



2-bedroom townhouse

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DELIVERING THE VISION

- 1) Quilpie Shire Council seeks the Queensland Government to prioritise the upgrade to the Quilpie Multipurpose Health Service.
- 2) Quilpie Shire Council seeks the Queensland Government to:
 - a. Undertake a land audit of State-owned land suitable for housing;
 - b. Develop a housing roadmap for state owned Government Employee Housing and Social and Affordable Housing; and
 - c. Commit to a long-term budget to invest in new Government Employee Housing and Social and Affordable Housing and dispose of aging housing stock to support home ownership in Quilpie Shire.

OUR PARTNERSHIP

Quilpie Shire is committed to working in genuine partnership with the Queensland Government to support the State's long-term growth agenda. As Queensland looks beyond the South East corner to accommodate future population and economic expansion, Quilpie has positioned itself as a leader in delivering long-term, stable accommodation solutions rather than short-term fixes. Council's innovative initiatives, including the New Home Owner Grant, demonstrate a proactive approach to increasing housing supply while maintaining affordability for homeowners and renters. Achieving the State's ambitious target of one million new homes by 2044 will require every region to contribute and Quilpie Shire is ready to play its part. Council stands alongside the State Government with a shared vision for growth, resilience and opportunity across Queensland.

A growing Quilpie, and a growing Queensland, depends on access to essential services and modern facilities. Supporting families, workers, and older residents requires health infrastructure that is both fit for purpose and designed for the future. The community-driven identification of the need to upgrade the Quilpie Multipurpose Health Service demonstrates this commitment, with the proposed expansion ensuring the facility can meet the demands of a growing and ageing population. Quilpie Shire is seeking a partnership with the State to secure Queensland's fair share of Federal health funding, ensuring regional communities like ours have the services they need to thrive and continue contributing to the State's broader growth agenda.



ADVOCACY

LIVEABILITY



SHARED VISION

Quilpie Shire and the Queensland Government share a unified vision for a vibrant, liveable regional Queensland where strong communities, quality services, and long-term housing security enable people to build fulfilling lives in the outback. With a renewed interest in regional living, economic diversification, and community wellbeing, this shared vision focuses on aligning investment, planning, and essential infrastructure, ensuring modern health care, aged-care facilities, and stable, affordable housing keep pace with community needs. Together, Quilpie and the Queensland Government can demonstrate how regional centres drive the State's prosperity, delivering a future defined by opportunity, connection, and long-term sustainability.

BACKGROUND

Quilpie Shire is widely regarded as one of Queensland's safest and most welcoming communities, offering an affordable and connected lifestyle where opportunity and liveability go hand in hand. Residents enjoy the space to build, grow, and shape their own future, whether raising a family, starting a business, or simply choosing the tranquillity of outback living over urban congestion. After a decade of population and housing decline, the post-COVID shift toward regional living has sparked renewed interest in the area. In response, Council adopted the Corporate Plan 2022–2027, establishing the Q1000 target to drive population growth, economic diversification, and enhanced community wellbeing.

HOUSING

Since 2021, Quilpie Shire Council has invested \$15 million to deliver 22 new dwellings, including homes ranging from 2 to 5 bedroom and the first Council owned townhouse development in South West Queensland. This investment has been critical to attracting and retaining staff while increasing the overall housing supply. To support home ownership and community stability, Council has sought ministerial exemptions to sell dwellings to tenants and staff, resulting in six sales over the past five years, with two more underway and regular EOI processes planned to support future sales. Council has also secured funding through the Residential Activation Fund to develop 30 new residential lots, with works commencing in early 2026, and intends to seek further funding for an additional 24 lots and essential upgrades to the ageing sewerage treatment plant, one of the oldest in the Commonwealth, originally installed in 1938. While Council continues to support State agencies by providing housing and disposing of land, several serviced State-owned lots remain undeveloped despite the current housing crisis. A coordinated, long-term State Government plan is required to activate these assets, expand government employee housing, and address the absence of crisis accommodation, which currently forces vulnerable residents to travel more than 200 kilometres to access this service.

HEALTH

Access to quality health services has consistently ranked among the community's top priorities, with community satisfaction surveys over the past six years highlighting ongoing concerns. In the 12 months leading to March 2023, Quilpie Shire was without a doctor for more than 100 days, prompting Council and the South West Hospital and Health Service to develop a Medical Services Action Plan focused on improving locum availability. Simple but meaningful initiatives, such as welcome hampers and local orientation guides, have helped establish a reliable rotation of returning locums who feel connected to the community, with residents even hosting appreciation events to acknowledge their contribution.

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