pty Ltd has met all required specifications and has demonstrated the capability and resources to deliver the project successfully with regard to experience and capacity to meet timelines. Council is satisfied that the recommended award to APV Contracting Pty Ltd represents best value for money for the purposes of section 104 *Local Government Act 2009* and section 228 *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Probity

The procurement process for RFQL 08 26-27 was conducted as per Procurement Policy and processes, ensuring a fair and transparent process was followed.

OPTIONS

Option 1 (Recommended)

That Council:

1. Award RFQL 08 26-27 Flood Damage Congie Road Pkg to APV Contracting Pty Ltd for an amount of $2,493,793.00 including GST ($2,267,084.54 excluding GST).
2. Pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's procurement policy.

Option 2

That Council:

1. Award RFQL 08 26-27 Flood Damage Congie Road Pkg to Tolbra Earthmoving & Haulage Pty Ltd for an amount of $2,602,457.53 including GST ($2,365,870.48 excluding GST); and
2. Pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's procurement policy.

Option 3

That Council:

1. Award RFQL 08 26-27 Flood Damage Congie Road Pkg to The Trustee for Mascott Earthmoving Trust for an amount of $2,370,996.66 including GST ($2,155,451.51 excluding GST); and
2. Pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's procurement policy.

Option 4

That Council:

1. Award RFQL 08 26-27 Flood Damage Congie Road Pkg to K.G Bowen & S.C Bowen for an amount of $3,001,681.65 including GST ($2,728,801.50 excluding GST); and
2. Pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's procurement policy.

Option 5

That Council resolve not to award RFQL 08 26-27 Flood Damage Congie Road Pkg.

If Council's decision is inconsistent with the recommendation, Council is required to provide reasons for the decision in accordance with Part 2, Division 1A of the Local Government Regulation 2012. A statement of reasons must be recorded in the minutes.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Chief Executive Officer

Director Infrastructure Services

Deputy Director Infrastructure Services

Technical Officer

Proterra Group

Procurement Supervisor

INTERESTED PARTIES

APV Contracting Pty Ltd

The Trustee for the Mascott Earthmoving Trust

Tolbra Earthmovers & Haulage Pty Ltd

K.G Bowen & S.C Bowen

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive.

LEGISLATION / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Under section 254H of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, if Council makes a decision inconsistent with the officer recommendation, and the contract value exceeds $200,000 or 1% of Council's net rate and utility charges, the minutes must include a statement of reasons.

For the purposes of Section 254H (1)(a)(ii), 1% of Council's net rate and utility charges as stated in Council's audited Financial Statements in the 2024/25 adopted Annual Report is $59,606.70 (net rates, levies, and charges - $5,960,670 x 1%).

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Procurement Policy

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

These works are funded under Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangement.

Previously Awarded Flood Damage (Roadworks) Projects (Via T02 25-26 list)

RFT/RFQ#	Project Details	Contractor Awarded	Value ($) excl. GST	Number of Conforming Submissions	Comments
RFQL 25 25-26	Flood Damage Canaway Downs Rd Pkg	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	$845,742.00	2	Works complete
RFQL 27 25-26	Flood Damage Trinidad Road Pkg	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	$3,010,058.41	2	Works complete
RFQL 23 25-26	Flood Damage Ambathalla Rd Pkg	The Trustee for the Mascott Earthmoving Trust	$2,883,040.18	2	Works complete
NPV 01 -	Kyabra Road Drainage Works	K.G Bowen & S.C Bowen	$839,473.86	3	Works complete

RFT/RFQ#	Project Details	Contractor Awarded	Value ($) excl. GST	Number of Conforming Submissions	Comments
	2025 Flood Damage				
RFQL 30 25-26	Flood Damage Tobermory Road	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	$6,688,748.99	2	Commenced
RFQL 37 25-26	Flood Damage Pinkenetta Road	The Trustee for the Mascott Earthmoving Trust	$1,113,832.47	1	Complete
RFQL 39 25-26	Flood Damage Old Thargomindah & Kiandra Road Pkg	The Trustee for the Mascott Earthmoving Trust	$1,748,839.10	3	Commenced
RFQL 02 26-27	Flood Damage Blackall - Adavale Road	K.G Bowen & S.C Bowen	$622,155.45	4	Commenced
RFQL 03 26-27	Flood Damage Cheepie Adavale	The Trustee for the Mascott Earthmoving Trust	$2,339,988.60	3	Not started
RFQL 29 25-26	Flood Damage Keeroongooloo Pkg	The Trustee for the Mascott Earthmoving Trust	$732,400.47	3	Not started

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The works will restore sections of Congie Road to pre-disaster condition, improving network resilience and serviceability.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Council will manage risks associated with this project in accordance with the G.11 Enterprise Risk Management Policy and the G.11-A Risk Management Framework. Key risks have been identified, assessed, and documented, with existing controls applied to reduce the likelihood and impact of adverse outcomes. Risk management activities will continue throughout the procurement and delivery phases to ensure risks remain within Council's approved risk appetite.

Risk Name & Description *What could happen and why?*	**Current Controls** *Are there current controls for the risk*	**Impacts** *Impact if the risk eventuates*	**Risk Assessment**			**Risk Treatment** *Depending on risk rating - additional controls / mitigation strategy to be implemented (to reduce risk rating)*
			Likelihood	**Consequence**	**Risk Rating**	
			Refer to risk calculator provided below for measures			
Example: *Insufficient funding*	*None*	*Delays to purchasing*	*C Possible*	*4 Major*	*High*	*Ensure funding approvals obtained at start of project*
Limited access to information, no record keeping	Records management procedure, allocated location for project	Approval delays, stakeholder objectives do not align, miss communication	Possible	Minor	Medium	Allocating a staff member who registers all relevant documentation to allocated folder, regular communication between stakeholders
No response to the request	Review plan, amend, repost	Delay in contract completion, funding becomes unavailable	Unlikely	Minor	Medium	Ensuring planning of the request is adequate to promote attractiveness of the tender
Lack of availability of suppliers	Evaluation Criteria set to determine the ability of suppliers	Delays in meeting project deadlines	Unlikely	Minor	Medium	Conduct evaluation and market research ensuring suppliers availability to deliver works under contract (WUC) to Council
Conflict of interest	Conflict of interest checks/declaration in place requesting officer and evaluation team	Reputational risk, failure to act in the best interest of the entity and public sector, poor governance.	Possible	Moderate	High	Conduct all possible conflict of interest processes and procedures with documentation and sufficient records kept
Weather	Possibility for deadline variation	Delays in meeting project deadlines	Possible	Minor	Medium	Ensuring the documentation to allow variation in project timeline is available
Contractor delays (machinery break downs/ injury)	Possibility for deadline variation, contract allows appointment of additional contractors	Delays in meeting project deadlines	Possible	Minor	Medium	Ensuring there is the documentation to allow variation in project timeline. assigning additional contractors
Response Non-conformance	Competitive process allowing multiple suppliers from Councils pre-qualified list to respond. Clear response criteria	No suitable supplier, different procurement approach, additional administrative cost	Possible	Minor	Medium	Ensuring the documentation is clear and the response schedule meets the request criteria

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

In accordance with section 4(b) of the *Human Rights Act 2019*, Council has considered the human rights protected under the Act in making this decision. These rights include, but are not limited to, the right to recognition and equality before the law, the right to life, freedom of movement, property rights, and cultural rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The assessment confirms that RFQL 08 26-27 Flood Damage Congie Road Pkg to APV Contracting Pty Ltd does not limit any protected human rights. The decision is reasonable, proportionate, and consistent with Council's lawful objectives, including the restoration of safe and reliable road access for residents, industry, and emergency services.

By ensuring open and competitive procurement, adherence to established governance frameworks, and effective risk management, Council's decision supports equitable treatment of suppliers and the broader community. This approach demonstrates compatibility with human rights obligations while delivering essential infrastructure in a safe, timely, and accountable manner.

11.5 RFQL 06 26-27 QUILPIE FLOODWAY PROGRAM

IX: **281085**

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Attachments: **Nil**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	3.	Transport
Key Initiative:	3.4	Roads and drainage
	3.5	Gravel and water

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report recommends awarding RFQL06 26-27 Quilpie Floodway Program to Durack Civil Pty Ltd, for the floodway improvements in various locations across the shire road network.

The procurement was conducted through VendorPanel. Durack Civil Pty Ltd achieved the highest weighted score of 88/100 and demonstrates value for money having regard to programme delivery

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Award Request for Quotation – Large (RFQL) 06 26-27 Quilpie Floodway Program to Durack Civil Pty Ltd for an amount of $367,526.20 including GST ($334,114.73 excluding GST).
2. Pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's Procurement Policy.

BACKGROUND

Council's budget for 2026/27 included funds for the improvements on various nominated roads. This scope of works included foodway improvements located at 3 locations on Cheepie Adavale Road, 3 locations on Big Creek Road, 4 locations on Old Thargomindah Road, 2 Locations on Wareo Road, 3 locations on Adavale Black Road and 3 locations on the Humeburn Road.

REPORT

The procurement process enabled Council to invite quotations from suitably qualified contractors under the Local Buy Road and Civil Construction Arrangement (LB313) for the delivery of works comprising:

- Earthworks and foundation preparation, including stabilisation;
- Placement of formwork and construction of key joints, where applicable to concrete floodways;
- Mixing, placement and finishing of concrete, where applicable to concrete floodways;
- Pavement reinstatement on floodway approaches, where applicable to concrete floodways;
- Installation of guideposts and appropriate signage and flood gauges in accordance with MRTS14;
- Reinstatement of drainage infrastructure; and
- Rehabilitation of disturbed areas.

Following the initial assessment of the quotations received, the evaluation panel identified that the proposed costs exceeded the funding allocated to the project. Accordingly, Council undertook a review of the proposed scope of works to identify opportunities for cost savings.

The review determined that Council could utilise alternative internal resources to undertake a portion of the works in-house, thereby reducing the overall cost of the project. As a result, the scope of works was revised to exclude the concrete works required at each floodway site.

The contractors were subsequently invited to submit revised quotations based on the reduced scope of works to better align the project requirements with the available budget.

The revised scope of works included:

- Cheepie Adavale Road - 3 locations (Stabilisation and Sealing)
- Big Creek Road – 3 locations (Stabilisation and Sealing)
- Old Thargomindah Road – 4 locations (Stabilisation)
- Wareo Road - 2 locations (Stabilisation and Sealing)

A project plan for RFQL 06 26-27 has been developed and is scheduled.

Mobilisation	**Start of Works**	**Duration**	**Practical Completion**
January 2027	January 2027	*90 days*	March 2027

Procurement method

In accordance with Part 3 Division 2 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and Council's Procurement Policy, Council invited quotes from twelve suppliers via VendorPanel.

Description	**Details**
Advertising platform	VendorPanel Portal
RFQ / Tender open	Friday 04 September 2026
RFQ / Tender close	2:00 PM Tuesday 6 October 2026
Suppliers invited	12 Suppliers- Road and General Civil Construction LB313
Conforming responses received	4

Suppliers	Response
Durack Civil Pty Ltd	Response Received
HEH Civil Pty Ltd	Response Received
Cooper Mccullough Group Pty Ltd	Response Received
Unyte Eastern Pty Ltd	Response Received

Evaluation

The evaluation applied the following published criteria to all conforming submissions: Price (40%), Experience (proven performance) 20%, Methodology and Capacity to meet project timelines (20%) and Innovation (20%). The evaluation was conducted through VendorPanel Multiparty. The evaluation was conducted in accordance with the published criteria and weightings.

The final evaluation identified that there were 1 revised quotation received that was within the budget allocation and 3 that were outside of the budget.

Supplier	Tendered Price:	Price 40%	Experience (proven performance) 20%	Methodology and Capacity to meet project timelines 20%	Innovation (20%)	Overall score
HEH Civil Pty Ltd	$868,487.32 GST Inc. $789,533.93 GST Exc.	16.9	16	16	14	62.9/100
Durack Civil Pty Ltd	$367,526.20 GST Inc. $334,114.73 GST Exc.	40	18	16	14	88/100
Unyte Eastern Pty Ltd	$410,109.70 GST Inc. $372,827.00 GST Exc.	35.8	18	18	12	83.8/100
Cooper Mccullough Group Pty Ltd	$575,848.90 GST Inc. $523,499.00 GST Exc.	25.5	16	16	16	73.5/100

The panel's assessment, as detailed in Table 5, scored Durack Civil Pty Ltd highest overall (88).

Therefore, the panel considers Durack Civil Pty Ltd submission is the most advantageous outcome overall.

Council may decide not to accept any of the responses it receives. If Council accepts a response, it must select the option that is most advantageous, noting that the lowest price and/or highest weighted score may not necessarily represent the most beneficial outcome.

This assessment aligns with the sound contracting principles in section 104(3) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, particularly:

- value for money
- open and effective competition
- the development of competitive local business and industry
- environmental protection
- ethical behaviour and fair dealing

Council is satisfied that Durack Civil Pty Ltd has met all required specifications and has demonstrated the capability and resources to deliver project successfully with regard to experience and capacity to meet timelines. Council is satisfied that the recommended award to Durack Civil Pty Ltd represents best value for money for the purposes of section 104 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 228 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Probity

The procurement process for RFQL 06 26-27 was conducted as per Procurement Policy and processes, ensuring fair and transparent process followed.

OPTIONS

Option 1 (Recommended)

That Council:

1. Award RFQL 06 26-27 Quilpie Floodway Program to Durack Civil Pty Ltd for an amount of $367,526.20 including GST ($334,114.73 excluding GST); and
2. Pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's procurement policy.

Option 2

That Council resolve not to award RFQL 06 26-27 Quilpie Floodway Program.

If Council's decision is inconsistent with the recommendation, Council is required to provide reasons for the decision in accordance with Part 2, Division 1A of the Local Government Regulation 2012. A statement of reasons must be recorded in the minutes.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Chief Executive Officer

Director Infrastructure Services

Deputy Director Infrastructure Services

Technical Officer

Procurement Supervisor

INTERESTED PARTIES

Durack Civil Pty Ltd

HEH Civil Py Ltd

Unyte Eastern Pty Ltd

Cooper Mccullough Group Pty Ltd

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive

LEGISLATION / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Under section 254H of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, if Council makes a decision inconsistent with the officer recommendation, and the contract value exceeds $200,000 or 1% of Council's net rate and utility charges, the minutes must include a statement of reasons.

For the purposes of Section 254H (1)(a)(ii), 1% of Council's net rate and utility charges as stated in Council's audited Financial Statements in the 2024/25 adopted Annual Report is $59,606.70 (net rates, levies, and charges - $5,960,670 x 1%).

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Procurement Policy

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The floodway improvement works, including concrete ratwalls, stabilisation and sealing, are funded within the 2026/27 financial year budget under the following project allocations:

- Job Cost 0260-2707-0000 – Cheepie Adavale Road (3 locations): $100,000
- Job Cost 0260-2709-0000 – Big Creek Road (3 locations): $100,000
- Job Cost 0260-2712-0000 – Old Thargomindah Road (2 locations): $120,000
- Job Cost 0260-2714-0000 – Wareo Road (2 locations): $70,000

The tendered price of $334,114.73 (excluding GST) will allow sufficient remaining budget for the construction of the concrete ratwalls, which form part of the overall project and will be undertaken by Council. The total budget allocation for these works is $390,000, leaving approximately $55,885 available for the ratwall component and any associated project costs.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The works will restore sections of Congie Road to pre-disaster condition, improving network resilience and serviceability.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Council will manage risks associated with this project in accordance with the G.11 Enterprise Risk Management Policy and the G.11-A Risk Management Framework. Key risks have been identified, assessed, and documented, with existing controls applied to reduce the likelihood and impact of adverse outcomes. Risk management activities will continue throughout the procurement and delivery phases to ensure risks remain within Council's approved risk appetite.

Risk Name & Description	**Current Controls**	**Impacts** *Impact if the risk eventuates*	**Risk Assessment**			**Risk Treatment** *Depending on risk rating - additional*
			Likelihood	**Consequence**	**Risk Rating**	

What could happen and why?	*Are there current controls for the risk*		*Refer to risk calculator provided below for measures*			*controls / mitigation strategy to be implemented (to reduce risk rating)*
Example: *Insufficient funding*	*None*	*Delays to purchasing*	*C Possible*	*4 Major*	*High*	*Ensure funding approvals obtained at start of project*
Limited access to information, no record keeping	Records management procedure, allocated location for project	Approval delays, stakeholder objectives do not align, miss communication	Possible	Minor	Medium	Allocating a staff member who registers all relevant documentation to allocated folder, regular communication between stakeholders
No response to the request	Review plan, amend, repost	Delay in contract completion, funding becomes unavailable	Unlikely	Minor	Medium	Ensuring planning of the request is adequate to promote attractiveness of the tender
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Conflict of interest	Conflict of interest checks/declaration in place requesting officer and evaluation team	Reputational risk, failure to act in the best interest of the entity and public sector, poor governance.	Possible	Moderate	High	Conduct all possible conflict of interest processes and procedures with documentation and sufficient records kept
Weather	Possibility for deadline variation	Delays in meeting project deadlines	Possible	Minor	Medium	Ensuring the documentation to allow variation in project timeline is available
Contractor delays (machinery break downs/ injury)	Possibility for deadline variation, contract allows appointment of additional contractors	Delays in meeting project deadlines	Possible	Minor	Medium	Ensuring there is the documentation to allow variation in project timeline. assigning additional contractors
Response Non-conformance	Competitive process allowing multiple suppliers from Councils pre-qualified list to respond. Clear response criteria	No suitable supplier, different procurement approach, additional administrative cost	Possible	Minor	Medium	Ensuring the documentation is clear and the response schedule meets the request criteria

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

In accordance with section 4(b) of the *Human Rights Act 2019*, Council has considered the human rights protected under the Act in making this decision. These rights include, but are not limited to, the right to recognition and equality before the law, the right to life, freedom of movement, property rights, and cultural rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The assessment confirms that RFQL 06 26-27 Quilpie Floodway Program to Durack Civil Pty Ltd does not limit any protected human rights. The decision is reasonable, proportionate, and consistent with Council's lawful objectives, including the restoration of safe and reliable road access for residents, industry, and emergency services.

By ensuring open and competitive procurement, adherence to established governance frameworks, and effective risk management, Council's decision supports equitable treatment of suppliers and the broader community. This approach demonstrates compatibility with human rights obligations while delivering essential infrastructure in a safe, timely, and accountable manner.

12 COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

12.1 COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE GRANT APPLICATION - EROMANGA DISTRICT RODEO ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED.

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Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments:
1. **Community assistance Grant Application EDRA - Additional Financial Assistance**
2. **Letter from EDRA to support Community Assistance application - Additional Funds**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	7.	Community Services and Facilities
Key Initiative:	7.2	Community facilities

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A Community Assistance Grant application has been received from the Eromanga District Rodeo Association (EDRA) requesting a direct cash contribution of up to $40,000.

EDRA is seeking financial assistance from Council towards the remaining costs of a new ablution block at the Eromanga Sports Complex, which is now nearing completion. The project has experienced significant cost increase since the original budget was prepared in early 2024, with EDRA already increasing its own contribution by $15,000 bringing their total contribution to $35,000 to assist with the additional costs.

The ablution block is being constructed on Council-owned land with Council's support and endorsement and will provide improved amenities for users of the sports complex, as well as the broader community and visitors to the area. EDRA believes that Council's assistance with the remaining project costs will be instrumental in bringing this important community facility to completion, ensuring the investment is fully realised and can be enjoyed by both the Eromanga community and visiting users for years to come.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council consider the request for an additional contribution towards the Eromanga District Rodeo Association ablution project.

BACKGROUND

The aim of the project is to provide safe, accessible and fit-for-purpose amenities at the Eromanga Sports Complex, supporting the continued growth and use of the facility by EDRA, the local community and visiting users.

The new ablution block has been constructed above the level reached by the March 2025 major flood, providing a resilient and sustainable facility designed to serve the community for many years to come.
It will provide improved facilities for EDRA events, local community activities and other sporting and community organisations using the complex, as well as visiting participants and spectators.

The improved facilities will support the continued development of events at the Sports Complex, encourage greater use of the facility and contribute to Eromanga's capacity to attract visitors and community activities to the area. The project forms an important part of the ongoing masterplan of the sports complex, while contributing to the broader Quilpie Shire by helping create a strong, active and welcoming region in which people can live, work and participate.

In addition to the original $99,000 Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF) grant, EDRA has actively pursued additional funding to assist with the project. An RACQ grant was successfully secured to cover the electrical works associated with the new ablution block. These works have now been completed, and the grant has been fully acquitted.

EDRA has explored further grant opportunities, however securing additional funding during the construction period has been challenging. A further GCBF application could not be submitted until the original GCBF grant had been completed and acquitted, and funding cannot be sought retrospectively for costs already committed or incurred.

EDRA has contributed additional funds of its own towards the project and has continued to pursue available funding opportunities. With the project now nearing completion, Council assistance towards the remaining costs would help EDRA meet the outstanding commitments and bring the project to completion. As outlined in the attached letter, EDRA has also recently secured a Queensland Sport & Recreation Recovery Grant for other flood recovery and improvement works at the Eromanga Sports Complex. EDRA will continue to actively seek grant funding for future upgrades and improvements to the facility.

REPORT

The Eromanga District Rodeo Association (EDRA) seeks Council's consideration of an additional financial contribution towards the outstanding costs associated with construction of the new ablution block at the Eromanga Sports Complex.

The new ablution block is being constructed with the assistance of a $99,000 Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF) grant and is scheduled for completion by the end of October 2026. In addition to the grant funding, EDRA committed $20,000 of its own funds towards the project.

EDRA initially contacted Council noting their success with GCBF funding and for Council to consider supporting this project. Consideration was tabled at Ordinary Council Meeting held on 17 September 2024 requesting support. As resolved (QSC191-09-24) Council chose to provide support post onsite meeting with the committee and establish a quotation to verify level of support.

Council subsequently resolved (QSC263-11-24) at its Ordinary Meeting on 27 November 2024 to support EDRA's request by providing a contribution of up to $50,000 towards works associated with the installation of the new septic system. EDRA greatly appreciates this support and the ongoing assistance Council has provided to the Association.

Additionally, Council at the Ordinary Meeting on 10 March 2026 resolved (QSC063-03-26) to provide an in-principle co-contribution of $56,000 to support their application in the *Games On! Grass Root Infrastructure Fund*. Subsequently, EDRA were unsuccessful in their application resulting in Council no longer providing commitment for the in-principle funds.

The original project budget has been exceeded. The budget was prepared in early 2024; however, construction was delayed until late 2025 due to the significant flooding events of March 2025. During this period, substantial increases in building material, freight and fuel costs occurred, with further cost escalations continuing throughout 2026, resulting in project expenses exceeding the original budget.

EDRA sought to absorb as much of the additional expenditure as possible and will contribute an additional $15,000 above its original $20,000 commitment towards the project. However, approximately $40,000 (excluding GST) in outstanding invoices remains.

The additional costs have primarily resulted from:

- Significant increases in material costs since the original budget was prepared in early 2024;
- Freight costs that were initially anticipated to be donated but ultimately needed to be paid;
- Additional labour hours than originally budgeted;
- Inclusion of additional insulated panels in the design not included in the original budget. These were considered important to provide a more suitable and sustainable building for the long-term use of the facility.

EDRA is therefore respectfully requesting that Council consider increasing its financial contribution to the project by up to $40,000 to assist with the remaining outstanding invoices, in addition to the funding already provided under Council's previously committed contribution of up to $50,000. Council's contribution was to support the installation of a septic system however it is noted that the cost of the septic system installation did not equate to the full $50,000 allocation. EDRA has also committed an additional $15,000 towards addressing the project cost overrun and respectfully asks Council to consider a similar increase in support to help bring this important community project to completion.

OPTIONS

That Council consider the request for an additional contribution towards the Eromanga District Rodeo Association ablution project.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Quilpie Shire Council - Community and Business Development

Eromanga District Rodeo Association

INTERESTED PARTIES

Quilpie Shire Council - Community and Business Development

Eromanga District Rodeo Association

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive.

LEGISLATION / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Section 194 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* sets three requirements for a grant to a community organisation.

Council must be satisfied the grant serves a purpose in the public interest (Section 194(a)(i)). The grant pays outstanding invoices for a new ablution block on Council-owned land at the Eromanga Sports Complex. The block serves EDRA events, other community organisations and visitors.

Council must be satisfied EDRA meets the criteria in Council's community grants policy (Section 194(a)(ii)). Council adopted C.01 Community Assistance Policy as that policy under section 195. The policy covers not-for-profit organisations, including sporting clubs. EDRA is an incorporated association.

Council must give the grant in a way consistent with the policy (Section 194(b)). Council considers a written application on merit, decides by resolution and requires an acquittal. The Policy Implications section applies each policy requirement.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council applies *Policy C.01 – Community Assistance Program* by:

- Reviewing applications against priority criteria, including community benefit, event enhancement, and economic development.
- Ensuring grant approvals follow merit-based assessment.
- Monitoring facility use and compliance with conditions, such as maintaining cleanliness and hygiene.

This approach aligns policy intent with operational delivery.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Table 1 sets out the 2026/27 Community Assistance Grant budget and contributions approved to date. Table 2 sets out the financial implications of the current application.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Table 1 Community Assistance Grant budget, 2026/27

Budget	$53,000
Direct cash contributions approved to date	$8,500.00
In-kind contributions approved to date (approximate)	$13,865.00

Table 2 Financial implications of this application

Direct cash contribution requested	$45,000.00
Balance remaining if Council approves (Shortfall in funding)	-$17,365.00

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Council manages risks using Policy G.11 Enterprise Risk Management and Procedure G.11-A Risk Management Framework. The key risks relate to funding availability, verification of outstanding costs, project completion, ongoing asset responsibilities and equitable decision-making. The treatments below are proposed conditions or actions, not controls confirmed as implemented. Likelihood, consequence and overall ratings require validation against Council's adopted risk matrix before the decision; no verified matrix assessment is available in this report.

Table 3 Risk register

Risk Name & Description *What could happen and why?*	**Current Controls** *Are there current controls for the risk*	**Impacts** *Impact if the risk eventuates*	**Risk Assessment**			**Risk Treatment** *Depending on risk rating - implement additional controls / mitigation strategy (to reduce risk rating)*
			Likelihood	**Consequence**	**Risk Rating**	
Funding shortfall and budget pressure: additional assistance may exceed council budget.	Budget and approved contributions reported; Council resolution required.	Reduced capacity for other grants; unbudgeted expenditure or delayed completion.	Almost certain	Moderate	Extreme	Reconcile cash and in-kind budget treatment. Table 2 shows a $17,365 shortfall if both draw on the allocation. Confirm funding source and any budget amendment before payment; cap assistance by resolution.
Completion delays or further cost escalation.	EDRA's increased contribution; construction reported as nearing completion.	Facility remains unavailable; additional funding requests and delayed community benefit.	Possible	Moderate	High	Obtain a final cost-to-complete statement and completion timetable. Confirm how any remaining shortfall will be met. Specify eligible costs, payment evidence and reporting conditions; no automatic commitment to further overruns.
Inconsistent grant assessment or perceived preferential treatment.	Policy C.01 and statutory grant requirements identified; Council consideration by resolution.	Complaints, loss of confidence and pressure for similar retrospective assistance.	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Record eligibility, public interest, policy consistency and reasons for the amount approved or declined. Address conflicts of interest and explain that any approval is assessed on its own merits.

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

Section 58(1) of the *Human Rights Act 2019* makes it unlawful for a public entity to act or make a decision in a way that is not compatible with human rights, or, in making a decision, to fail to give proper consideration to a human right relevant to the decision.

Council is a public entity under section 9(1)(d). This assessment concerns the effect of approving, partly approving or declining the additional contribution on individuals who use the Eromanga Sports Complex. Human rights attach to individuals, rather than EDRA as an incorporated association. Council must consider the relevant rights before making its decision, including the effect of any funding conditions.

Recognition and equality before the law (section 15) – Completing safe, accessible and fit-for-purpose amenities may improve equitable access for individuals attending community and sporting activities. Grant assessment should apply consistent, objective policy criteria, and any funding conditions should support fair shared use without discriminatory restrictions. The report describes accessibility as a project objective but does not establish compliance or actual access arrangements; these should be confirmed rather than assumed.

Peaceful assembly and freedom of association (section 22) – Improved amenities support individuals participating in lawful sporting events and community gatherings. Approval would

facilitate use of the complex without itself restricting assembly or association. Partial approval or refusal may affect the timing of these benefits, but does not, on the information available, itself prevent people from gathering or associating. Council should consider the practical effect of any completion delay and any access conditions.

Privacy and reputation (section 25) – The amenities project is relevant to users' personal privacy. Completion and operation should provide appropriate privacy for users. The grant decision does not itself authorise interference with privacy; any personal information supplied with invoices or acquittal documents should be handled appropriately, with unnecessary personal details excluded from public reporting.

Compatibility assessment

On the information available, a contribution directed to completing shared, accessible amenities is assessed as compatible with human rights under section 8(a), as no limitation of a human right has been identified. This is an assessment of the proposed funding decision, not confirmation of building compliance or a decision already made by Council. Full approval, partial approval and refusal should each be considered on their merits, including community access, available resources and the practical consequences of delayed completion. If the final decision or its conditions would limit a relevant right, Council must assess whether that limit is reasonable and demonstrably justifiable under section 13, including its purpose, impact and any less restrictive reasonably available alternative, and record its consideration before resolving the application.

Council's decision is compatible with human rights under section 8(a) because it does not limit any human right.

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM

Type of Support

"In Kind" support - generally means a provision of goods or services or a waiver of fees etc. and is not a direct cash contribution (for example plant or equipment hire, waiver of fees or charges and provision of materials such as loam or gravel).

"Financial" support - means a direct cash donation to an organisation or person for a Council approved event, project or fundraising activity.

The following local organisations will be eligible for assistance under this policy:

- Charities, Not for Profit or Religious Organisations, Sporting or Hobby Groups / Bodies.

In determining the level of assistance required, Council shall:

- Establish the level of funding available in terms of its coming budget requirements;
- Apportion such funding across each application eligible for funding.

Council shall have sole discretion in determining the type and level of support to be provided to each applicant.

Notification of the assistance to be provided by Council will be in written format to the nominated contact person as detailed in the application.

Applications will be assessed against the following Program priorities:

Program Priorities

The identified priorities for funding under this program are:

- To assist a community organisation where there is a genuine need or hardship preventing them from operating or undertaking core activities;
- To enhance existing events or programs to increase the benefits to the community;
- To enhance economic development and the skills base in the Shire;
- To develop open spaces, sport and recreation facilities within the Shire; and
- To promote active participation from a range of community sectors such as youth, aged, family, urban, rural etc.

1.1 Type of assistance being sought:			
☒	Direct cash contribution	☐	In-kind/Fee Waiver
☐	Provision of assets	☐	Concession

1.2 Applicant details:	
Organisation/Individual Name:	Eromanga District Rodeo Association Incorporated
Contact Person:	Sarah Molineux
Postal Address:	"Quartpot Station" Eromanga QLD 4480
Email Address:	eromangarodeo@gmail.com
Telephone No:	0427 67 00 44 (Sarah)

1.3 Event/Project/Activity Details:

Name of event/project/activity: New Ablution Block Build at Eromanga Sports Complex

Date of event/project/activity: currently active

Please provide a brief description of the event/project/activity for which assistance is being requested:

EDRA is seeking financial assistance from Council towards the remaining costs of the new ablution block at the Eromanga Sports Complex, which is now nearing completion. The project has experienced significant cost increases since the original budget was prepared in early 2024, with EDRA already increasing its own contribution by $15,000 to assist with the additional costs.

The ablution block is being constructed on Council-owned land, with Council's support and endorsement, and will provide improved facilities not only for EDRA's events but for other community organisations, sporting groups and users of the Sports Complex. Council's assistance towards the remaining costs will help bring this important community facility project to completion and ensure the investment can be fully utilised by the Eromanga community and visiting users.

Please refer to attached letter for additional information.

(Please attach additional information if required – ie. Poster, Sponsorship form)

1.4 Funding: *(only complete if requesting a direct cash contribution)*	
Amount Requested from Council	$45,000.00 (including GST)
Amount Provided by the Applicant	$34,584.20
Amount Provided by Others	$99,000.00
Total Estimated Cost of Event/Project/Activity	$178,584.20

Are you GST registered?	☒ Yes (as of 1st October 2026)	☐ No

Bank Details			
Account Name:	Eromanga District Rode Association Incorp		
BSB:	084 829	Account Number:	83 490 5623

1.5 Event/Project/Activity timeframe:	
Event/Project/Activity Start Date	current
Event/Project/Activity End Date	Approximately 31st October 2026
Acquittal Report Due (8 weeks after end date)	21st December 2026

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1.6 Details of other endeavours to raise funds:

In addition to the original $99,000 Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF) grant, EDRA has actively pursued additional funding to assist with the project. An RACQ grant was successfully secured to cover the electrical works associated with the new ablution block. These works have now been completed and the grant has been fully acquitted.

EDRA has explored further grant opportunities; however, securing additional funding during the construction period has been challenging. In particular, a further GCBF application could not be submitted until the original GCBF grant had been completed and acquitted, and funding cannot be sought retrospectively for costs already committed or incurred.

EDRA has contributed additional funds of its own towards the project and has continued to pursue available funding opportunities. With the project now nearing completion, Council assistance towards the remaining costs would help EDRA meet the outstanding commitments and bring the project to completion. As outlined in the attached letter, EDRA has also recently secured a Queensland Sport & Recreation Recovery Grant for other flood recovery and improvement works at the Eromanga Sports Complex. EDRA will continue to actively seek grant funding for future upgrades and improvements to the facility.

1.7 Financial position:
Please include copy of a recent bank statement and brief explanation on why Council assistance is requested:

A recent bank statement is attached for consideration.

The current bank balance does not reflect $17,185.30 relating to an associated invoice for which a cheque has been issued but has not yet been presented, nor the $2,500 quoted for works scheduled to be completed in the coming weeks. These amounts total $19,685.30 and have already been included in the outstanding project costs outlined in this application.

EDRA is a volunteer-run organisation with significant ongoing operating costs associated with delivering and maintaining its annual events and activities. EDRA's usual operating expenses are approximately $70,000 per financial year, and the remaining funds held are required to maintain sufficient cash flow to meet these commitments throughout the year.

While EDRA has increased its own contribution to the ablution block project and has actively pursued additional grant funding, using the Association's remaining operating funds to meet the outstanding project costs would significantly impact its ability to deliver its annual events and activities. Council assistance is therefore requested to help meet the remaining costs while allowing EDRA to retain sufficient funds to continue its ongoing operations and community activities.

1.8 Previous Assistance?

Have you received previous Council Assistance?	☒	Yes	☐	No
If Yes, please list *(limit to last 4 years)*	Event: Easter in Eromanga 2024 $4300 Event: Easter in Eromanga 2025 $4300 Event: Easter in Eromanga 2026 $4300			
Have previous programs been acquitted?	☒	Yes	☐	No
If No, please provide reasoning				

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1.9 Please outline the aims of the project and the direct benefits to the community as a result of this project:
The aim of the project has always been to provide safe, accessible and fit-for-purpose amenities at the Eromanga Sports Complex, supporting the continued growth and use of the facility by EDRA, the local community and visiting users. The new ablution block has been constructed above the level reached by the March 2025 major flood, providing a resilient and sustainable facility designed to serve the community for many years to come. It will provide improved facilities for EDRA events, local community activities and other sporting and community organisations using the complex, as well as visiting participants and spectators. The improved facilities will support the continued development of events at the Sports Complex, encourage greater use of the facility and contribute to Eromanga's capacity to attract visitors and community activities to the area. The project forms an important part of the ongoing MasterPlan of the Sports Complex, while contributing to the broader Quilpie Shire by helping create a strong, active and welcoming region in which people can live, work and participate.

1.10 DECLARATION:		
We, the undersigned do hereby certify that we believe the information contained in this application to be accurate and reliable. Committee Member / Authorised Persons:		
Name	**Signature**	**Date**
Committee Member / Authorised Persons:		
Name	**Signature**	**Date**

Note: *The Community Assistance Acquittal Form must be postmarked or hand delivered to the Quilpie Shire Council NO LATER than eight (8) weeks after the completion of your project. Further assistance will not be given until Acquittal reports are received.*

Office Use Only	
Major or Minor Request	
Approved	
Not Approved	
Comments	

Community Assistance Application

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NAB Community Fee Saver Account
For further information call the Business Servicing Team on 13 10 12

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EROMANGA DISTRICT RODEO ASSOCIATION INC
C/ SARAH MOLINEUX QUARTPOT STN
1759 RAYMORE ROAD
EROMANGA QLD 4480

Account Balance Summary

Opening balance	$51,678.89 Cr
Total credits	$568.94
Total debits	$0.00
Closing balance	**$52,247.83 Cr**

Statement starts 13 June 2026
Statement ends 30 June 2026

Outlet Details

Quilpie
29 Brolga St, Quilpie Qld 4480

Account Details

EROMANGA DISTRICT RODEO ASSOCIATION INC
COMMUNITY FEE SAVER

BSB number 084-829
Account number 83-490-5623

Transaction Details

Date	Particulars	Debits	Credits	Balance
13 Jun 2026	Brought forward			51,678.89 Cr
15 Jun 2026	Australian Bushmens Refund Duplicate Pay Refund Duplicate Pay		568.94	52,247.83 Cr

Summary of Government Charges

	From 1 July to date	Last year to 30 June
Government		
Withholding tax	$0.00	$0.00
Bank Account Debit (BAD) tax	$0.00	$0.00

Bank Accounts Debits (BAD) Tax or State Debits Duty has been abolished for all states & territories effective 1/7/2005. Any amount shown on this statement applies to debits processed on or before 30/06/2005.

For further information on any applicable rebates, fees or government charges, please refer to the NAB's "A Guide to Fees & Charges" booklet. Please retain this statement for taxation purposes

Explanatory Notes

Please check all entries and report any apparent error or possible unauthorised transaction immediately.
We may subsequently adjust debits and credits, which may result in a change to your account balance to accurately reflect the obligations between us.

For information on resolving problems or disputes, contact us on 1800 152 015, or ask at any NAB branch.

NAB Business
Cash Maximiser
For further information call the
Business Servicing Team on 13 10 12

EROMANGA DISTRICT RODEO ASSOCIATION INC
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EROMANGA QLD 4480

Account Balance Summary

Opening balance	$72,367.65 Cr
Total credits	$311.79
Total debits	$0.00
Closing balance	**$72,679.44 Cr**

Statement starts 1 January 2026
Statement ends 30 June 2026

Outlet Details

Quilpie
29 Brolga St, Quilpie Qld 4480

Account Details

EROMANGA DISTRICT RODEO ASSOCIATION INC
BUS CASH MAXIMISER
BSB number 084-829
Account number 83-481-4158

For Your Information

A new look is coming to online banking
We're updating NAB Internet Banking and the NAB App
These updates include changes to the look and layout.

Transaction Details

Date	Particulars		Debits	Credits	Balance
1 Jan 2026	Brought forward				72,367.65 Cr
2 Jan 2026	As At 02/01/2026 Your Variable Cr Interest Rate Is	0.500%			
	When Your Balance Is $10,000 or More				72,367.65 Cr
30 Jan 2026	Interest			29.73	72,397.38 Cr
13 Feb 2026	Please Note From Today Your Dr Interest Rate Is	14.910%			72,397.38 Cr
19 Feb 2026	As At 19/02/2026 Your Variable Cr Interest Rate Is	0.750%			
	When Your Balance Is $10,000 or More				72,397.38 Cr
27 Feb 2026	Interest			31.73	72,429.11 Cr
27 Mar 2026	Please Note From Today Your Dr Interest Rate Is	15.160%			72,429.11 Cr
31 Mar 2026	Interest			47.62	72,476.73 Cr
2 Apr 2026	As At 02/04/2026 Your Variable Cr Interest Rate Is	1.000%			
	When Your Balance Is $10,000 or More				72,476.73 Cr
30 Apr 2026	Interest			58.57	72,535.30 Cr
15 May 2026	Please Note From Today Your Dr Interest Rate Is	15.410%			
	As At 15/05/2026 Your Variable Cr Interest Rate Is	1.250%			
	When Your Balance Is $10,000 or More				72,535.30 Cr
29 May 2026	Interest			64.58	72,599.88 Cr
30 Jun 2026	Interest			79.56	72,679.44 Cr

Help protect your business from financial loss.
Fraud alert: Payment redirection scams are on the rise.
Criminals intercept invoices and change banking details.
Always check payment details with your supplier directly.
Do not rely on email alone for confirmation.
Be cautious with urgent payment requests.
Learn more on nab.com.au/security.

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14th September 2026

Chief Executive Officer
Quilpie Shire Council
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Quilpie QLD 4480

Re: Request for Additional Council Contribution – Eromanga Sports Complex Ablution Block

Attention Lisa Hamilyn (DCEO),

The Eromanga District Rodeo Association Inc. (EDRA) respectfully seeks Council's consideration of an additional financial contribution towards the outstanding costs associated with construction of the new ablution block at the Eromanga Sports Complex.

The new ablution block is being constructed with the assistance of a $99,000 Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF) grant and is scheduled for completion by the end of October 2026. In addition to the grant funding, EDRA committed $20,000 of its own funds towards the project.

Council previously resolved at its Ordinary Meeting on 27 November 2024 to support EDRA's request by providing a financial contribution of up to $50,000 towards works associated with the installation of the new septic system. EDRA greatly appreciates this support and the ongoing assistance Council has provided to the Association.

Unfortunately, the original project budget has been exceeded. The budget was developed in early 2024, with construction ultimately not commencing until late 2025 due to the significant March 2025 flooding. By the time construction commenced, there had been considerable increases in building material, freight and fuel costs, with these increases continuing into 2026.

EDRA has sought to absorb as much of the additional expenditure as possible and will contribute an additional $15,000 above its original $20,000 commitment towards the project. However, approximately $40,000 (excluding GST) in outstanding invoices remains.

The additional costs have primarily resulted from:

- Significant increases in material costs since the original budget was prepared in early 2024;
- Freight costs that were initially anticipated to be donated but ultimately needed to be paid;
- Additional labour hours than originally budgeted;
- Inclusion of additional insulated panels in the design not included in the original budget. These were considered important to provide a more suitable and sustainable building for the long-term use of the facility.

EDRA is therefore respectfully asking Council to consider increasing its financial contribution to the project by up to $40,000 to assist with the remaining outstanding invoices, in addition to the amount already expended by Council from its previously committed $50,000 contribution. EDRA has also increased its own contribution by $15,000 to assist with the project overrun and respectfully asks Council to consider doing the same.

A significant investment in the future of the Eromanga Sports Complex

Despite the challenges experienced throughout this project, EDRA is extremely proud to be nearing completion of what will be a significant improvement to the Eromanga Sports Complex.

The new ablution block will replace the existing facilities with a modern, accessible and more suitable facility for participants, spectators, volunteers and the wider community. Importantly, the building has been constructed above the levels impacted by the March 2025 flooding, providing greater resilience for the future.

The ablution block is also just one part of a broader program of improvements currently underway at the Sports Complex.

EDRA has recently received approval for the Queensland Sport and Recreation Recovery Grant, which will support recovery and upgrades to the rodeo arena, access tracks, boundary fence, bar cold room and tables and seating. This funding will make a significant contribution towards the continued recovery of the Sports Complex following the March 2025 floods.

In addition, an Ergon Energy grant enabled upgrades to the rodeo arena and sections of the campdraft arena lighting to LED. These works were completed prior to Easter in Eromanga 2026 and have already provided a safer and better-lit environment for night-time events.

EDRA also acknowledges Council's previous support for our Games On! Grassroots Infrastructure Program application, with Council resolving on 10 March 2026 to provide an in-principle co-contribution of $56,000 (excluding GST). While unfortunately this application was not successful, we sincerely appreciate Council's willingness to support the project and will continue to pursue other funding opportunities for future improvements.

With the combination of the new ablution block, recent lighting upgrades, approved recovery funding and future grant opportunities, the Eromanga Sports Complex is well on its way to becoming a significantly improved, safer and more functional community facility.

By mid-2027, EDRA anticipates that these improvements will provide a strong foundation for the Association to continue developing its events and activities, attracting visitors and competitors to Eromanga, and providing a facility that can be increasingly utilised by the broader Eromanga community.

EDRA is a volunteer-run organisation and has worked hard to contribute financially, secure external funding and continue improving the Sports Complex despite the significant challenges presented by the 2025 flooding and rising construction and operating costs.

We respectfully ask Council to consider increasing its contribution towards the outstanding costs of the ablution block and, in doing so, help EDRA bring this important project to completion without placing an unsustainable financial burden on the Association.

We sincerely thank Quilpie Shire Council for its continued support of EDRA. The Association looks forward to continuing to work collaboratively with Council to see the Eromanga Sports Complex progress and become an even greater asset for Eromanga and the wider region.

Yours sincerely,



Sarah Molineux (Treasurer)

On behalf of the Eromanga District Rodeo Association Committee

12.2 2026 27 REGIONAL ARTS DEVELOPMENT FUND (RADF) APPLICATIONS

IX: **280289**

Author: **Toni Bonsey, Community Administration Officer**

Authorisors: **Corey Richards, Deputy Director Community and Business Development**
Lisa Hamlyn, Director Community and Business Development
Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: **Nil**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	7.	Community Services and Facilities
Key Initiative:	7.1	Community services

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks Council's consideration and approval of the 2026/27 Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) funding applications. The total RADF budget for 2026/2027 is $31,250.00, comprising a $26,250.00 contribution from RADF and $5,000.00 contribution from Council. The listed applications are recommended for approval by the Quilpie RADF Committee and fully expend the funding.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council endorse the recommendation of the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Committee to approve the following 2026/27 funding applications, totalling $31,250.00.

Organisation		**Amount**
Quilpie Cultural Society		**$25,726.00**
Brian Rutledge – Wrought Iron	$2,836	
Glenda Rival Upholstery	$4,265	
Glenda Rival Weaving and Eco Dying	$2,180	
Maxine Thompson Pastel Skills	$1,268	
Stacy Keane Silversmithing Workshop1	$1,463	
Stacy Keane Silversmithing Workshop 2	$1,463	
Lyn Barnes Seniors Pastels W1	$1,145	
Lyn Barnes Juniors Pastel	$ 572	
Rachaeldaisey Colourful Quilting	$3,874	
Sally Flannery Pottery	$6,660	
Quilpie Shire Council Western Touring Circuit		**$5,524.00**
Where is the Green Sheep	$1,950	

Organisation		Amount
Camp Culture	$1,949	
Bingo Beats	$1,625	
		Total $31,250.00

BACKGROUND

Quilpie Shire Council submits an annual application to the Queensland Government's Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) program. For the 2026/27 financial year, Council has been allocated funding of $26,250 based on its population category. In accordance with program requirements, Council will contribute $5,000, exceeding the minimum co-contribution of 10%, resulting in a total available project budget of $31,250.

The RADF program aims to:

1. Contribute value to local communities.
2. Engage local communities.
3. Deliver local priorities.
4. Support Queensland Government priorities, including fostering safe and inclusive communities, building regional capacity, stimulating economic growth and innovation, and increasing workforce participation.

Quilpie Shire Council distributes this funding through its RADF Grants Program. Eligible applicants include:

- Individual professional or emerging artists, arts workers, cultural workers, or project coordinators who:
  - Reside within the Council area, or if based outside, can demonstrate how their project will directly benefit arts and culture in the Shire.
  - Are permanent residents or Australian citizens.
  - Meet the criteria outlined in the 'Eligibility Checklist for Professional / Emerging Professional Artists'.
  - Hold an ABN or are sponsored by an incorporated organisation with an ABN.
- Community groups and organisations based in the Council area with an ABN or sponsored by an incorporated organisation with an ABN.
- Groups or organisations located outside the Council area that hold an ABN (or have a sponsor) and can demonstrate how their project will directly benefit arts and culture within the Shire.

REPORT

The Quilpie RADF Committee met on Thursday 1 October 2026, to assess the 2026/27 funding applications against the program guidelines. The Committee's recommendations, detailed in Table 1, fully allocate the funding received - $31,250. The diverse range of approved projects will provide significant skills development and cultural engagement opportunities within the Shire community.

Table 1 Recommended 2026/2027 RADF Funding Allocations

Organisation		Amount
Quilpie Cultural Society		**$25,726.00**
Brian Rutledge – Wrought Iron	$2,836	
Glenda Rival Upholstery	$4,265	
Glenda Rival Weaving and Eco Dying	$2,180	

Organisation		**Amount**
Maxine Thompson Pastel Skills	$1,268	
Stacy Keane Silversmithing Workshop1	$1,463	
Stacy Keane Silversmithing Workshop 2	$1,463	
Lyn Barnes Seniors Pastels W1	$1,145	
Lyn Barnes Juniors Pastel	$ 572	
Rachaeldaisey Colourful Quilting	$3,874	
Sally Flannery Pottery	$6,660	
Quilpie Shire Council Western Touring Circuit		**$5,524.00**
Where is the Green Sheep	$1,950	
Camp Culture	$1,949	
Bingo Beats	$1,625	
		Total $31,250.00

OPTIONS

Option 1: (recommended)

That Council endorse the recommendation of the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Committee to approve the following 2026/27 funding applications, totalling $31,250.00.

Organisation		**Amount**
Quilpie Cultural Society		**$25,726.00**
Brian Rutledge – Wrought Iron	$2,836	
Glenda Rival Upholstery	$4,265	
Glenda Rival Weaving and Eco Dying	$2,180	
Maxine Thompson Pastel Skills	$1,268	
Stacy Keane Silversmithing Workshop1	$1,463	
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Rachaeldaisey Colourful Quilting	$3,874	
Sally Flannery Pottery	$6,660	
Quilpie Shire Council Western Touring Circuit		**$5,524.00**
Where is the Green Sheep	$1,950	
Camp Culture	$2,600	
Bingo Beats	$1,625	
		Total $31,250.00

Option 2

That Council not endorse the Committee's recommendations and provides an alternative direction for the allocation of the 2026/27 Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) budget.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Consultation has been undertaken with the Quilpie Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Committee, Quilpie Shire Council Community Services, and Quilpie community groups and organisations.

INTERESTED PARTIES

Quilpie Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Committee

Quilpie Shire Council Community Services

Quilpie Community Groups & Organisations

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive

LEGISLATION / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This decision is made in accordance with:

- C.02 Art and Cultural Development Policy
- Regional Arts Development Funding Guidelines

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The total project cost of $31,250.00 is funded as follows:

- Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Grant: $26,250.00
- Council Contribution: $5,000.00

The approved applications fully expend the funding budget.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The allocation and delivery of the 2026/27 Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) program has been considered in accordance with Council's G.11 Enterprise Risk Management Policy and G.11-A Risk Management Framework. Key risks include projects not proceeding as approved, presenter cancellation, participant safety, inadequate accessibility or inclusion, non-compliance with funding conditions, and grant expenditure not being properly acquitted. Existing controls include assessment against published eligibility criteria, RADF Committee review, written funding agreements, confirmation of bookings and delivery arrangements, appropriate insurance and event safety planning, monitoring of project delivery, and completion of acquittal and financial reporting. Subject to these controls, the residual risk is assessed as low to medium and manageable within Council's existing grant administration and event-planning processes.

Table 2 Risk matrix

Risk Name & Description	Current Controls	Impacts	Risk Assessment			Risk Treatment
			Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	
Workshops cancelled due to presenter being unavailable	None	Grant funds to be returned or seek alternative date / presenter	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Ensure bookings are confirmed with presenter

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS

Section 58 of the *Human Rights Act 2019* requires Council, as a public entity, to act and make decisions compatibly with human rights and to give proper consideration to relevant rights when making a decision.

The rights most relevant to this decision are recognition and equality before the law (section 15), freedom of expression (section 21), protection of families and children (section 26), cultural rights generally (section 27), and the distinct cultural rights of Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islander peoples (section 28). Approving the recommended allocations supports participation in cultural life, artistic expression, skills development and access to community activities. The assessment process applies published eligibility and funding criteria and is intended to provide fair and transparent access to the program. Any limitation on an applicant's interests arising from finite funding or eligibility requirements is considered reasonable and proportionate to the legitimate purposes of accountable, equitable and effective distribution of public funds. On this basis, the recommendation is compatible with human rights.

12.3 COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE APPLICATION - QUILPIE PONY CLUB

IX: **280400**

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Authorisors: **Corey Richards, Deputy Director Community and Business Development**
Lisa Hamlyn, Director Community and Business Development
Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: **Nil**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	7.	Community Services and Facilities
Key Initiative:	7.2	Community facilities

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Quilpie Pony Club has submitted a Community Assistance Grant application requesting the in-kind use of Bulloo Park facilities—specifically the rodeo bar, toilets, and Council owned BBQ. They are seeking access for their monthly pony club rallies spanning from November 2026 until December 2027. The club will supply their own gas bottle but requests that Council delivers a portable BBQ to the site for their use.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the in-kind use of Bulloo Park rodeo bar and toilet facilities, together with the use of a Council-owned BBQ for the period November 2026 to December 2027, subject to the following conditions:

- The Quilpie Pony Club is responsible for the collection and return of the BBQ to the Council Depot for each occasion;
- A facility hire form is completed and a bond of $125 is paid prior to use; and
- The facilities are left in a clean, tidy and undamaged condition following each event.

BACKGROUND

Quilpie Pony Club has recently re-established with an instructor's course held on 21-23 August 2026 at Bulloo Park.

This certification enables the Club to hold rally days, shield days and competitions under the Pony Club Australia (PCA) and Pony Club Queensland (PCQ) banner which provides insurance to members.

Pony Club is an excellent way for young riders to learn and build confidence. It also endorses a wide range of horse skills including games, camp drafting, stockmen's challenges and polocrosse which are highly relevant to our area. Pony Club provides children with an opportunity to learn, compete against their peers and build valuable horsemanship skills.

Approximately 25 children have expressed interest in attending the rallies which will provide future opportunities to compete against Charleville, Cunnamulla and Tambo Pony Clubs.

Pony Club Australia and Pony Club Queensland can provide financial support for specialist schools with horse industry professionals.

REPORT

The Quilpie Pony Club has applied to the Community Assistance Grant program requesting Council approval for the in-kind use of Bulloo Park rodeo bar and toilets to allow them to facilitate Pony Club rallies. The club have also requested to have a Council-owned BBQ delivered to the rodeo bar area for each event. The Pony Club will supply their own gas bottle.

The Pony Club requests that this application be approved for one rally per month, commencing November 2026 and concluding December 2027.

Noting the current staffing limitations within the Town Services team, it is recommended that the request be approved with the condition that the Quilpie Pony Club is responsible for collecting and returning the BBQ to the Council Depot.

OPTIONS

Option 1 (recommended)

That Council approve the in-kind use of Bulloo Park rodeo bar and toilet facilities, together with the use of a Council-owned BBQ for the period November 2026 to December 2027, subject to the following conditions:

- The Quilpie Pony Club is responsible for the collection and return of the BBQ to the Council Depot for each occasion;
- A facility hire form is completed and a bond of $125 is paid prior to use; and
- The facilities are left in a clean, tidy and undamaged condition following each event.

Option 2

That Council not approve the application.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Quilpie Shire Council

Quilpie Show and Rodeo

Quilpie Pony Club

INTERESTED PARTIES

Quilpie Shire Council

Quilpie Show and Rodeo

Quilpie Pony Club

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive.

LEGISLATION / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Council exercises its discretion to provide grants under *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Part 5 – Community Grants. Council ensures compliance by:

- Granting support only if it serves the public interest.
- Confirming Quilpie Pony Club meets eligibility criteria under Council's *Community Assistance Program Policy C.01*.

- Following policy procedures to approve, monitor, and record in-kind support.

Council applies these legal provisions to ensure transparency, accountability, and consistent use of public resources.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council applies *Policy C.01 – Community Assistance Program* by:

- Reviewing applications against priority criteria, including community benefit, event enhancement, and economic development.
- Ensuring grant approvals follow merit-based assessment.
- Monitoring facility use and compliance with conditions, such as maintaining cleanliness and hygiene.

This approach aligns policy intent with operational delivery.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Table 2 2026 / 27 Community assistance approved applications

Budget	$53,000.00
Direct Cash Contributions to date	$8,500.00
In-kind Contributions to date (approx.)	$11,590.00

Table 3 Community assistance application (current) - Financial implications

Direct Cash Contribution	$0.0
In-kind Contribution (approx.)	$2,275.00

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

No asset management implications are noted for this report.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The key risks associated with the proposal relate to public safety, facility use, asset damage, hygiene and Council resourcing. These risks are considered low and manageable where the approval is subject to the payment of the applicable bond, the facilities being left clean and undamaged, and the Quilpie Pony Club collecting and returning the Council BBQ.

The Quilpie Pony Club is responsible for conducting its activities in accordance with Pony Club Australia and Pony Club Queensland requirements, maintaining appropriate insurance, supervising participants and safely operating the facilities and equipment.

Council officers will manage the booking and confirm compliance with the conditions of approval. Any cleaning, damage or failure to return the BBQ may result in recovery of costs and reconsideration or withdrawal of future access.

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

The decision has been assessed for compatibility with the *Human Rights Act 2019*. The proposal supports community participation, freedom of association and opportunities for children and families to take part in recreational activities.

No human rights are considered to be limited by the recommendation. Any conditions placed on use of the facilities are reasonable, proportionate and necessary to protect public safety, Council assets and the rights of other facility users.

The assessment will be revisited if the scope of the approved activities or the conditions of facility use materially change.

Consideration of the 23 human rights protected under the *Human Rights Act 2019* has been undertaken as part of this decision. It has been determined that this decision does not limit human rights.

12.4 NOMINATION OF DELEGATE TO VOTE - OUTBACK QUEENSLAND TOURISM ASSOCIATION

IX: **281153**

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Authorisors: **Lisa Hamlyn, Director Community and Business Development**

Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: **Nil**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	5.	Strategic Partnerships
Key Initiative:	5.2	Tourism

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council is a partner and member of the Outback Queensland Tourism Association Inc. (OQTA), the regional tourism organisation representing Outback Queensland. OQTA has adopted a new Constitution, registered on 18 September 2026, together with supporting Board Bylaws. Under the revised governance arrangements, Council is required to nominate an authorised delegate to exercise Council's membership voting rights at general meetings and in Board elections. This report seeks Council's appointment of a delegate, and an alternate delegate, to ensure Council can participate in OQTA governance for the duration of its partnership.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Nominate Corey Richards, Deputy Director Community and Business Development, as Council's authorised delegate to attend, speak and vote on behalf of Quilpie Shire Council at general meetings of the Outback Queensland Tourism Association Inc. and in elections for its Board.
2. Nominate Lisa Hamlyn, Director Community and Business Development, as Council's authorised alternate delegate.
3. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to notify the Association and complete any required administrative documentation.
4. Determine that the appointments continue unless amended or revoked by Council resolution or Council's membership or partnership ceases.

BACKGROUND

Quilpie Shire Council works with OQTA through its membership and partnership arrangements to support destination marketing, visitor dispersal, industry development and advocacy for Outback Queensland. OQTA is an incorporated association under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981* and is the regional tourism organisation for the Outback Queensland region.

REPORT

OQTA's new Constitution was registered on 18 September 2026. The revised governance framework is supplemented by Board Bylaws adopted on 12 October 2026. The framework provides for member participation in general meetings and Board elections and requires a corporate member such as Council to act through an authorised representative.

Appointing a delegate provides a clear authority for one person to receive meeting and election information, consider the business presented, speak for Council and cast Council's vote. Appointing an alternate provides continuity when the primary delegate is unavailable. The delegate must exercise the role consistently with Council resolutions, adopted policy, the partnership arrangements and Council's broader strategic interests.

The recommended appointments of Corey Richards as authorised delegate and Lisa Hamlyn as authorised alternate delegate reflect that Council's tourism portfolio, including its operational relationship and partnership with OQTA, is managed within the Community and Business Development directorate. As Deputy Director and Director respectively, they have direct oversight of tourism programs, regional partnerships and relevant Council priorities, enabling informed and consistent representation of Council's interests.

The appointment does not itself nominate either delegate for a position on the OQTA Board. Any future nomination for a Board position would remain subject to the eligibility, nomination and election requirements applying at that time. Where a matter before OQTA would create a conflict of interest or require a position beyond an existing Council resolution or policy, the delegate should seek further direction from Council or the Chief Executive Officer, as appropriate.

OPTIONS

Option 1 – Appoint a primary and alternate delegate (recommended): enables Council to exercise its membership rights and provides continuity of representation.

Option 2 – Appoint a primary delegate only: enables participation but may leave Council unable to vote when the delegate is unavailable.

Option 3 – Do not appoint a delegate: Council may be unable to exercise its vote in Board elections or at general meetings, reducing its influence over the governance and strategic direction of its regional tourism organisation.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Internal:

Chief Executive Officer;

Director Community and Business Development;

Relevant Council officers.

External:

Outback Queensland Tourism Association Inc.

INTERESTED PARTIES

Quilpie Shire Council; Outback Queensland Tourism Association Inc.; local tourism operators and event organisers; residents and businesses that benefit from regional destination marketing and visitor-economy activity.

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive

LEGISLATION / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

OQTA is incorporated under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981* (Qld). Council's delegate will act as the authorised representative of Council as a member of the Association and must comply with the OQTA Constitution, applicable Bylaws and meeting procedures. The appointment should be recorded by Council resolution and notified to OQTA in the form it requires.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The recommendation is consistent with Council's governance framework and strategic commitment to regional collaboration and tourism development. The delegate remains bound by Council's Code of Conduct, conflict-of-interest obligations, confidentiality requirements and any relevant Council resolution or policy.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There is no additional direct financial implication arising from the appointment of a delegate. Council's membership, partnership contribution, travel and attendance costs will continue to be managed within adopted budgets and the applicable partnership arrangements. Officer time will be required to coordinate notices, brief the delegate and complete administrative documentation.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no material asset management implications arising from this decision.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no perceived associated risks, any relevant risks were identified prior to commencement of the partnership agreement.

12.5 COUNTRY EDUCATION FOUNDATION OF SOUTH WEST QUEENSLAND

IX: **281195**

Author: **Lisa Hamlyn, Director Community and Business Development**

Authorisors: **Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer**

Attachments: **Nil**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	7.	Community Services and Facilities
Key Initiative:	7.1	Community services
Key Outcome:	5.	Strategic Partnerships
Key Initiative:	5.1	Economic and business development

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Country Education Foundation (CEF) of Paroo continues to work through the process of updating the foundation name to reflect the expansion of its support area to include the Shires of Quilpie, Paroo, Murweh and Bulloo, providing local students with access to financial assistance for post-school education and training opportunities. Eligible students may apply for grants to support university, TAFE, apprenticeships, traineeships and other accredited study pathways. The initiative presents a valuable opportunity to reduce financial barriers to education and strengthen local workforce development outcomes. Council is requested to note the expanded eligibility and support the promotion of grant opportunities to the Quilpie Shire community.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Support the promotion of the Foundation’s grant opportunities through Council communication channels to eligible students, families and educational institutions throughout the Shire.
2. Consider making a financial contribution of $5,000, noting that donations made before 31 October 2026 will be matched dollar-for-dollar through the Foundation’s Matched Giving Campaign (up to a total of $7,000), thereby maximising the benefit of Council's contribution and supporting educational opportunities for students across the Quilpie, Bulloo, Murweh and Paroo Shires.

BACKGROUND

The Country Education Foundation is a community-driven, not-for-profit organisation that supports rural and regional students to access higher education, vocational training and employment

pathways. Through local fundraising and donor contributions, the Foundation provides grants to assist students with the costs associated with further education and training.

Council considered correspondence received from the Country Education Foundation of Paroo Inc. regarding the proposed establishment of the Country Education Foundation of South West Queensland at the Ordinary Council meeting held on 28 October 2025 and resolved the following:

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC233-10-25)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Roger Volz

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the correspondence from the Country Education Foundation of Paroo Inc. regarding the proposal to establish a Country Education Foundation of South West Queensland;

2. Supports, in principle, the concept of a regional collaboration to expand educational support opportunities for South West Queensland students;

3. Requests further information from the Country Education Foundation of Paroo Inc. on governance, expected community commitment, and Council's potential role before confirming formal participation.

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An information session was held in Quilpie in February 2026 and was well attended by interested community members. In response to the strong local interest and engagement, the Foundation has elected to hold its Annual General Meeting in Quilpie at the end of November. The Annual General Meeting will be followed by a General Meeting to assess grant applications, with both meetings available for attendance in person and virtually.

The expansion of CEF Paroo Inc. to Country Education Foundation of South West Queensland broadens the support available to local students and their families and provides an additional avenue of assistance to help address the financial challenges often associated with studying away from home or undertaking further training.

The change of name and adoption of a new Constitution has been supported by Country Education Foundation of Paroo Committee and the applications are currently with the Office of Fair Trading.

Whilst this process is taking place, Council has been requested to assist in promoting the current funding round and maximise awareness of this opportunity to students, families and the broader community, encouraging eligible students to apply.

REPORT

The Country Education Foundation (CEF) Paroo is expanding its area of support to include residents and students from the Paroo, Murweh, Quilpie and Bulloo Shires and is also in the process of changing the name to Country Education Foundation of South West Queensland. As a result, students who live in, or have attended school within, the Quilpie Shire are now eligible to apply for financial assistance through the Foundation.

The Foundation provides grants to assist students undertaking post-school education and training, including university studies, TAFE courses, apprenticeships, traineeships and other accredited training pathways. Funding may be used to support a range of education-related expenses, including accommodation, travel, course fees, equipment and technology.

The current grant round closes on 31 October 2026. In addition to local funding opportunities, successful applicants may also be eligible to access further support through the Foundation's national funding programs.

As a community-funded organisation, the Foundation relies on donations and fundraising activities to provide assistance to students. A matched giving campaign is currently underway, with donations

made before 31 October 2026 being matched dollar-for-dollar up to a total of $7,000, effectively doubling the value of contributions made during this period.

The expansion of the Foundation's catchment area presents a valuable opportunity for Quilpie Shire students to access additional financial support to pursue further education and training. This initiative aligns with Council's objectives of supporting local youth, workforce development and increasing access to educational opportunities for residents of the Shire.

OPTIONS

Option 1 (recommended)

That Council:

1. Support the promotion of the Foundation's grant opportunities through Council communication channels to eligible students, families and educational institutions throughout the Shire;
2. Consider making a financial contribution of $5,000, noting that donations made before 31 October 2026 will be matched dollar-for-dollar through the Foundation's Matched Giving Campaign (up to a total of $7,000), thereby maximising the benefit of Council's contribution and supporting educational opportunities for students across the Quilpie, Bulloo, Murweh and Paroo Shires.

Option 2

That Council receive and note the information provided regarding the Country Education Foundation of Paroo and elect not to provide a financial contribution at this time, while continuing to support the promotion of available grant opportunities to Quilpie Shire students and families through existing Council communication channels.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Consultation and promotion have been undertaken with the Country Education Foundation of Paroo – President, Quilpie Shire Council Community and Business Services and Quilpie community.

INTERESTED PARTIES

Country Education Foundation of Paroo – President

Community and Business Development

Quilpie Shire Community

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive

LEGISLATION / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no legislative or legal implications relative to this report noted at this time.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This report aligns with Council's commitment to supporting youth development, educational opportunities and community capacity building. Promotion of the Country Education Foundation of Paroo grants program assists in raising awareness of opportunities available to local students and supports broader objectives of fostering a skilled, resilient and sustainable community.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There are minimal resource implications associated with this report, with Council's involvement primarily limited to promoting the grant opportunities through existing communication channels and networks.

Should Council choose to make a donation to the Country Education Foundation of Paroo, the financial implication would be limited to the value of the contribution approved by Council. Any

donation made prior to 31 October 2026 will be matched through the Foundation's Matched Giving Campaign, up to a total of $7,000, increasing the impact of the contribution.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct asset management implications arising from this report. The Country Education Foundation Paroo initiative relates to educational support and community development and does not involve the acquisition, construction, maintenance, renewal or disposal of Council-owned assets.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The risks associated with this report are considered low. Promoting the availability of educational grants and support opportunities assists in raising community awareness and encouraging eligible students to access available assistance. Increased participation in education and training can contribute to positive social and economic outcomes for the community and supports Council's broader objectives relating to youth retention, workforce development and community sustainability.

Any decision by Council to support or promote the initiative should be undertaken in a fair and transparent manner and in accordance with relevant Council policies and governance requirements.

Table 1 Risk register

Risk Name & Description	Current Controls	Impacts	Risk Assessment			Risk Treatment
			Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	
Low community awareness of Country Education Fund (CEF) grant opportunities	Information provided by CEF and promotion through Council communication channels.	Eligible students may miss the opportunity to apply for available funding, resulting in reduced educational support outcomes for local residents.	Possible	Minor	Low	Promote the grant program through Council newsletters, social media, website, schools and community networks to maximise awareness prior to the application closing date.

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

Council considered this decision under s 58 of the Human Rights Act 2019 and identified two relevant human rights.

Section 36: Right to education. Section 36 protects every person's right to access further vocational education and training on an equal basis. Promoting the Foundation's grants, and contributing to its funds, helps Quilpie Shire students meet the costs of post-school education and training. The decision promotes this right and does not limit it.

Section 15: Recognition and equality before the law. The grants are open to all eligible students who live in, or attended school in, the Quilpie Shire. Promoting them through Council's channels gives every eligible student the same access to information. The decision does not limit this right.

Council concluded that the decision does not limit any human right and is compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019*.

12.6 LOCAL BUSINESS INNOVATION FUND - ROUND 1 2026

IX: 279708

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Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: Nil

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	5.	Strategic Partnerships
Key Initiative:	5.1	Economic and business development

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Local Business Innovation Fund (LBIF) supports business growth, innovation and economic activity across the Quilpie Shire, with an existing allocation of $100,000 over two years ($50,000 in each of 2026/27 and 2027/28). Round 1 opened on 1 July 2026, with the closing date extended from 28 August to 9 October 2026. Applications were considered against the program guidelines and reviewed by a Councillor Review Panel, with final applications reviewed on 26 October 2026. This report recommends that Council endorse the Round 1 funding allocations detailed in the application register, totalling $106,951.10, and approve a $56,951.10 increase to the current-year funding allocation of $50,000. As outlined in the financial implications, this comprises bringing forward the $50,000 allocation from 2027/28 and providing an additional $6,951.10 above the existing two-year program budget. The proposed allocations would fully commit the increased program funding pool. Following Council's decision, funding agreements, milestone monitoring and mandatory reporting and acquittal requirements will support accountable delivery of the funded projects.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Endorse the Local Business Innovation Fund Round 1 2026 funding allocations detailed in the report table, totalling $106,951.10.
2. Approve an additional Council budget allocation of $56,951.10 to increase the Local Business Innovation Fund funding pool from $50,000 to $106,951.10 and enable the endorsed allocations to be funded in full.

BACKGROUND

Quilpie Shire Council has developed the Local Business Innovation Fund (LBIF) as a targeted economic development initiative to support the growth, resilience and sustainability of local businesses across the Shire. The LBIF is a competitive, two-year grant program with a total funding allocation of $100,000 ($50,000 a year over two years), operating from 1 July 2026 through to 30 June 2028, or until funds are fully expended.

The program has been designed in response to the unique challenges faced by regional and remote businesses, including limited access to capital, evolving customer expectations, and the need to

adopt contemporary digital technologies. Through this initiative, Council aims to act as a catalyst for business innovation by co-investing in projects that deliver tangible economic and community benefits.

The LBIF focuses on three key priority areas: improving business and customer accessibility, enhancing technology and digital capability, and supporting shopfront and premises upgrades. These priorities are intended to strengthen local service delivery, improve customer experience, and promote increased economic activity within the Quilpie Shire.

Funding is structured across three tiers, ranging from micro grants of up to $5,000 through to larger impact grants of up to $30,000, enabling support for projects of varying scale and complexity. A co-contribution model requires applicants to provide at least 50% of project costs, ensuring shared investment and commitment to project outcomes.

Eligible applicants include small and micro businesses, sole traders, partnerships, and commercial operations with a trading component operating within the Quilpie Shire. Projects must demonstrate clear alignment with program objectives, deliver measurable community and economic benefits, and be completed within agreed timeframes.

To support equitable access and build local capacity, Council will also provide, as a bonus, applicants with grant writing assistance (not exclusive to this grant program), including complimentary support sessions to improve the quality of submissions for future grant opportunities and strengthen long-term funding capability within the community.

The LBIF guidelines, application form and supporting Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document have been prepared to provide a clear, transparent and accountable framework for program delivery. These documents outline eligibility requirements, funding priorities, assessment criteria and reporting obligations, ensuring that funding decisions are made consistently and align with Council's strategic objectives for economic development and community sustainability.

REPORT

The LBIF grant process was guided by the program guidelines and applications were considered against this framework, including alignment with the program objectives and the proposed economic and community benefits. The LBIF opened on 1 July 2026 and closed on 28 August 2026 - Round 1 of the grant was subsequently extended until 9 October 2026.

The applications were considered and reviewed by a Councillor Review Panel which consisted of the following panel members:

1. Cr Roger Volz
2. Cr Lyn Barnes
3. Cr Milan Milosevic
4. Cr Tony Lander

The panel minutes were taken and information presented by Corey Richards Deputy Director Community and Business Development and final applications were reviewed on 26 October 2026.

The application outcomes and proposed allocations are summarised in the table below for Council's consideration and endorsement. Following Council's decision, program delivery is supported by funding agreements, milestone monitoring and mandatory reporting and acquittal requirements.

The funding amounts listed below total $106,951.10. Endorsement of these allocations requires an additional Council budget allocation of $6,951.10 above the existing $100,000 funding pool (over the two years).

Table 1: Application Register

Application Number	Applicant Name	Project Title	Total Project Cost	Council Approved Amount	Project Approved for Funding Y/N
LBIF2026-001	The Lake Quilpie	The Lake Road Accessibility Upgrade	$25,454.55	$12,727.27	Y
LBIF2026-002	Toogunna Plains Farmstay	Accessibility Ramp and Handrails	$13,258.67	$6,629.33	Y
LBIF2026-003	Quilpie Mud ‘n’ Suds	Quilpie Mud 'n' Suds - Smart Laundry Upgrade	$15,300.00	$7,650.00	Y
LBIF2026-004	Quilpie Motor Inn	Shop Front and Safety Lighting Upgrade	$29,223.16	$13,850.00	Y
LBIF2026-005	Bonsey Electrical Contracting	Bonsey Electrical Shopfront Enhancement Project	$20,042.66	$0.00	N
LBIF2026-006	Elle’s Newsagency	Shop Front Improvements	$12,951.73	$3,975.00	Y
LBIF2026-007	Quilpie Spell and Weigh Pty Ltd	Shopfront Refurbishment	$30,129.80	$370.00	Y
LBIF2026-008	Foodworks Quilpie	Shopfront Accessibility	$73,926.96	$30,000.00	Y
LBIF2026-009	Quilpie Post Office	Automatic Door Install	$13,919.85	$0.00	N
LBIF2026-010	Quilpie Post Office	Building Restoration/Repaint Project	$97,765.83	$30,000.00	Y
LBIF2026-011	Quilpie Post Office	Airconditioning upgrade	$20,152.00	$0.00	N
LBIF2026-012	The Brick Hotel	Disability Access to Front of Building	$77,545.00	$0.00	N
LBIF2026-013	Bulloo River Rural	Fence Channel Country Helicopters	$13,200.00	$0.00	N
LBIF2026-014	Quilpie Home Appliances (Bi-Rite Quilpie)	Automatic Door	$3,499.00	$1,749.50	Y
		TOTALS	$446,369.21	$106,951.10	

OPTIONS

Option 1 (Recommended)

That Council:

1. Endorse the Local Business Innovation Fund Round 1 2026 funding allocations detailed in the report table, totalling $106,951.10.

2. Approve an additional Council budget allocation of $56,951.10 to increase the Local Business Innovation Fund funding pool from $50,000 to $106,951.10 and enable the endorsed allocations to be funded in full.

Option 2

That Council:

1. Note the Local Business Innovation Fund Round 1 2026 funding applications detailed in the report table.
2. Amend the proposed allocations to remain within the existing advertised $100,000 funding pool.

Option 3

That Council:

1. Note the Local Business Innovation Fund Round 1 2026 funding applications detailed in the report table.
2. Defer endorsement pending further consideration.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Quilpie Shire Combined Business Community

Councillors

Chief Executive Officer

Director Community and Business Development

Director Corporate Services

Deputy Director Corporate Services

INTERESTED PARTIES

The Lake Quilpie

Toogunna Plains Farmstay

Quilpie Mud ‘n’ Suds

Quilpie Motor Inn

Bonsey Electrical Contracting

Elle’s Newsagency

Quilpie Spell and Weigh Pty Ltd

Foodworks Quilpie

Quilpie Post Office

The Brick Hotel

Bulloo River Rural

Quilpie Home Appliances (Bi-Rite Quilpie)

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive.

LEGISLATION / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

C.01 Community Assistance Policy

Clause 3.2 – Principles:

"The process for awarding grants should be open and accountable… [and] grants should be provided in an equitable manner.

F.05 Procurement Policy

G.15 Community Engagement Policy

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The grants program has an existing budget allocation of $100,000 (ex GST) over the 2026/27 and 2027/28 financial years, comprising $50,000 per financial year. The proposed Round 1 2026 funding allocations total $106,951.10, exceeding the existing allocation by $6,951.10. Council approval is sought in two stages, the first, realising the $50,000 from 2027/28 in 2026/27 to provision for contributed grant funds; and sought additional $6,951.10, increasing the total program funding pool to $106,951.10. Funding the proposed allocations in full would exhaust the increased funding pool.

Total proposed Council contribution for the allocations detailed in the report table: $106,951.10. Additional Council funding sought: $56,951.10. The source and financial-year allocation of the additional funding are to be confirmed through Council's budget process.

This program is not being externally funded.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no asset implications because of this report.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Risks are managed in accordance with the Council's Enterprise Risk Management Policy (G.11) and Framework (G.11-A).

Table 2 Risk register

Risk Name & Description *What could happen and why?*	**Current Controls** *Are there current controls for the risk*	**Impacts** *Impact if the risk eventuates*	**Risk Assessment**			**Risk Treatment** *Depending on risk rating - implement additional controls / mitigation strategy (to reduce risk rating)*
			Likelihood	**Consequence**	**Risk Rating**	
			Risk calculator provided for measures			
High demand exceeding available funding	Defined funding pool and assessment criteria established	Business Community dissatisfaction and perception of inequity	Likely	3 Moderate	High	Apply transparent assessment criteria; clearly communicate competitive nature and funding limits.
Ineligible or non-compliant applications submitted	Eligibility criteria clearly outlined in the guidelines and the application form	Increased administrative burden and delays in assessment	Possible	2 Minor	Medium	Provide clear guidance through Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) and support sessions to improve applicant understanding.
Applicants unable to meet the co-contribution requirement	The co-contribution requirement is clearly defined.	Reduced accessibility for some businesses	Possible	3 Moderate	Medium	Provide guidance on co-contribution options and offer grant writing/business support.

Risk evaluation and conclusion

The primary risks identified relate to program uptake, equitable distribution of funding, project delivery, and compliance with funding requirements. Controls have been incorporated through the development of comprehensive program guidelines, application and acquittal processes, and grant-writing and business support. The residual risk associated with low uptake and uneven access to

funding is assessed as medium, with mitigation measures including targeted promotion, clear communication, and applicant support. Risks relating to project delivery and acquittal compliance are also assessed as medium and are mitigated through funding agreements, milestone monitoring, and mandatory reporting requirements.

Overall, the risk assessment demonstrates that the proposed implementation of the Local Business Innovation Fund can proceed with manageable risk. Adequate controls are in place to ensure the program is delivered transparently, equitably and in accordance with Council policy, with appropriate governance mechanisms supporting accountability and effective use of public funds.

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

Council has considered its obligations under the *Human Rights Act 2019.* In accordance with section 4(b), Council must act compatibly with human rights and give proper consideration to relevant rights when making decisions.

For this proposal, the rights potentially engaged include the right to take part in public life and the right to equality and non-discrimination. The program supports equitable access to funding opportunities for local businesses and community enterprises, including small operators and not-for-profit organisations operating within the Quilpie Shire. The inclusion of grant writing and business support further promotes accessibility by assisting applicants who may have limited experience in preparing funding applications. The program's transparent guidelines, clear eligibility criteria and structured assessment process support fair and consistent decision-making. Council considers that the Local Business Innovation Fund promotes positive economic and community outcomes without limiting any human rights. The proposal is reasonable, proportionate and compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019*.

13 CORPORATE SERVICES

13.1 FINANCIAL SERVICES REPORT MONTH ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2026.

IX: **280570**

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Attachments: **1. Finance Report September 2026.pdf**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	9.	Finances and Resources
Key Initiative:	9.3	Financial planning
	9.4	Financial accountability
	9.5	Financial policies and processes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present the monthly financial report to Council in accordance with section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* for the period ended 30 September 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the Monthly Finance Report for the period ending 30 September 2026.

BACKGROUND

Section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* requires a financial report to be presented at a meeting of Council each month. The report must provide an update on Council's progress against the adopted budget for the financial year, covering a period as close as practicable to the end of the preceding month. This ensures that Councillors receive timely and accurate financial information to support informed oversight and decision-making.

The Monthly Finance Report is prepared to provide Council with accurate, timely, and transparent financial information to support informed oversight, decision-making, and accountability. It includes:

1. Operating results, revenue, and expenditure;
2. Capital revenue and expenditure;
3. Cash, investment, and liquidity positions;
4. Budget variances and explanations; and
5. Progress against key financial ratios and performance indicators.

REPORT

Operating result

The month of September 2026 constitutes 25% of the 2026/27 financial year. The operating position 30 September 2026 is an operating surplus of $3,447,479.

Operating revenue

Operating revenue recognised to the end of September 2026 is $11.937 million, which is 10.9% of the adopted budget for 2026/27:

- Net rates and utility charges is at $5.1 million following the levy 1 being issued in August 2026.
- Fees and charges income of $136,427 is at 65% of the budget following the training reimbursements and various miscellaneous income.
- Rental income is $204,358 or 24% of the budget.
- Interest received includes bank interest and interest received from overdue rates and utility charges. Total interest received is at 37% of the budget:
  - Queensland Treasury Corporation investment interest received to September is $396,342
  - Term deposit investments with NAB, AMP, Defence and Judo Banks have slightly higher interest rates returning $370,030 (interest received and accrued) to date; and
- Other income totalling $775,252 is significantly over budget following receipt of $500k from insurance claims and plant auctions held.
- Recoverable works revenue includes sales revenue; contract works for the Department of Transport and Main Roads and other private works. Revenue for contract works (RMPC and Contracts) may be impacted by the timing of claims. The revenue to September is at 16% of the Recoverable works budget.
- Operating grants and subsidies are at 4% of the budget.

Operating expenses

Operating expenses of $8.489 million have been expended to the end of September 2026 which is 8% of the budget:

- Corporate governance is on budget at 28%, with $534k expended.
- Administration costs are at $875k and below budget at 14%.
- Community service expenses are below the budget at 6%. Expenditure is expected to increase following the onboarding of community and resilience officers.
- Utilities costs are the expenses associated with providing water, sewerage and waste services. These costs to 30 September 2026 total $294k which is 19% of the budget.
- Recoverable works and flood damage expenses are at 8% of budget estimates. This is expected to increase in the coming months. Flood damage expense budgets are based on the total of all QRA approved submissions.
- Environmental health expenses include pest management, stock routes, reserves, animal control. Expenditure to September totalled $83,700 or 11% of the budget.
- Net plant operations are at ($226k) which represents 17% of the budget.
- Tourism and economic development expenditure is at $239k and slightly below budget at 20%.
- Infrastructure maintenance costs are slightly below budget at 19%, totalling $0.633 million in expenditure.
- Finance costs are administration costs associated with the at call investment with Queensland Treasury Corporation which is higher than budget at 34%.

- Depreciation expense at the end of September is nil. It will be processed once the financial statements for 2025/26 are finalised and the asset module is rolled forward.

Capital revenue

Capital revenue includes both grants and subsidies where the funding has been confirmed and where funding is yet to be approved. Capital grant revenue is revenue recognised based on actual expenditure and the funding agreement terms.

Capital grant revenue recognised to August is $41,250

Table 1 Capital revenue

Capital Grant	Actual YTD	Budget
Eromanga Natural History Museum (ENHM) Stage 3	-	14,800,000
Energy Funding	-	77,081
Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA)		1,270,640
Eromanga Bore (subject to external funding application and approval)	-	1,380,000
Roads to Recovery (R2R) Revenue	-	1,352,401
Gyrica Gardens extension (Design)	-	250,000
Sewerage Treatment Plant (subject to external funding application and approval)	-	11,861,194
Quilpie Aerodrome - Disability Standards Upgrade Program (DSUP)	41,250	75,000
Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program (SLRIP)	-	1,840,000
Works for Queensland (W4Q) 24-27	-	710,000
Residential Activation Fund (RAF) (subject in part to external funding application and approval)	-	8,630,261
Airport Pavement Reconstruction	-	11,607,375
Childcare centre (subject to external funding application and approval)	-	3,000,000
Battery Collection Project	-	37,099
TOTAL	**$41,250**	**$56,891,051**

Capital expenditure

Payments for property plant and equipment to 30 September 2026 is **$1.249 million**.

The adopted capital budget for 2026/27 is $73.74 million, with a few large projects included to commence in the first quarter of the year.

Cash and investments

At 30 September 2026, Council's total cash and investments amounted to $52,943,971 with the detailed breakdown provided in Table 2.

Table 2 Cash and investments

Description	Balance
National Australia Bank (NAB) Ltd - Cash/General Fund	$1,641,441 *
Queensland Treasury Corporation Call Cash Fund	$31,137,522 *
National Australia Bank (NAB) Ltd EFRP *(Exclusion Fencing Recovery Program)* – Corporate account	$165,008
National Australia Bank (NAB) Ltd – Term Deposit (6 months at 5.2%)	$3,000,000
National Australia Bank (NAB) Ltd – Term Deposit (3 months at 4.9%)	$2,000,000
National Australia Bank (NAB) Ltd – Term Deposit (6 months at 5.1%)	$2,000,000

Description	Balance
National Australia Bank (NAB) Ltd – Term Deposit (6 months at 5.15%)	$2,000,000
Defence Bank – Term Deposit (9 months at 4.8%)	$5,000,000
Judo Bank – Term Deposit (6 months at 5.4%)	$3,000,000
Judo Bank – Term Deposit (6 months at 5.25%)	$3,000,000
TOTAL	**$52,943,971**

* including accrued interest

Council's restricted cash at the end of September was $23,433,354 (unspent grant receipts).

Council's unrestricted cash at the end of September was $29,510,617

Unrestricted cash expense cover ratio

Type	Liquidity
Calculation	$\frac{\textit{Total Cash and Equivalents add Current Investments add Available Ongoing QTC Working Capital Facility Limit less Externally Restricted Cash}}{\textit{Total Operating Expenditure less Depreciation and Amortisation less Finance Costs x 12}}$
Description	The unrestricted cash expense cover ratio is an indicator of the unconstrained liquidity available to a council to meet ongoing and emergent financial demands, which is a key component to solvency. It represents the number of months a council can continue operating based on current monthly expenses.
Target	Tier 7 – greater than 4 months
Actual Current Yr.	3.5 months

Externally restricted cash

As at 30 September 2026, Council's total contract liabilities amounted to $23,433,354, representing advance payments for grants and other funding received. In accordance with Accounting Standards, this revenue is not recognised until the associated works have been completed. A detailed breakdown of contract liabilities is provided in Table 3.

Table 3 Grant / Contract Liabilities on 30 September 2026

Grant / Contract	Contract Liability
Sundry Apprentice Incentive Funds	$1,099
Community Energy upgrade	$46,249
Battery Collection Project	$2,263
Works for Queensland - 24-26	$607,646
Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) Airport Upgrade	$3,482,212
Residential Activation Fund	$1,967,107
Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) March 2025 Restoration Works	$4,799,095
Exclusion Fencing Recovery Program (EFRP) Grant Delivery	$165,008
Townhouse Estate Development	$4,801,964

Eromanga Natural History Museum (ENHM) Stage 3	$7,000,000
Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Program (QRRRP) 2526B Queensland Betterment Fund (QBF)	$141,192
Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Program (QRRRP) 2526B Hazard and Risk Priority Fund – Activity (HRA)	$383,250
Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) December 2025 Restoration Works	$36,269
Total	**$23,433,354**

Grant/Contract assets

At 30 September 2026, Council's total contract assets amounted to $2,073,317. These represent grant and contract funds yet to be received, where revenue is recognised based on actual expenditure incurred in accordance with the relevant funding agreements. A detailed breakdown of contract assets is provided in Table 4.

Table 4 Grant / Contract Assets on 30 September 2026

Grant / Contract	Contract Asset
Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) September 2022 Restoration Works	$15,463
DRFA 2023 Restoration Works	$67
DRFA November 2024 Emergent Works	$31
DRFA March 2025 Emergent Works	$7,467
DRFA March 2025 Immediate Restoration Works	$1,349,755
DRFA 24 Restoration	$517,591
Works for Queensland (W4Q)	$62,457
Toompine Aerodrome Upgrade	$37,153
Exclusion Fencing Recovery Program (EFRP)	$83,334
Total	**$2,073,317**

OPTIONS

Option 1 (Recommended)

That Council receive and note the Monthly Finance Report for the period ending 30 September 2026.

Option 2

That Council not accept the Monthly Finance Report for the period ending 30 September 2026.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Chief Executive Officer

Executive Leadership Team

Finance and Administration Team

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The Monthly Finance Report has been prepared and presented in compliance with section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Specifically, the report:

- Has been prepared for the relevant reporting period and presented to Council within the required monthly timeframe;
- Reports on Council's financial performance against the adopted budget for the financial year to date, using information current to a date as near as practicable to the end of the preceding month; and
- Presents financial information in a form that enables Council to assess operating results, revenue and expenditure trends, capital performance, liquidity, and financial position.

The content, structure, and timing of the report ensure Council meets its statutory obligation to monitor and oversee financial performance on an ongoing basis. Internal financial controls, reconciliation processes, and review by senior management support the accuracy and reliability of the information presented.

Accordingly, receipt and noting of this report satisfies Council's legislative reporting obligations and does not give rise to any non-compliance, enforcement, or legal risk.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

FINANCIAL AND REVENUE IMPLICATIONS

As outlined in this report and the attachments.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The risks associated with the Monthly Finance Report have been assessed in accordance with Council's Enterprise Risk Management Policy (G.11) and Risk Management Framework (G.11-A).

The preparation and presentation of the report use established financial systems, internal controls, reconciliations, and management review processes that are embedded in Council's monthly financial reporting cycle. These controls mitigate risks relating to financial misstatement, incomplete reporting, non-compliance with statutory timeframes, and decision-making based on inaccurate or untimely information.

Table 5 Risk Register

Risk Name & Description *What could happen and why?*	**Current Controls** *Are there current controls for the risk*	**Impacts** *Impact if the risk eventuates*	**Risk Assessment**			**Risk Treatment** *Depending on risk rating - implement additional controls / mitigation strategy (to reduce risk rating)*
			Likelihood	**Consequence**	**Risk Rating**	
			Risk calculator provided for measures			
Financial report not monthly	Standard agenda item	Non-compliance with legislative requirements	Rare	Minor	Low	Ensure that more than 1 staff member can prepare monthly finance report
Financial report does not state progress in relation to budget	Template for monthly finance report includes required format	Non-compliance with legislative requirements Financial information presented to Council not in required format	Rare	Minor	Low	Not applicable

Following assessment, the residual risk associated with receiving and noting the report is assessed as **low**. On this basis, the risks associated with the report are considered acceptable and appropriately managed within Council's existing governance and financial management frameworks.

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

In preparing and presenting the Financial Services Report, Council has considered its obligations under Section 58 *Human Rights Act 2019* to act and make decisions in a way that is compatible with human rights and to give proper consideration to human rights relevant to the decision.

The decision before Council is administrative and financial in nature and relates solely to receiving and noting information on Council's financial performance against the adopted budget.

The human rights relating to equality before the law, participation in public life, privacy and reputation, and access to information are engaged through the transparent reporting of Council's financial position in an open Council meeting, consistent with statutory reporting requirements. These rights are supported by providing Councillors and the community with accurate, timely, and accessible financial information to enable informed oversight and accountability.

No human rights are limited by the preparation or consideration of this report. The reporting process supports good governance, transparency, and accountability, and is therefore compatible with all human rights protected under the *Human Rights Act 2019*.

Income Statement

For the month ending 30 September 2026

Year Elapsed 25%

	Actual Sept	Actual YTD	Amended Budget	%
REVENUE				
Operating Revenue				
Rates, Levies and Charges	(702)	5,100,849	10,212,812	50%
Fees and Charges	19,021	136,427	209,625	65%
Rental Income	59,991	204,358	834,318	24%
Interest Received	512,683	1,124,300	3,021,775	37%
Other Income	272,610	775,252	20,000	3876%
Recoverable Works Revenue	253,268	1,014,262	6,411,716	16%
Grants and Subsidies	1,807,779	3,581,624	89,060,447	4.0%
Total Operating Revenue	**2,924,650**	**11,937,071**	**109,770,693**	**10.9%**
EXPENSES				
Operating Expenses				
Corporate Governance	112,567	534,244	1,927,266	**28%**
Administration Costs	149,238	875,053	6,380,798	**14%**
Community Service Expenses	849,166	1,862,272	32,931,583	**6%**
Utilities Costs	94,836	294,040	1,542,985	**19%**
Recoverable Works / Flood Damage	2,250,139	4,185,525	55,396,344	**8%**
Environmental Health Expenses	14,197	83,700	740,273	**11%**
Net Plant Operations	7,135	(226,367)	(1,320,354)	**17%**
Tourism and Economic Development	67,842	238,825	1,192,854	**20%**
Infrastructure Maintenance	177,111	632,788	3,332,554	**19%**
Finance Costs	3,059	9,512	28,000	**34%**
Depreciation and Amortisation	-	-	8,602,759	**0%**
Total Operating Expenses	**3,725,290**	**8,489,592**	**110,755,062**	**8%**
NET OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	**(800,640)**	**3,447,479**	**(984,369)**	
Capital Revenue				
Grants and Subsidies	-	41,250	56,891,051	0%
Gain / (Loss) on Disposal of PPE	27,273	27,273	-	
Total Capital Revenue	27,273	**68,523**	**56,891,051**	**0%**
NET RESULT	**(773,368)**	**3,516,001**	**55,906,682**	**6%**

Statement of Financial Position

For the month ending 30 September 2026

	Actual Sept	Amended Budget	%
Current Assets			
Cash and Equivalents	52,943,971	25,770,097	205%
Trade Receivables	2,805,445	1,176,786	238%
Rate Receivables	2,734,626	527,573	518%
Inventories	1,137,659	1,063,019	107%
Total Current Assets	**59,621,702**	**28,537,475**	**209%**
Non-Current Assets			
Trade and Other Receivables	29,741	34,479	86%
Property, Plant and Equipment	328,183,787	312,847,238	105%
Capital Works in Progress	5,674,171	68,730,830	8%
Total Non-Current Assets	**333,887,700**	**381,612,547**	**87%**
TOTAL ASSETS	**393,509,401**	**410,150,022**	**96%**
Current Liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables	24,137,132	460,764	5239%
Employee Leave Provisions	1,412,429	1,349,222	105%
Total Current Liabilities	**25,549,561**	**1,809,986**	**1412%**
Non-Current Liabilities			
Employee Leave Provisions	115,104	75,469	153%
Total Non-Current Liabilities	**115,104**	**75,469**	**153%**
TOTAL LIABILITIES	**25,664,665**	**1,885,456**	**1361%**
NET COMMUNITY ASSETS	**367,844,737**	**408,264,566**	**90%**
Community Equity			
Shire Capital Account	88,402,906	142,293,956	62%
Asset Revaluation Reserve	244,241,842	230,766,104	106%
Current Year Surplus	3,225,206	55,906,682	6%
Accumulated Surplus (B/Fwd)	31,974,783	- 20,702,176	-154%
TOTAL COMMUNITY EQUITY	**367,844,737**	**408,264,566**	**90%**

Cash Flow Statement

For the month ending 30 September 2026

Year Elapsed 25%

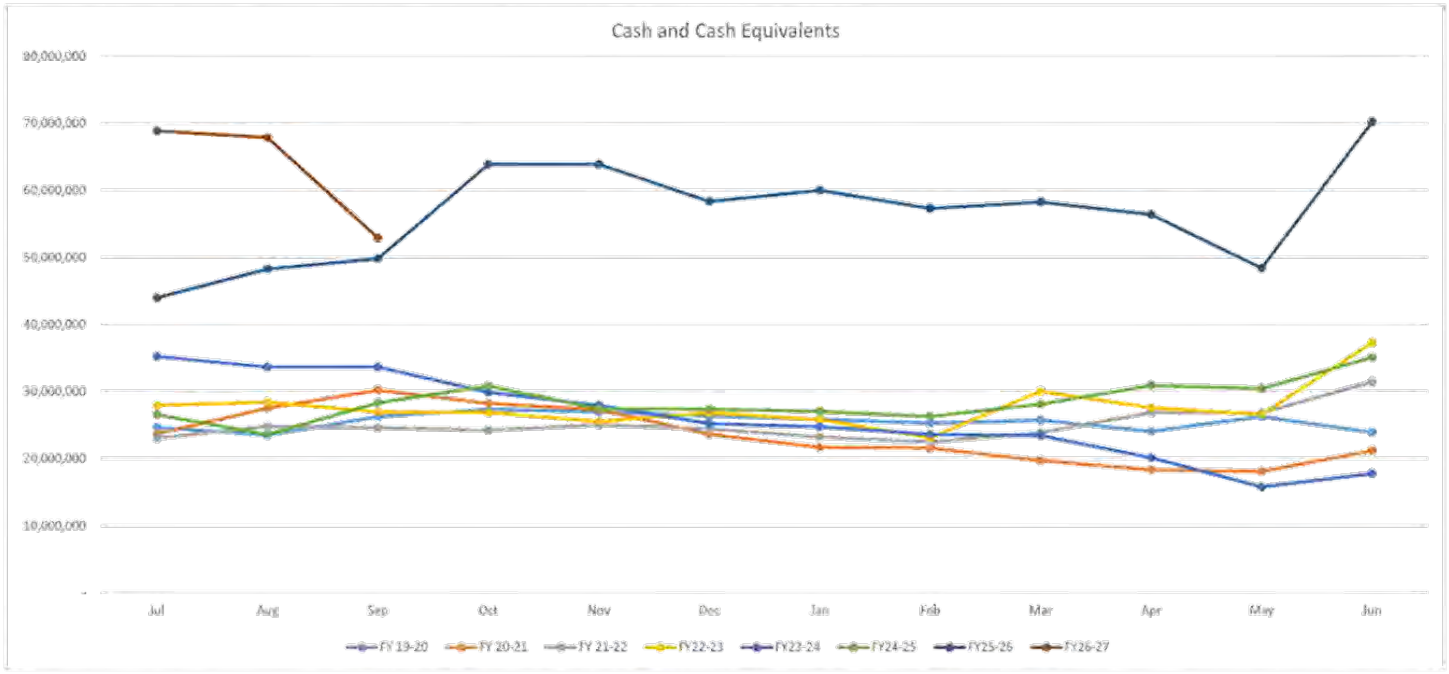
	Actual Sept	Amended Budget	%
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Receipts from customers	4,282,537	16,854,153	25%
Payment to suppliers and employees	(10,042,858)	(102,152,303)	10%
	(5,760,323)	**(85,298,150)**	**7%**
Interest received	881,305	3,021,775	29%
Rental income	204,358	834,318	24%
Operating grants and subsidies	3,577,624	68,004,196	5%
Net Cash Inflow (Outflow) from Operating Activities	**(1,097,036)**	**(13,437,861)**	**8%**
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
Payments for property, plant and equipment	(1,249,072)	(70,973,088)	2%
Payments for Intangible Assets	-	-	
Net movement on loans and advances	-	3,750	0%
Proceeds from sale of assets	27,273	-	0%
Capital grants and subsidies	41,250	39,961,119	0%
Net Cash Inflow (Outflow) from Investing Activities	**(1,180,549)**	**(31,008,219)**	**4%**
Cash Flows from Financing Activities			
Repayments of loans	-	-	0%
Net Cash Inflow (Outflow) from Financing Activities	**-**	**-**	0%
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash Held	**(2,277,585)**	**(44,446,080)**	
Cash at beginning of reporting period	55,221,556	70,216,177	
Cash at End of Reporting Period	**52,943,971**	**25,770,097**	

Financial Data

For the month ending 30 September 2026

Cash and Equivalents

Cash and Equivalents held at the end of each month for a period of 6+ years



Month	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
FY 18-19	24,645,339	19,416,468	20,658,115	20,218,396	21,367,850	21,712,663	21,496,078	21,904,409	21,840,431	21,121,655	23,013,177	24,645,339
FY 19-20	24,671,551	23,535,958	26,256,800	27,367,857	26,953,500	26,393,586	25,865,667	25,326,981	25,726,670	24,102,136	26,312,322	23,927,800
FY 20-21	23,726,766	27,543,742	30,208,159	28,241,316	27,312,776	23,654,673	21,675,829	21,585,261	19,715,656	18,319,491	18,093,239	21,191,653
FY 21-22	23,086,462	24,832,275	24,642,707	24,261,564	25,072,828	24,452,004	23,258,895	22,491,538	23,871,859	26,878,307	26,817,458	31,457,677
FY22-23	27,939,994	28,445,824	26,999,467	26,892,016	25,530,823	26,841,302	25,836,843	23,147,162	30,022,835	27,590,275	26,616,525	37,291,120
FY23-24	35,261,406	33,667,778	33,667,880	29,928,198	27,974,197	25,216,741	24,783,957	23,619,505	23,440,639	20,157,423	15,793,453	17,776,932
FY24-25	26,585,358	23,589,316	28,332,175	30,832,212	27,442,532	27,367,285	27,083,502	26,317,857	28,133,022	30,936,088	30,470,103	35,109,061
FY25-26	43,998,462	48,274,162	49,839,312	63,909,037	63,896,597	58,380,341	60,008,997	57,324,199	58,289,043	56,411,887	48,412,310	70,216,177
FY26-27	68,872,951	67,887,818	52,943,971									

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1000-0001	CORPORATE GOVERNANCE								
1000-0002	EXECUTIVE SERVICES								
1000-2000-0000	Executive Services Salaries and Oncosts	CEO				133,162	568,057	23%	
1000-2020-0000	Executive Services Expenses	CEO				20,140	162,720	12%	
1000-2025-0000	Subscriptions	CEO				129,131	133,673	97%	Annual membership SWQROC & LGAQ
1000-0002	EXECUTIVE SERVICES		-	-	0%	282,433	864,450	33%	
1100-0002	COUNCILLORS EXPENSES								
1100-2000-0000	Councillor Wages	CEO				98,852	333,154	30%	
1100-2001-0000	Councillor Remuneration - Meetings	CEO				-	65,253	0%	
1100-2020-0000	Councillors Allowances & Expenditure	CEO				15,653	4,500	348%	To be journalled
1100-2025-0000	Councillor Superannuation	CEO				11,862	47,809	25%	
1100-2026-0000	Councillor Advocacy	CEO				323	30,000	1%	
1100-2027-0000	Councillor Community Engagement	CEO				-	5,000	0%	
1100-2030-0000	Councillor Professional Dev Training	CEO				-	5,000	0%	
1100-2040-0000	Councillors Conferences & Deputation	CEO				3,312	25,000	13%	
1100-2050-0000	Election Expenses	CEO				-	-	0%	
1100-2060-0000	Meeting Expenses	CEO				3,224	12,600	26%	
1100-0002	COUNCILLORS EXPENSES		-	-	0%	133,226	528,316	25%	
1200-0002	GOVERNANCE EXPENSES								
1200-2200-0000	Governance Operating Expenses	MGC				81,424	395,500	21%	
1200-0002	GOVERNANCE EXPENSES		-	-	0%	81,424	395,500	21%	
1300-0003	MEDIA & COMMUNICATIONS								
1300-2200-0000	Media & Comms Operating Expenses					28,784	90,000	32%	
1300-0003	MEDIA & COMMUNICATIONS		-	-	0%	28,784	90,000	32%	
1000-0001	CORPORATE GOVERNANCE		-	-	0%	525,866	1,878,266	28%	
2100-0002	ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE								
2100-2220-0000	Shire Office Operating Expenses	MFA				42,130	215,400	20%	
2100-2020-0000	Consultants	MFA				-	-	0%	
2100-2230-0000	Insurance	MFA				98,155	96,120	102%	Annual LGM Liability m'ship
2100-2280-0000	Postage	MFA				1,973	5,000	39%	
2100-2290-0000	Printing & Stationery	MFA				4,171	30,000	14%	
2100-2330-0000	Shire Office Repairs & Maintenance	MFA				13,561	15,000	90%	Modifications works in Boardroom
2100-2600-0000	Depn General Admin	MFA				-	111,754	0%	
2100-0002	ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE		-	-	0%	159,989	473,274	34%	
2105-0002-0000	FINANCIAL SERVICES								
2105-2120-0000	Audit Fees	MFA				-	118,000	0%	
2105-2130-0000	Bank Charges	MFA				2,956	7,000	42%	
2105-2135-0000	Dishonoured Cheques	MFA				-	-	0%	
2105-2185-0000	Fringe Benefits Tax	MFA				2,596	13,000	20%	
2105-2220-0000	Financial Services Operating Expenses	MFA				173,931	1,160,062	15%	
2105-2260-0000	Bad Debts Expense	MFA				-	3,415,871	0%	
2105-2500-0000	Valuation of Assets	MFA				10,150	40,000	25%	
2105-2510-0000	Asset Management Expenses	MFA				28,874	10,000	289%	Annual mapping
2105-2991-0000	Odd Cents Rounding Expense	MFA				-	-	0%	
2105-0002-0000	FINANCIAL SERVICES		-	-	0%	218,507	4,763,933	5%	
2110-0002	STORES								
2110-1550-0000	Auction Sales	MFA	284,560	-	0%		-		
2110-2220-0000	Stores and Procurement Operating Expenses	MFA				43,915	275,000	16%	

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2110-2225-0000	Stores Write-Offs	MFA				995	-		
2110-2250-0000	Auction Expenses	MFA				-	-		
2110-2815-0000	Stores Oncosts Recoveries	MFA				(35,889)	(122,000)	29%	
2110-0002	**STORES**		284,560	-	0%	9,021	153,000	6%	
2120-0002	**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**								
2120-2220-0000	IT Operating Expenses	MFA				216,188	506,448	43%	
2120-0002	**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**		-	-	0%	216,188	506,448	43%	
2130-0002	**RECORDS MANAGEMENT**								
2130-2220-0000	Records Management Operating Expenses	MFA				28,440	126,032	23%	
2130-0002	**RECORDS MANAGEMENT**		-	-	0%	28,440	126,032	23%	
2140-0002	**CUSTOMER SERVICE**								
2140-2220-0000	Customer Service Operating Expenses	MFA				16,560	133,000	0%	
2140-0002	**CUSTOMER SERVICE**		-	-	0%	16,560	133,000	0%	
2200-0002	**RATES & CHARGES**								
2210-0003	**General Rates - Residential Categories**								
2210-1000-0000	Rates - Residential	MFA	98,321	197,414	50%				
2210-1005-0000	Interest on Rates	MFA	1,547	3,000	52%				
2210-1080-0000	Discount - Residential	MFA	-	-	0%				
2210-1085-0000	Pensioner Rebates	MFA	(4,083)	(6,000)	68%				
2210-1090-0000	Writeoffs and Refunds	MFA	(8)	(1,000)	1%				
2210-1095-0000	Charge on Land	MFA	(0)	-	0%				
2210-0003	**General Rates - Residential Categories**		95,797	193,414	50%	-	-	0%	
2220-0003	**General Rates - Commercial**								
2220-1000-0000	Rates - Commercial	MFA	37,053	74,800	50%				
2220-1080-0000	Discount - Commercial	MFA	-	-	0%				
2220-1090-0000	Write Off & Refund - Commercial	MFA	-	(500)	0%				
2220-1105-0000	Interest on Rates - Commercial	MFA	43	500	9%				
2220-0003	**General Rates - Commercial**		37,095	74,800	50%				
2230-0003	**General Rates - Rural Categories**								
2230-1000-0000	Rates - Rural Categories	MFA	968,155	1,939,532	50%				
2230-1005-0000	Interest on Rates - Rural	MFA	3,398	13,000	26%				
2230-1080-0000	Discount - Rural Categories	MFA	-	-	0%				
2230-0003	**General Rates - Rural Categories**		971,553	1,952,532	50%	-	-	0%	
2236-0003	**General Rates - Oil and Gas Activity**								
2236-1000-0000	Rates - Oil and Gas Activities	MFA	2,984,618	5,970,885	50%				
2236-1001-0000	Adjustment - Rates Oil & Gas Activit	MFA	-	-	0%				
2236-1005-0000	Interest on Rates - Oil and Gas	MFA	343,206	1,420,000	24%				
2236-1080-0000	Discount - Oil and Gas Activities	MFA	-	-	0%				
2236-1090-0000	Write-offs and Refunds - Oil and Gas	MFA	(10)	(3,000)	0%				
2236-0003	**General Rates - Oil and Gas Activity**		3,327,815	7,387,885	45%	-	-	0%	
2240-0003	**Rates & Charges Administration**								
2240-2000-0000	Rates & Charges Operating Expense	MFA				38,938	150,000	26%	
2240-0003	**Rates & Charges Administration**		-	-	0%	38,938	150,000	26%	
2200-0002	**RATES & CHARGES**		4,432,260	9,608,631	46%	38,938	150,000	26%	
2295-0002	**GRANTS**								
2295-1100-0000	FA Grant - General Component	MFA	395,387	7,747,900	5%				Bulk of payments to be recived in June 2027

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2295-1130-0000	FA Grant - Identified Road Component	MFA	112,799	2,205,377	5%				Bulk of payments to be recived in June 2027
2296-1100-0000	Grant - Roads to Recovery	DES	-	-	0%				
2296-1120-0000	Grant - Scheme Supply Fund	CEO	-	50,000	0%				
2296-1110-0000	Grant - Housing Support Program	CEO	-	-	0%				
2296-1140-0000	Grant - Active Transport Program 26/27	DIS	-	37,500	0%				
2297-1000-0000	SWQ Water and Sewerage Alliance Revenue	DES	-	-	0%				
2297-2000-0000	SWQ Water and Sewerage Alliance Costs	DES		-	0%	-	-		
2298-1200-0000	Capital Grant - SES Donation	MFA	-	-	0%				
2298-1204-0000	Capital Grant - SES Support Grant	MFA	-	-	0%				
2298-1205-0000	Cap Grant - LRCIP Programme Round 3	MFA	-	-	0%				
2298-1206-0000	Capital Grant - LRCIP Programme Round 4 Part A	MFA	-	-	0%				
2298-1207-0000	Capital Grant - LRCIP Programme Round 4 Part B	MFA	-	-	0%				
2298-1208-0000	Capital Grant - ENHM Stage 3	MFA	-	14,800,000	0%				
2298-1209-0000	Capital Grant - Energy Funding		-	77,081	0%				
2298-1210-0000	Capital Grant - RAUP Toompine	MFA	-	-	0%				
2298-1211-0000	Capital Grant - QRA	DIS	-	1,270,640	0%				
2298-1212-0000	Capital Grant - Eromanga Bore	DIS	-	1,380,000	0%				
2298-1220-0000	Capital Grant - LGGSP - Townhouses	MFA	-	-	0%				
2298-1270-0000	Cap Grant - R2R Revenue	MFA	-	1,352,401	0%				
2298-1275-0000	Capital Grant - BOR Quilpie STP Design	MFA	-	-	0%				
2298-1280-0000	Cap Grant - LGGSP - Quilpie Airport Upgrade Design	MFA	-	-	0%				
2298-1285-0000	Cap Grant - Gyrica Gardens Extension (Design)	DIS	-	250,000	0%				
2298-1288-0000	Cap Grant - W4Q 24-27	MFA	-	710,000	0%				
2298-1289-0000	Capital Grant - LGGSP - Quilpie Sewerage Treatment Plant (Subject to funding)	MFA	-	11,861,194	0%				
2298-1290-0000	Cap Grant - Quilpie Aerodrome DSUP	DIS	41,250	75,000	55%				
2298-1291-0000	Capital Grant - SLRIP	DIS	-	1,840,000	0%				
2298-1292-0000	Capital Grant - Res Activation Fund	MFA	-	8,630,261	0%				
2298-1293-0000	Capital Grant - Quilie Airport Upgra	MFA	-	11,607,375	0%				
2298-1294-0000	Capital Grant - Disaster Ready Fund	MFA	-	-	0%				
2298-1296-0000	Capital Grant - Country Roads Connec	MFA	-	-	0%				
2298-1298-0000	Capital Grant - Battery Collection Project	DIS	-	37,099	0%				
2298-1299-0000	Capital Grant - Childcare centre	CEO	-	3,000,000	0%				
2295-0002	**GRANTS**		**549,436**	**66,931,828**	**1%**	**-**	**-**	**0%**	
2300-0002	**OTHER REVENUE**								
2300-1500-0000	Administration Fees (GST Applies)	MFA	19	5,000	0%				
2300-1510-0000	Admin Fees (GST Exempt)	MFA	3,369	5,000	67%				
2300-1601-0000	Fire Levy Commission	MFA	-	4,000	0%				
2300-1800-0000	Bank Interest Received	MFA	5,133	15,000	34%				
2300-1810-0000	Investment Interest	MFA	766,372	1,560,000	49%				
2300-1990-0000	Miscellaneous Income	MFA	29,191	2,000	1459%				Reimb of training Course - BR1 Adj
2300-1995-0000	Misc Income GST Free	MFA	23,708	2,000	1185%				
2300-2130-0000	Investment Admin Fees	MFA		0%		9,512	28,000	34%	
2310-1300-0000	Quilpie Club Rent	MFA	-	500	0%				
2310-2300-0000	Quilpie Club Expenses	MFA				304	500	61%	
2300-0002	**OTHER REVENUE**		**827,792**	**1,593,500**	**52%**	**9,816**	**28,500**	**34%**	
2400-0002	**EMPLOYEE ONCOSTS**								
2400-2010-0000	Expense Annual Leave	MFA				205,138	680,000	30%	
2400-2011-0000	Expense Long Service Leave	MFA				31,379	151,000	21%	
2400-2012-0000	Expense Sick Leave	MFA				66,496	230,000	29%	
2400-2013-0000	Expense Public Holiday	MFA				24,906	220,000	11%	
2400-2015-0000	Expense Bereavement Leave	MFA				1,621	4,000	41%	
2400-2016-0000	Expense Domestic Violence Leave	MFA				-	2,000	0%	
2400-2020-0000	Expense Maternity Leave	MFA				-	7,000	0%	
2400-2025-0000	Expense - Phone Allowance	MFA				666	15,000	4%	
2400-2065-0000	Expense Super Contributions	MFA				199,433	720,000	28%	

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2400-2230-0000	Expense Workers Compensation	MFA				114,257	106,000	108%	Workers comp annual insurance
2400-2315-0000	Expense Employee Relocation	MFA				-	10,000	0%	
2400-2410-0000	Expense WH&S	MFA				81,785	298,500	27%	
2400-2821-0000	Recovery Annual Leave	MFA				(157,446)	(680,000)	23%	
2400-2822-0000	Recovery Sick Leave	MFA				(40,840)	(230,000)	18%	
2400-2823-0000	Recovery LSL	MFA				(35,004)	(151,000)	23%	
2400-2824-0000	Recovery Public Holidays	MFA				(53,583)	(220,000)	24%	
2400-2825-0000	Recovery Superannuation	MFA				(166,898)	(720,000)	23%	
2400-2826-0000	Recovery Workers Comp	MFA				(24,407)	(106,000)	23%	
2400-2827-0000	Recovery Training	MFA				(58,345)	(238,000)	25%	
2400-2828-0000	Recovery WH&S	MFA				(73,511)	(310,000)	24%	
2400-2829-0000	Recovery Contractors	MFA				(101,959)	(240,000)	42%	
2400-2830-0000	Recovery Office Equipment	MFA				(18,746)	(80,000)	23%	
2400-2831-0000	Recovery Administration	MFA				(33,634)	(110,000)	31%	
2400-0002	**EMPLOYEE ONCOSTS**		-	-	0%	**(38,693)**	**(641,500)**	**6%**	
2000-0001	**ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE**		**6,004,048**	**[illegible]**	**[illegible]**	**858,767**	**5,892,687**	**12%**	
3000-0001	**INFRASTRUCTURE**								
3000-0002	**ENGINEERING ADMIN & SUPERVISION**								
3000-1100-0000	Apprentice Incentive Payments	DIS	-	-	0%				
3000-1101-0000	Grant - R2R	DIS	-	-	0%				
3000-1500-0000	Contributions - Infrastructure	DIS		-					
3000-2029-0000	Engineering O/C Recover Supervision	DIS				(64,975)	(230,000)	28%	
3000-2030-0000	Engineering O/C Recover Plant	DIS				(5,292)	(20,000)	26%	
3000-2040-0000	Engineering O/C Recover FP & LT	DIS				(14,796)	(50,000)	30%	
3000-2050-0000	Engineering O/C Recover Wet Weather	DIS				(9,442)	(30,000)	31%	
3000-2060-0000	Wet Weather Wages Expense	DIS				-	30,000	0%	
3000-2080-0000	Floating Plant / Loose Tools	DIS				2,474	-	0%	
3000-2220-0000	Engineering Management Expenses	DIS				16,852	199,000	8%	
3000-2420-0000	Quality Assurance Expenses	DIS				21,568	71,000	30%	
3000-2985-0000	Engineering Consultants	DIS				-	60,000	0%	
3000-2990-0000	Works Supervision	DIS				194,533	1,141,482	17%	
3000-0002	**ENGINEERING ADMIN & SUPERVISION**		-	-	0%	**140,921**	**1,171,482**	**12%**	
3100-0002	**WATER**								
3100-0003	**WATER - QUILPIE**								
3100-1000-0000	Quilpie Water Charges	MFA	237,976	461,034	52%				
3100-1005-0000	Quilpie Water Charges Interest	MFA	1,317	2,575	51%				
3100-1020-0000	Quilpie Other Water Revenue	MFA	-	-	0%				
3100-1080-0000	Quilpie Water Discount	MFA	-	-	0%				
3100-1085-0000	Quilpie Water Pensioner Rebate	MFA	(3,265)	(4,750)	69%				
3100-1090-0000	Quilpie Water Writeoff and Refund	MFA	(2)	(500)	0%				
3100-1500-0000	Quilpie Water Connections	DIS	-	525	0%				
3100-2200-0000	Drinking Water Quality Plan	DIS			0%	-	6,485	0%	
3100-2230-0000	Quilpie Water Operations	DIS			0%	55,137	296,500	19%	
3100-2600-0000	Depn Quilpie Water	DIS			0%	-	111,869	0%	
3100-0003	**WATER - QUILPIE**		**236,026**	**458,884**	**51%**	**55,137**	**414,854**	**13%**	
3110-0003	**WATER - EROMANGA**								
3110-1000-0000	Eromanga Water Charges	MFA	24,255	48,510	50%				
3110-1005-0000	Eromanga Water Charges Interest	MFA	25	500	5%				
3110-1020-0000	Eromanga Other Water Revenue	MFA	-	-	0%				
3110-1080-0000	Eromanga Water Discount	MFA	-	-	0%				
3110-1085-0000	Eromanga Water Pensioner Rebate	MFA	(351)	(1,250)	28%				
3110-1090-0000	Eromanga Water Writeoff and Refund	MFA	(2)	-	0%				

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3110-2220-0000	Eromanga Water Operations-Wages	DIS				22,905	72,000	32%	
3110-2230-0000	Eromanga Water Operations-Expenses	DIS				47,372	297,500	16%	
3110-2600-0000	Depn Eromanga Water	DIS				-	116,442	0%	
3110-0003	**WATER - EROMANGA**		23,927	47,760	50%	70,277	485,942	14%	
3120-0003	**WATER - ADAVALE**								
3120-1000-0000	Adavale Water Charges	MFA	16,632	33,264	50%				
3120-1005-0000	Adavale Water Charges Interest	MFA	71	500	14%				
3120-1080-0000	Adavale Water Discount	MFA	-	-	0%				
3120-1085-0000	Adavale Water Pensioner Remissions	MFA	(866)	(1,300)	67%				
3120-1090-0000	Adavale Water Chgs Writeoff & Refund	MFA	-	-	0%				
3120-2220-0000	Adavale Water Operations	DIS				2,538	50,000	5%	
3120-2600-0000	Depn Adavale Water	DIS				-	19,196	0%	
3120-0003	**WATER - ADAVALE**		15,837	32,464	49%	2,538	69,196	4%	
3130-0003	**WATER - CHEEPIE**								
3130-1000-0000	Cheepie Water Charges	DIS	-	3,024	0%				
3130-2220-0000	Cheepie Water Operations	DIS				291	1,000	29%	
3130-2600-0000	Depn Cheepie Water	DIS				-	265	0%	
3130-0003	**WATER - CHEEPIE**		-	3,024	0%	291	1,265	23%	
3140-0003	**WATER - TOOMPINE**								
3140-1000-0000	Toompine Water Charges	MFA		12,096	0%				
3140-1005-0000	Toompine Water Charges Interest	MFA		-	0%				
3140-1080-0000	Toompine Water Discount	MFA		-	0%				
3140-2220-0000	Toompine Water Operations-Wages	DIS				279	5,000	6%	
3140-2230-0000	Toompine Water Operations	DIS				524	15,000	3%	
3140-2600-0000	Water Depreciation-Toompine	DIS				-	20,487	0%	
3140-0003	**WATER - TOOMPINE**		-	12,096	0%	803	40,487	2%	
3100-0002	**WATER**		275,790	554,228	50%	129,046	1,011,744	13%	
3200-0002	**SEWERAGE**								
3200-0003	**SEWERAGE QUILPIE**								
3200-1000-0000	Quilpie Sewerage Charges	MFA	153,804	307,818	50%				
3200-1005-0000	Quilpie Sewerage Interest	MFA	1,254	2,000	63%				
3200-1080-0000	Quilpie Sewerage Discount	MFA	-	-	0%				
3200-1085-0000	Quilpie Sewerage Pensioner Remission	MFA	-	(700)	0%				
3200-1090-0000	Quilpie Sewerage Writeoff & Refunds	MFA	(2)	(100)	2%				
3200-1500-0000	Quilpie Sewerage Waste Charge	MFA	-	-	0%				
3200-1510-0000	Quilpie Sewerage Connection	DIS	600	1,000	60%				
3200-2230-0000	Quilpie Sewerage Operations	DIS				34,478	260,000	13%	
3200-2600-0000	Depn Quilpie Sewerage	DIS				-	110,748	0%	
3200-0003	**SEWERAGE QUILPIE**		155,656	310,018	50%	34,478	370,748	9%	
3210-0003	**SEWERAGE EROMANGA**								
3210-1000-0000	Eromanga Sewerage Charges	MFA	14,606	29,211	50%				
3210-1005-0000	Eromanga Sewerage Charges Interest	MFA	70	500	14%				
3210-1080-0000	Eromanga Sewerage Discount	MFA	-	-	0%				
3210-1085-0000	Eromanga Sewerage Pensioner Remissions	MFA	-	(100)	0%				
3210-1090-0000	Eromanga Sewerage Writeoff & Refunds	MFA	(3)	-	0%				
3210-2230-0000	Eromanga Sewerage Operations	DIS				7,677	42,000	18%	
3210-2600-0000	Depn Eromanga Sewer	DIS				-	37,622	0%	
3210-0003	**SEWERAGE EROMANGA**		14,673	29,611	50%	7,677	79,622	10%	
3212-0003	**SEWERAGE ADAVALE**								
3212-2600-0000	Depn Adavale Septic System	DIS				-	73	0%	

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3212-0003	SEWERAGE ADAVALE		-	-	0%	-	73	0%	
3214-0003	SEWERAGE TOOMPINE								
3214-2600-0000	Depn Toompine Hall Septic System	DIS				-	204	0%	
3214-0003	SEWERAGE TOOMPINE		-	-	0%	-	204	0%	
3200-0002	SEWERAGE		170,329	339,629	50%	42,154	450,647	9%	
3300-0002	INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE								
3300-0003	SHIRE ROADS MAINTENANCE								
3300-1000-0000	Special Rate - Keeroongooloo road seal	DIS	147,750	295,500	50%				
3300-2220-0000	Shire Roads & Drainage - Wages	DIS				20,443	231,605	9%	
3300-2230-0000	Shire Roads & Drainage Expenses	DIS				105,671	542,788	19%	
3300-2600-0000	Depn Roads & Streets	DIS				-	4,030,749	0%	
3300-0003	SHIRE ROADS MAINTENANCE	DIS	147,750	295,500	50%	126,114	4,805,142	3%	
		DIS							
3305-0003	SHIRE ROADS - FLOOD DAMAGE	DIS							
3302-1160-0000	FD MAR 2025 Restoration Works	DIS	3,017,801	49,200,000	6%				
3308-1170-0000	FD 2024 Restoration Works	DIS	-	-	0%				
3302-2240-0000	FD MAR 2025 Restoration Works	DIS				3,017,801	49,200,000	6%	
3308-2400-0000	FD 2021 Restoration	DIS				-	-	0%	
3305-0003	SHIRE ROADS - FLOOD DAMAGE		3,017,801	49,200,000	6%	3,017,801	49,200,000	6%	
3310-0003	TOWN STREET & DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE								
3310-2220-0000	Town Street & Drainage Maintenance	DIS				140,947	700,000	20%	
3310-2230-0000	Street Lighting	DIS				7,991	37,500	21%	
3310-2240-0000	Street Cleaning Operations	DIS				-	5,000	0%	
3310-0003	TOWN STREET & DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE		-	-	0%	148,937	742,500	20%	
3330-0003	DEPOTS & CAMPS								
3330-1510-0000	Camp Accommodation Rent	DIS	-	10,000	0%				
3330-2220-0000	Camps Operations	DIS				11,664	54,075	22%	
3330-2330-0000	Depots Operations	DIS				102,882	227,850	45%	
3330-2600-0000	Depn Depot & Camp	DIS				-	277,912	0%	
3330-0003	DEPOTS & CAMPS		-	10,000	0%	114,546	559,837	20%	
3340-0003	WORKSHOP								
3340-2220-0000	Workshop Operations	DDIS				78,633	10,500	749%	includes W/Shop supervisor temp staff costs
3340-2230-0000	Workshop Maintenance & Repairs	DDIS				19,285	286,500	7%	
3340-0003	WORKSHOP		-	-	0%	97,918	297,000	33%	
3350-0003	PLANT & MACHINERY								
3350-1500-0000	Insurance Claims	DDIS	500,000	-	0%				
3350-1510-0000	Gain/Loss on Sale/Disposal of Plant	DDIS	27,273	-	0%				
3350-1570-0000	Diesel Rebate - ATO	DDIS	22,957	180,000	13%				
3350-2145-0000	Small Plant Repairs	DDIS				1,701	17,000	10%	
3350-2225-0000	Small Plant Purchases	DDIS				1,330	20,000	7%	
3350-2229-0000	Plant Operations	DDIS				224,497	916,188	24%	
3350-2330-0000	Plant Repairs & Maintenance	DDIS				141,894	845,000	17%	
3350-2331-0000	Plant Registration and Insurance	DDIS				191,393	184,458	104%	Annual motor vehicle insurance
3350-2585-0000	Plant Recoveries	DDIS				(885,099)	(3,600,000)	25%	
3350-2600-0000	Depn Plant	DDIS				-	1,216,100	0%	
3350-0003	PLANT & MACHINERY		550,230	180,000	306%	(324,285)	(401,255)	81%	
3360-0003	AERODROME								
3360-1200-0000	Quilpie Aerodrome Fees	DDIS	9,678	40,000	24%				

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3360-2325-0000	Quilpie Aerodrome Operations	DDIS				27,296	41,200		
3360-2330-0000	Quilpie Aerodrome Repairs & Maint	DDIS				14,735	97,020		
3360-2340-0000	Eromanga Aerodrome Repairs & Maint	DDIS				8,756	15,000		
3360-2350-0000	Adavale Aerodrome Repairs & Maint	DDIS				2,884	6,500		CLS survey Quilpie aerodrome
3360-2360-0000	Toompine Aerodrome Repairs & Maint	DDIS				85	2,163		
3360-2370-0000	Cheepie Aerodrome Repairs & Maint	DDIS				-	2,271		
3360-2600-0000	Depn - Quilpie Aerodrome	DDIS				-	260,679		
3361-2600-0000	Depn - Adavale Aerodrome	DDIS				-	35,207		
3362-2600-0000	Depn - Toompine Aerodrome	DDIS				-	16,204		
3363-2600-0000	Depn - Cheepie Aerodrome	DDIS				-	64		
3365-2600-0000	Depn - Eromanga Aerodrome	DDIS				-	138,883		
3360-0003	**AERODROME**		-	40,000	0%	53,757	615,191	9%	
3366-0003	**QUILPIE REFUELLING FACILITY**								
3366-1310-0000	Quilpie Refuelling Revenue	DDIS	106,983	350,000	31%				
3366-2310-0000	Quilpie Refuelling Operation and R&M	DDIS				94,937	315,000		
3366-2600-0000	Depn - Quilpie Refuelling Facility	DDIS				-	20,798		
3365-0003	**QUILPIE REFUELLING FACILITY**		106,983	350,000	31%	94,937	335,798	0%	
3370-0003	**BULLOO PARK**								
3370-1500-0000	Bulloo Park Fees	DCCS	610	2,000	31%				
3370-2220-0000	Bulloo Park Operations	DCCS				41,113	122,000		
3370-2600-0000	Depn Bulloo Park	DCCS				-	121,351		
3370-0003	**BULLOO PARK**		610	2,000	31%	41,113	243,351	17%	
3371-0003	**BULLOO RIVER WALKWAY**								
3371-2220-0000	Bulloo River Walkway Operations	MED				-	2,000		
3371-0003	**BULLOO RIVER WALKWAY**		-	-	0%	-	2,000	0%	
3374-0003	**TOOMPINE PLAY AREA**								
3374-2220-0000	Toompine Play Area Operations					650	2,000	32%	
3374-2600-0000	Depn - Toompine Play Area					-	11,803	0%	
3374-0003	**TOOMPINE PLAY AREA**		-	-		650	13,803	5%	
3375-0003	**JOHN WAUGH PARK**								
3375-2220-0000	John Waugh Park Operations	DCCS				34,522	190,000		
3375-2600-0000	Depn John Waugh Park	DCCS				-	45,805		
3375-0003	**JOHN WAUGH PARK**		-	-	0%	34,522	235,805	15%	
3376-0003	**BICENTENNIAL PARK**								
3376-2220-0000	Bicenntennial Park Operations	DCCS				19,937	26,000		
3376-2600-0000	Depn Bicentennial Park	DCCS				-	55,549	0%	
3376-0003	**BICENTENNIAL PARK**		-	-	0%	19,937	81,549	24%	
3377-0003	**BALDY TOP RECREATION AREA**								
3377-2220-0000	Baldy Top Operations	DCCS				7,572	5,250		
3377-2600-0000	Depn - Baldy Top	DCCS				-	4,157	0%	
3377-0003	**BALDY TOP RECREATION AREA**		-	-	0%	7,572	9,407	80%	
3378-0003	**OPALOPOLIS PARK**								
3378-2220-0000	Opalopolis Park Operations	DCCS				295	5,250	0%	
3378-2600-0000	Depn - Opalopolis Park	DCCS				-	1,321	0%	
3378-0003	**OPALOPOLIS PARK**		-	-	0%	295	6,571	4%	
3379-0003	**KNOT-O-SAURUS PARK**								
3379-2220-0000	Knot-o-saurus Park Operations	DCCS				845	5,250	0%	
3379-2600-0000	Depn - Knot-o-saurus Park	DCCS				-	7,753	0%	
3379-0003	**KNOT-O-SAURUS PARK**		-	-	0%	845	13,003	0%	
3380-0003	**COUNCIL LAND & BUILDINGS**								

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3380-1500-0000	Gain / Loss on Land & Buildings for Resale	DCCS	-	-	0%				
3380-1501-0000	Profit / (Loss) on Sale of Assets	DCCS	-	-	0%				
3380-2100-0000	Land Sale Costs	DCCS				-	2,000	0%	
3380-2330-0000	Council Properties Operating Exp	DCCS				22,997	32,550	71%	
3380-2600-0000	Depn Council Buildings Other	DCCS				-	99,829	0%	
3380-0003	**COUNCIL LAND & BUILDINGS**		-	-	**0%**	**22,997**	**134,379**	**17%**	
3385-0003	**PARKS & GARDENS**								
3385-2220-0000	Parks & Gardens Operating Expenses	DES				42,874	170,000	25%	
3385-2600-0000	Depn Parks Building	DES				-	38,166	0%	
3385-0003	**PARKS & GARDENS**		-	-	**0%**	**42,874**	**208,166**	**21%**	
3390-0003	**PUBLIC TOILETS**								
3390-2220-0000	Public Toilets Operations	DES				14,873	52,500	28%	
3390-0003	**PUBLIC TOILETS**		-	-	**0%**	**14,873**	**52,500**	**28%**	
3300-0002	**INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE**		**3,823,374**	**50,077,500**	**8%**	**3,515,401**	**57,154,747**	**6%**	
3400-0002	**BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES**								
3400-0003	**DMR WORKS**								
3402-1258-0000	RMPC Contract	DIS	288,395	1,733,714	17%				
3402-1260-0000	RMPC Contract Variations	DIS	-	-	0%				
3402-2230-0000	RMPC Contract	DIS				300,175	1,560,342	19%	
3403-1275-0000	Quilpie-Adavale Red Rd (TIDS) Revenu	DIS	-	-	0%	-	-		
3403-2200-0000	Quilpie-Adavale Red Road (TIDS) Exps	DIS		-		-	-	0%	
3403-1276-0000	Adavale-Blackall Rd (TIDS)	DIS	-	530,863					
3403-2201-0000	Adavale-Blackall Rd (TIDS)	DIS				15,523	530,863		
3404-1280-0000	TIDS Adavale Blackall Rd Revenue	DIS	-	-	0%	-	-		
3404-2200-0000	TIDS Adavale Blackall Rd Expenses	DIS		-		24,745	-	0%	
3409-1281-0000	CN25602 25O Event DRFA Recon Program	DIS	580,099	3,770,139	15%				
3409-2301-0000	CN25602 25O Event DRFA Recon Program	DIS				629,128	3,770,139	17%	
3400-0003	**DMR WORKS**		**868,494**	**6,034,716**	**14%**	**989,353**	**5,861,344**	**17%**	
3410-0003	**PRIVATE WORKS**								
3410-1280-0000	MAR 2025 Event - TMR Works	DIS	-	-	0%				
3410-1550-0000	Private Works Revenue	DIS	38,785	27,000	144%				
3410-2230-0000	Private Works Expenditure	DIS				75,183	20,000	376%	
3410-2300-0000	MAR 2025 Event - TMR Works	DIS		-		-	-		
3411-1280-0000	CN23526 Grid Removals	DIS	-	-	0%		-		
3411-2300-0000	CN23526 Grid Removals	DIS		-		8,252	-	0%	
3410-0003	**PRIVATE WORKS**		**38,785**	**27,000**	**144%**	**83,435**	**20,000**	**417%**	
3420-0003	**CAR HIRE LEASE**								
3421-1201-0000	Car Hire Lease Revenue	DDCBD	4,721	16,000	30%				
3421-2301-0000	Car Hire Lease Expenditure	DDCBD				6,132	6,367	96%	
			4,721	**16,000**		**6,132**	**6,367**		
3400-0002	**BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES**		**912,000**	**6,077,716**	**15%**	**1,078,920**	**5,887,711**	**18%**	
3000-0001	**INFRASTRUCTURE**		**3,181,493**	**57,049,073**	**6%**	**4,306,443**	**65,676,731**	**7%**	
4000-0001	**ENVIRONMENT & HEALTH**								
4100-0002	**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT**								
4100-0003	**TOWN PLANNING - LAND USE & SURVEY**								
4100-1500-0000	Town Planning Fees	CEO	1,210	5,000	24%				

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4100-2220-0000	Town Planning Expenses	CEO				869	10,000	9%	Planning consultancy
4100-0003	**TOWN PLANNING - LAND USE & SURVEY**		1,210	5,000	24%	869	10,000	9%	
4150-0003	**BUILDING CONTROLS**								
4150-1500-0000	Building Fees No GST	CEO	626	1,000	63%				
4150-1501-0000	Building Fees - GST Applies	CEO	4,691	30,000	16%				
4150-2220-0000	Building Expenses	CEO				6,862	60,000	11%	Certification services
4151-1505-0000	Swimming Pool Inspection Fees	CEO		-		-	-	0%	
4151-2225-0000	Swimming Pool Inspection Costs	CEO		-		-	-	0%	
4150-0003	**BUILDING CONTROLS**		5,317	31,000	17%	6,862	60,000	11%	
4100-0002	**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT**		6,527	36,000	18%	7,731	70,000	11%	
4200-0002	**WASTE MANAGEMENT**								
4200-0003	**GARBAGE COLLECTION**								
4200-1000-0000	Garbage Charges	DES	234,069	475,230	49%				
4200-1005-0000	Garbage Charges - Interest	DES	1,864	4,200	44%				
4200-1060-0000	Garbage Charges Discount	DES	-	-	0%				
4200-1085-0000	Garbage Pensioner Remission	DES	-	-	0%				
4200-1090-0000	Garbage Charges Writeoff and Refund	DES	(10)	(100)	10%				
4200-2220-0000	Garbage Operations	DES				56,066	176,000	32%	
4220-2225-0000	Annual Kerbside Collection	DES				1,535	6,000	26%	
4200-0003	**GARBAGE COLLECTION**		235,923	479,330	49%	57,601	182,000	32%	
4250-0003	**LANDFILL OPERATIONS**								
4250-1500-0000	Landfill Fees Revenue	DES	182	1,000	18%				
4250-2235-0000	Landfill Operations	DES				61,177	315,500	19%	
4250-2600-0000	Depn Landfill	DES				-	52,941	0%	
4250-0003	**LANDFILL OPERATIONS**		182	1,000	18%	61,177	368,441	17%	
4200-0002	**WASTE MANAGEMENT**		236,105	480,330	49%	118,778	550,441	22%	
4300-0002	**PEST MANAGEMENT & ANIMAL CONTROL**								
4300-0003	**PLANT PEST CONTROL**								
4300-2250-0000	Com. Combating Drought-Pest Weed Exp	DCCS				-	-	0%	
4300-2290-0000	Plant Pest Control Expenses	DCCS				235	30,000	1%	
4300-0003	**PLANT PEST CONTROL**		-	-	0%	235	30,000	1%	
4310-0003	**ANIMAL PEST CONTROL**								
4310-1000-0000	Wild Dog Special Levy	DCCS	122,537	242,405	51%				
4310-2235-0000	Wild Dog Coordinator Expenditure	DCCS				20,668	201,075	10%	
4310-2250-0000	Wild Dog Bonus Payments	DCCS				-	5,000	0%	
4310-2280-0000	DNR Precept - Barrier Fence	DCCS		-		-	-	0%	
4312-1000-0000	Baiting Fee Reimbursements	DCCS	-	-	0%		-		
4312-2260-0000	Syndicate Baiting Expense	DCCS				47,713	244,712	19%	
4313-1170-0000	Grant - QLD Feral Pest Initiative	DCCS	-	-	0%		-		
4313-2250-0000	QLD Feral Pest Initiative	DCCS		-			-	0%	
4313-2290-0000	2022 Council Exclusion Fence Subsidy	DCCS		-		-	-	0%	
4313-2300-0000	2023 Council Exclusion Fence Subsidy	DCCS		-		-	-	0%	
4310-0003	**ANIMAL PEST CONTROL**		122,537	242,405	51%	68,381	450,787	15%	
4320-0003	**STOCK ROUTES & RESERVES MANAGEMENT**								
4320-1500-0000	Common Application Fees	DCCS	(63)	2,000	-3%				
4320-1600-0000	Mustering / Supplement Fees	DCCS	(691)	2,500	-28%				
4320-1800-0000	Reserve Fees	DCCS	-	-	0%				
4320-2200-0000	Common Fence Repairs & Firebreaks	DCCS				-	16,000	0%	

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4320-2220-0000	Stock Routes & Reserves Expenses	DCCS				1,939	15,000	13%	
4320-0003	**STOCK ROUTES & RESERVES MANAGEMENT**		(754)	4,500	-17%	1,939	31,000	6%	
4330-0003	**DOMESTIC ANIMAL CONTROL**								
4330-1300-0000	Animal Write-Off	DCCS	-	-	0%				
4330-1400-0000	Animal Discounts	DCCS	-	-	0%				
4330-1500-0000	Animal Control Fees	DCCS	8,261	15,000	55%				
4330-1700-0000	Animal Control Fines & Penalties	DCCS	-	1,000	0%				
4330-2220-0000	Animal Control Expenses	DCCS				5,185	20,000	26%	
4330-0003	**DOMESTIC ANIMAL CONTROL**		8,261	16,000	52%	5,185	20,000	26%	
4350-0003	**PRECEPT BARRIER FENCE**								
4350-1000-0000	Precept Barrier Fence Special Levy	DCDB	69,654	141,389	49%				
4350-2200-0000	Precept Barrier Fence Expenditure	DCDB				-	141,486	0%	
			69,654	141,389		-	141,486		
4300-0002	**PEST MANAGEMENT & ANIMAL CONTROL**		199,698	404,294	49%	75,741	673,273	11%	
4500-0002	**ENVIRONMENT & HEALTH**								
4510-0003	**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**								
4510-2220-0000	Environmental Protection Expenses	DCCS				-	28,000	0%	
4510-0003	**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**		-	-	0%	-	28,000	0%	
4520-0003	**HEALTH AUDITING & INSPECTION**								
4520-1400-0000	Health Licenses & Permits Revenue	CEO	3,794	3,500	108%				
4520-2230	**Health Operations**		3,794	3,500	108%	-	-	0%	
4500-0002	**ENVIRONMENT & HEALTH**		3,794	3,500	108%	-	28,000	0%	
4000-0001	**ENVIRONMENT & HEALTH**		446,124	924,124	48%	202,252	1,321,714	15%	
5000-0001	**COMMUNITY SERVICES**								
5100-0002	**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**								
5120-0003	**COMMUNITY FACILITIES SWIMMING POOLS**								
5120-2220-0000	Quilpie Swimming Pool Operations	DCCS				95,298	427,079	22%	
5120-2330-0000	Quilpie Swimming Pool Repairs & Mtc	DCCS				3,200	65,000	5%	
5120-2600-0000	Depn Swimming Pool Structures	DCCS				-	95,308	0%	
5125-2220-0000	Eromanga Swimming Pool Opt & Maint	DCCS				-	-	0%	
5125-2230-0000	Eromanga Swimming Pool Repairs & Mtc	DCCS				72,703	146,618	50%	
5125-2600-0000	Depn Eromanga Swimming Pool	DCCS				-	26,018	0%	
5120-0003	**COMMUNITY FACILITIES SWIMMING POOLS**		-	-	0%	171,202	760,023	23%	
5150-0003	**COMMUNITY FACILITIES - SHIRE HALLS**								
5150-1500-0000	Shire Halls - Revenue	DCCS	3,806	3,000	127%				
5150-2220-0000	Shire Hall Operations	DCCS				38,272	66,845	57%	
5150-2330-0000	Shire Halls Repairs & Maintenance	DCCS				33,987	135,555	25%	
5150-2600-0000	Depn Shire Halls	DCCS				-	228,392	0%	
5150-0003	**COMMUNITY FACILITIES - SHIRE HALLS**		3,806	3,000	127%	72,259	430,792	17%	
	CHILD CARE CENTRE								
5160-2500-0000	Council Grant					11,301	36,828	31%	
			-	-	-	11,301	36,828		
5170-0003	**RECREATION FACILITIES**								
5170-2220-0000	Recreational Facilities Operating Expenses	DCCS				9,630	15,000	64%	
5170-2230-0000	Recreational Facilities Repairs & Maintenance	DCCS				10,377	2,500	415%	

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5170-2250-0000	All Sports Building	DCCS				1,427	4,000	36%	
5170-2330-0000	Adavale Sport & Rec Grounds	DCCS				5,463	20,000	27%	
5170-2340-0000	Eromanga Rodeo & Race Grounds	DCCS				11,464	25,000	46%	
5170-2350-0000	Toompine Shooting Facility	DCCS				2,200	4,400	50%	
5170-2600-0000	Depn Recreational Facilities	DCCS				-	232,726	0%	
5170-0003	**RECREATION FACILITIES**		-	-	0%	**40,561**	**303,626**	**13%**	
5190-0003	**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**								
5190-1140-0000	Sundry Income	DCCS	364	-	0%				
5190-1150-0000	Community Bus Income	DCCS	2,454	7,500	33%				
5190-1160-0000	Community Event - Ticket Sales	DCCS	-	-	0%				
5190-1210-0000	Grants - National Australia Day Counci	DCCS	-	15,000	0%				
5190-1220-0000	Grant - NAIDOC Week	DCCS	-	-	0%				
5190-1221-0000	NAIDOC Week Contribution	DCCS	-	-	0%				
5190-1230-0000	Grant - Celebrating Multicultural Qld	DCCS	-	-	0%				
5190-2100-0000	Community Support Activities & Event	DCCS				792	47,700	2%	
5190-2150-0000	Buses - Community Support	DCCS				-	-	0%	
5190-2320-0000	Community Celebrations	DCCS				10,350	60,000	17%	
5190-2500-0000	Council Community Grants	DCCS				10,352	53,000	20%	
5190-2840-0000	Quilpie Street Development	DCCS				4,613	-	0%	
5190-0003	**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**		**2,817**	**22,500**	**13%**	**26,107**	**160,700**	**16%**	
5100-0002	**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**		**6,623**	**25,500**	**26%**	**321,430**	**1,691,969**	**19%**	
5200-0002	**AGED SERVICES**								
5220-1200-0000	Aged Peoples Accommodation Rent	DCCS	27,870	132,600	21%				
5220-2220-0000	Aged Peoples Accommodation O&M	DCCS				67,029	121,500	55%	
5220-2240-0000	Gyrica Gardens Rec-Centre - O&M	DCCS				2,699	18,500	15%	
5220-2600-0000	Depn Aged Accom Building	DCCS				-	152,386	0%	
5200-0002	**AGED SERVICES**		**27,870**	**132,600**	**21%**	**69,728**	**292,386**	**24%**	
5225-0002	**HOUSING**								
5225-1200-0000	Rent - Housing	DCCS	176,488	691,218	26%				
5225-2220-0000	Housing Operating Expenses	DCCS				10,419	65,000	16%	
5225-2230-0000	Housing - Repairs & Maintenance	DCCS				198,819	354,711	56%	
5225-2600-0000	Depn Housing	DCCS				-	473,585	0%	
5225-0002	**HOUSING**		**162,094**	**691,218**	**23%**	**209,238**	**893,296**	**23%**	
5200-0002	**AGED SERVICES & HOUSING**		**189,964**	**823,818**	**23%**	**278,965**	**1,185,682**	**24%**	
5300-0003	**COMMUNITY HEALTH PROMOTIONS**								
5300-1100-0000	Health Promotions Officer Grant Rev	DCCS	-	75,000	0%				
5300-1150-0000	SW Primary Care Pilot Funding	DCCS	-	67,480	0%				
5300-2000-0000	Health Promotions Officer Wages	DCCS				-	-	0%	
5300-2020-0000	National Dis. Ins. Scheme Officer	DCCS				25,993	112,000	23%	
5300-2200-0000	Heart of Australia Bus Visit	DCCS				-	30,000	0%	
5300-2240-0000	Health Promotions Officer Activities	DCCS				62,800	229,875	27%	
5300-2800-0000	SW Primary Heath Care Pilot Expenses	DCCS				17,333	67,480	26%	
5300-0003	**COMMUNITY HEALTH PROMOTIONS**		-	**142,480**	**0%**	**106,126**	**439,355**	**24%**	
5300-0003	**COMMUNITY HEALTH**		-	**142,480**	**0%**	**106,126**	**439,355**	**24%**	
5400-0003	**COMMUNITY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION**								
5400-2220-0000	Community Services Admin Operating Expenses	DCCS				151,787	559,512	27%	
5400-0003	**COMMUNITY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION**		-	-	0%	**151,787**	**559,512**	**27%**	
5400-0003	**COMMUNITY SERVICES SUPPORT**		-	-	0%	**151,787**	**559,512**	**27%**	

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5600-0002	ARTS & CULTURE								
5610-0003	MUSEUMS								
5610-2220-0000	Eromanga Living History Centre O&M	CEO				4,753	13,000	37%	
5610-2230-0000	Museum Operations & Maintenance	MED				974	5,000	19%	
5610-2240-0000	Powerhouse Museum Operations	MED				3,540	4,500	79%	
5610-2250-0000	Railway / Local History	MED				1,768	10,000	18%	
5610-2260-0000	Eromanga Natural Hist. Museum	CEO				54,146	80,900	67%	
5610-2290-0000	ENHM COVID-19 Operating Support	CEO				-	-	#DIV/0!	
5610-2600-0000	Depn Museum	MED				-	303,897	0%	
5610-0003	MUSEUMS		-	-	0%	65,181	417,297	16%	
5630-0003	REGIONAL ARTS DEVELOPMENT FUNDING								
5630-1100-0000	RADF Grant Revenue	DCCS	26,250	26,250	100%				
5630-1400-0000	RADF Earnback and Refunds	DCCS	-	-	0%				
5630-2190-0000	RADF Grant Expenditure	DCCS				-	30,000	0%	
5630-5000-0000	REGIONAL ARTS DEVELOPMENT FUNDING		26,250	26,250	100%	-	30,000	0%	
5600-0002	ARTS & CULTURE		26,250	26,250	100%	65,181	447,297	15%	
5700-0002	LIBRARY SERVICES								
5710-1100-0000	Libraries Operating Grant Revenue	DCCS	-	3,000	0%				
5710-1110-0000	Strategic Priorities Grant	DCCS	-	-	0%				
5710-1120-0000	First Five Grant - Library	DCCS	-	3,000	0%				
5710-1130-0000	Grant - Library Resourcing	DCCS	-	20,000	0%				
5710-1140-0000	Grant - Empowering Rural Australia	DCCS	-	-	0%				
5710-1150-0000	Grant - Community Cohesion Program	DCCS	4,000	-	0%				
5710-1160-0000	Grant -SLQ Library Champions Bursary		-	-	0%				
5710-1170-0000	Grant - LitUp program		-	-	0%				
5710-1600-0000	Library Fees & Charges Revenue	DCCS	-	500	0%				
5710-2110-0000	Strategic Priorities Grant Expenditure	DCCS				-	-	#DIV/0!	
5710-2120-0000	First Five Grant - Library Exp	DCCS				1,087	3,000	36%	
5710-2220-0000	Library Operating Expenses	DCCS				50,717	203,840	25%	
5710-2330-0000	Library Repairs & Maintenance Expens	DCCS				2,094	6,000	35%	
5710-2600-0000	Depn Library	DCCS				-	22,355	0%	
5711-1130-0000	Grant Centrelink Access Point	DCCS	2,431	7,800	31%				
5711-1131-0000	Grant - Regional Tech Hub	DCCS	-	-			-		
5711-2115-0000	Grant - Regional Tech Hub expenses	DCCS				-	-	0%	
5700-0002	LIBRARY SERVICES		6,431	34,300	19%	53,898	235,195	23%	
5750-0002	DISASTER MANAGEMENT SERVICES								
5750-1100-0000	Grant - Get Ready Queensland	DCCS	-	6,780	0%				
5750-1120-0000	CDO Category A - QRA Funding	MFA	-	-	0%				
5750-1130-0000	CDO Category B - QRA Funding	MFA	-	-	0%				
5750-1135-0000	Category C - Community Recovery Fund	MFA	-	-	0%				
5750-1136-0000	Cat C - Community Health & Wellbeing Package	CEO	-	-					
5750-1140-0000	Coordinated Emergency Fodder Support	MFA	-	-	0%				
5750-1150-0000	Emerg Fencing Restitution Program	MFA	-	27,800,000	0%				
5750-2020-0000	Get Ready Old Exp	DCCS				-	6,780	0%	
5750-2220-0000	Disaster Management Operations	CEO		-		46,265	-	0%	Maintenance of rain gauges
5750-2300-0000	CDO Cat A Emergency Addistance Individuals	CEO		-		-	-	#DIV/0!	
5750-2400-0000	CDO Cat B Protection of General Public	CEO		-		-	-	0%	
5750-2450-0000	Cat C - Community Relief Fund Exp	CEO		-		-	-	0%	
5750-2451-0000	Cat C - Community Health & Wellbeing Package	CEO		-		75,894	-		
5750-2500-0000	Coordinated Emergency Fodder Support	CEO		-		-	-	0%	
5750-2550-0000	Emerg Fencing Restitution Program	CEO				-	27,800,000	0%	
5761-1500-0000	Program Administration Reimbursement	CEO	-	317,850	0%				

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5761-2300-0000	Program Administration Expenses	CEO				158,212	317,860		
5762-1100-0000	EFRP Grant	DCCS	-	1,277,500					
5762-2300-0000	EFRP Delivery expenses	DCCS				512,000	1,277,500		
5750-0002	**DISASTER MANAGEMENT SERVICES**		-	29,402,140	0%	792,392	29,402,140	3%	
5800-0002	**PUBLIC SERVICES**								
5810-0003	**STATE EMERGENCY SERVICES**								
5810-1140-0000	QLD Emergency Services Grant Revenue	WHS	-	20,000	0%				
5810-2220-0000	Emergency Services Operations	WHS				5,692	20,000		
5810-2600-0000	Depn S.E.S	WHS				-	19,134	0%	
5810-0003	**STATE EMERGENCY SERVICES**		-	20,000	0%	5,692	39,134	15%	
5820-0003	**TELEVISION**								
5820-2230-0000	TV Maintenance & Repairs	DCCS				1,833	25,000		
5820-2600-0000	Depn Satellite TV	DCCS				-	3,067	0%	
5820-0003	**TELEVISION**		-	-	0%	1,833	28,067	7%	
5830-0003	**CEMETERIES**								
5830-1500-0000	Burial Fees	DCCS	1,495	4,000	37%				
5830-1510-0000	Grave Reservation Fee	DCCS	-	-	0%				
5830-2220-0000	Cemeteries Operations	DCCS				7,958	36,000	22%	
5830-2230-0000	Cemeteries Maintenance	DCCS				-	3,000	0%	
5830-2600-0000	Depn Cemeteries Building	DCCS				-	2,738	0%	
5830-0003	**CEMETERIES**		1,495	4,000	37%	7,958	41,738	19%	
5840-0003	**EROMANGA STATE SCHOOL FACILITY**								
5840-2500-0000	Eromanga State School Operating Expe	DCCS				-	-		
5840-2600-0000	Depn - Eromanga State School Facility	MFA				-	26,462	0%	
5840-0003	**EROMANGA STATE SCHOOL FACILITY**		-	-	0%	-	26,462	0%	
5800-0002	**PUBLIC SERVICES**		7,926	29,460,440	0%	861,773	29,772,736	3%	
5000-0001	**COMMUNITY SERVICES**		230,763	30,479,448	1%	1,785,283	34,096,551	5%	
6000-0001	**HUMAN RESOURCES**								
6100-0002-0000	**PAYROLL SERVICES**								
6100-2200-0000	Payroll Operating Expenses	HR				25,427	107,000	24%	
6100-0002-0000	**PAYROLL SERVICES**		-	-	0%	25,427	107,000	24%	
6200-0002-0000	**HUMAN RESOURCES**								
6200-1100-0000	Staff Deductions - Wellbeing Checks	HR	-	3,000	0%				
6200-1200-0000	Staff Deductions - Staff Functions	HR	-	500					
6200-2040-0000	Human Resource Expenses	HR				165,181	713,265	23%	
6200-2090-0000	Council Gym Membership Program - 20%	HR				-	7,600	0%	
6200-0002-0000	**HUMAN RESOURCES**		-	3,500	0%	165,181	720,865	23%	
6300-0002-0000	**TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT**								
6300-2000-0000	Staff Training & Development Wages	HR				29,358	-		
6300-2070-0000	Staff Training & Development	HR				23,431	142,000	16%	
6300-2300-0000	Training & Development Operating Costs	HR				8,378	49,000	17%	
6300-0002-0000	**TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT**		-	-	0%	61,167	191,000	32%	
6000-0001	**HUMAN RESOURCES**		-	3,500	0%	251,775	1,019,865	25%	

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7100-0001	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM								
7100-0002	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PROMOTION								
7100-2100-0000	Economic Development	MED				3,093	341,587	1%	
7100-2120-0000	Economic Dev Training and Conferences	MED				1,878	5,000	38%	
7100-2130-0000	Opal Fossicking Area	MED				154	5,000	3%	
7100-2140-0000	Subscriptions and Memberships	MED				14,076	15,000	94%	Outback Qld Tourism
7100-2150-0000	SWRED-Tourism Development	MED				8,014	-	0%	
7100-0002	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PROMOTION		-	-	0%	27,213	366,587	7%	
7200-0002	VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE								
7200-1100-0000	Grant - Accessible Tourism Elevate F	MED	-	-	0%				
7200-1150-0000	Grant - Building Bush Tourism	MED	-	-	0%				
7200-1500-0000	Visitors Info Centre Sales	MED	21,130	32,000	66%				
7200-1505-0000	VIC - Quilpeta Sales	MED	10,335	26,000	40%				
7200-1510-0000	VIC Gallery Sales (GST Free)	MED	9,156	10,000	92%				
7200-1515-0000	VIC Gallery Sales (GST)	MED	-	-	0%				
7200-1520-0000	Visitors Information Centre Donation	MED	-	1,500	0%				
7200-1530-0000	Bus Tour Fees	MED	2,800	3,000	93%				
7200-2000-0000	VIC - Wages	MED				66,366	250,500	26%	
7200-2110-0000	VIC - Exhibitions and Events	MED				662	10,000	7%	
7200-2120-0000	VIC - Tourism Promotion	MED				-	60,000	0%	
7200-2130-0000	VIC - Bus Tour	MED				-	-	0%	
7200-2220-0000	VIC Operating Expenses	MED				25,586	83,500	31%	
7200-2230-0000	VIC - Repairs & Maintenance	MED				15,161	47,250	32%	
7200-2510-0000	Artist Payments - Sales (GST Excl)	MED				9,900	8,000	124%	
7200-2515-0000	Artist Payments - Sales (GST Incl)	MED				-	2,000	0%	
7200-2600-0000	Depn - VIC	MED				-	52,760	0%	
7200-2710-0000	Grant - Accessible Tourism Elevate Fund Exp	MED				-	-	0%	
7200-2720-0000	Grant - Building Bush Tourism Expenses	MED				-	-	0%	
7201-1500-0000	VIC Outback Mates to NP Camping Perm	MED	68	100	68%				
7200-0002	VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE		43,489	72,600	60%	117,664	514,010	23%	
7300-0002	TOURISM EVENTS & ATTRACTIONS								
7300-1200-0000	Event Revenue	MED	-	-	0%				
7300-2100-0000	EVENT - Major Events Promotion	MED				7,161	15,000	48%	
7300-2150-0000	Tourism Development	MED				-	59,000	0%	
7300-2200-0000	EVENTS - Tourism Events	MED				3,129	99,250	3%	
7300-0002	TOURISM EVENTS & ATTRACTIONS		-	-	0%	10,290	173,250	6%	
7100-0001	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM		43,489	72,600	60%	155,167	1,053,847	15%	
	TOTAL REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE		[illegible]	[illegible]	7%	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
			ACTUAL	BUDGET					
	PROFIT / (LOSS)		3,516,001	55,923,483	6%				

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PROJECT DETAILS Project Description	Type	RO	WIP at 30 June 2026	Current Year (Actual)	Current Year (Committed)	Total Year to Date	Total Project Cost	Project Budget 2026/27	Project Budget 2027/28	Total Project Budget
Land										
Multi year project **-** Rural Residential Estate	N	CEO	224,875	487,341	201,722	689,064	913,939	4,124,215		4,124,215
Carry over project - Strategic Land purchases	N	CEO	-	-	-	-	-	174,270		174,270
Industrial land subdivision	N	CEO		-	-			250,000		250,000
Sale of Industrial Blocks	N	CEO								-
Sale of Council Housing	N	CEO								-
			224,875	**487,341**	**201,722**	**689,064**	**913,939**	**$ 4,548,485**	**$ -**	**$ 4,548,485**
Buildings & Structures										
Adavale Hall Grounds Upgrade	R	DIS	8,606	-	-	-	8,606	-	-	-
Multi year project - Eromanga Natural History Museum (ENHM) - Stage 3	N	CEO	1,690	160,894	1,632,266	1,793,160	1,794,850	17,799,000	-	17,799,000
Carry-over project **-** Gyrica Housing Refurbishment Unit 3	R	DIS	1,578	-	560	560	2,138	124,612		124,612
Carry-over project **-** Gyrica Housing Refurbishment Unit 4	R	DIS		-	-	-	-	123,637		123,637
Carry-over project - Eromanga Pool Refurbishment (Fence and shed)	R	DDIS	291,486	-	23,000	23,000	314,486	38,579		38,579
Council Housing Refurbishments	R	DIS	-	11,591	34,261	45,852	45,852	294,000		294,000
Gyrica Housing Refurbishments	R	DIS	-	18,818	2,643	21,461	21,461	100,000		100,000
Garage, carport & fencing - 14 Donald Street, Eromanga (Carry-over project)	DIS	DIS	108,743	2,374	1,600	3,974	112,718	-		-
Garage, carport & fencing - 16 Donald Street, Eromanga (Carry-over project)	DIS	DIS	3,683	2,000	-	2,000	5,683	-		-
Multi year project - Child Care Centre	N	CEO	-	-	-	-	-	3,150,000		3,150,000
Carry-over project - Toilet at Cemetery	N	DDIS	-	-	-	-	-	30,000		30,000
Carry-over project - Community Services Storage	R	DDIS	8,804	2,866	-	2,866	11,670	31,196		31,196
Carry-over project - Depot Office redesign	N	CEO	9,678	47,324	5,939	53,263	62,941	79,323		79,323
Redesign Administration Building	R	DDIS	930	-	-	-	930	-		-
Carry-over project - Quilpie Community Energy Upgrade Project	N	CEO	-	12,841	-	12,841	12,841	154,163		154,163
Multi year project - Powerhouse House Development	N	CEO		-	-			6,387,944		6,387,944
Gyrica Gardens extension	N	CEO		-	-			250,000		250,000
Quilpie Pool Shade	R	DIS		-	-			180,000		180,000
Cricket Pitch cover	R	DIS		-	-			15,000		15,000
Quilpie Pool Roof	R	DIS		-	-	-		50,000		50,000
			435,199	**$ 258,708**	**$ 1,700,270**	**$ 1,958,978**	**$ 2,394,177**	**$ 28,807,454**	**$ -**	**$ 28,807,454**
Other Infrastructure										
Toompine Airstrip – Secure and Safer Runway with Perimeter Fencing	N	DIS	-	4,207	-	4,207	4,207			-
Carry-over project **-** Entrance to Bulloo Park	N	DDIS	-	-	-	-	-	30,000		30,000
Carry-over project **-** Baldy Top Walking Path	U	CEO	402,100	20,063	14,475	34,538	436,638	102,661		102,661
Carry-over project **-** Bob Young Memorial Park Upgrade	R	DIS	31,355	292,224	312,787	605,011	636,367	679,963		679,963
Carry-over project - Administration Building - External Paint	R	DIS	6,000	-	20,680	20,680	26,680	19,000		19,000
Carry-over project - Administration Building - Stage 2 - Front Office Garden	N	DIS	9,860	200	20	220	10,080	75,000		75,000
Carry-over project - Knot-a-Saurus Park footpath	N	DDIS	-	-	-	-	-	12,000		12,000

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Carry-over project - Install Automatic Watering Systems - Various Locations	N	DDIS	-	-	-	-	-	65,000		65,000
Carry-over project - Quilpie Cemetery Improvements	N	DIS	-	700	700	1,400	1,400	110,000		110,000
Carry-over project - Install playgound at Adavale	N	DDIS	-	-	-	-	-	30,000		30,000
Carry-over project - Sealing wash bay approach and install silt trap	N	DIS	-	-	-	-	-	190,000		190,000
Carry-over project - Install fireproof battery collection boxes	N	DIS	58,391	19,190	1,499	20,689	79,079	46,375		46,375
Multi year project - Rest Area - Diamantina Development Road	N	DDIS		-	-			2,300,000		2,300,000
Stand pipe at Wash Bay	N	DDIS		-	-			90,000		90,000
			507,706	**336,584**	**350,161**	**686,745**	**1,194,451**	**$ 3,749,999**	**$ -**	**$ 3,749,999**
Plant & Equipment										
Carry-over project - Replace plant 1122 - Toyota Prado	PR	DDIS		577	77,274	77,851	77,851	90,000		90,000
Carry-over project - Replace Unit 1117 Hilux	PR	DDIS						94,000		94,000
Carry-over project - Replace Unit 1118 Hilux	PR	DDIS						94,000		94,000
Carry-over project - Replace Unit 1119 Hilux	PR	DDIS						68,000		68,000
Carry-over project - Replace Unit 1120 Hilux	PR	DDIS						68,000		68,000
Carry-over project - Replace Unit 1121 Hilux	PR	DDIS						68,000		68,000
Carry-over project - Replace Unit 1113 Toyota Prado GX Wagon	PR	DDIS		577	-	577	577	90,000		90,000
Carry-over project - Replace Unit 1116 Toyota Prado GX Wagon	PR	DDIS		577	77,606	78,183	78,183	90,000		90,000
Carry-over project - Replace Unit 1141 Nissan Xtrail Wagon (second-hand)	PR	DDIS		2,273	37,990	40,263	40,263	60,000		60,000
Carry-over project - 2x 2 Bed Sleeper with ensuite, 1x Driller Kitchen /crib/Bathroom/Laundry unit and 1x Crib/Bathroom/Office	PR	DDIS			-	-	-	500,000		500,000
Replace plant 1127 - Toyota Hilux	PR	DDIS			-	-	-	70,000		70,000
Replace plant 1128 - Toyota Hilux - Xtra Cab ute	PR	DDIS						80,000		80,000
Replace plant 1136 - Ford Ranger - Dual Cab ute	PR	DDIS						90,000		90,000
Replace plant 1139 - Ford Ranger - Dual Cab ute	PR	DDIS						90,000		90,000
Replace plant 1155 - Triton 2wd Single cab (Second Hand)	PR	DDIS						80,000		80,000
NEW - WH&S/ Stores Ute	PN	DDIS						50,000		50,000
Replace plant 1122 - Toyota Prado GXL Wagon	PR	DDIS						120,000		120,000
Replace plant 1131 - Ford Everst Trend Wagon	PR	DDIS						90,000		90,000
Replace plant 1132 - Ford Everst Trend Wagon	PR	DDIS						90,000		90,000
Replace plant 1138 - Toyota Prado GXL Wagon	PR	DDIS				-	-	120,000		120,000
Replace plant 2200 - Mack Agitator	PR	DDIS				-	-	20,000		20,000
Replace plant 3402 - Komatsu WA320PZ loader	PR	DDIS				-	-	400,000		400,000
Replace plant 3804 - Caterpillar 301.5 Excavator	PR	DDIS				-	-	50,000		50,000
Replace plant 4005 - EGO Electric Zero turn mower	PR	DDIS			-	-	-	15,000		15,000
Replace plant 181 - Bitumen Sprayer Tank	PR	DDIS			-	-	-	30,000		30,000
NEW - Trailers	PN	DDIS			-	-	-	10,000		10,000
Replace plant 316 -Profiler (Hydropower)	PR	DDIS			-	-	-	50,000		50,000
Hook Truck Tipper Body	PN	DDIS			-	-	-	35,000		35,000
Water Tank for Hook Truck	PN	DDIS			-	-	-	60,000		60,000
Sundry plant	PR	DDIS			-	-	-	15,000		15,000

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PROJECT DETAILS										
Project Description	Type	RO	WIP at 30 June 2026	Current Year (Actual)	Current Year (Committed)	Total Year to Date	Total Project Cost	Project Budget 2026/27	Project Budget 2027/28	Total Project Budget
Sale of Plant	PR	DDIS			-	-	-			
			-	$ 4,004	$ 192,870	$ 196,874	$ 196,874	$ 2,787,000	$ -	$ 2,787,000
Road Infrastructure										
Quilpie Aerodrome Pavement Reconstruction	R	DIS	762,909	-		-	762,909	12,000,179		12,000,179
Carry-over project - Brolga Street - reseal carparking lanes	R	DIS	320	-		-	320	235,950		235,950
Carry-over project - Dukamurra St Widen (Eastern)	R	DIS		-		-	-	20,000		20,000
Carry-over project - Quarrion Street - spoon drain	N	DIS		-		-	-	50,000		50,000
Carry-over project - Footpaths - remaining stage 1 at the caravan park, including upgrade to caravan park driveway	N	DIS	3,230	12,482	-	12,482	15,712	70,000		70,000
Footpath - missing section in Chulungra Street (from the State School crossing to Quarrion Street)	N	DIS	36,194	0		0	36,194			
Foothpath - Stage 2 Gyrica Street	N	DIS	82,950	-		-	82,950			
Footpath - St Finbarrs	N	DIS	41,475	871		871	42,345			
Deferred from FY26 - Adavale Charleville Road Sealing	N	DIS	194	-		-	194	244,845		244,845
Carry-over project - Keeroongooloo Road Seal	N	DIS	-	22,139		22,139	22,139	1,182,000		1,182,000
Carry-over project - Keeroongooloo Road - Heavy Formation Grade	R	DIS	2,575	-		-	2,575	386,250		386,250
Ingeberry Road (Ch53.76 to 53.78; Ch 54.68 to 53.70; Ch 55.80 to 55.82; Ch 54.39 to 54.41) 4 locations	R	DIS	-	10,255		10,255	10,255	14,000		14,000
Tobermory Road (Ch 18.66 to 18.68; Ch 18.70 to 18.72; Ch 18.760 to 18.785; Ch 44.16 to 47.18; Ch 44.50 to 44.52) 5 locations	R	DIS	-	27,488	9,553	37,041	37,041	15,000		15,000
Tobermory Road (Ch.76.81 on Bowalli Creek) 1 location	R	DIS	-	441	441	882	882	120,000		120,000
Congie Road (Ch 23.420 to 23.455; Ch 27.96 to 28.00 and Ch 32.58 to 32.62) 3 locations	R	DIS	-	18,787		18,787	18,787	22,000		22,000
Arronfield Road (Ch 24.60 to 24.90 and Ch 38.80 to Ch 39.25) 2 locations	R	DIS	-	-		-	-	15,000		15,000
Ray Road (Ch 8.03 to 8.04; 8.05 to 8.06; Ch 12.86 to 12.89; Ch 12.89 to 12.95) 4 locations	R	DIS	-	18,206		18,206	18,206	22,000		22,000
Cheepie Adavale Road (Ch 53.11 to 53.14; Ch 53.32 to 53.35 and Ch 53.56 to 53.59) 3 locations	R	DIS	-	-		-	-	100,000		100,000
Big Creek Road (Ch 5.82 to 5.94; Ch 26.85 to 26.87 and Ch 26.92 to 26.94) 3 locations	R	DIS	-	-		-	-	100,000		100,000
Coonaberry Creek Road (3 locations TBC)	R	DIS	-	-		-	-	100,000		100,000
Mulianna Road (3 locations TBC)	R	DIS	-	-		-	-	100,000		100,000
Napoleon Road (Ch 8.60 to 8.63) 1 location	R	DIS	-	-		-	-	7,000		7,000
Old Thargomindah Road (Ch 8.58 to 8.60; 13.565 to 13.600; Ch 16.82 to 16.84 and Ch 43.80 to 44.00) 4 locations	R	DIS	-	-		-	-	120,000		120,000
Trinidad Road (2 locations TBC)	R	DIS	-	-				70,000		70,000
Wareo Road (Ch 0.47 to 0.50; Ch 11.260 to Ch 11.285) 2 locations	R	DIS	-	-		-	-	70,000		70,000
Adavale Black Road (Ch 62.640 to 62.680)	R	DIS		-		-	-	80,000		80,000
Adavale Black Road (Ch 63.050 to 63.080)	R	DIS		-		-	-	80,000		80,000
Adavale Black Road (Ch 64.110 to 64.130)	R	DIS		-		-	-	80,000		80,000
Humeburn Road (Ch 10.160 to 10.185)	R	DIS		666	666	1,332	1,332	80,000		80,000

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PROJECT DETAILS										
Project Description	Type	RO	WIP at 30 June 2026	Current Year (Actual)	Current Year (Committed)	Total Year to Date	Total Project Cost	Project Budget 2026/27	Project Budget 2027/28	Total Project Budget
Humeburn Road (Ch 37.589 to 37.614)	R	DIS		-		-	-	80,000		80,000
Humeburn Road (Ch 46.570 to 46.610)	R	DIS		-		-	-	80,000		80,000
Brolga St Median Strip upgrade	R	DIS		23,257		23,257	23,257	40,000		40,000
Gyrica Street (West) - Brolga st to Boonkai Street 120m	N	DIS		-		-	-	67,200		67,200
Gyrica Street (West) - Boonkai St to Quarrion St 120m	N	DIS		-		-	-	67,200		67,200
Chulungra Street (East) - Jabiru St to Winchu St 120m	N	DIS		-		-	-	67,200		67,200
Chulungra Street (West) - Winchu St to Bulloo Park St 150m	N	DIS		-		-	-	84,000		84,000
BulnBuln Street(East) - Boonkai St to Quarrion St 120m	N	DIS		-		-	-	67,200		67,200
Boonkai Street (North)- Chipu Street to Dukamura Street 230m	N	DIS		-		-	-	128,800		128,800
Boonkai Street (North) - Dukamura Street to Bulnbuln Street 230m	N	DIS		-		-	-	128,800		128,800
Bulnbuln Street (East) - Quarrion Street to Jabiru Street 71m	N	DIS		-		-	-	39,760		39,760
Brolga Street (North) - Bob Memorial Park to Chulungra St 71m	R	DIS		-		-	-	48,792		48,792
Winchu Street (South) - Corner footpath (40 m) and new pram crossing in front of Quilpie Hardware Shop	R	DIS		-		-	-	30,600		30,600
Kyabra Road Reseal	R	DIS		-		-	-	200,000		200,000
Mt Margaret Road Reseal	R	DIS		-		-	-	100,000		100,000
Chipu Street Reseal	R	DIS	-	-		-	-	75,000		75,000
Galah Street Reseal	R	DIS	-	-		-	-	75,000		75,000
Anzac Drive Reseal	R	DIS	-	-		-	-	100,000		100,000
Kookaburra Street Reseal	R	DIS	-	-		-	-	50,000		50,000
Brolga St Reseal	R	DIS	-	-		-	-	200,000		200,000
Bulloo Park Reseal	R	DIS	-	-		-	-	100,000		100,000
Adavale-Charleville Road	R	DIS	-	-		-	-	800,000		800,000
Quilpie Aerodrome - Accessibility and Compliance Project	N	DIS	-	19,960	14,970	34,930	34,930	150,000		150,000
			929,845	**$ 154,552**	**$ 25,630**	**$ 180,182**	**$ 1,110,028**	**$ 18,163,776**	**$ -**	**$ 18,163,776**
WIP Mar 2025 Impairment			**945,522**	**0**		**-**	**945,522**			
Water Infrastructure										
Sommerfield Road Water Main Upgrade (Carry-over Project)	R	DDIS	331,457	-		-	331,457	-		-
Boonkai Street	R	DDIS		-		-	-	120,000		120,000
Carry-over project - Gyrica Street	R	DDIS		1,636		1,636	1,636	180,000		180,000
Carry-over project - Winchu Street	R	DDIS		-		-	-	170,000		170,000
Quilpie - Town bore upgrade	U	DDIS		-		-	-	25,000		25,000
Eromanga Bore	N	DDIS		-			-	1,500,000		1,500,000
Eromanga Water RO Plant SCADA	R	DDIS		480		480	480			
Watermain Extension - JohnW Pk	R	DDIS		5,766		5,766	5,766			
			331,457	**7,883**	**-**	**7,883**	**339,340**	**$ 1,995,000**	**$ -**	**$ 1,995,000**
Sewerage Infrastructure										
Quilpie Sewerage Treatment Plant	R	DIS	742,027			-	742,027	13,911,374		13,911,374
Sewer Pump Station at Quarrion Street, Quilpie (SPS002) (Carry-over Project)	R	DIS	308,469			-	308,469			-

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PROJECT DETAILS										
Project Description	Type	RD	WIP at 30 June 2026	Current Year (Actual)	Current Year (Committed)	Total Year to Date	Total Project Cost	Project Budget 2026/27	Project Budget 2027/28	Total Project Budget
Carry-over project - Eromanga Sewerage	R	DDIS				-	-	100,000		100,000
Quilpie - Rising Main	R	DDIS				-	-	30,000		30,000
Quilpie - SPS 3 (Curlew Estate)	R	DDIS				-	-	15,000		15,000
Quilpie - SPS 3 (Curlew Estate)	R	DDIS				-	-	5,000		5,000
Eromanga - Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system	R	DDIS				-	-	50,000		50,000
Quilpie - Bulloo Park Pump Station	R	DDIS				-	-	10,000		10,000
			1,050,495	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 1,050,495	$ 14,121,374	$ -	$ 14,121,374
TOTAL			4,425,100	$ 1,249,072	$ 2,470,654	$ 3,719,726	$ 8,144,825	$ 74,173,088	$ -	$ 74,173,088

13.2 AMENDMENT TO COUNCIL'S PURCHASING CARD LIMITS

IX: **280956**

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Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer

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KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	9.	Finances and Resources
Key Initiative:	9.4	Financial accountability
	9.5	Financial policies and processes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks Council's authorisation to increase the total purchasing card threshold from $120,000 to $142,000 and to update individual card limits. The changes align with a shift to a new corporate purchasing card system and reflect a review of actual spending patterns.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Amend Council's purchasing card threshold to $142,000.00.
2. Approve the changes to the individual purchasing card limits.
3. Note that the Chief Executive Officer will update the Council's Delegations Register (in accordance with Section 260 (2) *Local Government Act 2009*) for the current position titles and the updated card limits.
4. Note that a temporary increase can occur ('top up') subject to the approval of two authorisers of the account for priority business needs.

BACKGROUND

Council's current total purchasing card threshold is $120,000, allocated across 36 cards. Individual limits range from $1,000 to $12,000.

Table 1 Current purchasing card limits

Position / Role	Corporate Purchasing Card Limit
Chief Executive Officer	$12,000.00
Director Community & Business Development	$5,000.00
Director Infrastructure Services	$5,000.00
Director Corporate Services	$5,000.00

Position / Role	Corporate Purchasing Card Limit
Deputy Director Community & Business Development	$5,000.00
Deputy Director Infrastructure Services	$5,000.00
Deputy Director Corporate Services	$5,000.00
Executive Manager People & Safety	$4,000.00
Fleet and Workshop Supervisor	$4,000.00
Structures & Concrete Supervisor	$4,000.00
Town Services Supervisor	$4,000.00
Building Tradesperson	$5,000.00
Building Tradesperson	$5,000.00
Senior Tourism Officer	$3,000.00
Workplace Health & Safety Specialist	$3,000.00
People & Culture Specialist	$3,000.00
Executive Officer	$3,000.00
Procurement & Stores Officer	$3,000.00
Community Services Officer	$2,000.00
Health Promotions Officer	$2,000.00
ICT Officer	$2,000.00
Librarian	$2,000.00
Payroll / HR Officer	$2,000.00
Plumber	$2,000.00
Plumber	$2,000.00
Workplace Health & Safety Officer	$2,000.00
Training & Housing Officer	$2,000.00
Mobile Plant Technician	$1,500.00
Diesel Fitter	$1,500.00
Diesel Fitter	$1,500.00
Pest & Livestock Management Coordinator	$1,500.00
Mayor	$1,000.00
Customer Services Officer - Administration	$1,000.00
Customer Services Officer - Depot	$1,000.00
Virtual Cards Facility	$6,000.00
Total	**$120,000.00**

Any amendment to card limits requires a Council resolution before the bank will issue cards. Approved limits are recorded in the Delegations Register.

REPORT

Online procurement has increased in recent years – for example, booking flights, accommodation, conference registrations, spare parts and IT items. Some suppliers only accept credit card payments, and for low-value transactions it is often not cost-effective to raise a purchase order and process payment through the creditors system.

To streamline processes and reduce the volume of creditor transactions, Council has expanded the use of purchasing cards for everyday expenses.

A recent review of spending habits for each card holder was completed. The review found several limits were regularly exceeded (requiring monthly "top-ups") or were significantly underused. Positions where the use of a Corporate Purchasing Card would be beneficial were also identified.

To ensure consistency across the organisation and reduce the need for monthly adjustments, the revised limits below are proposed. The total threshold would increase to $142,000.

Table 1 Proposed individual corporate purchasing card limits

Position / Role	Corporate Purchasing Card Limit
Chief Executive Officer	$12,000.00
Director Community & Business Development	$5,000.00
Director Infrastructure Services	$5,000.00
Director Corporate Services	$5,000.00
Deputy Director Community & Business Development	$5,000.00
Deputy Director Infrastructure Services	$5,000.00
Deputy Director Corporate Services	$5,000.00
Fleet and Workshop Supervisor	$5,000.00
Structures & Concrete Supervisor	$5,000.00
Town Services Supervisor	$5,000.00
Water & Sewerage Supervisor	$5,000.00
Building Tradesperson	$5,000.00
Building Tradesperson	$5,000.00
Executive Manager People & Safety	$4,000.00
Senior Tourism Officer	$3,000.00
Workplace Health & Safety Specialist	$3,000.00
People & Culture Specialist	$3,000.00
Executive Officer	$3,000.00
Procurement & Stores Officer	$3,000.00
Community Recovery and Rebuild Support Officer	$3,000.00
Community Recovery and Resilience Officer	$3,000.00
Diesel Fitter	$3,000.00
Diesel Fitter	$3,000.00
Mobile Plant Technician	$3,000.00
Plumber	$3,000.00
Plumber	$3,000.00
Community Services Officer	$2,000.00
Health Promotions Officer	$2,000.00
ICT Officer	$2,000.00
Librarian	$2,000.00
Payroll / HR Officer	$2,000.00
Training & Housing Officer	$2,000.00
Workplace Health & Safety Officer	$2,000.00
Community Services Coordinator	$1,500.00
Pest & Livestock Management Coordinator	$1,500.00
Mayor	$1,000.00
Customer Services Officer - Administration	$1,000.00

Position / Role	Corporate Purchasing Card Limit
Customer Services Officer - Depot	$1,000.00
Virtual Cards Facility	$10,000.00
Total	**$142,000.00**

OPTIONS

Option 1 (Recommended)

That Council:

1. Amend Council's purchasing card threshold to $142,000.00;
2. Approve the changes to the individual purchasing card limits; and
3. Note that the Chief Executive Officer will update the Council's Delegations Register (in accordance with Section 260 (2) *Local Government Act 2009*) for the current position titles and the updated card limits.

Option 2

That Council does not amend the total purchasing card threshold or individual card limits.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Finance Officer – Payables

Executive Leadership Team

INTERESTED PARTIES

Quilpie Shire Council staff

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive.

LEGISLATION / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

F13. Financial Delegations

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

An increase in the total purchasing card threshold of $22,000 (from $120,000 to $142,000).

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Table 2 Risk register

Risk Name & Description *What could happen and why?*	**Current Controls** *Are there current controls for the risk*	**Impacts** *Impact if the risk eventuates*	**Risk Assessment**			**Risk Treatment** *Depending on risk rating - implement additional controls / mitigation strategy (to reduce risk rating)*
			Likelihood	**Consequence**	**Risk Rating**	
			Risk calculator provided for measures			
Misuse or error: higher limits and three additional cardholders increase Council's exposure to unauthorised, non-compliant or fraudulent transactions.	All cardholders reconcile their purchases.	Financial loss, audit findings, reputational damage.	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Cardholders acquit transactions monthly with tax invoices for supervisor approval. Finance reconciles statements monthly and reviews limits annually against actual spending. New cardholders sign a cardholder agreement before receiving a card.
Procurement non-compliance: officers split purchases across transactions or cards instead of following the Procurement Policy.	All cardholders reconcile their purchases.	Breach of the Procurement Policy and the sound contracting principles in s 104(3) of the *Local Government Act 2009* (Qld).	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Finance checks reconciliations for split transactions and reports any breach to the relevant Director.
Insufficient limits: if Council does not amend the limits, they remain below operational need.	All cardholders reconcile their purchases.	Continued monthly top-ups and purchasing delays.	Likely	Insignificant	Medium	Finance continues to process temporary limit increases on request. Officers raise purchase orders through the creditors system for purchases above their card limit.

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

Section 58 of the *Human Rights Act 2019* (Qld) requires Council to make decisions compatible with human rights and to give proper consideration to the human rights relevant to each decision.

This decision engages the right to privacy (s 25) because Council monitors the transactions of individual cardholders and will issue cards to three additional positions. The interference is lawful, because Council manages cardholder information under the *Information Privacy Act 2009* (Qld) and Policy F13 Financial Delegations. It is not arbitrary, because Council based each limit on a documented review of spending and operational need and monitors transactions only to account for public funds.

Council allocates limits by position, not by person, so the decision does not engage the right to equality (s 15). The decision concerns internal financial administration and engages no other human right.

The decision does not limit any human right and is compatible with human rights.

13.3 RFQL 05 26-27 SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF 1 (ONE) MOBILE HORIZONTAL WASTE SHREDDER

IX: **281151**

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Attachments: **Nil**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	2.	Essential Infrastructure and Regulated Services
Key Initiative:	2.3	Waste (Collection and disposal)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report recommends awarding a contract for the supply and delivery of one Mobile Horizontal Waste Shredder under Council's 2026/27 Fleet Replacement Program. The procurement was conducted through the Local Buy prequalified supplier panel. Two conforming submissions were received, Vermeer Australia trading as RDO Equipment Pty Ltd submitted the most advantageous offer, achieving the highest overall score and presenting the best value for money.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Award RFQL 05 26-27 Supply and Delivery 1 (one) Mobile Horizontal Waste Shredder to Vermeer Australia trading as RDO Equipment for an amount of $458,700.00 including GST ($417,000.00 excluding GST); and
2. Pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's Procurement Policy.

BACKGROUND

Council was successful in securing funding under the Resource Recovery Boost find (Stream 1 – small projects) for the project titled 'Processing our green waste for a cleaner and sustainable future.'

The Round 1 of the Resource Recovery Boost Fund (hereinafter the 'RRBF Program') is a $60 million Queensland Government funding initiative to provide competitive grant opportunities for eligible Queensland councils to enhance resource recovery infrastructure and practices, create new industries to drive economic growth, support meaningful employment across the State, and reduce the impact of waste on the environment.

In strong alignment with the Program's objectives and eligible criteria, the officer recommendation is to establish a dedicated green waste processing facility under Stream 1 (Small Projects). The procurement of a Mobile Horizontal Grinder is a core piece of infrastructure that will process bulky

green waste, wood, and construction timber into a consistent, high-quality mulch. Its mobile nature is crucial, allowing for potential relocation to other sites within Quilpie especially for disaster recovery efforts or to support other neighbouring shires.

REPORT

Procurement Process

Council conducted this procurement in compliance with its Procurement Policy and Part 3 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*. Three suppliers from the Local Buy prequalified arrangement (LB345 Heavy and Light Plant Machinery) were invited to submit quotes.

Table 1 Procurement timeline

Description	Details
Advertising	Vendor Panel Portal
RFQ Open	Wednesday 26 August 2026
RFQ Close	2:00PM Thursday 10 September 2026

Two invited suppliers submitted conforming responses by the closing date.

Table 2 Suppliers invited and responses

Suppliers Invited	Response Status
RDO Equipment Pty Ltd	Conforming response received
Tana Australia Pty Ltd	Conforming response received
Tutt Bryant Equipment	No response received

Submissions were evaluated by a panel of three officers using Vendor Panel Multiparty, against the following criteria:

Table 3 Evaluation criteria

Criteria	Weighting
Price / value for money	30%
Technical capability and performance	25%
Whole-of-life cost and maintainability	15%
Service, warranty and parts support	15%
Safety, environmental and operator features	10%
Delivery, commissioning and training	5%

Evaluation Process

The evaluation panel assessed the two conforming submissions. The final scores are summarised below.

Table 4 Final evaluation scores

Suppliers			**Tana Australia Pty Ltd**	**RDO Equipment**
Price including GST			**$1,485,000.00**	**$458,700.00**
Price excluding GST			**$1,350,000.00**	**$417,000.00**
Evaluation Criteria	Price / value for money	**30%**	9.9	30
	Technical capability and performance	**25%**	20	17.5
	Whole-of-life cost and maintainability	**15%**	6	10.5
	Service, warranty and parts support	**15%**	10.5	12
	Safety, environmental and operator features	**10%**	7	7
	Delivery, commissioning and training	**5%**	4	3.5
Overall Score			**57.4**	**80.5**

Evaluation Outcome

The evaluation panel's assessment, detailed in Table 5, scored RDO Equipment Pty Ltd highest overall (80.5). Their submission also offered the lowest price among the conforming bids.

The panel therefore recommends awarding the contract to RDO as the most advantageous submission, providing the highest score and lowest price. This recommendation aligns with the sound contracting principles in section 104(3) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, particularly value for money and open and effective competition.

OPTIONS

Option 1 (recommended)

That Council:

1. Award RFQL 05 26-27 Supply and Delivery 1 (one) Mobile Horizontal Waste Shredder to Vermeer Australia trading as RDO Equipment for an amount of $458,700.00 including GST ($417,000.00 excluding GST).
2. Pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's Procurement Policy.

Option 2

That Council resolve not to award RFQL 05 26-27 Supply and Delivery 1 (one) Mobile Horizontal Waste Shredder.

If Council's decision is inconsistent with the recommendation, Council is required to provide reasons for the decision in accordance with Part 2, Division 1A of the Local Government Regulation 2012. A statement of reasons must be recorded in the minutes.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Chief Executive Officer

Deputy Director Infrastructure Services

Fleet and Workshop Supervisor

Concrete and Structures Supervisor

Procurement Supervisor

INTERESTED PARTIES

RDO Equipment

Tana Australia Pty Ltd

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive.

LEGISLATION / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Under section 254H of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, if Council makes a decision inconsistent with the officer recommendation, and the contract value exceeds $200,000 or 1% of Council's net rate and utility charges, the minutes must include a statement of reasons.

For the purposes of Section 254H (1)(a)(ii), 1% of Council's net rate and utility charges as stated in Council's audited Financial Statements in the 2024/25 adopted Annual Report is $59,606.70 (net rates, levies, and charges - $5,960,670 x 1%).

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Procurement Policy

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Funded under the Resource Recovery Boost Fund (Stream 1 – small projects) for the project titled 'Processing our green waste for a cleaner and sustainable future.'

2026/27 Capital Expenditure Budget – 0240-4500-0000 Mobile Horizontal Waste Shredder – Project Budget $488,730 (New Job Cost).

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Once the Horizontal Shredder is procured, the total Lifecycle Costing and Whole-of-Life Planning should be incorporated as part of the overall fleet management regime, similar to the considerations for other plant and equipment.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Council will manage risks associated with this project in accordance with the G.11 Enterprise Risk Management Policy and the G.11-A Risk Management Framework. Key risks have been identified, assessed and documented, with existing controls applied to reduce the likelihood and impact of adverse outcomes. Risk management activities will continue throughout the procurement and delivery phases to ensure risks remain within Council's approved risk appetite.

Table 5 Risk register

Risk Name & Description *What could happen and why?*	**Current Controls** *Are there current controls for the risk*	**Impacts** *Impact if the risk eventuates*	**Risk Assessment**			**Risk Treatment** *Depending on risk rating - implement additional controls / mitigation strategy (to reduce risk rating)*
			Likelihood	**Consequence**	**Risk Rating**	
			Risk calculator provided for measures			
Lack of availability of suppliers	Evaluation Criteria set to determine the ability of suppliers	Delays in meeting delivery deadlines	Unlikely	Minor	Medium	Conduct evaluation and market research ensuring suppliers' availability.
Conflict of interest	Conflict of interest checks/declaration in place for requesting officer and evaluation team	Reputational risk, failure to act in the best interest of the entity and public sector, poor governance.	Possible	Moderate	High	Conduct all possible conflict of interest processes and procedures with documentation and sufficient records kept
Response Non-conformance	Competitive process allowing multiple suppliers from Local Buy list to respond. Clear response criteria.	No suitable supplier, different procurement approach, additional administrative cost	Possible	Minor	Medium	Ensuring the documentation is clear and the response schedule meets the request criteria
No suitable vehicles available	Multiple options and suppliers available	Extended use of existing fleet	Possible	Minor	Medium	Conduct evaluation and market research ensuring suppliers' availability

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

In accordance with section 4(b) of the *Human Rights Act 2019*, Council has considered the human rights protected under the Act in making this decision. These rights include, but are not limited to, the right to recognition and equality before the law, the right to life, freedom of movement, property rights, and cultural rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The assessment confirms that awarding RFQL 05 26-27 Supply and Delivery 1 (one) Mobile Horizontal Waste Shredder to RDO Equipment does not limit any protected human rights. The decision is reasonable, proportionate, and consistent with Council's lawful objectives, including the restoration of safe and reliable road access for residents, industry, and emergency services.

By ensuring open and competitive procurement, adherence to established governance frameworks, and effective risk management, Council's decision supports equitable treatment of suppliers and the broader community. This approach demonstrates compatibility with human rights obligations while delivering essential plant and equipment in a safe, timely, and accountable manner.

14 OFFICE OF THE CEO

14.1 PROPOSED ORDINARY MEETING DATES 2027

IX: **279414**

Author: **Kathryn Muller, Executive Officer**

Authorisors: **Justin Hancock, Chief Executive Officer**

Attachments: **1. Quilpie Shire Council Ordinary Meeting of Council Schedule 2027**

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	10.	Effective Leadership
Key Initiative:	10.2	Council meetings, briefings and workshops

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks Council's adoption of the Ordinary Meeting schedule for 2027, confirming the day, date and time of each Ordinary Meeting in accordance with s 254B of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Qld).

The proposed schedule maintains Council's established pattern of meeting on the third Tuesday of each month at 9:30 AM, with two adjustments. The January meeting is proposed for Thursday, 28 January 2027, consistent with Council's established practice of scheduling the January meeting later in the month to allow time after the Christmas–New Year office shutdown period. Thursday, rather than the fourth Tuesday, is proposed because the fourth Tuesday, 26 January 2027, is Australia Day, a Queensland public holiday. The October meeting is proposed for the fourth Tuesday, 26 October 2027, consistent with the approach taken in 2025 and 2026, to avoid a clash with the LGAQ Annual Conference, which has historically been held in the third week of October.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council:
   (a) confirm the dates and times set out in Table 1 for its Ordinary Meetings in 2027, in accordance with s 254B of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Qld); and
   (b) delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to publish public notice of the confirmed schedule in accordance with s 254B(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Qld).

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Day	Thu	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue
Date	28	16	16	20	18	15	20	17	21	26	16	14
Time	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM

BACKGROUND

Section 254B of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Qld) requires Council to publish, at least once each year, a notice of the days and times its Ordinary Meetings will be held. s 257 of the *Local*

Government Regulation 2012 (Qld) requires Council to hold at least one Ordinary Meeting each month. This report fulfils those statutory obligations for the 2027 calendar year.

REPORT

Council meetings are typically scheduled for the third Tuesday of each month at 9:30 AM. This pattern is maintained for the following operational reasons:

- it allows deputations attending the meeting to align with return flights to Charleville, Toowoomba, and Brisbane;
- it avoids clashes with other regionally significant meetings, such as those for the South West Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils (SWQROC), which typically meets in the second week of the month; and
- it provides sufficient time for statutory reporting, including the finalisation of bank statements needed to prepare accurate financial statements.

The proposed 2027 schedule departs from this pattern in two months:

- January: the meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 28 January 2027, rather than the usual Tuesday. The meeting is timed for the fourth week of January, consistent with Council's established practice of scheduling the January meeting later in the month to allow time after the Christmas–New Year office shutdown period. The day is moved from Tuesday to Thursday because Tuesday, 26 January 2027 is Australia Day, a Queensland public holiday.
- October: the meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 26 October 2027 (the fourth Tuesday), rather than the third Tuesday. The LGAQ Annual Conference has historically been held during the third week of October, including in 2025 (20–22 October) and 2026 (19–21 October). At the time of writing, the LGAQ has not yet confirmed dates for its 2027 Annual Conference; the fourth-Tuesday date is proposed as a precaution consistent with this pattern and should be reviewed once dates are confirmed.

Table 1 Proposed 2027 Ordinary Council Meeting Schedule

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Day	Thu	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue	Tue
Date	28	16	16	20	18	15	20	17	21	26	16	14
Time	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM

OPTIONS

Option 1 (Recommended)

That Council confirm the dates and times set out in Table 1 for its Ordinary Meetings in 2027, in accordance with s 254B of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Qld). This option adjusts the January meeting to Thursday, 28 January 2027 (rather than the usual Tuesday) to avoid Australia Day, and adjusts the October meeting date, for the operational reasons set out in the Report section above.

Option 2

That Council confirm alternative dates and/or times for its 2027 Ordinary Meetings, to be determined by Council, in accordance with s 254B of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Qld).

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Councillors

Executive Leadership Team

INTERESTED PARTIES

The community. The Ordinary Meeting schedule determines when members of the public may attend, observe, and make deputations to Council, and is required to be publicly notified under s 254B of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Qld).

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive.

LEGISLATION / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Confirming this schedule satisfies Council's obligations under s 254B and s 257 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Qld). Under s 254B(1), Council must publish, at least once each year, a notice of the days and times its Ordinary Meetings will be held. Confirming the dates in Table 1 provides the certainty needed for the Chief Executive Officer to publish that notice on Council's website and display it in Council's public office, as required by s 254B(2) and (3). Under s 257, Council must hold at least one Ordinary Meeting each month. Table 1 provides for twelve Ordinary Meetings across 2027, one in each calendar month, satisfying this requirement in full. If any confirmed date is subsequently changed, s 254B(4) requires Council to notify the change as soon as practicable, in the same way the original notice was given.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This decision does not require the creation, amendment, or repeal of a Council policy.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Confirming the meeting schedule does not itself involve a budgeted cost or a new allocation of resources. Costs associated with holding each Ordinary Meeting are met from Council's existing operational budget.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

This decision does not affect Council’s asset register, infrastructure assets, or asset management plans.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Risks are managed in accordance with Council's Enterprise Risk Management Policy (G.11) and Framework (G.11-A). The primary risk identified and managed during this tender is summarised in Table 2.

Table 2 Risk register

Risk Name and Description	Current Controls	Impacts	Risk Assessment			Risk Treatment
			Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	
Insufficient meetings could result in Council not addressing critical business in a timely manner.	Council adopts a confirmed meeting schedule each year.	Lack of a timely response to emerging issues or compliance requirements.	Possible	Moderate	High	Ensure Council meet on a regular basis in accordance with the confirmed schedule.

Risk Evaluation and Conclusion

Confirming this schedule mitigates the primary risk of Council failing to address critical business in a timely manner, by ensuring regular decision-making forums throughout 2027. Following adoption of this schedule, the residual risk is assessed as low.

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

Section 58 of the *Human Rights Act 2019* (Qld) makes it unlawful for a public entity to act or make a decision in a way that is not compatible with human rights, or to fail to give proper consideration to a human right relevant to the decision. In preparing this report, consideration has been given to whether this decision engages any of the 23 human rights protected under the *Human Rights Act 2019* (Qld).

Confirming a public schedule of Ordinary Meetings promotes the **right to take part in public life (s 23)** and **facilitates the rights to freedom of expression (s 21)** and **peaceful assembly and freedom of association (s 22)**, by giving the community certainty about when they may attend meetings, make deputations, and observe Council's decision-making. No other human right is engaged by this decision.

This decision does not limit any human right and is compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019* (Qld).

2027 Ordinary Meetings of Council

09:30 AM - Council Chambers – 50 Brolga Street, Quilpie QLD 4480

Dates and times are subject to change, in which case a public notice will be issued.

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November

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Ordinary Meeting of Council

14.2 REQUEST TO NAME THE GREY RANGE PASS DONALD ANGUS PASS

IX: 281003

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Authorisors: Eng Lim, Director Infrastructure Services
Lisa Hamlyn, Director Community and Business Development
Julie Reitano, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments:
1. 2026 10 Ann Leahy MP Donald Angus Pass request incl Savory correspondence

KEY OUTCOME

Key Outcome:	5.	Strategic Partnerships
Key Initiative:	5.2	Tourism
Key Outcome:	8.	Teamwork
Key Initiative:	8.1	Customer service and responsiveness

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Hon Ann Leahy MP, Minister for Local Government, Water, Fire, Disaster Recovery and Volunteers and Member for Warrego, has asked whether Council supports naming the pass where the Diamantina Developmental Road crosses the Grey Range "Donald Angus Pass". Mr Rob Savory JP of Eromanga proposed the name to recognise Donald Angus, a teamster who, according to Mr Savory, opened a shortcut between Eromanga and Charleville in the late 1890s. This report recommends Council provide its support for the proposal.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Support the naming of the pass, where the Diamantina Developmental Road crosses the Grey Range, as "Donald Angus Pass".
2. Write to the Hon Ann Leahy MP advising of Council's support.

BACKGROUND

On 12 October 2026, the Hon Ann Leahy MP wrote to Council asking whether it supports the Grey Range being named the Donald Angus Pass. The Minister enclosed correspondence dated 8 September 2026 from Mr Rob Savory JP of Eromanga (Attachment 1), which proposes naming the road pass over the Grey Range.

Mr Savory states that in the early 1890s, travellers between Eromanga and Charleville went either via Adavale or via Toompine. According to Mr Savory, a local teamster, Donald Angus, cleared a shortcut east from Eromanga across the Grey Range in the late 1890s, and the Cooper

Developmental Road, the Diamantina Developmental Road and a gazetted stock route now broadly follow his line.

Mr Savory cites a Country Women's Association (CWA) Eromanga Branch publication, *Echoes of Eromanga*, and the 1913 atlas *The Roads of Queensland*, which shows the shortcut. He also states that a Quilpie resident who is a descendant by marriage of Donald Angus supports the proposal, and that Donald Angus's story already forms part of a pioneer history presentation for tourists in the area.

REPORT

Mr Savory's correspondence proposes naming the pass where the road crosses the Grey Range, rather than renaming the range itself. The Grey Range keeps its name, and the proposed name would apply only to the pass.

Council has no power to name the pass. The Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, Minister for Manufacturing and Minister for Regional and Rural Development decides place names under the *Place Names Act 1994*. At this stage, Council is being asked to indicate its support to the Hon Ann Leahy MP.

The proposal has merit. It recognises a part of the Shire's pioneering history and offers a modest tourism benefit, consistent with Key Initiative 5.2. The name also meets the State's naming considerations, as it includes the generic term "Pass" and commemorates a person who is deceased.

Before any name proceeds, the State must consider Aboriginal tradition, the historical significance of the name and community views, and must invite public submissions. Council's support forms one input to that process.

The Diamantina Developmental Road is a State-controlled road, so any signage within its corridor is a matter for the Department of Transport and Main Roads. It is recommended that Council's letter of support not commit funds to signage.

OPTIONS

Option 1 (recommended)

That Council:

1. Support the naming of the pass, where the Diamantina Developmental Road crosses the Grey Range, as "Donald Angus Pass".
2. Write to the Hon Ann Leahy MP advising of Council's support.

Option 2

That Council not support the proposal and write to the Hon Ann Leahy MP and advise accordingly.

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Director Community and Business Development

Director Infrastructure Services

INTERESTED PARTIES

The Hon Ann Leahy MP, Minister for Local Government, Water, Fire, Disaster Recovery and Volunteers, and Member for Warrego

Mr Rob Savory JP

Descendants of Donald Angus

Relevant Traditional Owners

Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development

Department of Transport and Main Roads

Eromanga community and local tourism operators

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive.

LEGISLATION / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Section 7(1) of the *Place Names Act 1994* gives the relevant Minister the power to give a name to a place, change an approved name of a place or discontinue an approved name. Council cannot name the pass, so this report seeks a resolution advising the Hon Ann Leahy MP of Council's position only.

Section 4(1) defines a place as an area or geographical feature, and s 4(2)(a) excludes a road from that definition. A pass across a range is a geographical feature, so the proposed name would attach to the feature and not to the Diamantina Developmental Road, which keeps its name.

Section 8 requires the chief executive, in developing a place name proposal, to have regard to the stated place naming issues in s 6(2). These include Aboriginal tradition and Island custom (s 6(2)(a)) the cultural and historical significance of places and names (s 6(2)(d)), community views (s 6(2)(e)) and compliance with the *Human Rights Act 2019* (s 6(2)(h)). Council's initial advice provides a community view under s 6(2)(e). Section 9 then requires the chief executive to publish notice of the proposal and invite submissions for at least one month, unless s 10 applies, and s 11(1) prevents the Minister from deciding until the chief executive has made a recommendation under s 10A. These steps give the community, including Traditional Owners, an opportunity to comment before any name takes effect.

Section 60 of the *Local Government Act 2009* gives Council control of the roads in its area, but s 59(3)(a) excludes State-controlled roads. The Diamantina Developmental Road is a State-controlled road, so Council has no authority over signage within its corridor, and Council's letter to the Minister proposes that Council commit no funds to signage.

Council makes this decision consistently with the local government principles in s 4(2) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, in particular transparent decision-making in the public interest (s 4(2)(a)) and meaningful community engagement (s 4(2)(c)), by responding to a community proposal through a resolution at an open meeting.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

This decision has no direct financial implications. Officers will prepare one letter within existing resources. It is not proposed to commit funds to signage.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The pass and the Diamantina Developmental Road are not Council assets. The decision creates no new asset and no maintenance obligation for Council.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Officers assessed the risks of this decision in accordance with Council's Enterprise Risk Management Policy (G.11) and Risk Management Framework (G.11-A), applying Council's adopted risk matrix (Likelihood × Consequence).

Table 1 Risk register

Risk Name and Description	Current Controls	Impacts	Risk Assessment			Risk Treatment
			Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	
Cultural significance: the pass carries an existing Aboriginal name or cultural significance that the proposal does not reflect.	Sections 6(2)(a), 8 and 11 of the *Place Names Act 1994* require the chief executive and Minister to consider Aboriginal tradition.	Harm to Council's relationship with Traditional Owners; reputational damage.	Possible	Minor	Medium	Council's letter to the Minister notes that the pass may hold cultural significance for the relevant Traditional Owners.
Historical accuracy: the State or the community disputes the attribution of the Grey Range shortcut to Donald Angus.	The State assesses historical documentation, and s 9 public notice invites submissions.	The proposal does not proceed; minor reputational impact.	Possible	Insignificant	Low	Council relies on the State's assessment of the historical evidence.
Cost expectation: the community expects Council to fund or install signage at the pass.	None	Unbudgeted cost to Council.	Possible	Minor	Medium	Council's proposed letter to the Hon Ann Leahy MP will state that Council commits no funds to signage and that signage within the corridor is a matter for the Department of Transport and Main Roads.

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

Section 58 of the *Human Rights Act 2019* requires Council to make decisions compatible with human rights and to give proper consideration to the human rights relevant to each decision.

Council's decision advises the Minister / Member for Warrego of its support for a place name proposal. It does not name the pass, as the relevant Minister makes that decision under the *Place Names Act 1994*.

The decision engages the cultural rights of Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islander peoples (s 28), because the pass lies on Country and may carry an existing Aboriginal name or cultural significance. Council does not limit this right. Its support does not name the pass, and s 6(2)(a) and (h) of the *Place Names Act 1994* require the chief executive to consider Aboriginal tradition and the *Human Rights Act 2019* before any name proceeds.

Attachment 1 names Mr Savory, who initiated the proposal, and the descendant of Donald Angus whose support Mr Savory relies on. Both names are relevant to Council's decision, because the proposal and the family's support form the basis of the Minister's / Member for Warrego's request. Council has redacted Mr Savory's address, and the attachment contains no other personal details. Any interference with privacy is therefore neither unlawful nor arbitrary, and the decision does not limit the right to privacy (s 25).

The decision engages no other human right. It does not limit any human right and is compatible with human rights.

Ann Leahy MP
Member for Warrego
Minister for Local Government
Water, Fire, Disaster Recovery
and Volunteers

Mr Justin Hancock
Chief Executive Officer
Quilpie Shire Council
PO BOX 57
QUILPIE QLD 4480

By email: ceo@quilpie.qld.gov.au

12 October 2026

Dear Mr Hancock

I have been contacted by Mr Rob Savory of Eromanga in relation to signage for the Grey Range that falls within the Quilpie Shire Council.

I have enclosed a copy of Mr Savory's correspondence for your information.

Can the Council advise if they support the Grey Range being named the Donald Angus Pass.

I look forward to your response.

Yours faithfully

Ann Leahy

Ann Leahy MP
Member for Warrego
Minister for Local Government, Water
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Hon. Ann Leahy,
Minister for Local Government,
74 Wyndham Street.
ROMA QLD 4455.

8th September 2026

Dear Minister,

You will recall that it was your support that brought about the installation of 'THE SWAMP' signage.



The Swamp is now a talking point amongst tourists visiting Eromanga.

I have now researched the history of another local road in the Far Southwest:

The 1890s shortcut across the Grey Range

From the earliest times of European settlement, the Grey Range was a barrier to east-west, west-east traffic. All travellers - drovers, bullockies and others - heading east from Eromanga to Charleville had to go either via Adavale or via Toompine. That situation changed in the late 1890s with the opening of a shortcut from Eromanga, east across of the Grey Range. It is on record that this track was cleared through the bush by a local teamster named Donald Angus, presumably at his own expense.

Angus' track soon became "the main road" between Eromanga and Charleville. And today the Cooper Development Road, the Diamantina Development Road and a gazetted Stock Route all follow his original line - more or less.

To the best of my knowledge, the only place where Donald Angus is recognised for his efforts is in a small article in the CWA publication, "Echoes of Eromanga" (ATTACHMENT 1).
Today, his story is a significant part of a pioneer history presentation to tourists visiting Toogunna Farmstay (ATTACHMENT 2).

I believe that Angus' pioneering efforts should be formally recognised. At best, the road pass over the Grey Range could be named the DONALD ANGUS PASS. This option is supported by Ms Valarie Heinemann, Quilpie resident and descendant-by-marriage of Donald Angus.

I am requesting your help to progress this project. Quite apart from providing due recognition to Donald Angus, this story is a little gem for local tourism.

Yours sincerely,

Rob Savory JP

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ATTACHMENT 1.

Pioneer road built by Donald Angus – Timeline of events

The early 1890's.

Drovers and teamsters travelling from the Eromanga area to the railhead at Charleville had two alternative routes:

- **Northerly and easterly** via Kyabra, Thylungra, Jack-in-the-Rocks and Adavale.
- **Southerly and easterly** via Mount Margaret and Toompine.



Warrego 4 Mile Sketch Map, Sheet 5 1891

The late 1890s

> "In 1894 Donald Angus acquired a bullock team and commenced carting wool from the area surrounding Eromanga, to Charleville. During this period, he pioneered the route to the present site of Quilpie, then up the Bulloo River to Adavale and thence to Charleville."

'Echoes of Eromanga' Published by CWA Eromanga Branch (Undated) Page 13.

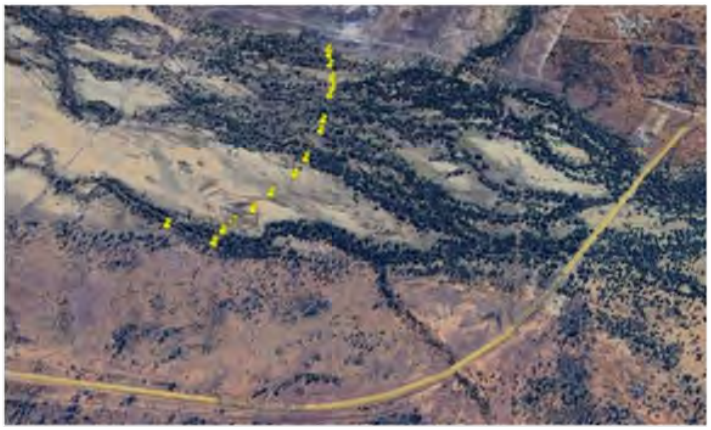
- Family history provided by Ms Valarie Heinemann tells us that teamster Donald Angus had previously used the Eromanga-Toompine-Charleville route when delivering loads of wool.
- Donald Angus' short-cut from Eromanga across the Grey Range to Charleville is shown in the first Road Atlas of Queensland.



Map 39, The Roads of Queensland by Yates & Jones 1913

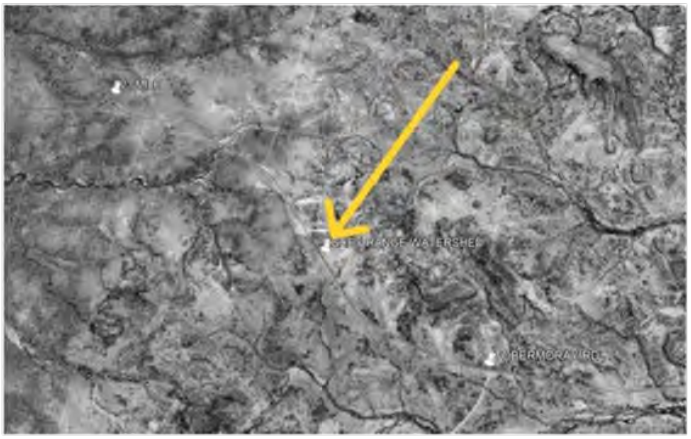
Donald Angus' original crossing of Yambutta Creek

Angus' original crossing place was identified by Adam Murray and Rob Savory in 2024 using a combination of ground inspection and satellite image interpretation.



Donald Angus' crossing: The Grass Hut was a Cobb & Co change station from 1904 to 1909.
Today, the Cooper Development Road crosses Yambutta Creek just 800m east of Angus' original crossing.

The Diamantina Development Road crossing of the Grey Range today



The Grey Range pass today



View east, towards Quilpie

ATTACHMENT 2.

Tourist points-of-interest on Donald Angus' track



The ruins of the Cobb & Co change station beside the southern channel of Yambutta Creek. It is known as The Grass Hut. Donald Angus' original track - and later the Cobb & Co coach road - traversed this open floodplain.



A coach-load of Toogunna Farmstay tourists at the Government Bore. This is on the Stock Route which follows Donald Angus' original track from Eromanga. Displayed on the bench is a drill bit that was found at the site.

15 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

RECOMMENDATION

In accordance with the provisions of section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that Council resolve to close the meeting to the public to discuss a confidential item that its Councillors consider is necessary to close the meeting.

In accordance with Section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the following table provides:

(a) the matter that is to be discussed; and

(b) an overview of what is to be discussed while the meeting is closed.

Agenda Item	**Reasons Matters to be discussed (to close the meeting under the *Local Government Regulation 2012*)**	**Overview**
15.1 First Quarter Budget Review 2026-27	(c) the local government's budget;	This report presents an amended budget for 2026-27 for Council's consideration.
15.2 Request for rates to be written off surrenderred MC 300481 - Assessment 11075-00000-000	(d) rating concessions;	This report presents a ratepayer's request for Council to consider writing off outstanding rates and charges on a rateable assessment.
15.3 Post Housing and Prosperity Summit Housing Proposal Update	(c) the local government's budget;	This report updates Council on a housing proposal received after the Quilpie Shire Housing and Prosperity Summit and seeks Council's direction on next steps.
15.4 Auction Reserve Price - Komatsu Grader	(g) negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government;	This report considers the sale of a Council motor grader by auction.

16 LATE ITEMS

17 GENERAL BUSINESS

18 MEETING DATES