OUR SHIRE, OUR NEWS

AUGUST 2026

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2026 WQAC Assembly

Quilpie Shire Council joined mayors, councillors and chief executive officers from across the region at the Western Queensland Alliance of Councils (WQAC) Assembly 2026, held at Brisbane City Hall from 25 to 27 August. This year's theme, "Beyond the Range: Built Tough, Think Bold", brought together the three regional organisations of councils that make up WQAC, representing 25 local governments across 65% of the State.

The assembly gave Council the change to sit down with state and federal ministers and shadows, members and senators, directors-general and senior industry leaders. These conversations matter for a remote shire like Quilpie. They are where regional priorities get a direct hearing from the people who make funding and policy decisions.

Discussions at this year's assembly covered housing, roads and transport, connectivity and sustainability, water and sewerage infrastructure, waste management, disaster funding, regional airline services and childcare, along with oportunities linked to the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games. Each of these areas affects daily life in Quilpie Shire, from the reliability of local roads to the availability of essential services.

Mayor Ben Hall said the assembly was a valuable opportunity for the shire.

"Attending the WQAC Assembly gives Quilpie Shire a seat at the table with the ministers, senators and decision-makers who shape the funding and policy that affects our community every day. When 25 councils across Western Queensland stand together, our voice on issues like roads, housing and disaster funding carries further than it would alone. This is about building the relationships and momentum that turn our region's priorities into real outcomes for our residents."

For the community, the value of attending goes beyond any single meeting. By standing alongside other Western Queensland councils, Quilpie Shire adds its voice to a stronger, unified regional message. It also builds relationships that support the shire's own advocacy work throughout the year, on issues from disaster recovery funding to freight route investment.

Council will keep the community updated as outcomes from this year's assembly become clear.



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Mayor's Message

Hello Community,

Just a quick update on where we have been and what irons are in the fire for Brand Quilpie Shire. Firstly, we have firmed up our advocacy documentation on the Western Enabling Network (WEN) sealing of the Adavale–Blackall Road and the Warri Gate Road, bringing together all the detailed information to support it. This becomes our No. 1 priority advocacy point and sees an unprecedented alliance of Bulloo Shire, Quilpie Shire and Blackall-Tambo Shire join forces to push this across the line with State and Federal Governments. The economic and social benefits of this project not only support the economic futures of these shires but radiate out to the rest of the state and nation. The projections forecast a 500%+ freight growth alone; this does not include the tourism potential that will also be unlocked. I urge anyone who has forum with ministers and industry lobbyists to please promote this.

You may have seen some media around the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA). This is Federal and State funding that assists with the clean up and resilience recovery processes after a natural disaster. This is being reviewed by the Federal Government, and the current model developed in Queensland for Queensland is being subjected to potentially a one size fits all approach across all states. This puts communities and shires at great risk. The fiscal fallout for our shire alone is estimated to be a funding shortfall of $21 million in the 2025 disaster recovery package, leaving ratepayers—who are already taxpayers—to fund the shortfall. The current method of DRFA funding delivered through the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) has been developed over many disaster events in the state and has taken those things we got wrong and made them right when assisting communities to recover. In short, communities have already paid the price once, and it is very removed of the Federal Government to ask us to risk paying twice.

I recently sat on a panel advocating not to change this at the Western Queensland Alliance of Councils summit in Brisbane. Also joining me at the conference were Deputy Mayor Roger Volz and Cr Lyn Barnes, who also spoke to and advocated for the resources sector of our shire, highlighting the impact state planning instruments will have on the future of resources in our region. We also fed into conversations about health and childcare in the region.

On a lighter note, if I haven't lost you already, we have tenders in for the Rural Residential Estate development and will start to see this taking shape real soon. More announcements to come on residential land openings.

The site for the BOM radar is reaching its final selection stages, so that will be another great asset to the region.

The Bob Young Memorial Park renovation is due to start in September, and thank you to those in the community who participated in the consultation as we take this community space forward.

New contractor appointment and season start for pool contractors Leisure Safe; we welcome them and look forward to at least this part of summer.

You may have noticed foundation works happening in the median strip at the east entrance of town. These are for some massive arbours. Just for the record, Adam had no part in their design and he's just there to put them in.

Thank you all for your support.

Stay safe and prosper,

Cr Ben Hall, Mayor

true relationships & reproductive health

OUTREACH CLINIC

WE ARE VISITING QUILPIE IN 2026!

We offer reproductive & sexual health services to all clients at no cost.

- Cervical screening
- Breast health
- Pelvic pain
- Endometriosis
- Fertility
- Contraception advice/options
- Sexual health screening
- Period concerns
- PCOS
- Menopause
- Hormonal concerns
- Vulval health
- Pregnancy counselling
- IUD: Insertions, removals, assessment, concerns/problems (includes Mirena, Kyleena, Copper – Cu380)*
- Implanon: Insertions, removals, assessment, concerns/problems

*Please check with your coordinator, as this may not be available in all locations.

DATES

March
~~17 & 18~~

June
~~16 & 17~~

September
8 & 9

November
17 & 18

LOCATION

Quilpie Medical Practice,
30 Gyrica Street, Quilpie,
QLD, 4480

Book appointment
0437 300 226

true.org.au/book-appointment/outreach

CHECKUP

These clinics are funded by the Federal Government.
Funding is managed by CheckUp with True Relationships and Reproductive Health contracted as the provider of the service delivery in various locations around Queensland. The program is run in co-operation with local service providers.

Noosa Film Academy

Gyrica Gardens Visit

Local seniors recently enjoyed a memorable day at Gyrica Gardens as part of a storytelling and film project delivered by the Noosa Film Academy. Participants shared a remarkable collection of memories, stories and local history, capturing the experiences and characters that have helped shape the Quilpie community over the years. From life on the land and flood experiences to treasured childhood memories and tales of local identities, the stories provided a fascinating glimpse into the district's rich history.

The Noosa Film Academy expressed it appreciation to Quilpie Shire Council for bringing the community together and helping make the day such a success. Special thanks were extended to Michelle for coordinating the event and providing a wonderful morning tea and lunch, and to Nicola for her assistance throughout the day. The project was made possible through the support of the Queensland Mental Health Commission, whose contribution helped create this unique opportunity for local residents to connect, reflect and share their stories.

The finished film is a heartfelt celebration of the people, experiences and history of the Quilpie community. Organisers were with the final result and thanks all participating seniors for their enthusiasm and generosity in sharing their memories. The project concluded with a special community screening, with organisers already looking forward to returning next year.

View the finished film below:

https://youtu.be/gc6gxjYNtV8



A Piece of Quilpie Shire History Still at Work



Council recently received a couple of photographs from a gentleman who purchased one of Council's former graders, believed to have been purchased new in around 1968.

Interestingly, the original Council signwriting has begun to reappear through the old house paint that was applied when the machine left Council ownership many years ago, providing a fascinating glimpse into its history.



The owner explained that he had brought the old Galion grader back from Cameron Corner several years ago. It now resides in the small community of Biddeston, just outside Toowoomba. These days, the grader enjoys a much easier retirement, helping to maintain an 800-metre driveway rather than working across the extensive road network it once served.

It is wonderful to see a piece of Quilpie Shire's history still operating and being preserved for future generations, Council thanks the owner for sharing these photographs and the story behind this remarkable machine.

AGE 10-16 YEARS

CWA HALL
17 BROLGA ST

QUILPIE Shire

YOUTH GROUP

3:15PM - 4:45PM WEDNESDAY

INDOOR & OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

FRUIT SNACK PROVIDED

CONTACT:
MICHELLE DONOHUE
MOB 0427243055

SESSIONS WILL NOT BE HELD DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Seniors Moment

The 29th Annnual Outback Seniors Games were held in Charleville on Friday, 14 August, bringing together competitors from across the region for a day of friendly competition and community spirit.

CWAATSICH Aboriginal Health proudly fielded two teams, the Quilpie Eagles and the Yellowbellies, while the Quilpie Shire Healthy Ageing Group was represented by the Quilpie Opals.

The Quilpie Opals were awarded 'Best Presented Team', embracing the day's Red Nose Day theme with enthusiasm and creativity. They also achieved an impressive second place overall in the quiz competition. The Quilpie Eagles also enjoyed an outstanding performance, finishing second overall for the day.

A special congratulations goes to Jocelyn Wallace from the Quilpie Eagles, who earned individual medal honours by placing first in Quoits and second in Ten Pin Bowling.

Congratulations to all competitors who represented Quilpie Shire and participated in the event. Your enthusiasm, sportsmanship, and community spirit made the day a great success.



Quilpie Opals Team



Quilpie Eagles - Jocelyn Wallace (centre) 1st Quoits



Best Presented Team Trophy



Quilpie Eagles Team



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Scan for the time & location

We're bringing free liver health checks to Quilpie

Saturday 12 September
Sunday 13 September

Please fast for 3 hours prior to appointment (water is fine)

Check your risk factors below

Services:
Health Consultation
Lifestyle Assessment
FibroScan®
Measurement of Vital Signs

High Risk:
High Cholesterol
High Blood Pressure
Diabetes
Cardiovascular Disease
Overweight

For more information:
Speak to your GP or healthcare provider for a referral.
Walk ins are accepted

(07) 3162 5310 | reception@heartofaustralia.com | Heartofaustralia.com

Grow Your Career at Council

Why Join Us?

At Quilpie Shire Council, you'll find more than just a job. You will find the opportunity to create the life you want to live. Here, work-life balance isn't just something we talk about; it's part of our culture. With short commutes, supportive colleagues, and leaders who genuinely care about your wellbeing, you'll have more time to spend with family and friends, pursue your interests, and enjoy everything our community has to offer. From our annual Wellbeing Week and health initiatives to a workplace where people look out for one another, we believe that when our team thrives, our community does too.

Living and working in Quilpie means becoming part of a connected and welcoming community where people know each other by name and lend a hand when it's needed. The Outback lifestyle offers endless opportunities to unwind and explore, whether it's fishing on the Bulloo River, enjoying Lake Houdraman, camping beneath star-filled skies, or discovering the region's natural beauty on foot, horseback, or bike. It's a place where children enjoy a true country upbringing and where strong community connections are part of everyday life.

Working with Council also means making a meaningful difference. The services, infrastructure, and projects we deliver help power our community, and you'll see firsthand the impact of your work. You'll work alonside a dedicated, down-to-earth team that takes pride in achieving great outcomes for Quilpie, solving challenges creatively, and continually improving the way we service our residents. Every day brings opportunities to contribute to projects that matter and help shape the future of our region.

Whether you're looking for a long-term career or an opportunity to broaden your experience, Quilpie Shire Council offers room to grow. We foster a culture of learning, development, and excellence, where employees are encouraged to build new skills, take on challenges, and make their roles their own. Despite being a small council, we have big ambitions and a strong track record of achievement. Join us and enjoy the rare combination of a rewarding career, genuine community connection, and an exceptional Outback lifestyle.

Our Values

Fun & Humour - We take our work and responsibilities seriously, but not ourselves. That's because we believe a workplace with genuine humour and joy makes the tough days easier and the good days better. We think of it as our secret ingredient that sees colleagues become team mates.

Respect - We treat each other with respect regardless of status. We act professionally, support each other and our organisation, and together, we celebrate our successes with understated pride.

Communication - We share information and knowledge with each other in an open, clear and timely manner. We actively and empathetically listen to each other, seek to understand and embrace robust conversations. We aim for constructive debate rather than criticism.

Pride - We have pride in ourselves, our organisation and the workplace. We strive to deliver high-quality work and innovative programs and services to our communities.

Trust - We treat people with integrity, respect and empathy to build and maintain positive relationships. Trust in our workplace promotes confidence that the organisation and colleagues care about you and respect your knowledge and what you stand for.

Teamwork - We are one organisation across all functions and locations within the Shire. We work towards a common goal through cooperation and teamwork.

Your Benefits Package

- Maximise your take - home pay with salary packaging options for rent, novated car leases and more
- 8 weeks paid parental leave*
- 2 weeks paid partner (parental) leave*
- 5 weeks annual leave for all full-time staff*
- 15 days sick leave for all full-time staff*
- Access to long service leave after 7 years*
- A nine-day fortnight option for all full-time staff (excluding ELT)
- Employee Assistance Program - access free, unlimited and confidential 24-hour support for you and your immediate family
- Subsidised wellbeing program - includes subsidised gym membership or pool aquatic program access, and free staff social functions each year. Your immediate family members are most welcome, too!
- Free annual health checks. This includes skin checks, hearing checks and consultations with a variety of rotating specialists (for example, podiatrists, optometrists, dietitians and musculoskeletal health specialists)
- Extensive training and professional development opportunities, and a culture where you're encouraged to succeed
- Annual staff fundraising initiative

Current Vacancies

Concretor

Deliver high quality concrete works that support the construction and maintenance of essential community infrastructure.

Job Type: Permanent, Full-time

Salary: $68,574.48 + applicable allowances

Job Category: Infrastructure Services

Closing Date: Applications assessed as received

Labourer (Town Services)

Play a crucial role in the upkeep and improvement of community assets, including streetscapes, parks, public facilities, and town infrastructure.

Job Type: Permanent, Full-time

Salary: $65.589.16 + applicable allowances

Job Category: Infrastructure Services

Closing Date: Applications assessed as received

Multi-skilled Plant Operator (Structures & Concrete)

As a Multi-Skilled Plant Operator at Quilpie Shire Council, you will be instrumental in building and maintaining the roads that connect our vibrant community.

Job Type: Fixed Term, Full-time

Salary: $68,574.48 + applicable allowances

Job Category: Infrastructure Services

Closing Date: 31/08/2026

Plumber

As a Plumber, you will be pivotal to ensuring Quilpie Shire's reliable water and sewerage systems.

Job Type: Permanent, Full-time

Salary: $68,574.48 + applicable allowances

Job Category: Infrastructure Services

Closing Date: Applications assessed as received

Meet Brian!

"My journey to Quilpie probably started 44 years ago. I started as a labourer in Parks and Gardens, and I've worked all the way through to where I am now as a Deputy Director.

Council offers a good diverse role. You can do anything you want as long as your imagination allows it.

I've gone from big councils to small councils to quite large councils over my career. We punch well above our weight as far as most councils I've worked with and we just acheive awesome things for the communities.

One thing that Quilpie does that no other council I've worked with has done, is they recognise that the whole family is part of the team.

My wife said even though it was her first trip to Quilpie, it felt like coming home, even though we'd never been here before. And I think that sort of sums up what Quilpie is like.

Quilpie is a good base for exploring the west. I regret that I didn't come out here probably 10-15 years ago. It will give you lifelong friends, things to talk about in your old age to your grandkids about what you've achieved. You let your adventures begin."



Fridays 3:30 - 4:30 PM
at Quilpie Library

LEGO Build & Create







Use your imagination to create LEGO masterpieces with friends!

Suitable for ages 5+

Please note children aged 8 & under must be accompanied by an adult when visiting the library. For more information, contact Quilpie Library on 4656 0550.

QUILPIE Shire

Biosecurity Alert

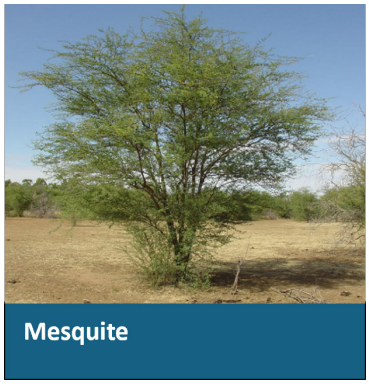
High-Priority Invasive Species to Watch

Mesquite (Prosopis Species)

This aggressive, woody thorn bush forms dense thickets that completely smother productive pasture, restrict stock access to waterholes and damage vehicle tyres. Look for zig-zag branches, sharp thornes, fern-like leaves, and distinct greenish-yellow cylindrical flower tassels.

Coral Cactus (Cylindropuntia fulgida var. mamillata)

A highly invasive, tree-like succulent that grows up to 3 metres tall. It features pale green, cylindrical segments resembling coral that easily detach and spread via livestock, native animals, and vehicle tyres. Its fierce spines can cause severe injuries to livestock and significantly reduce grazing capacity.



Mesquite

Pest Weeds Booming After Good Seasons

Landholders across the Shire are urged to inspect their properties and report pest weed indestations immediately. The exceptional growing conditions and high rainfall experienced over the past 18 months have created an ideal environment for invasive species to rapdily germinate, spread, and outcompete native pastures.

How to Take Action

- Inspect Your Land: Prioritise checking waterways, flood plains, stock routes, and areas downwind of known historic infestations
- Do Not Spread It: Avoid driving machinery or moving stock through active infestations to prevent seed and segment transfer
- Report and Seek Help: Contact Council immediately to log a weed sighting, request an inspection, or obtain expert advice on chemical, mechanical, or biological control options.

Council can assist you with plant identification and pest weed management strategies.

Phone: (07) 4656 0500



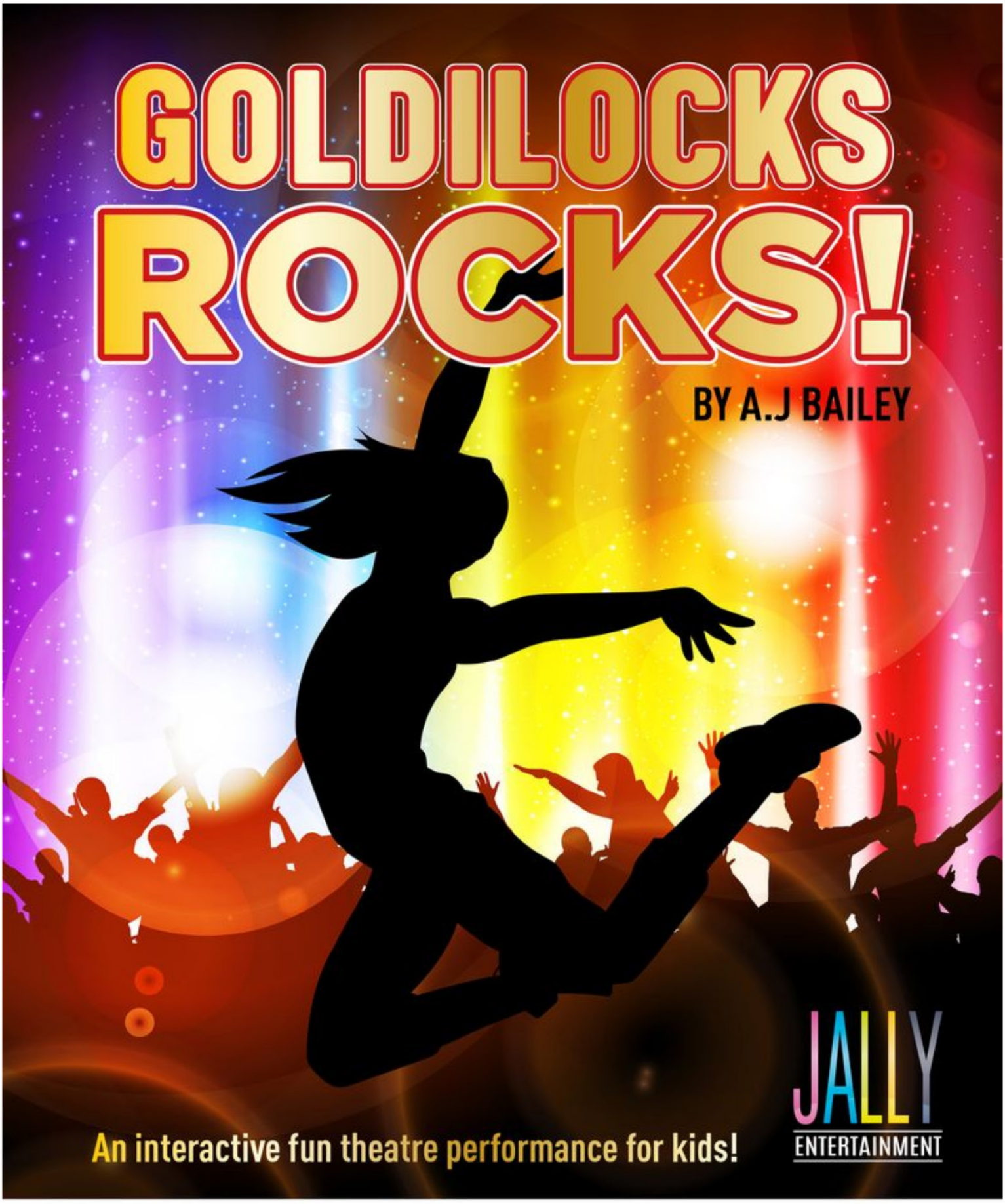
Spring Has Sprung

Gardening Tips

Give your lawn a healthy start this season by aerating the soil with a garden fork to improve airflow and water penetration. As spring begins, treat broadleaf weeds and prickly bindii with a suitable weed control product. A few weeks later, apply a quality lawn fertiliser to encourage strong, healthy growth and help suppress future weed development.

If your lawn has bare areas or you're planning to establish a new lawn, now is an ideal time to begin preparing the site for seeding. As soil temperatures rise, grass seeds will germinate more readily, allowing your lawn to become well established before the hotter summer months arrive.





FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER 2026
10.00AM
QUILPIE TOWN HALL

Stronger Homes Grant

The Quilpie Shire community has shown remarkable strength in the months since the March 2025 flood event, with residents demonstrating the same determination that has long defined life along the Bulloo River and Coopers Creek. From the earliest days of response, neighbours check on neighbours, rural properties supported one another through isolation, and local organisations stepped forwards to ensure no one faced the impacts alone. This community-led spirit - recognised as a cornerstone of effective recovery - has been central to the Shire's progress.

Across the Shire, recovery has been strengthened by coordinated efforts between Council, government agencies and local volunteers. Dedicated council recovery and resilience roles will further support grant program discussions and applications and rebuild confidence after this challenging event.

Today, the Quilpie Shire is not only recovering - they are strengthening for the future. Community events (like the upcoming Quilpie Show and Rodeo), wellbeing programs and local initiatives will further restore connection and optimism, while ongoing improvements to roads, water networks and essential services continue to build long-term resilience. The March 2025 floods tested the Shire, but they also highlighted its greatest assest: a community that stands together, adapts quickly and continues to shape a strong, sustainable future.

Stengthening communities for future weather events, the Stronger Homes Grant is available for eligible residents whose home was inundated during the Western Queensland Surface Trough and Associated Rainfall and flooding, 21 March - 19 May 2025. With this grant, you can do things like raise electrical switchboards, air conditioning units and hot water systems, or install flood-resilient floors and wall linings. This means if your home is flooded again, you'll be able to recover quicker.



Old is Beautiful

Tuesday 15th September

We are calling for 12 people aged 65+ to participate in a fun project promoting wellbeing and a positive approach to ageing in Quilpie.

The project involves a workshop and photography with older people, then sharing stories and an exhibition to engage the broader community.

The project is led by the Western Queensland Primary Health Network and hosted by Quilpie Shire Council. The project will be facilitated by Celebrate Ageing Ltd, a charity combating ageism and building respect for older people.

Date: 15/09/2026

Time: 10:00am MPC Gyrica Gardens

RSVP: Michelle Donohue on 0427 243 055

For more information contact Dr Catherine Barrett on 0429 582 237

CHECK YOUR LIVER

Heart of Australia is offering free, non-invasive liver scans

Risk factors include:

- High Cholesterol
- High Blood Pressure
- Diabetes
- Overweight
- Cardiovascular Disease



Please fast for 3 hours prior to appointment (water is fine)

GP referrals preferred
Walk-ins accepted

Visit our website timetable for upcoming clinics

Services:

- Consultation about Health History
- Lifestyle Assessment
- FibroScan®
- Vital Sign Measurements

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Animal Registrations

Quilpie Shire Council's Animal registration year commences on 1 October and ends 30 September each year. Dog registrations must be renewed annually as per the Animal Management (Cats & Dogs) Act 2008.

Registration Requirements

If your dog is three months or older, it must be registered with Council. You must register the animal within 14 days of taking ownership.

Exemptions exist for working dogs and assistance dogs.

Registration Discounts

Registration is cheaper if your animal is desexed.

Pensioner concession is available.

Reduced rates apply to dogs located in non-designated (rural) areas.

Microchipping Requirements

It is a mandatory requirement under the Animal Management (Cats & Dogs) Act 2008 that all dogs over 12 weeks of age are to be microchipped.

Replacement Tags

Replacement registration tags are available for purchase by contacting the Quilpie Shire Council Administration Office.

Have Any Details Changed?

- Have you moved house?
- Do you have new contact information?
- Has your pet passed away?
- Have you any additional pets that are not registered?

If so, please contact us.

By Phone: (07) 4656 0500

By Email: admin@quilpie.qld.gov.au

In Person: Visit us at our Administration Office

Methods of Payment

BPAY: Please see the front of your notice for Councils Biller Code and your reference number.

Paying in Person: Cash, Cheque, Money Order, Visa, MasterCard or EFTPOS. Present your notice and your payment to the Administration Officer, 8.00am to 5.00pm weekdays.

Payment by Mail: Please post your payment well in advance to ensure that it is received at Council by the due date.

Cheques and money orders should be made payable to:

Quilpie Shire Council

PO Box 57 QUILPIE QLD 4480

Managing Your Property Rates

Are you having difficulty paying your rates? Sometimes circumstances make it hard to pay rates by the due date.

If you can't pay the total amount of your rate notice by the due date, please contact Council to discuss your situation and make a suitable payment arrangement.

A payment arrangement will provide you more time to pay and help you get back on track, and avoid debt recovery procedures.

The terms of a payment arrangement will vary based on the individual circumstances of each property owner and may need to be considered by Council in certain circumstances.

If an arrangement is not made, and full payment of rates is not received by the date shown on the rates notice, the overdue rates will attract interest compounded daily. Reminder letters are issued twice after each levy.

Council may select properties that have any part of their overdue rates and charges remaining unpaid for at least:

- Three (3) years; or
- One (1) year for vacant land or land used only for commercial pruposes; or
- Three (3) months for a mining claim

and issue the ratepayer(s) of those properties with a Letter of Demand. This letter will request the ratepayer(s) to finalise the outstanding balance or enter into an appropriate payment plan.

No further action is taken if payment is made in full or the ratepayer enters into and maintains their approved payment commitment.

Please contact Council on 4656 0500 if you are experiencing difficulty paying your rates to discuss options for a payment arrangement.

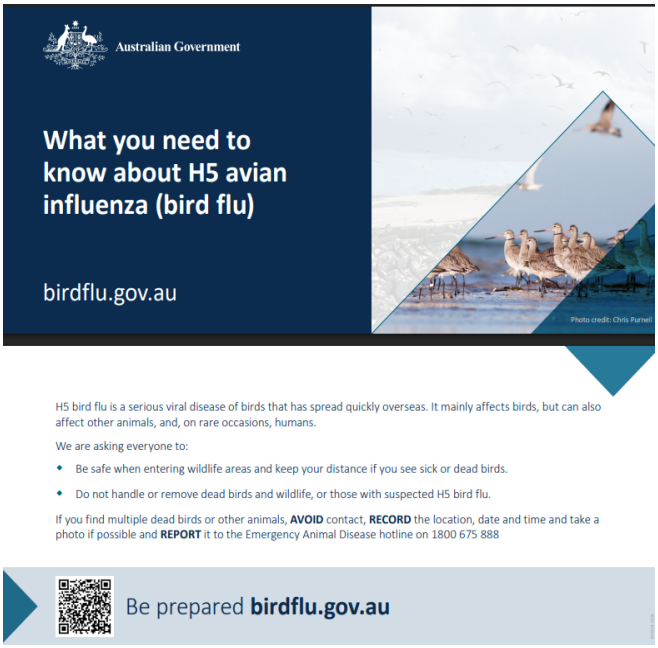
Western Touring Circuit
Abba Girls Tribute Show

Get ready to sing, dance and celebrate the music of ABBA with Abba Girls Tribute Show, presented as part of the Western Touring Circuit 2026.

This family-friendly live tribute features a talented duo performing all the ABBA hits you know and love, complete with dazzling replica ABBA costumes, audience participation and plenty of sing-along moments. From Dancing Queen and Mammia Mia to Waterloo and Fernando, audiences of all ages will enjoy an uplifting evening of music, nostalgia and fun.

Join us for a feel-good night of entertainment as Abba Girls bring the timeless songs of ABBA to communities across regional Queensland.





SWHHS Annual 10,000 Steps Challenge

It's that time again — our annual 10,000 Steps Challenge is back, running from 3 August to 13 September!

We'd love to see as many community members involved as possible this year. Start gathering your teams and get ready to compete with others across the South West. Feel free to share this opportunity with your friends, family, and colleagues — the more, the better!

The challenge is a great way to stay active during the cooler months, encouraging you to increase your daily movement by tracking your steps.



H5 Avian Influenza (Bird Flu)

Avian Influenza (Bird Flu) is a contagious viral infection that primarily affects wild water birds and domestic poultry. It is caused by specific influenza A viruses and can occasionally spead to mammals and humans, usually through close contact with sick animals.

If you notice sick or dead birds or other animals, you should not touch them. If there are dead birds or other animals, take photos or a video.

Record your location and report it to the 24-hour Emergency Animal Disease Hotline on 1800 675 888

Quilpie Shire Council

CWA Hall
17 Brolga St

After School Program

MONDAYS
3:30PM - 4:30PM

YEARS
5/9

CRAFT ACTIVITIES

COME AND HAVE SOME FUN AND BE CREATIVE

FRUIT SNACK PROVIDED

Contact:
Michelle Donohue
MOB 0427 243 055

Sessions will not be held during school holidays



Your Council in Action:
August Update



Investment in Tourism Research

Council agreed to contribute $5,000 towards a University of Queensland-led research project examining the value and future role of Accredited Visitor Information Centres across Queensland. The study will help quanitfy the economic contribution of Visitor Information Centres and inform future tourism planning and advocacy.

Payroll Business Continuity Plan Adopted

To strengthen organisational resilience, Council adopted a new Payroll Business Continuity Plan. The plan ensures employees are Councillors can continue to be paid during disruptions such as cyber incidents, system outages or other emergencies.

Advocacy on Disaster Funding Reform

Council endorsed a submission on the National Emergency Management Agency opposing proposed changes to disaster recovery funding arrangements. The submission highlights the significant financial impacts the reforms could have on local government and regional communities, particularly those frequently affected by natural disasters.

Flood Damage Restoration Contract Awarded

Council awarded a contract for restoration works on flood-damaged sections of the Blackall-Adavale Road. The project will help restore critical transport infrastructure damaged by recent flood events.

Ordinary Meeting of Council

Councillors met on 18 August 2026 to consider a range of projects, community requests and strategic initiatives aimed at supporting local services, infrastructure and economic development across the Shire.

Walking & Cycling Connectivity Project

Council endorsed an application to the Australian Government's Active Transport Fund to design and construct a new footpath linking the Quilpie town centre, the proposed Travel and Transport Precinct, Quilpie Airport and Baldy Top. The project aims to improve safety, accessibility and tourism opportunities while enhancing connections across the community.

Support for the 2026 Quilpie Show & Rodeo

Council approved in-kind assistance for the 2026 Quilpie Show, Rodeo and Tech and Ag Field Day, including a venue fee waiver, waste services, a generator, wheelie bins and portable lighting where available.
Council also apporved assistance to help repair and relocate the Quilpie Show and Rodeo office at Bulloo Park by covering labour costs associated with the project.

Financial Report Recevied

Councillors received and noted the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending 31 July 2026, fulfilling Council's regular financial governance and reporting obligations.

Looking Ahead to the 2028 Local Government Election

Council resloved to apply for the 2028 local government election to again be conducted by full postal ballot, continuing the approach used in recent elections to provide convenient voting opportunities for residents across the large and remote Shire.

Christmas Shutdown Arrangements

Council approved a two-week organisation-wide Christmas shutdown period for non-essential services, commencing from close of business on Friday 18 Decemeber 2026. with normal operations resuming on Monday 4 January 2027. Essential and critical services will continue to operate as required.

Next Meeting

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council is scheduled for Tuesday, 15 September 2026, at the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom.

WHAT'S ON @ QUILPIE LIBRARY

SEPTEMBER 2026

EVERY TUESDAY 10:30 AM	**WRIGGLE & RHYME** Story time, songs, craft & play for Under 5's & their grown-ups! Come along & join in the fun! Please note this activity is held in term-time only. 
EVERY FRIDAY 3:30 PM	**LEGO BUILD AND CREATE** Use your imagination to create LEGO masterpieces with friends! All LEGO provided. Suitable for ages 5+. Please note this activity is held in term-time only.
SAT 05/09 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	**MAKE SOMETHING SATURDAY: SCRAPBOOKING** Hand craft a photo collage for yourself or someone you love! BYO printed photos & scrapbook/art journal. All other materials provided! Designed for ages 16+. Bookings essential!
THURS 17/09	**LIBRARY VISIT TO ADAVALE** Come along to Adavale Hall to join in on Story Time for under 5's, kids' craft activities, or for a cuppa and chat with friendly library staff! Library books, magazines & DVDs will be available to borrow!

For more information, pop in to see us, call 4656 0550 or email library@quilpie.qld.gov.au

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COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES & SENIORS PROGRAM AUG 2026

MON
3RD - 31ST

WHEELIE WIGGLE WALK

10:30 AM | MEET AT GYRICA GARDENS MPC

TUE
11TH - 25TH

CRAFT & CHAT

2:00 PM | LIBRARY
2:00 PM | GYRICA GARDENS MPC

WED
26TH

SENIORS DIGITAL STORY TELLING WORKSHOP

10:30 AM | GYRICA GARDENS MPC

FRI
28TH

MEN'S GROUP

2:00PM | GYRICA GARDENS MPC

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FOR MORE INFO : MICHELLE DONOHUE
HEALTH PROMOTIONS OFFICER
PHONE 4656 0500 MOBILE 0427 243 055

How do you library?

















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COME & JOIN

Book Club

AT QUILPIE LIBRARY



Read and discuss a new book each month!

Last Wednesday of the month @ 6.30 PM

Contact Quilpie Library on 4656 0550 for more info



2026 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.

January

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Ordinary Meeting of Council



Adavale Hotel
All About Aquatics
Elders Rural Services
Elegant Emu
Elias Newsagency
Eromanga Natural History Museum
Foodworks Quilpie
Gilby & Tonkin
Imperial Hotel Motel
Lowes BP Depot
Nutrien Ag Solutions
Outback Hair Studio
Quilpie Butchery
Quilpie Country Collections
Quilpie General Store
Quilpie Hardware & Tyre Service
Quilpie Home Appliances
Quilpie Post Office
Quilpie Shire Council
Quilpie Visitor Information Centre
Re-store
Royal Hotel Eromanga
The Brick Hotel
The Lake
The Old Empire Cafe
Toompine South Western Hotel
Unstable Coffee

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