



Providing national leadership in rural and remote excellence, delivering for the Shire, Greater Western Queensland and beyond.

Corporate Plan 2026-2031 Strong, connected, growing together



Risk appetite statement

Quilpie Shire Council maintains a high appetite for well-considered initiatives where risks are clearly understood, proportionate, and actively managed, particularly when such initiatives strengthen community resilience, improve essential services, support sustainable population and economic growth, or address critical infrastructure needs. This appetite reflects the Shire's 'simply unique' operating environment.

Our 10 strategic priorities	 Well planned, managed and affordable infrastructure ready for growth			 Guided development and investment attraction to grow our communities		 Community access to services for health and wellbeing, lifelong learning and connection		 Collaborative and accountable government		
										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Objectives									
	Contribute to the availability, quality and mix of LAND and HOUSING options to support liveability for current residents and in readiness for growth.			Guide DEVELOPMENT , support liveability and contribute to a flourishing economy through planned towns, community spaces and managed growth.		Advocate for, and promote, the HEALTHCARE needs of our communities across residents' lifespan, from the very young to those later in life.		Through strong TEAMWORK , provide a safe, healthy, positive and productive workplace where our people can confidently fulfill responsibilities, continue to improve and have the opportunity to flourish.		
	Provide ESSENTIAL INFRASTRUCTURE and REGULATED SERVICES that are well planned and managed, with capacity to meet current and projected demand.			Build STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS to attract the funding and investment needed for strong and growing communities.		Provide and advocate for COMMUNITY SERVICES and FACILITIES that build and retain connections, enhance liveability and meet priority needs.		Manage our FINANCES and other council RESOURCES responsibly, continuing to build our capacity to meet community needs now and in the future.		
	Plan and deliver safe and resilient TRANSPORT networks that maintain and strengthen Shire connections.			Guide DEVELOPMENT , support liveability and contribute to a flourishing economy through planned towns, community spaces and managed growth.		Advocate for, and promote, the HEALTHCARE needs of our communities across residents' lifespan, from the very young to those later in life.		Through strong TEAMWORK , provide a safe, healthy, positive and productive workplace where our people can confidently fulfill responsibilities, continue to improve and have the opportunity to flourish.		
Our strategic direction	Services									
	1.1 Land development, housing construction and refurbishment	2.1 Water (Supply and reticulation)	3.1 Airport and airstrips	4.1 Planning and building	5.1 Economic and business development	6.1 Consultative forums and advocacy	7.1 Community services	8.1 Customer service and responsiveness	9.1 Audit, audit committee and risk management	10.1 Advocacy
	1.2 Housing management, administration and sales	2.2 Sewerage (Reticulation, treatment and disposal)	3.2 Disaster response and recovery (for road assets)	4.2 Local laws and other regulatory services	5.2 Tourism	6.2 Community health and wellbeing	7.2 Community facilities	8.2 Team effectiveness and good governance	9.2 Council facilities	10.2 Council meetings, briefings and workshops
	1.3 Gyrica Gardens units and aged persons housing	2.3 Waste (Collection and disposal)	3.3 Footpaths		5.3 Industry partnerships (Agriculture and Resources)			8.3 Training and development	9.3 Financial planning	10.3 Community engagement and leadership
			3.4 Roads and drainage					8.4 Workforce planning, attraction and retention	9.4 Financial accountability	10.4 Disaster planning, risk management, response and recovery
			3.5 Gravel and water					8.5 Workplace health, safety and wellbeing	9.5 Financial policies and processes	10.5 Cross council and other collaboration
									9.6 Information and technology	
									9.7 Integrity initiatives	
									9.8 Fleet and workshop	
Performance (progress) indicators	POPULATION			PLANS		PERSISTENCE		PROJECTS & PROGRAMS		
	► Growth (Australian Bureau of Statistics)			► New and reviewed		► Political engagements		► % at practical completion		
	► Target - Q1000 residents.					► Funding applications and value		► % capitalised		
	► Trends in Gross Regional Product and full-time employment							► Projects in progress (agreed stages)		
								► Programs delivered (e.g. sessions, attendees)		
	PEOPLE			PARTNERSHIPS		POLICIES & PROCESSES		PROPERTY & PLANT		
	► Initiatives for internal and external stakeholders			► New funding agreements		► New and reviewed policies		► New / replaced plant delivered and capitalised		
	► Community engagement activities			► Negotiated contracts and agreements		► Processes documented and streamlined		► Financial sustainability ratios trends		
	► Audit and advisory committees			► Commitments upheld						
	► Collaboration outcomes									
	► Continual improvement									