



## **GENERAL MEETING**

**15 December 2021**

### **NOTICE OF MEETING**

Date: 15 December 2021

Cr AL Martin

Cr BP Johnstone

Cr PJ Pullos

Cr LP Russell

Cr JH Scobie

Cr DA Hardie

Cr GK Schluter

Please find attached the Agenda for the General Meeting to be held at the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Chambers in Blackall, 15 December 2021 commencing at 8.30am.

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**DA Howard**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### December 2021

15 December 2021	Council Meeting – Blackall
19 December 2021	Carols in the Park
25 December 2021	Christmas Day

### January 2022

1 January 2022	New Year's Day
3 January 2022	New Year's Public Holiday
12 January 2022	Council Meeting – Tambo
26 January 2022	Australia Day

### February 2022

16 February 2022	Council Meeting – Blackall
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### March 2022

16 March 2022	Council Meeting – Tambo
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### April 2022

15 April 2022	Good Friday
18 April 2022	Easter Monday
20 April 2022	Council Meeting – Blackall
25 April 2022	Anzac Day

### May 2022

2 May 2022	Labour Day
18 May 2022	Council Meeting – Tambo
28 May 2022	Tambo Cup Races

### June 2022

15 June 2022	Council Meeting – Blackall
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### July 2022

20 July 2022	Council Meeting – Tambo
26-28 July 2022	Bush Council Convention - Barcaldine

### August 2022

17 August 2022	Council Meeting – Blackall
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### September 2022

21 September 2022	Council Meeting – Tambo
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### October 2022

3 October 2022	Queen's Birthday
17-19 October 2022	LGAQ Conference - Cairns
26 October 2022	Council Meeting – Blackall

### November 2022

11 November 2022	Remembrance Day
16 November 2022	Council Meeting – Tambo

### December 2022

14 December 2022  
25 December 2022

Council Meeting – Blackall  
Christmas Day

**Held at Blackall Council Chambers**  
**On Wednesday 15 December 2021**  
**Commencing at 8.30am**

**Order of Business**

**Blue items are hyperlinked**

Leave of absence/Signing of Attendance Book

Apologies:

Condolences:

- Kayla Russell
- Jan Ross

Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

Deputations

**BUSINESS**

**1. CONFIRMATION OF THE MEETING MINUTES**

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1. That the minutes of the General Meeting held on 17 November 2021 be taken and read as confirmed, and that the Mayor be authorised to sign same: and
2. Council notes the correction in the Annual Report 2020/2021, page 7, Councillors remuneration schedule as follows:

Position	Annual Remuneration*	Meeting Allowance **	Total
Mayor Allowance	\$108,222.00	Nil	\$108,222.00
Deputy Mayor Allowance	\$62,435.04	Nil	\$62,435.04
Councillor Allowance	\$36,073.32	\$18,036.72	\$54,110.04

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**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF  
BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE TAMBO COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
ON WEDNESDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2021  
AT 8.30AM**

**PRESENT:**

Councillors: Cr AL Martin (Mayor), Cr LP Russell (Deputy Mayor), Cr GK Schluter, Cr JH Scobie, Cr BP Johnstone, Cr DA Hardie, Cr PJ Pullos.

**OFFICERS:**

Mr Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer, Mr Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services, Mr Garth Kath, Director of Works and Services, Mrs Andrea Saunders, Executive Assistant.

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**CONDOLENCES:**

A minute's silence was observed to mark the passing of:

- Gail Prow

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**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

At this point no conflicts of interest were declared.

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**1.1 Confirmation of General Meeting Minutes**

**MOTION:      Moved: Cr JH Scobie                      Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos**

**That the minutes of the General Meeting held on 20 October 2021 be taken as read and confirmed, and that the Mayor be authorised to sign same.**

**Minute No. 01/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

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**4.1.1 Financial Report for the Month of October**

In accordance with s204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* a monthly financial report is required to be presented to Council. The financial report for

October 2021 details Council's current financial position and compares its performance against the adopted budget for 2021-2022.

**MOTION:**     **Moved: Cr GK Schluter**                      **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

**That Council receive the Financial Report for October 2021.**

**Minute No. 02/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

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#### **4.1.2 DFCCS Operations Report – October 2021**

The Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services operations report for October 2021 is presented to Council. The report includes housing and administration, community development program, Blackall aerodrome, libraries, visitor information centres, facility bookings, Tambo Multipurpose and Tambo Child Care Centre.

**MOTION:**     **Moved: Cr PJ Pullos**                                      **Seconded: Cr DA Hardie**

**That Council receive the DFCCS Operations Report for October 2021.**

**Minute No. 03/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

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At this point, 8.40am, the Executive Assistant left the meeting and returned at 8.42am.

At this point, 8.49am, the EHO/LLO entered the meeting.

#### **4.1.3 Environmental Health/Local Laws Officer's Report**

The Environmental Health/Local Laws Officer's report is provided to Council.

**MOTION:**     **Moved: Cr LP Russell**                                      **Seconded: Cr DA Hardie**

**That Council receive the Environmental Health/Local Laws Officer's report.**

**Minute No. 04/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

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#### **4.1.4 Ranger's Report**

The Ranger's report for October 2021 is provided to Council.

**MOTION:**     **Moved: Cr PJ Pullos**                                      **Seconded: Cr GK Schluter**

**That Council receive the Ranger's report for October 2021.**

**Minute No. 05/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

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#### **4.1.5 Annual Report 2020/2021**

The *Local Government Regulation 2012* section 182 (2) requires that the Annual Report must be adopted by Council within one month after the day the Auditor-General issues the audit report on the local government's financial statements for the financial year. The Auditor-General's report is dated 22 October 2021.

**MOTION:      Moved: Cr JH Scobie                      Seconded: Cr DA Hardie**

**That Council adopt the Annual Report for the financial year 2020/2021.**

**Minute No. 06/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

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At this point, 9.18am, the EHO/LLO left the meeting.

#### **4.2.1 Director of Works and Services Operations Report – October 2021**

The Director of Works and Services report for October 2021 is presented to Council.

**MOTION:      Moved: Cr GK Schluter                      Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

**That Council receive the Director of Works and Services' Operations Report for October 2021.**

**Minute No. 07/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

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At this point, 9.29am, Cr Scobie left the meeting and returned at 9.32am.

#### **4.2.2 Work Health and Safety Report**

The Work Health and Safety Report has been provided to Council.

**MOTION:      Moved: Cr PJ Pullos                      Seconded: Cr DA Hardie**

**That Council receive the Work Health and Safety Report for October 2021.**

**Minute No. 08/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

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At this point, 9.34am Cr Martin left the meeting and Cr Russell assumed the chair.

#### **4.2.3 Loading Zone – Mitchell Street Tambo**



Community members have requested the installation of a loading zone in Tambo for the safe unloading/loading of goods for local businesses. Consultation has occurred with various parties and a location selected.

**MOTION:**     **Moved: Cr PJ Pullos**                      **Seconded: Cr JH Scobie**

**That Council approve the location of the Loading Zone in Tambo as an area in Mitchell Street adjacent to Lot 1 on RP607434.**

**Minute No. 09/11A/21**

**Carried 6/0**

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At this point, 9.36am, Cr Martin returned to the meeting and resumed the chair.

#### **4.2.4 Stock Grids and Gates Policy**

The Stock Grids and Gates Policy has been developed to ensure that all private infrastructure on road reserves remain in a safe and serviceable condition.

**MOTION:**     **Moved: Cr BP Johnstone**                      **Seconded: Cr GK Schluter**

**That Council adopt the Stock Grids and Gates Policy.**

**Minute No. 10/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

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#### **5.1 Blackall Saleyards Monthly Report**

The Blackall Saleyards monthly report for October is presented to Council.

**MOTION:**     **Moved: Cr JH Scobie**                      **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

**That Council receive the Blackall Saleyards monthly report for October 2021.**

**Minute No. 11/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

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#### **5.2 Planning and Development Report**

The Planning and Development monthly report provides a summary of building applications and planning and development activity in the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council area.

**MOTION:**     **Moved: Cr DA Hardie**                      **Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos**

**That Council receive the Planning and Development Report for October 2021.**

**Minute No. 12/11A/21****Carried 7/0**

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**Adjournment:**

At 9.58am, the meeting was adjourned for morning tea.

**Resumption:**

At 10.23am the meeting was resumed.

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

At this point Cr Schluter declared an interest.

**Cr GK Schluter for item 5.3 – I**, Councillor Schluter, inform the meeting that I have a prescribed conflict of interest in item 5.3 2021 Garden Competition.

The nature of my interest is as follows:

- The author of the letter is employed by me.

As a result of my conflict of interest, I will leave the meeting room while the matter is considered and voted on.

Cr Schluter left the meeting at 10.24am.

**5.3 2021 Garden Competition**

Council has received correspondence from an entry of the 2021 Garden Competition.

**MOTION:**      **Moved: Cr PJ Pullos**                      **Seconded: Cr JH Scobie**

**That Council:**

- 1. Note the comments on how to improve future competitions; and**
- 2. Forward the comments to the Garden Competition Working Group, seek further community feedback and develop a plan; and**
- 3. Donate \$500.00 to the Royal Flying Doctor Service.**

**Minute No. 13/11A/21****Carried 6/0**

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At this point, 10.34am, Cr Schluter returned to the meeting.

**5.4 Stock Route Discussion Paper**

RAPAD had engaged AEC Group to prepare a report on the Queensland Stock Route Network in the RAPAD region.

**MOTION:**      **Moved: Cr DA Hardie**                      **Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos**

**That Council:**

1. **Receive and endorse the Sustainable Funding Options for Stock Route Network prepared by AEC Group; and**
2. **Provide comment to RAPAD.**

**Minute No. 14/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

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#### **5.5 Shire Rural Lands Officers Group**

The Shire Rural Lands Officers Group of Western Queensland have asked Blackall-Tambo Regional Council to host their next meeting.

**MOTION:**     **Moved: Cr LP Russell**                      **Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone**

**That Council host the Shire Rural Lands Officers Group of Western Queensland on 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022 and provide a venue and catering for the meeting.**

**Minute No. 15/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

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#### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

At this point Cr Martin declared an interest.

**Cr AL Martin for item 5.6 – I, Councillor Martin, inform the meeting that I have a declarable conflict of interest in item 5.6 Restart Investment to Sustain and Expand Fund. The nature of my interest is as follows:**

- I am the chair of Red Ridge which is working jointly with Council towards the project.

As a result of my conflict of interest, I will leave the meeting room while the matter is considered and voted on.

Cr Martin left the meeting at 10.57am

Cr Russell assumed the chair.

#### **5.6 Restart Investment to Sustain and Expand Fund**

An application for grant funding through the Restart Investment to Sustain and Expand Fund for the Blackall-Tambo's Carnival of Circus has been submitted.

**MOTION:**     **Moved: Cr GK Schluter**                      **Seconded: Cr JH Scobie**

**That Council endorse the application for funding through the Restart Investment to Sustain and Expand Fund for the Blackall-Tambo's Carnival of Circus.**

**Minute No. 16/11A/21**

**Carried 6/0**

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At this point, 11.00am, Cr Martin returned to the meeting and resumed the chair.

**5.7 Development Application – DA 09-2021-2022 – 10 Star Street & 18, 20 and 22 Arthur Street, Tambo**

The Applicant, Blackall-Tambo Regional Council, seeks a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (four into five lots, new access easement and new road) involving land at 10 Star Street and 18, 20 and 22 Arthur Street, Tambo, formally described as Lot 2 on RP605624, Lot 2 on SP293537, Lot 1 on SP293537 and Lot 1 on SP197795, respectively.

The proposal involves four lots, three of which have frontage to Arthur Street and one with frontage to Star Street. A 'land exchange' between the subject lots will better reflect the current use of the land and improve vehicle access to lots fronting Arthur Street. The proposal involves both a subdivision and boundary realignment to create the five lots, new access easement and new road.

Under the Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme 2020 (the Planning Scheme), the subject site is in the Township Zone (Commercial Precinct). Undertaking the proposed development in the Township zone is code assessable, requiring a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (Subdivision of four (4) lots into five (5) lots, new access easement and new road).

The minimum lot size and lot frontage in the Commercial Precinct of the Township zone is 600m<sup>2</sup> and 15m respectively. Four of the five lots created meet the minimum lot size/frontage requirements of the Reconfiguring a Lot code, except for the lot containing the tourism display of the vintage fire truck on Arthur Street (proposed Lot 4); this lot will be 272m<sup>2</sup>. The conflict with the 600m<sup>2</sup> minimum lot size can be justified on account of the long-standing use of the land for passive tourism purposes, for which a standard lot size is not required due to visitors appreciating the display from the main street. An access easement is proposed to benefit this lot for maintenance purposes or in the event the fire truck ever requires removal.

Development conditions are recommended to ensure the reconfiguration of lots complies with all assessment benchmarks. The application is recommended for approval, subject to the conditions stated herein.

**MOTION:      Moved: Cr LP Russell                      Seconded: Cr GK Schluter**

**That Council approves the application for a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (Subdivision of four (4) lots into five (5) lots, new access easement and new road) on land located at 10 Star Street and 18, 20 and 22 Arthur Street, Tambo, described as Lot 2 on RP605624, Lot 2 on SP293537, Lot 1 on SP293537 and Lot 1 on SP197795 subject to the following conditions:**

## **1.0 ENDORSEMENT OF SURVEY PLAN**

**1.1 Council will not endorse or release the survey plan for this development until such time as:**

- (a) All conditions attached to this development approval for Reconfiguring a Lot have been fully satisfied;**
- (b) A statement demonstrating compliance with all conditions attached to this development approval has been submitted to Council; and**
- (c) All outstanding rates and charges relating to the site have been paid.**

## **2.0 APPROVED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS**

- 2.1 The approved development must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the approved plan of development *Plan of Lots 1-5 and Emt B in Lot 3*, prepared by Anthony Scott Morcom and dated 9-09-2021.**
- 2.2 Where there is any conflict between the conditions of this approval and the details shown on the approved plans and documents, the conditions of approval must prevail.**

## **3.0 ACCESS**

- 3.1 The proposed new road must be constructed to Council's satisfaction, involving a six (6) metre width and at a minimum, a gravel surface treatment.**
- 3.2 A non-piped crossover must be installed to Council's satisfaction for each new access point between the new road and approved lots.**

## **4.0 SERVICES**

- 4.1 Maintain existing services and utility connections (reticulated water and sewerage, electricity and telecommunications) to approved lots 1, 4 and 5, where applicable.**
- 4.2 Approved lots 2 and 3 must provide and maintain separate connections to reticulated water and sewerage networks (to Council's satisfaction) and electricity and telecommunication services (in accordance with the standards of the relevant service provider). Each connection point must be wholly contained within the respective lot boundary.**
- 4.3 Any service connection to an existing building that traverses a lot boundary is to be:**
  - 4.3.1 removed; or**

- 4.3.2** relocated so that it does not traverse a lot boundary; or
- 4.3.3** covered by an easement.

## **5.0 PUBLIC UTILITIES**

- 5.1** The applicant is responsible for the cost of any alteration to public utilities as a result of complying with conditions of this Development Permit.
- 5.2** Any alteration of any public utility or other facilities necessitated by the development of the land or associated construction works external to the site shall be at no cost to Council.
- 5.3** Any damage caused to any public utility during the course of construction shall be repaired to the satisfaction of Council's Delegated Officer and at no cost to Council prior to the sealing of the Survey Plan.

## **ADVISORY NOTES**

- A.** The Developer and his employee, agent, contractor or invitee is responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this development approval.
- B.** Where these Conditions refer to "Council" in relation to requiring Council to approve or to be satisfied as to any matter, or conferring on the Council a function, power or discretion, that role may be fulfilled in whole or in part by a delegate appointed for that purpose by the Council.
- C.** Prior to commencing any construction activities, the applicant/developer will be required to obtain further development permits for building work, and plumbing and drainage work, as required under relevant legislation for this work.
- D.** This approval does not negate the requirement for compliance with all other relevant Local Laws and other statutory requirements. Any provisions contained in this approval relating to the enforcement of any of the conditions shall be in addition to all other rights, powers and privileges that the Council may possess or obtain, and nothing contained in these conditions shall be construed so as to prejudice, affect or otherwise derogate or limit these rights, powers and privileges of the Council.
- E.** General environmental duty under the Environmental Protection Act 1994 prohibits unlawful environmental nuisance caused by noise, aerosols, particles, dust, ash, fumes, light, odour or smoke beyond the boundaries of the development site during all stages of the development including earthworks, construction and operation.

**Minute No. 17/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

### 5.8 Write Off of Debt

Council recently acquired two properties for overdue rates and charges and it is recommended that the debt be written off.

**MOTION:**     **Moved: Cr PJ Pullos**                      **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

**That Council write off the debt in sum of \$118,579.70 consisting of the following amounts for overdue rates and charges:**

Lot 1 on RP607613	\$81,584.18
Lot 1 on RP602469	\$36,995.52

**Minute No. 18/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

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### 5.9 Queensland's Electric Super Highway – Stage 3

Yurika, part of Energy Queensland, has written to Council regarding the Queensland Electric Super Highway Stage 3. They have advised that Blackall is to receive a charging station for Electric Vehicles.

**MOTION:**     **Moved: Cr BP Johnstone**                      **Seconded: Cr DA Hardie**

**That Council:**

- 1. Receive the letter from Yurika dated 5 October 2021; and**
- 2. Request that Lot 4 on SP157692 (140-144 or 146 Shamrock Street, Blackall) be identified as a site for the charging location.**

**Minute No. 19/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

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### 5.10 Regional Drought Resilience Program

The Director-General of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries has written to Council about the pilot year of the Regional Drought Resilience Planning program in Queensland.

**MOTION:**     **Moved: Cr GK Schluter**                      **Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos**

**That Council receive the letter from the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries and note that the Central West will be targeted in the next phase of the Regional Drought Resilience Planning program.**

**Minute No. 20/11A/21**

**Carried 7/0**

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**CLOSURE:**

There being no further business to consider, the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 11.19am.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:**

Confirmed by Council as a true and correct record at the General Meeting held on Wednesday 15 December 2021.

Signed.....Mayor



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Minute No.	Report Number	Subject	Resolution	Action By	Result
17/08A/21	5.4	Surrender of Land for Overdue Rates	That Council, under section 121(c) of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i> , grant a concession by way of accepting a transfer of unencumbered land in full payment of the rates and charges for rate assessment 10783-00000-000, 10778-00000-000, 10776-00000-000 and 10777-50000-000.	CEO	Finalised
06/11A/21	4.1.5	Annual Report 2020/2021	That Council adopt the Annual Report for the financial year 2020/2021.	DFCCS	
09/11A/21	4.2.3	Loading Zone – Mitchell Street Tambo	That Council approve the location of the Loading Zone in Tambo as an area in Mitchell Street adjacent to Lot 1 on RP607434	DWS	
10/11A/21	4.2.4	Stock Grids and Gates Policy	That Council adopt the Stock Grids and Gate Policy.	DWS	The policy has been placed on the website, emailed to staff and the register has been updated.
13/11A/21	5.3	2021 Garden Competition	That Council: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Note the comments on how to improve future competitions; and</li> <li>2. Forward the comments to the Garden Competition Working, seek further community feedback and develop a plan; and</li> <li>3. Donate \$500.00 to the Royal Flying Doctor Service.</li> </ol>	CEO	Underway

14/11A/21	5.4	Stock Route Discussion Paper	That Council: 1. Receive and endorse the Sustainable Funding Options for Stock Route Network prepared by AEC Group; and 2. Provide comment to RAPAD.	CEO	Completed
15/11A/21	5.5	Shire Rural Lands Officers Group	That Council host the Shire Rural Lands Officers Group of Western Queensland on 8 <sup>th</sup> and 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2022 and provide a venue and catering for the meeting.	CEO	
17/11A/21	5.7	Development Application – DA 09-2021-2022 – 10 Star Street & 18, 20 and 22 Arthur Street, Tambo	That Council approve the application for a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (Subdivision of four (4) lots into five (5) lots, new access easement and new road) on land located at 10 Star Street and 18, 20 and 22 Arthur Street, Tambo, described as Lot 2 on RP605624, Lot 2 on SP293537, Lot 1 on SP293537 and Lot 1 on SP197795 subject to conditions.	CEO	Council’s planners and solicitors who are assisting with the matter have been advised.
18/11A/21	5.8	Write Off of Debt	That Council write off the debt in sum of \$118,579.70 consisting of the following amounts for overdue rates and charges: Lot 1 on RP607613 \$81,584.18 Lot 1 on RP602469 \$36,995.52	CEO	Completed

**BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL**[Return to Agenda](#)[Next Item](#)**OFFICER REPORTS**

COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: **4.1.1****SUBJECT HEADING: Financial Report for the Month of November 2021**

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: In accordance with s204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 a monthly financial report is required to be presented to Council. The financial report for November 2021 details Council's current financial position and compares its performance against the adopted budget for 2021-2022.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Financial Report for November 2021.**

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**Background**

In accordance with section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* the financial report of Council must be presented at the monthly meeting of Council. This ensures adequate oversight of Council's financial position and performance against the latest approved budget.

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**Link to Corporate Plan**

Governance

Outcome 4 – Financial

**Consultation (internal/external)**

CEO

Director of Finance

Manager of Finance

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Budget and Resource Implications**

Nil

# **FINANCE REPORT TO A MEETING OF THE BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD ON 15 DECEMBER 2021**

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# FINANCE REPORT TO A MEETING OF BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL

HELD ON 15 DECEMBER 2021

## 1. Cash Position as at 30 November 2021

### **Cash at Bank**

Operating Accounts \$ 2,809,404

### **Short Term Investments**

Bank of Queensland - Term Deposits \$ 5,000,000

Queensland Treasury Corporation - Cash Fund \$ 15,000,000

**\$ 22,809,404**

The following items should be backed by cash and investments, plus any increases in the surplus of Debtors over Creditors and unspent grants.

Cash backed Current Liabilities (Employee Entitlements) \$ 2,719,022

Unspent Grants (Restricted Cash) \$ 1,930,874

**\$ 4,649,896**

	<i>Debtors</i>	<i>Creditors</i>	
Balance of recoverable <b>debtors</b> - estimated <b>creditors</b> :	1,257,404	30,454	\$ 1,226,950

Plus cash surplus	22,809,404	4,649,896	\$ 18,159,508
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**Working Capital** **\$ 19,386,458**

## 2. Monthly Cashflow Estimate: December 2021

### Receipts

Rates & Fees & Charges \$ 50,000

Debtors \$ 1,000,000

Grants/Subsidies/Loans QTC \$ -

Total \$ 1,050,000

### Expenditure

Payroll \$ 800,000

Creditor Payments \$ 800,000

Loan Payments \$ 23,829

Total \$ 1,623,829

Therefore cash is expected to decrease by **-\$ 573,829** in the period.

## 3. Comparative Data:

	November 2021	November 2020
Cash position	22,809,404	16,378,628
Working capital	19,386,458	13,027,111
Rate arrears	62,499	164,614
Outstanding debtors	1,257,404	288,618
Current creditors	30,454	20,255
Total Loans	1,605,408	1,702,466

# FINANCE REPORT TO A MEETING OF BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL

HELD ON 15 DECEMBER 2021

## 4. Capital Works Summary: 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022

	Budget	YTD Actual	% of Budget
Buildings & Other Structures	1,453,000	418,959	29%
Plant & Equipment	1,800,000	1,785,068	99%
Road Infrastructure	2,668,300	74,904	3%
Water Infrastructure	930,000	-	0%
Sewerage Infrastructure	250,000	-	0%
QTC Loan Redemption	98,900	24,450	25%
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,200,200</b>	<b>2,303,381</b>	<b>32%</b>

## 5. Road Works Expenditure : 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022

	Budget	Expended YTD Actual	% of Budget Expended
<b>Total Roads Expenditure</b>	<b>14,390,114</b>	<b>6,613,042</b>	<b>46%</b>
1. Rural Roads	10,299,500	5,538,737	54%
2. Town Streets	400,000	111,953	28%
3. RMPC Works	3,690,614	962,352	26%

## 6. Rate Arrears Summary

**Total Rates Outstanding Balance                    \$            118,644**

Rates Outstanding Breakdown	Total	No. of Assessments
Current	\$ 56,145	<b>67</b>
1 Year	\$ 39,784	<b>22</b>
2 Years	\$ 18,731	<b>14</b>
3 Years and over	\$ 3,984	<b>6</b>

BTRC 2021-22 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROJECTS		1/07/21 to 30/06/22		SOURCES OF FUNDING		
Particulars	Budget 2021-22	Expenditure YTD	% Expended	Capital Grants	Council Contribution	Comments
<b>BUILDINGS &amp; OTHER STRUCTURES</b>	<b>1,453,000</b>	<b>418,959</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>854,900</b>	<b>598,100</b>	
Tambo Dam Lights	200,000	15,000	8%	200,000	-	In progress
Tambo Aquatic centre shade structure	60,000	56,529	94%	60,000	-	Completed
Tambo 'Truck Museum	494,400	40,197	8%	454,900	39,500	Tender awarded
Tambo Depot Fencing	70,000	2,405	3%	-	70,000	Planning stage
Tambo Sprinkler System - Pump and Electricity	20,000	17,724	89%	-	20,000	In progress
Tambo Racecourse Rock Removal	40,000	-	0%	-	40,000	Planning stage
Tambo Historic House Shed	40,000	-	0%	-	40,000	Planning stage
Blackall Admin Office South Wall	100,000	-	0%	-	100,000	Planning stage
Blackall Rodeo and Campdraft Grounds Upgrade	150,000	7,104	5%	-	150,000	Lighting upgrades undertaken.
Internet BOR STAGE 3	278,600	280,000	101%	140,000	138,600	Completed
<b>PLANT &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>1,800,000</b>	<b>1,785,068</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,800,000</b>	
Plant Replacement including committed orders	1,800,000	1,785,068	99%	-	1,800,000	As per plant replacement program
<b>ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE</b>	<b>2,668,300</b>	<b>74,904</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>1,808,300</b>	<b>860,000</b>	
Roads to Recovery	808,300	-	0%	808,300	-	Planning stage
Road Reseals	800,000	-	0%	-	800,000	Planning stage
Footpath Coolibah Village - Mitchell to Garden St	60,000	62,160	104%	-	60,000	Completed
Heavy Bypass Stage 2 (Salvia Street)	950,000	12,744	1%	950,000	-	In progress
Tambo Industrial Estate Roads	50,000	-	0%	50,000	-	2nd Seal due for completion in 2021
<b>WATER INFRASTRUCTURE</b>	<b>930,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>880,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>	
Water infrastructure renewals and upgrades	930,000	-	0%	880,000	50,000	Planning stage
<b>SEWERAGE INFRASTRUCTURE</b>	<b>250,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>200,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>	
Sewerage infrastructure renewals and upgrades	250,000	-	0%	200,000	50,000	Planning stage
<b>LOAN REDEMPTION Qld Treasury Corporation</b>	<b>98,900</b>	<b>24,450</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>98,900</b>	
Saleyards Upgrade - Current Balance \$ 1,252,564 Maturity June 2037 [ Drawdown 16/05/2017 \$ 1,500,000 ]	60,600	14,948	25%	-	60,600	As per loan agreement
Tambo Bore - Current Balance \$ 352,844 Maturity June 2030 [ Drawdown 15/06/2020 \$400,000 ]	38,300	9,502	25%	-	38,300	As per loan agreement
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL PROGRAM 21-22</b>	<b>7,200,200</b>	<b>2,303,381</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>3,743,200</b>	<b>3,457,000</b>	

(Accounts: 0100-0001-0000 to 5250-2000-0000. All report groups. 42% of year elapsed. To Level 2. Excludes committed costs)

Blackall-Tambo Regional Council (Budget for full year)

Financial Year Ending 2022

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		REVENUE			EXPENDITURE				
		30 Nov 2021	AMENDED	ORIGINAL	30 Nov 2021	AMENDED	ORIGINAL		
		ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET		
1000-0001	ADMINISTRATION								
1000-0002	Administration	98,646.76	64%	153,200	153,200	1,421,641.37	39%	3,663,100	3,663,100
1100-0002	Finance	2,445,369.15	38%	6,372,800	6,372,800	720,513.30	961%	75,000	75,000
1200-0002	Oncosts	0.00	0%	0	0	255,431.38	-20%	(1,304,200)	(1,304,200)
1300-0002	Stores/Purchasing	0.00	0%	0	0	17,833.17	26%	69,400	69,400
2000-0002	Corporate Governance	0.00	0%	500	500	247,067.29	34%	729,100	729,100
2100-0002	Business Activities	23,088.13	56%	41,000	41,000	17,573.29	38%	45,700	45,700
2150-0002	Saleyard Operations	870,130.99	60%	1,450,100	1,450,100	399,672.85	42%	952,700	952,700
2200-0002	Tambo Sawmill	0.00	0%	104,000	104,000	31,504.89	30%	103,900	103,900
2350-0002	Airports/Aerodromes	33,649.30	23%	143,700	143,700	108,593.83	31%	351,700	351,700
2450-0002	Tourism	56,761.76	87%	65,200	65,200	186,936.72	44%	425,800	425,800
2500-0002	Planning & Development	21,010.80	70%	30,000	30,000	20,544.08	25%	82,000	82,000
2580-0002	Economic & Community Develop	906,167.15	30%	2,985,900	2,985,900	290,203.35	73%	396,700	396,700
2600-0002	Environmental	39,531.34	49%	80,000	80,000	27,941.92	61%	46,000	46,000
2650-0002	Animal Control	0.00	0%	0	0	(90.91)	---	0	0
2700-0002	Stock Routes	6,750.00	---	0	0	0.00	0%	0	0
3000-0002	Work Scheme and Community	8,974.02	59%	15,300	15,300	51,992.22	52%	100,000	100,000
3100-0002	Council Housing	51,547.00	43%	120,000	120,000	108,259.75	38%	286,000	286,000
3300-0002	Child Care Services	154,474.62	105%	146,600	146,600	190,931.35	57%	335,700	335,700
3350-0002	Sport and Recreation	44,842.90	71%	63,000	63,000	37,045.47	61%	61,000	61,000
3400-0002	Youth Services	0.00	0%	0	0	2,150.00	1%	145,000	145,000
3410-0002	Sixties and Better	19,512.30	32%	60,800	60,800	24.00	0%	60,800	60,800
3415-0002	Tambo Multi-Purpose Centre	251,236.29	47%	530,700	530,700	179,605.18	34%	536,100	536,100
3445-0002	Disability	42,486.39	38%	111,500	111,500	21,348.58	36%	60,000	60,000
3460-0002	Community Services	263,877.21	106%	247,900	247,900	151,949.21	90%	169,400	169,400
3470-0002	Miscellaneous Care Services	0.00	0%	0	0	0.00	0%	2,000	2,000
3500-0002	Libraries, Education and Arts	7,030.61	63%	11,100	11,100	88,964.31	39%	228,300	228,300
3570-0002	Regional Arts Development Fund	55,737.00	74%	75,000	75,000	73,609.45	30%	247,000	247,000
3600-0002	Halls and Cultural Centres	945.46	24%	4,000	4,000	86,636.84	40%	214,200	214,200
3700-0002	Showgrounds & Sports Facilities	5,800.66	193%	3,000	3,000	275,770.74	45%	615,000	615,000
3740-0002	Funerals	27,817.36	37%	75,000	75,000	21,783.14	30%	73,000	73,000
3800-0002	Corporate Buildings	0.00	0%	0	0	46,232.04	44%	104,000	104,000
1000-0001	ADMINISTRATION	5,435,387.20	42%	12,890,300	12,890,300	5,081,668.81	57%	8,874,400	8,874,400
4000-0001	WORKS AND SERVICES								
4001-0002	Works Office and Depot	0.00	0%	0	0	1,282,517.50	42%	3,050,200	3,050,200
4100-0002	Town Street Maintenance	0.00	0%	0	0	111,952.71	28%	400,000	400,000
4200-0002	Rural Roads Maintenance	316,396.50	27%	1,179,400	1,179,400	181,926.71	23%	800,000	800,000
4500-0002	Recoverable Works	12,929,900.01	47%	27,386,600	27,386,600	9,291,074.09	39%	23,728,300	23,728,300
4550-0002	Plant Operations	1,712,792.06	51%	3,340,000	3,340,000	1,328,222.46	52%	2,546,000	2,546,000
4600-0002	SES - Disaster Mgmt	22,934.28	100%	23,000	23,000	53,059.12	111%	47,900	47,900
4700-0002	Cemeteries	136.36	3%	5,000	5,000	18,476.55	38%	48,700	48,700
4800-0002	Parks, Gardens and Reserves	0.00	0%	0	0	368,961.06	39%	954,800	954,800
4860-0002	Aquatic Centres	0.00	0%	0	0	203,754.34	45%	452,100	452,100



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Blackall-Tambo Regional Council (Budget for full year)

Financial Year Ending 2022

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		REVENUE			EXPENDITURE				
		30 Nov 2021	AMENDED	ORIGINAL	30 Nov 2021	AMENDED	ORIGINAL		
		ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET		
4900-0002	Animal Control	19,095.00	84%	22,800	22,800	24,806.18	28%	89,000	89,000
4950-0002	Stock Routes & Pest Mgmt	62,376.37	66%	94,000	94,000	141,627.85	37%	379,100	379,100
5000-0002	Cleansing	142,114.24	43%	329,300	329,300	85,472.73	33%	261,000	261,000
5100-0002	Water Supply	404,852.99	47%	861,000	861,000	219,023.07	47%	467,600	467,600
5200-0002	Sewerage Services	345,099.82	47%	741,200	741,200	157,357.56	45%	348,400	348,400
4000-0001	WORKS AND SERVICES	15,955,697.63	47%	33,982,300	33,982,300	13,468,231.93	40%	33,573,100	33,573,100
TOTAL REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE		21,391,084.83	46%	46,872,600	46,872,600	18,549,900.74	44%	42,447,500	42,447,500

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: **4.1.2****SUBJECT HEADING: DFCCS Operations Report – November 2021**

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

*Summary: The Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services operations report for November 2021 is presented to Council. The report includes housing and administration, Blackall aerodrome, libraries, visitor information centres, facility bookings, Tambo Multipurpose and Tambo Child Care Centre.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the DFCCS Operations Report for November 2021.**

**Background****Blackall Housing and Administration**

- Aircon Cleaning- Blackall Facilities and Residentials Tender submitted to Vendorpanel
  - *Successful applicant chosen*
- Pest Control- Blackall Facilities and Residentials Tender submitted to Vendorpanel
  - *Successful applicant chosen*
- Smoke Alarms- Blackall Residentials
  - *Works completed- all Blackall residentials compliant with new smoke alarm requirements*
- Small maintenance completed to various housing
  - *Multiple reports of overflowing gutters- request put into works office for cleaning*
  - *Multiple aircon failures- repairs to be completed*
- Cultural Centre Maintenance
  - *Monthly fire alarm system inspection complete*

**Tambo Housing and Administration**

- Bathroom to be renovated at 13 Edward Street by Council employed handyman.
- Tambo Childcare will have the air-conditioner units fenced off providing a safer area for the children to use on the southern side of the building. Access from the southern verandah will ensure that people can exit from this area if required.
- Mahons Cleaning Service has been contracted to clean the air-conditioning units in Tambo as none of the local electricians tendered for the contract when advertised on VendorPanel.

## Blackall Visitor Information Centre

Considering Covid-19 restrictions, the number of visitors and campers is slightly up compared to November last year.

### Monthly Statistics:

#### Visitor Numbers to Blackall Tourist Information Centre

2020/2021	Visitor Numbers	2021/2022	Visitor Numbers
July	1638	July	3794
August	1985	August	2628
September	1522	September	2100
October	941	October	904
November	174	November	185
December	99	December	
January	99	January	
February	95	February	
March	375	March	
April	1217	April	
May	2553	May	
June	3952	June	
<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>14,650</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>9,611</b>

### Issue of Camping Permits

Month	Information Centre	Self - Registration	Total for Month 2021/22
July	560	606	1166
August	382	321	703
September	259	250	509
October	77	101	179
November	9	18	27
December			
January			
February			
March			
April			
May			
June			
<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>1287</b>	<b>1296</b>	<b>2583</b>
<b>2020/2021</b>	<b>1515</b>	<b>2043</b>	<b>3883</b>

<b>Camping Ground Fees</b>		
<b>Month</b>	<b>\$ Amount</b>	<b>2021/2022 YTD \$</b>
July	11,660	11,660
August	7,030	18,690
September	5,090	23,780
October	1,780.00	25,560
November	265	25,825
December		
January		
February		
March		
April		
May		
June		

**Year ending 2020/2021      \$38859.00**

**Blackall Library Report**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Loans 2020/21</b>	<b>Loans 2021/22</b>	<b>Visitors 2020/21</b>	<b>Visitors 2021/22</b>	<b>Requests 2020/21</b>	<b>Requests 2021/22</b>	<b>Members Added 2020/21</b>	<b>Members Added 2021/22</b>
July	233	248	389	471	14	21	3	8
August	263	367	371	508	26	62	14	6
September	266	346	401	479	29	27	11	9
October	216	277	389	389	21	30	4	14
November	374	300	378	415	35	41	10	10
December	315		450		38		4	
January	377		376		16		1	
February	340		318		39		5	
March	226		413		23		7	
April	212		407		40		6	
May	159		387		47		4	
June	249		349		32		11	
<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>3230</b>	<b>1538</b>	<b>4628</b>	<b>2262</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>47</b>

### Tambo Library and Tourist Report

	Loans 2020/21	Loans 2021/22	Visitors 2020/21	Visitors 2021/22	Requests 2020/21	Requests 2021/22	Members Added 2020/21	Members Added 2021/22
July	710	396	138	103	65	53	3	4
August	419	381	125	113	52	52	6	3
September	465	425	144	115	52	58	3	9
October	414	375	137	115	114	62	3	3
November	427	400	123	122	63	70	1	1
December	336		110		36		0	
January	404		104		69		1	
February	454		136		80		0	
March	460		126		49		1	
April	365		126		51		1	
May	407		144		65		2	
June	488		127		61		5	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5349</b>	<b>1977</b>	<b>1540</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>757</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>20</b>

	Visits 2020/21	Visits 2021/22
July	464	733
August	506	512
September	612	511
October	323	197
November	93	126
December	123	
January	84	
February	55	
March	140	
April	319	
May	577	
June	793	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>4089</b>	<b>2079</b>

### Council Facility Bookings

	Blackall		Memorial Hall		Cultural Centre		Showgrounds		Racecourse		Bus	
	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22
July	11	0	4	6	4	13	0	1	0	8		
August	11	2	11	5	4	15	0	1	12	8		
September	11	2	12	5	9	6	0	0	8	5		
October	2	2	11	9	11	3	2	2	3	7		
November	0	2	16	11	0	1	2	1	7	6		

December	3		8		3		0		1	
January	0		1		2		1		0	
February	3		10		1		1		4	
March	7		4		1		0		3	
April	5		7		4		1		3	
May	3		4		5		1		9	
June	4		10		4		0		6	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>34</b>

Tambo	Shire Hall		Racecourse		Western Sports		Bus	
	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22
July	8	11	0	2	1	2	0	2
August	13	7	0	2	0	0	1	0
September	6	7	1	4	1	0	1	0
October	7	16	1	2	1	2	2	2
November	16	20	0	1	0	2	2	3
December	5		1		0		0	
January	8		0		3		1	
February	15		0		0		6	
March	16		0		0		2	
April	16		3		2		6	
May	11		1		6		10	
June	9		1		1		1	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>7</b>

**Tambo Childcare Centre**

Attendance	Month 2020-2021	YTD 2020-2021	Month 2021-2022	YTD 2021-2022
July	207	207	255	255
August	214	421	262	517
September	110	531	181	698
October	303	834	191	889
November	261	1095	180	1073
December	50	1145		
January	22	1167		
February	180	1347		
March	193	1540		
April	154	1694		
May	230	1924		
June	269	2193		

Finance	Month Receipts 2021-2022	YTD Receipts 2021-2022	Month Expenditure 2021-2022	YTD Expenditure 2021-2022
July	\$16,147.09	\$16,147.09	\$29,844.70	\$29,844.70
August	\$19,482.41	\$35,629.50	\$39,304.44	\$69,149.14
September	\$18,480.71	\$54,110.21	\$29,584.80	\$98,943.94
October	\$12,611.36	\$67,501.52	\$51,387.79	\$150,331.73
November	\$11,393.94	\$79,438.26	\$35,274.69	\$185,606.42
December				
January				
February				
March				
April				
May				
June				

**Qantas Report**

Month	Pax OFF	Pax ON	Total	YTD
July	53	47	100	100
August	67	52	119	219
September	67	48	115	334
October	64	68	132	466
November	63	46	109	575
December				
January				
February				
March				
April				
May				
June				
6 Monthly Average	66.17	53	119.17	119.17
YTD	251	215	466	466
Total for 2020/2021	685	598	1283	1283

- The December roster has been distributed for airport employees.

**Tambo Multi-Purpose Centre**

- Local personal trainer, Rachael Sargood, healthy ageing program will be coming to an end in early December. This program will commence again in the new year.
- The information session held at the centre went well with 20 people arriving to understand the ICOP and IROC programs. We are hoping to get involved with the indigenous health unit and hold more information sessions in the New Year.

- The yarning circle with Steven Oliver was a great morning with the indigenous locals and school community.
- Due to the mandatory vaccinations for allied health specialists, we will be losing our remedial massage therapist on the 14th of December.
- The centre has been busy organising our client end of year Christmas party to be held on 10th of December.
- Allied health session for the month of November.  
Physiotherapy – 22 sessions  
Podiatrist – 13 sessions  
Remedial Massage – 22 sessions

### **Community Development**

- 5 x Crisis Individual Contacts during the period.
- Playground Project: in Procurement stage of purchasing equipment.
- Blackall Neighbourhood Centre facilitated a Christmas Bingo Community Event 18th November, 45 people attended
- Attended community meeting regarding funding for a Greta Towner Statue in Memorial Park, will assist CWA with applying for Community Benefit Fund applications
- CDO attended and presented at the Australian Red Cross Community Drought Resilience Forum
- Submitted Active Gamedays Project Grant (\$75,000) Upgrade of Blackall Rodeo Arena Lights
- Woolscour: Awaiting a site plan to be supplied by Works to proceed with Heritage Exemption
- Department of Communities, Housing & Digital Economy Rep visited November 18th
- Involved in Carnival of Circus Meetings

### **Link to Corporate Plan**

Economic Development

Outcome 2 – Tourism

Vibrant Communities

Outcome 1 – Arts and culture

Outcome 2 – Health and wellbeing

Outcome 3 – Community Services

Outcome 4 – Youth

Governance

Outcome 5 – Customer service

Infrastructure

Outcome 2 – Airports

Outcome 5 – Council buildings

### **Consultation (internal/external)**

Neighbourhood Centre Coordinator

Tambo Library and Tourism Officer

Community Development Officer

Customer Service Officers

Multi-Purpose Coordinator

Child Care Coordinator

Library Officer



Tourism Officer

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Budget and Resource Implications**

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: **4.1.3****SUBJECT HEADING: Environmental Health/Local Laws Officer's Report**

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: The Environmental Health Officer's report is provided to Council.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Environmental Health/Local Laws Officer's Report.**

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**Background****Food premises**

EHO consulted with an event organiser regarding the current requirements for events under the Chief Health Officer COVID-19 directive.

A food safety assessment was carried out at a medium risk operation in Tambo. No issues noted at the time.

A food business license application was received. Further information was requested from the applicant, information was not provided, therefore application has lapsed.

EHO consulted with event organiser for the Tambo Rodeo regarding food vendors, event postponed due to weather.

Food business license renewals for the license period of 2021 have been completed, licenses have been issued, 3 businesses (home baking) did not renew their license.

EHO consulted with operator for a proposed food business in Tambo.

**Environmental Management/ Public Health**

EHO issued a public health order to the property owner to ensure the adequate disposal of asbestos containing material from a demolition site in Tambo.

BTRC received request to dispose asbestos waste at Tambo landfill, request was declined as BTRC landfill sites not authorised to receipt asbestos waste. Nearest facility Barcaldine or Murweh Shire/ Charleville.

EHO compiled fact sheet for asbestos education, linked on BTRC homepage.

EHO compiled community information about food safety week in 13-20 November for dissemination onto BTRC social media page.

EHO received a complaint regarding the alleged unbearable stench from depositing of cow faeces from passing by cattle trucks at a property in Blackall township. EHO investigated onsite, no such evidence noted.

EHO received enquiry regarding options for disposal of unused agricultural chemicals, referred to Chemclear.

**Local Laws**

LLO issued 8 compliance notices for overgrown allotments to Blackall residents, 1 to a Tambo resident.

LLO received a notification about a council employee who was bitten by a dog in Blackall while carrying out his duty. LLO investigated, staff member described dog as black pig dog with no collar. No such dog evident in the area. Ongoing monitoring was carried out.

LLO carried out patrol investigations for compliance, overgrown allotments and compliance with local laws (animal management).

LLO consulted with dog owner regarding registration of second animal at the place.

LLO assisted ranger to seize two dogs in Tambo, animals relocated to owner.

LLO shadowed ranger with pest management activities.

LLO received complaint about two dogs from a certain place allegedly regularly wandering at large, LLO consulted with animal owner to reiterate his obligations to provide adequate measures to contain animals onsite, to be monitored.

LLO received notification of destruction of two dogs, relocation of one.

**Consultation**

LLO consulted with DPI officer to obtain information material regarding pest management.

EHO attended Workshop “update on Drinking Water Regulations”.

EHO attended LDMG meeting.

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**Link to Corporate Plan**

Environment and Heritage

Outcome 4 – Waste Management

**Consultation (internal/external)**

Environmental Health Officer

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Budget and Resource Implications**

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

**Item No:** 4.1.4**SUBJECT HEADING:** Ranger's Report

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford – Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: The Ranger's report for November 2021 is provided to Council.***Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Ranger's report for November 2021.**

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**Background****Animal Control**

Destroy 1 dog by request of owner.  
2 dogs escaped from 44 Albert Street.

**Complaints**

One

**Call Outs**

One

**Weed Control**

Spray – Mother of Millions on Tambo Common.  
Spray – Air strip parking area and lights.  
Spray – Mexican poppies – Cemetery and rubbish dump roads, west end of air strip.  
Spray – African box thorn – 2 plants Tambo Common.  
Spray – Parthenium Approx. 100 plants Tambo industrial area and 1 plant Blackall Hwy. (Forest Park area).  
Spray – Florestina – Langlo Road and Blackall Hwy.  
Spray – Guideposts, culverts and grass growing up through bitumen – Blackall Hwy.

**Operational**

Greendale, Rodds, Gum Holes and Chatham bores are ok.  
Manning bore – still waiting for pump.  
Clean out grid in dog fence at Caldervale Road turn off (Gum Holes Reserve).

**Wild Dog Control**

Scalps 11 for Tambo, Blackall - nil.

**Agistment**

Athol Reserve – 50 cows (Benalla).  
Orchards Reserve – 130 cows, 109 calves and 3 bulls.  
Northhampton Reserve – 100 cows  
Gum Holes Reserve – 42 weaner steers  
Burr Gully Lane – 70 cows & 1 bull.  
Rumleigh Lane – 30 cows.

The stock has gone from Forest Park, Tambo Swan Hill, and Gillespie reserves.

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**Link to Corporate Plan**

Environment and Heritage

Outcome 3 – Pest Management

**Consultation (internal/external)**

Ranger Coordinator

Department of Resources

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Budget and Resource Implications**

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: 4.1.5

**SUBJECT HEADING: Tambo Outback Rodeo – Request for Assistance**

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: The Tambo Outback Rodeo have requested financial assistance for their fireworks display on New Year's Eve.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council decline the request from the Tambo Outback Rodeo for Council assistance for the New Year's fireworks and the applicant be informed of the application process required for all community organisations for future funding.**

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### Background

The Tambo Outback Rodeo Inc was approved \$3,000 in the 2021/2022 budget for in-kind support for the following items:

- Water truck
- Table and chairs
- Additional rubbish bins
- Printing
- Venue hire

Council has received an additional request for \$5,000 for fireworks display on New Year's Eve.

At the April 2021 general meeting Council declined a request from another association for assistance towards a fireworks display and required the applicant to be informed of the application process required for all community organisations for future funding.

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### Link to Corporate Plan

Vibrant Communities

Outcome 1 – Arts and Culture

### Consultation (internal/external)

Nil

### Policy Implications

Request for Council Assistance Under \$10,000.00

### Budget and Resource Implications

\$5,000.00 not budgeted for

Request for in-kind support - fully committed

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: 4.1.6

SUBJECT HEADING: **Community Drought Funding – Flexible Financial Hardship**

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: Community Drought Package Funding (\$97,500) for Flexible Financial Hardship. Applications were invited for those experiencing hardship due to drought. Eighteen applications were received and assessed for Round 1 allocation by a Drought Panel.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the report and endorse the Panel's decision to allocate \$45,700 of Flexible Financial Hardship Funding.**

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### Background

The Blackall-Tambo Regional Council received an allocation of \$97,500 (ex GST) from Department of Communities, Disability Services & Seniors for Flexible Financial Hardship to alleviate hardship and cost of living pressures for individuals, families or households impacted by drought. The support is provided for farmers and their families, as well as for non-farming small business operators and their families such as contractors/tradespeople and retail operators that rely on regional economies that are underpinned by agriculture.

Out of this total funding allocation 10% is allocated towards Project Management Costs to BTRC. Another requirement for this funding was for \$3,900 to be allocated to each school P&F Associations, therefore as such was administered to Blackall State School P&C, St Joseph's Primary School P&F, and Tambo P&C, totalling an allocation of \$11,700.

Applications were invited from Blackall and Tambo who fit the above criteria on November 8<sup>th</sup> 2021 and applications will close 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021. This was advertised for 3 weeks in the Barcoo Independent, Grassland Whisperer, in the Council Catchup, on social media and email.

The first Community Drought Panel sitting was held 28<sup>th</sup> November in the BTRC Meeting Room to assess the first influx of applications. The Drought Panel consisted of a representative from the Community Advisory Network, Blackall QPS, and the Church Community.

Minutes were not recorded due to confidentiality.

The CDO explained to the panel the purpose and requirements for FFH Funding, and all Panel members were given a list of applicants.

18 Applications were received in this round.

All applications were considered and discussed by the Panel. The Panel decided that they would allocate a set amount of funding for all applicants of \$2000 (exc. GST) each.

This round allocation totalled - \$36,000.

As mentioned earlier, at time of report this funding is still open for applications and will close 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021, with the Panel to meet at a convenient date in January 2022 for consideration of next round of applications.

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**Link to Corporate Plan**

Vibrant Communities

Outcome 2 – Health and Wellbeing

Outcome 3 – Community Services

**Consultation (internal/external)**

CEO

Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

Dept of Communities, Disabilities and Seniors Program Officer

Community Development Officer

**Policy Implications**

Recordkeeping Policy

**Budget and Resource Implications**

Community Event & Activity Budget (\$34,000) – allocated

Flexible Financial Hardship (496,000) – Round 1 \$45,700.00 allocated including P&C allocations



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### OFFICER REPORTS

COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: 4.1.7

**SUBJECT HEADING: RADF Committee Minutes**

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: The second round of the 2021-2022 RADF program closed for applications on November 26<sup>th</sup> and the Committee held a RADF meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2021.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the minutes of the RADF Committee meeting dated 6 December 2021.**

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### Background

Applications were invited for the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of funding for the 2021-2022 year with applications closing on November 26<sup>th</sup>.

The committee met on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2021 at 4pm at the Grassland Art Gallery to assess the applications.

Four submissions were received, and the Committee elected to approve three submissions

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### Link to Corporate Plan

Vibrant Communities

Outcome 1 – Arts and Culture

Outcome 4 - Youth

Economic Development

Outcome 3 - Employment

### Consultation (internal/external)

RADF Committee

### Policy Implications

Nil

### Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

**General Meeting RADF Meeting 06.12.2021 – Grassland Art Gallery Workshop, Tambo**

**Date:** 06.12.2021

**Time:** 4.00 pm

**Present:** Ros Wood, Lindy Hardie, Taylor Smith (RLO), Wendy Just, Pip Fearon, Alison Shaw (Red Ridge), Louise Martin

**Apologies:** Pam Pullos, Boyd Johnson, Kiralee Sanderson

*Motion:* That the apologies be accepted.

Moved: Pip

Seconded: Louise

**Minutes:**

The minutes of the previous general meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021 have been circulated.

*Motion:* That the minutes be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: Pip

Seconded: Wendy

**Business arising from the Minutes:**

- NIL

**Correspondence:**

Inward - Email & written correspondence:

- Western Touring Circuit Proposal
- Incoming Applications – Blackall QCWA, Blackall Cultural Assoc., Red Ridge and Tambo ICPA
- Program Report – Red Ridge

Outward - Email & written correspondence:

- RD2 advertising/promotion

*Motion:* That the inward correspondence be received and the outward endorsed.

Moved: Louise

Seconded: Ros

**Business arising from the Correspondence:**

nil

**Financial Report:**

Current Balance: \$41,559.00

*Motion:* That the financial report be received.

Moved: Taylor

Seconded: Wendy

**Business arising from the Financial Report:**

- RLO is following up on \$2000.00 returned from Blackall Cultural Association, due to cancelled program, and \$500 from unspent from Tambo Arts Council Furniture Restoration Workshop.

**Assessment of Applications:**

QCWA Blackall Branch	<i>Concept Development of Memorial to Sister Greta Towner</i>
Blackall Cultural Assoc.	<i>Visual Arts Project</i>
Red Ridge Interior QLD	<i>Outback Art Pop-up</i>
Tambo ICPA	<i>ICPA Swim/Art Camp</i>

*Motion:* That the RADF committee does not approve the application received from Blackall QCWA to support the concept development of memorial to Sister Greta Towner for the amount of \$9000.00.

Moved: Louise

Seconded: Ros

All in favour

The Committee provided the following feedback for the applicant to consider resubmitting:

- The RADF program does not fund 100% of project costs
- The application mentions a “soon to be formed community-based committee”, which suggests that no committee is currently leading the project.
- The RADF program is not able to financially support the project at this stage, before the provision of quotes, but can support the project during the concept development stage, after quotes have been obtained.
- This applicant should revisit the RADF Guidelines, and amend their application to follow them more closely, to be successful.
- Provide letters of support from other community groups.
- There is currently no evidence to support the benefits to the local community.

*Motion:* That the RADF committee approves the application received from the Blackall Cultural Assoc Inc for a Visual Arts Project for the amount of \$6,140.00

Moved: Ros

Seconded: Wendy

All in favour

The Committee noted that artist workshops and retreats, organised by the Blackall Cultural Association, are regularly very well received, and attended by new and established local artists. The workshop will be open to all ages, and interest from the region’s youth is evident.

*Lindy Hardie declared a conflict of interest. Louise Martin assumed the chair.*

*Motion:* That the RADF committee approves the application received from the Red Ridge Interior for an Outback Art City Pop-up for the amount of \$1400

Moved: Wendy

Seconded: Pip

All in favour

The committee noted that \$1400.00 is a small price to pay for invaluable experience and exposure for Blackall-Tambo artists, the works, and the region.

*Lindy Hardie resumed the chair.*

*Pip declared a conflict of interest due to her husband being employed through the program.*

*Motion:* That the RADF committee approves the application received from the Tambo ICPA for an ICPA Swim/Art camp for the amount of \$7013.00

Moved: Ros

Seconded: Wendy

All in favour

The committee noted that this annual program has an attendance of approx. 50 children for the duration. The experiences and skills learned by the children throughout this program, are unique and would not be accessible to some children around the region. The RLO will write to the committee and remind them to be mindful of project timelines, in conjunction with RADF funding rounds, and encourage them to apply earlier, rather than later.

### **General Business:**

- Travelling shows through ArTour – Leotard (February) and Babushka Book Club
- ArTour is coming to an end, and RASNs (Regional Arts Services Network) are being changed, meaning the WTC (Western Touring Circuit) councils will no longer be in the same RASNs. Red Ridge is in an optimal position to support the circuit needs to remain a coordinated collective of presenters.

\$750.00 from each Council is required, to pay Red Ridge to prepare funding submissions on behalf of the WTC. This will come from RADF strategic initiative funding.

Approved

Moved: Louise

Seconded: Ros

- Scoring system on assessment forms still needs to be changed, as mentioned in the previous minutes. RLO to execute.

Next Round & Meeting:

Open the week ending 12<sup>th</sup> December 2021. Re-advertise in January. Close before the February 2022 Council Meeting.

*A minute's silence was observed for the passing of former Blackall-Tambo Mayor, Jan Ross.*

### **Closure:**

There being no further general business the meeting closed at 5.25pm.

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: **4.1.8****SUBJECT HEADING: RADF Application – Blackall Cultural Association**

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: The second round of the 2021-2022 RADF program closed for applications on November 26<sup>th</sup> and the Committee recommended the application from the Blackall Cultural Association be approved.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council endorse the RADF Committee's recommendation to approve the application from Blackall Cultural Association for \$6,140.00.**

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**Background**

Applications were invited for the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of funding for the 2021-2022 year with applications closing on November 26<sup>th</sup>. Four submissions were received, and the Committee elected to approve three submissions.

Blackall Cultural Association applied for funding to support a Visual Arts Extension Program in Blackall for \$6,140.00.

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**Link to Corporate Plan**

Vibrant Communities

Outcome 1 – Arts and Culture

Outcome 4 - Youth

Economic Development

Outcome 2 - Tourism

**Consultation (internal/external)**

RADF Committee

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Budget and Resource Implications**

\$6,140.00 – funded project

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

**Item No:** 4.1.9**SUBJECT HEADING:** RADF Application – Red Ridge Interior

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: The second round of the 2021-2022 RADF program closed for applications on November 26<sup>th</sup> and the Committee recommended the application from Red Ridge be approved.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council endorse the RADF Committee's recommendation to approve the application from Red Ridge Interior for \$1,400.00.**

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**Background**

Applications were invited for the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of funding for the 2021-2022 year with applications closing on November 26<sup>th</sup>. Four submissions were received, and the Committee elected to approve three submissions.

Red Ridge Interior applied for funding to support an Outback Art City Pop-Up in Blackall for \$1,400.00.

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**Link to Corporate Plan**

Vibrant Communities

Outcome 1 – Arts and Culture

Outcome 4 - Youth

Economic Development

Outcome 2 - Tourism

**Consultation (internal/external)**

RADF Committee

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Budget and Resource Implications**

\$1,400.00 – funded project

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: 4.1.10

**SUBJECT HEADING: RADF Application – Tambo ICPA**

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: The second round of the 2021-2022 RADF program closed for applications on November 26<sup>th</sup> and the Committee recommended the application from Tambo ICPA be approved.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council endorse the RADF Committee's recommendation to approve the application from Tambo ICPA for \$7,013.00.**

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### Background

Applications were invited for the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of funding for the 2021-2022 year with applications closing on November 26<sup>th</sup>. Four submissions were received, and the Committee elected to approve three submissions.

Tambo ICPA applied for funding to support a Swim/Art Camp in Tambo for \$7,013.00.

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### Link to Corporate Plan

Vibrant Communities

Outcome 1 – Arts and Culture

Outcome 4 - Youth

Economic Development

Outcome 2 - Tourism

### Consultation (internal/external)

RADF Committee

### Policy Implications

Nil

### Budget and Resource Implications

\$7,013.00 – funded project

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: **4.1.11****SUBJECT HEADING: RADF Surplus Funds**

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: RADF Council initiatives in 2018-2019 and 2020-2021 had an underspend of \$3,723.00 and \$11,000.00. The RADF Committee voted to reallocate these funds to the Tambo Dam Lights project.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council endorse the RADF Committee's recommendation to allocate the Council initiative surplus funds of \$14,723.00 to the Tambo Dam Lights Project.**

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**Background**

Council strategic initiatives are identified and funded through the RADF annual application. In the 2018-2019 the initiative was the Tambo Dam Lights concept development which cost \$6277.00 leaving a surplus of \$3,723.00.

The 2020-2021 initiative identified by the Committee was a digital art trail, however this project was primarily supported under the Tiny Towns QR code project funded by the Neighborhood Centre, leaving a surplus of \$11,000.00.

Further funding is required to complete the installation, lighting, and artists payments for the Tambo Dam Lights.

At the October 2021 RADF meeting, dated 11/10/2021, the Committee voted to reallocate the surplus funds to the Tambo Dam Lights project.

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**Link to Corporate Plan**

Vibrant Communities

Outcome 1 – Arts and Culture

**Consultation (internal/external)**

RADF Committee

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Budget and Resource Implications**

\$14,723.00 – funded project



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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: **4.2.1****SUBJECT HEADING: Director of Works and Services' Operations Report – November 2021**

Author and Officer's Title: Garth Kath, Director of Works and Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

*Summary: The Director of Works and Services report for November 2021 is presented to Council.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Director of Works and Services' Operation Report for November 2021.**

**Background****Construction**

- Blackall Jericho Road – Narbethong Realignment – Subgrade, Base, Culvert and Batter Works
- Barcoo River Bridge Project – Tambo – Subgrade, Base and Culvert Works

**Flood Damage Crews/Maintenance Grader Locations**

- Flood Damage Graders
  - Coolatai Road
  - Ravensbourne Road
  - Alva Road
  - Tumbar Road
  - Romulus Road
  - Colart Road
  - Mount Calder Road
  - Langlo Road
  - Mt Edinburgh Road
  - Allawah Road
  - Bulburrum Road
- Flood Damage Gravel Haulage
  - Langlo Road
  - Colart Road
  - Wooroolah Road
  - Tumbar Road
  - Wyanga Road
  - Mt Macquarie Road
  - Allawah Road
  - Bulburrum Road
  - Mt Edinburgh Road

**Maintenance Crews**

- RMPC Surface correction Blackall Barcaldine Road
- RMPC Blackall Tambo Road guidepost replacement
- Town Street Bitumen Patching

**Upcoming Works**

- Flood Damage – Wet weather delaying works program
- Heavy Vehicle Bypass – Awaiting Ergon Infrastructure (May 2022)
- Blackall Jericho Road – Narbethong Realignment – Pavement, Batter Protection and Sealing (December-January)
- Barcoo River Bridge Tambo – Formation, Concrete Works and Pavement (December-January)

**Water and Sewerage****Water Services**

Number of interruptions to services	30
Water consumption total ML	14562
Number of customer requests received	2
Number of customer requests actioned	2

**Sewerage Services**

Number of interruptions to services	10
Number of customer requests received	2
Number of customer requests actioned	2

**Parks and Gardens**

- Maintenance of council facilities, town streets, parks and gardens

**Workshop/Fleet**

- Preventative/Routine Maintenance
- Minor Breakdowns
- Side tipper brakes and bearings

**Monthly Statistics**

Number of plant items services	13
Number of plant breakdowns	2
Hours downtime due to servicing	38
Hours downtime due to breakdown	52
Hours downtime due to parts availability	38

**Link to Corporate Plan**

Infrastructure

Outcome 1 – Roads

Outcome 3 – Water and sewerage systems

**Consultation (internal/external)**

CEO

DWS

Works Supervisors

Parks &amp; Garden Supervisors

Water Supervisors

Sewerage Supervisor

Fleet Manager

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Budget and Resource Implications**

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: **4.2.2**

**SUBJECT HEADING: Work Health and Safety Report**

Author and Officer's Title: Garth Kath, Director of Works and Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: The Work Health and Safety Report has been provided to Council.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Work Health and Safety Report for November 2021.**

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### Background

#### TOOLBOX TALKS:

- Addressed crews on hazards of working on or adjacent to roads after the fatality of a traffic controller in Mackay.

#### HAZARD INSPECTIONS/HAZARD REPORT:

- 4 x Workplace Hazard Inspections were completed for the month of November. Current issues that were found during these inspections are being rectified at the earliest convenience.
- 1 Hazard report on missing roofing sheeting and whirlybirds which allow rain ingress to the welding/storage bay.

#### Daily Job Pre – Starts:

- Gardeners - 21
- Works Department combined Plumbers/Handy man -31
- Maintenance Crew - 12
- Construction Crew - 40
- Workshop - 19

#### Plant Pre – Starts:

#### Inductions:

- Saleyards: 1 x Outcross
- Contractors: 1 x GBA  
2 x Essjay Contracting
- WORK Camp: 3 x workers

#### General:

- 2 x Working at heights Kits have been ordered for Blackall and Tambo and now have been placed into service, still awaiting on 1 x harness for each kit.

- WHSO attended a 2-day course in Longreach into conducting incident investigations in a new methodology.
- WHSO, and 2 x Health and Safety Representatives attended a 5-day course in Longreach. The course was beneficial to both the participants and the shire/s they represented.
- Wormald has done the 6 monthly inspection of the fire extinguishers.

**Immunisations:**

- 3 x employees are booked in to get Hepatitis immunisations. This is a continuous process and will be over several months.

**Training:**

- First Aid and CPR Refresher is now being organised for early next year, for those that are required to hold that competency.

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**Link to Corporate Plan**

Governance

Outcome 1 - Workforce

**Consultation (internal/external)**

Work Health and Safety Advisor

**Policy Implications**

Work Health & Safety Policy

**Budget and Resource Implications**

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: 5.1

**SUBJECT HEADING: Blackall Saleyards Monthly Report**

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

*Summary: The Blackall Saleyards monthly report for November is presented to Council.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Blackall Saleyards monthly report for November 2021.**

## Background

SALES	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	YTD	2020/21 Totals
Spelling Cattle	4125	6704	4002	5701	6721								27253	67043
Spelling Sheep	-	-	-	-	-								-	-
Prime & Store Sales	5800	7424	6958	4914	1829								26925	65877
Weaner & Store Sales	5081	4642	6396	5709	4550								26378	38210
Private Weigh (Same Day)	1772	3541	1592	1397	-								8303	19725
Private Weigh (Over-night)	695	1178	1138	1204	604								4816	17292
Private Scan	-	59	-	-	-								59	618
Bull Sales	-	-	55	189	-								244	306
<b>TOTALS 2021/22</b>	17473	23545	20141	19114	13704								93977	
<b>TOTALS 2020/21</b>	31048	20467	10848	21390	18496	8393	622	10634	19571	19285	28159	20118	209071	

### Link to Corporate Plan

Economic Development

Outcome 1 – Business investment

Outcome 2 – Tourism

Outcome 3 - Employment

**Consultation (internal/external)**

CEO

Saleyards Manager

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Budget and Resource Implications**

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: 5.2

**SUBJECT HEADING: Planning and Development Report**

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

*Summary: The Planning and Development monthly report provides a summary of building applications and planning and development activity in the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council area.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Planning and Development Report for November 2021.**

**Background**

DATE	NUMBER	DEVELOPMENT TYPE	DEVELOPMENT DETAILS	ADDRESS
11/11/2021	DA-14-2021-2022	BUILDING	Shed	129 Thistle Street Blackall
18/11/2021	DA-15-2021-2022	PLUMBING	New Fire Service	39-45 Shamrock Street Blackall
17/11/2021	DA-17-2021-2022	BUILDING	Carport/Shed	87 Shamrock Street Blackall

**MONTHLY REPORT (NOVEMBER 2021)**

This information report provides a monthly update on the planning services that Council provides to support planning and development activity across the local government area.

**1. DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT**

No new development applications were lodged during November. There is one application under assessment and one application in the Appeal Period.

1.1	Council reference:	DA 13-2021-2022
	Application:	Development Application – Development Permit for Material Change of Use for Short-term Accommodation (13 cabins)
	Street address:	36 Shamrock Street, Blackall
	Property description:	Lot 1 on RP616018
	Day application was made:	28 October 2021
	Category of assessment:	Impact Assessment
	Public notification required:	Yes
	Applicant:	Shane Robinson
Status:	Action Notice	



An application has been made by Shane Robinson, seeking a development permit for material change of use for short-term accommodation at 36 Shamrock Street, Blackall, which is occupied by the Coolibah Motel. The proposal is for 13 additional cabins at the rear of the motel, to be developed over five stages.

The subject site is in the Township Zone. Short-term Accommodation in the Township Zone is subject to Impact Assessment, which means public notification of the application will be required.

Council issued an Action Notice as several items were not submitted with the application including plans and a planning report. Reel Planning is advising the applicant on outstanding items.

The following application was approved at the November General Meeting and the decision notice was issued to applicant soon thereafter. The applicant has a 20 business day Appeal Period within which they can request to negotiate conditions or file an appeal. At this stage, there has been no indication that the applicants will pursue this course. The Appeal Period for this application is expected to finish around 20 December 2021.

1.2	Council reference:	DA 09-2021-2022
	Application:	Development Application – Development Permit for a Reconfiguring a Lot (subdivision of 4 lots into 5 lots, new access easement and new road)
	Street address:	10 Star Street, and 18, 20 and 22 Arthur Street, Tambo
	Property description:	Lot 2 on RP605624, Lot 2 on SP293537, Lot 1 on SP293537 and Lot 1 on SP197795
	Day application was made:	21 September 2021
	Category of assessment:	Code Assessment
	Public notification required:	No
	Applicant:	Blackall-Tambo Regional Council C/- Murray and Associates Surveyors and Town Planners
	Approved:	17 November 2021
	Status:	Appeal Period

## 2. GENERAL PLANNING SERVICES, ENQUIRIES AND ADVICE

### 2.1 CUSTOMER REQUESTS

The following customer requests have been received and responded to over the past month:

PLANNING ENQUIRIES			
Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
08/11/21	Property owner	<p><u>Proposal</u> To establish a caravan park at the rear of an existing property.</p> <p><u>Planning details</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The property is in the Township Zone and within the Mixed Use Precinct.</li> <li>A development application for a Tourist Park would be</li> </ul>	Closed

<b>PLANNING ENQUIRIES</b>			
<b>Date received</b>	<b>Customer Details</b>	<b>Details of Enquiry</b>	<b>Status</b>
		<p>required and would be subject to Impact Assessment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The site is affected by the Flood Hazard Overlay.</li> </ul> <p><u>Advice</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A development application for a Material Change of Use for a Tourist Park is required, prior to obtaining plumbing and building permits.</li> <li>• The development application would be Impact Assessable and subject to public notification and third party appeal rights.</li> <li>• The application can take up to four months and it is recommended a planning consultant is engaged to prepare the application.</li> <li>• It is recommended where possible that buildings are located outside of the mapped Flood Hazard Overlay, otherwise habitable floor levels are required to be 300mm above the defined flood level for Blackall (being 282m AHD).</li> <li>• A flood evacuation plan will be required to address the flood risk of the property.</li> <li>• Access to the site will need to be constructed in accordance with Council standards.</li> <li>• A surveyor will be required to determine the contours and levels of land.</li> <li>• Details of what is required to be submitted with the application were also provided.</li> </ul>	
9/11/2021	Property owner	<p><u>Proposal</u> Converting three existing lots into one lot.</p> <p><u>Planning details</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The lots are within the Township Zone</li> </ul>	Closed

<b>PLANNING ENQUIRIES</b>			
<b>Date received</b>	<b>Customer Details</b>	<b>Details of Enquiry</b>	<b>Status</b>
		<p><u>Advice</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The conversion of three lots into one lot is defined as an amalgamation of lots.</li> <li>• The amalgamation of lots is not assessable against the Blackall-Tambo Planning Scheme therefore no development application is required.</li> <li>• Council should ensure that all outstanding rates or charges are paid in relation to these lots, because the Plan of Subdivision for the amalgamation of land does not require Council consent.</li> </ul>	
<b>ENFORCEMENT NOTICE</b>			
<b>Date issued</b>	<b>Customer details</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Status</b>
1/12/2021	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enforcement Notice issued in response to a development offence.</li> <li>• The development offence relates to the use of a shed as a Dwelling House without a Development Permit for Material Change of Use for a Dwelling House.</li> <li>• The landowner has been given to 31 January 2022 to either cease the use or to lodge a development application with Council.</li> <li>• Council has previously issued a Show Cause Notice to the landowner, however a response to that Show Cause Notice was never received.</li> <li>• As a response was not received in relation to the Show Cause Notice, Council issued the Enforcement Notice.</li> </ul>	Ongoing
<b>PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES</b>			
<b>Date received</b>	<b>Customer details</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Status</b>
10/11/2021	-	Limited Planning and Development Certificate for a	Closed

<b>PLANNING ENQUIRIES</b>			
<b>Date received</b>	<b>Customer Details</b>	<b>Details of Enquiry</b>	<b>Status</b>
		residential holding in the Township Zone.	
<b>SURVEY PLAN APPROVALS</b>			
Nil			

**Link to Corporate Plan**

Economic Development  
 Outcome 4 – Land development

**Consultation (internal/external)**

CEO  
 Rates Officer  
 Town Planners

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Budget and Resource Implications**

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: **5.3**

**SUBJECT HEADING: Tender of Tambo Sawmill and Sales Permit**

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: The Tambo Sawmill has remained idle since the lessee's ceased operations in 2020 and Council does not have the expertise to operate the mill. Tendering of the Tambo Sawmill and Sales Permit would be the most suitable solution for the property.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council, under section 227 (1) (a) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, invites written tenders for the sale of the Tambo Sawmill and Sales Permit 201304400.**

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### Background

In 2014 Council submitted a successful Expression of Interest for the purchase of the Tambo Sawmill and since the purchase of the sawmill Council has made improvements to the facility with lessee's operating the mill and harvesting cypress sawlogs under Council's Sales Permit.

The Tambo Sawmill has remained idle since the lessees ceased operations at the mill in 2020. Since this time Council tendered the undercut on the Sales Permit.

At the June 2021 general meeting Council resolved to award the tender for the Sale of Council's Sales Permit Entitlement to Get a Specified Quantity of Cypress Sawlogs to another timber company. The tender was awarded subject to approval from the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries.

The deed of variation to the Sales Permit has been signed off by all parties and payment has been received by Council.

After consultation with Council officers, representatives of Queensland Treasury Corporation and Council it is considered to be advantageous for Council to dispose of the Tambo Sawmill, land and chattels, including the Sales Permit 201304400 as Council does not have the expertise to operate the mill.

Under section 227(1)(a) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* a local government can dispose of a valuable non-current asset by inviting written tenders for the contract in accordance with section 228.

King & Company Solicitors have been engaged by Council to liaison with the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries for the sale of the Sales Permit and will prepare the documentation for the tender of the Sales Permit and Tambo Sawmill.

Once the documents have been prepared, Council officers will offer the valuable non-current asset for tender in accordance with section 228 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

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**Link to Corporate Plan**

Economic Development

Outcome 1 – Business Investment

Outcome 3 – Employment

Outcome 5 – Resource Development

Governance

Outcome 2 – Accountability

Outcome 4 - Financial

**Consultation (internal/external)**

CEO

Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

Manager of Finance

Queensland Treasury Corporation

**Policy Implications**

Procurement and Disposals Policy

**Budget and Resource Implications**

To be determined

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: 5.4

**SUBJECT HEADING: Write Off of Debt – Surrender of Land for Overdue Rates**

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

*Summary: Council recently acquired land in full payment of rates and charges over several rate assessments in Yalleroi.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council write off the debt in sum of \$11,354.96 consisting of the overdue amounts for rates and charges:**

<b>Assessment: 10783-00000-000</b>	<b>\$2223.65</b>
<b>Assessment: 10778-00000-000</b>	<b>\$2658.54</b>
<b>Assessment: 10776-00000-000</b>	<b>\$3428.17</b>
<b>Assessment: 10777-50000-000</b>	<b>\$3044.60</b>

**Background**

At the August 2021 general meeting Council resolved the following in regard to overdue rates and charges on land at Yalleroi:

*That Council, under section 121(c) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, grant a concession, by way of accepting a transfer of unencumbered land in full payment of the rates and charges for rate assessments 10783-00000-000, 10778-00000-000, 10776-00000-000 and 10777-50000-000.*

*Moved: Cr LP Russell                      Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone  
Minute No. 17/08A/21                      Carried 6/0*

Advice was sought from Council's solicitors who assisted officers with the matter. The process was finalised on 26 November 2021.

Council can now write off the debts as follows:

Assessment: 10783-00000-000	\$2223.65
Assessment: 10778-00000-000	\$2658.54
Assessment: 10776-00000-000	\$3428.17
Assessment: 10777-50000-000	\$3044.60

**Link to Corporate Plan**

Governance

Outcome 4 – Financial

**Consultation (internal/external)**

CEO

Rates Officer

King &amp; Company Solicitors

**Policy Implications**

Rates Recovery Policy

**Budget and Resource Implications**

\$11,354.96



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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: 5.5

**SUBJECT HEADING: RAPAD Board Communiqué – 5 November 2021**

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: The RAPAD Board Communiqués provide an outline of items discussed at the monthly meetings.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the RAPAD Board Communiqué for 5 November 2021.**

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### Background

The RAPAD Board consists of the 7 Mayors from Barcaldine, Barcoo, Blackall-Tambo, Boulia, Diamantina, Longreach and Winton Councils. The November meeting was held by teleconference.

Items discussed at the 5 November meeting were:

- Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning
- Qld Wool Processors Pty Ltd
- West Qld Alliance of Councils
- Finance, Legal, Risk

Previous Board Communiqués are available on RAPAD's website [www.rapad.com.au](http://www.rapad.com.au).

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### Link to Corporate Plan

Governance

Outcome 3 - Leadership

### Consultation (internal/external)

Mayor

CEO

RAPAD

### Policy Implications

Nil

### Budget and Resource Implications

Nil



### RAPAD Board Meeting 5 November 2021 Communiqué



**CR SEAN DILLON**  
Mayor Barcaldine  
Regional Council



**CR SALLY O'NEIL**  
Mayor Barcoo Shire  
Council



**CR ANDREW MARTIN**  
Mayor Blackall-Tambo  
Regional Council



**CR RICK BRITTON**  
Mayor Boulia Shire  
Council



**CR ROBBIE DARE**  
Mayor Diamantina Shire  
Council



**CR TONY RAYNER**  
Mayor Longreach  
Regional Council



**CR GAVIN BASKETT**  
Mayor Winton Shire  
Council



**DAVID ARNOLD**  
CEO RAPAD

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#### **Objects of RAPAD**

*The objects for which the Company is established are:*

- (a) to support, facilitate, promote and encourage the community, environmental and economic development of the region,*
- (b) to formulate, develop, facilitate, maintain and implement, or cause to be implemented, strategies, policies and plans relating to the objects in Rule 1.5(a),*
- (c) to advocate to, consult with, and advise, relevant State and Federal ministers and government agencies on matters of regional concern, and on the priorities of such matters and the means to ensure effective co-ordination and implementation of the policies, activities and programs of those State and Federal agencies, and*
- (d) to facilitate, support, implement, or cause to be implemented, collaborative regional discussion and associated desired outcomes amongst, but not limited, to members.*

Source: RAPAD constitution

As a part of normal business, the Board of RAPAD held its tenth scheduled Board meeting for 2021 on 5 November, via video conferencing. The meeting was chaired by Cr Tony Rayner, with 3 other directors attending. Cr Sam Beauchamp attended as proxy for Cr Britton and several CEOs were in attendance. Cr Dare and Cr Dillon were apologies due to extenuating circumstances. This meeting had a short agenda given the upcoming series of meetings to be held on 24 and 25 November, where the Outback Regional Roads and Transport Group, the RAPAD Water and Sewerage Alliance and the Central West Regional Pest Management Groups, along with RAPAD will meet face to face.

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**Meeting Matters:**

- **Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning**

Representatives from the department, led by Mark Snow, joined the meeting to provide an overview of, and take feedback on, the current Local government Sustainability Framework discussion paper and review. The executive summary of the discussion paper states:

*Queensland's local governments play a critical role in supporting the safety, liveability, and prosperity of local communities right across the State. All of Queensland's 77 councils face unique financial, service delivery and community need circumstances. The challenge of ensuring local government sustainability, is an important issue for all councils and the Queensland Government. In recent times the COVID-19 pandemic, which has impacted communities right across Queensland, has presented challenges to local governments on a scale not seen before and has further exacerbated the sustainability challenges already faced by the sector. This was demonstrated through the Auditor-General's 2021 Report to Parliament 17:2020-21, which raised concerns about local government financial sustainability, rating 24 out of 77 councils as having a higher risk of sustainability issues in the short- to medium-term.*

*The report also recommended the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (the department) consider broadening its view of sustainability to include other elements such as governance, compliance, and asset management and consider developing new financial sustainability ratios for councils that consider the different sizes, services, and circumstances of the various councils. The diversity of the sector means that no single solution or approach will address the sustainability challenges faced by many local governments. Given this, the department is proposing a new Sustainability Framework that enables the sustainability of councils to be assessed against a tailored framework that more appropriately reflects the diverse nature of Queensland councils and considers a number of factors ranging from finances, asset management and compliance through to operating environment and governance. The department is also proposing that new sustainability ratios and associated benchmarks be introduced. These would be applied by grouping councils on a population basis and establishing relevant benchmarks for each grouping that is reflective of what is achievable for that particular group of councils. The new ratios focus on how the council is performing from a financial and asset management perspective with the other elements of the Sustainability Framework (governance, compliance, and operating environment) being addressed through future work the department will undertake. Through the implementation of the new Sustainability Framework and the new financial and asset ratios, department and councils will be provided with greater insight into the challenges faced by the sector which will support the development of more tailored and relevant solutions. This will also support the vision of having business ready councils – today and into the future - that enable liveable communities to grow and prosper by focusing on the principles of:*

- *Foundations: Councils doing the basics well across finances, governance, and service delivery*
- *Infrastructure: Councils delivering infrastructure that the community needs, wants, and can afford*
- *Outlook: Councils investing in ideas that are right for the future community.*

*The department is proposing to implement the new Sustainability Framework, including revised ratios during 2022. The Financial Management Guideline which*

*sets out the agreed financial and asset ratios will be released in early 2022 to take effect for the 2022-23 financial year reporting. A phased transition will be implemented to support councils to adequately meet their obligations under the new reporting requirements. The department will work with councils to develop training and guidance material to support the implementation of the agreed financial and asset sustainability ratios. The department is seeking stakeholder feedback on the contents of this discussion paper and in particular the following key areas:*

- Elements of the framework – Operating environment, financial performance, asset management, governance and compliance.*
- Grouping of councils – Based on population, to enable a tailored approach for considering sustainability.*
- Financial and asset sustainability ratios and benchmarks – What councils will be required to report on*

The CEO updated the board on the current process being undertaken by AEC, who are developing a submission on behalf of councils of the West Qld Alliance of Councils ([www.wqac.com.au](http://www.wqac.com.au)). A working group of WQAC Local Government CEOs, finance officers, and the three ROC (SWQROC, NWQROC and RAPAD) EOs form the consultative group for AEC to work with. A detailed series of questions have been provided to each RAPAD council for consideration and feedback. The review timeframe has been extended with the final date for submission now due 30 November. The Auditor-General's report noted in the above extract can be found at <https://www.gao.qld.gov.au/sites/default/files/2021-04/Local%20government%202020%20%28Report%2017%E2%80%942020%E2%80%9321%29.pdf>

- **Qld Wool Processors Pty Ltd**

The Board received a request for support from the Chairman of Qld Wool Processors. The background to this request originates from the 2020 work undertaken by Blackall-Tambo Regional Council who commissioned a study into the feasibility of establishing an end-to-end wool processing plant based in Blackall. The study concluded that such a plant was economically viable and would give an enormous economic boost to the whole of the central west region. The study suggests the proposed processing facility could deliver over 810 jobs to the local economy once operational, with 270 of those jobs being in the plant itself. To progress its work QWool requested RAPAD provide support for the Definitive Feasibility Study and the Board resolved to support the request.

- **West Qld Alliance of Councils**

Preceding the recent LGAQ Annual Conference held in Mackay, the WQAC leadership group, on which RAPAD is represented by Cr Rayner and Cr Martin, met to receive updates on, and provide guidance to, several joint projects and proposed initiatives. The CEO updated the remaining RAPAD Board members on progress of the:

- Financial sustainability review,
- Housing study progress,
- Digital Connectivity progress,
- Federal election strategy,
- Advocacy and engagement approach,
- Proposed Western Qld Priority Roads Network, which included the Chairs of the Regional Roads and Transport Groups in that part of the meeting.

The CEO advised further on an upcoming meeting he will be participating in with Simone Talbot and Greg Hoffman from SWQROC and NWQROC respectively, with Minister Enoch, regarding both housing and digital connectivity.

- **Finance, Legal, Risk**

The Board undertook several governance actions, including:

- receiving and endorsing YTD financials, and receiving the CEOs updates on general risk factors,
- receiving advice from the CEO regarding the status of the 20-21 financial audit being undertaken by PKF as appointee of the Qld Audit Office, and
- receiving advice on the submission of two projects proposed to be funded through the Qld Governments Remote Area Board (RAB) funding.

- **Other**

- Councils still outstanding with a response to the Stock Routes discussion paper were asked to respond soon so a consensus position could be adopted, and the matter progressed,
- The CEO provided a brief on RAPAD Skilling's ( [www.rapadskilling.com.au](http://www.rapadskilling.com.au) ) operations and finances for the FY to date, noting the ongoing good work of the RAPAD Skilling manager, Steve Rossberg, and his team,
- The CEO provided an update on the progress of the USQ led Southern Qld and Northern NSW Drought Resilience Adoption and Innovation Hub, <https://usq.edu.au/about-usq/jobs-at-usq/future-drought-fund/about> which RAPAD is partnering in. While still early in its development the CEO advised that the opportunities for the region through this program are exciting. The Longreach hub node manager, Ally Murray, will be basing herself in the RAPAD office soon and working with and alongside RAPAD,
- There was discussion on the recent 'Preparing Australian Communities Funding - <https://recovery.gov.au/preparing-australia-program> - which applies to only two RAPAD councils and this will be further queried as to why this has occurred,
- **Recent Publications:**
  - Western Qld Alliance of Councils Housing solutions Study <https://www.rapad.com.au/assets/Uploads/WQAC-Housing-Solutions-Study-Report-Sep-2021-1.pdf> .
  - RAPAD Region Economic Benchmarking and Promotion - <https://www.rapad.com.au/assets/Uploads/FINAL-RAPAD-Region-Economic-Benchmarking-and-Promotion.pdf> . Supported by Qld State Government Remote Area Board funding.
  - CWQ Data Collection and Analysis - <https://www.rapad.com.au/assets/Uploads/CWQ-Tourism-Data-Collection-and-Analysis-2021-210621-compress.pdf> . Supported by Qld State Government Remote Area Board funding.
  - The Western Qld COVID vaccination rates are available here: <https://app.powerbi.com/view?r=eyJrIjoiYjRmZmFhMDMtYmE1ZC00OTY2LWlxNDUtZTE0ODBjZWUzZTBmIiwidCI6ImQ2NWY5ZDFiLWY4NGMtNGMxYj05YzliLTkyY2U4NTBjZmFkMIJ9>



David Arnold, CEO along with RAPAD staff Morgan Gronold and Kristine Arnold recently caught up with Matthew Derlagen (L), Stakeholder Relations, Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility, to talk about NAIFs mandate and potential applications to development opportunities in the RAPAD region.

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### OFFICER REPORTS

COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021  
**Item No:** 5.6  
**SUBJECT HEADING:** Local Disaster Management Group  
Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer  
CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: The Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG) held a meeting on Monday 29 November 2021.*

#### **Officer's Recommendation: That Council:**

- 1. receive the minutes from the Local Disaster Management Group meeting held 29 November 2021; and**
  - 2. endorse the Longreach District DM Planning Framework and Local Recovery Sub-Plan.**
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### **Background**

Under section 29 of the *Disaster Management Act 2003* a local government must establish a Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG) for the local government's area. LDMG's are established to support and coordinate disaster management activities in their local government areas.

Membership of the BTRC LDMG include but are not limited to:

- Mayor of BTRC - Chairperson
- Deputy Mayor of BTRC - Deputy Chair
- CEO of Council - Local Disaster Coordinator
- Person nominated by the Commissioner – QFES representative

In accordance with the *Disaster Management Regulation 2014* the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council LDMG meets twice a year.

At the 29 November Local Disaster Management Group meeting the BTRC Local Recovery Sub-Plan and Longreach District DM Planning Framework were endorsed.

The BTRC Local Recovery Sub-Plan was developed in conjunction with the Queensland Reconstruction Authority. The Recovery Sub-Plan has the following objectives:

- Outline the recovery considerations
- Draw on community strengths
- Acknowledge existing challenges
- Outline recovery arrangement and governance framework
- Provide practical guidance to undertake recovery activities
- Support successful recovery outcomes.

The Longreach District DM Planning Framework has been developed to establish a local planning framework for the Local Disaster Management Groups that is appropriate, consistent and integrated at the local, district and state level.

Core members and advisors were present at the 29 November 2021 meeting and a copy of the minutes are attached to this report.

**Link to Corporate Plan**

Environment & Heritage

Outcome 1 – Disaster Management

**Consultation (internal/external)**

Mayor

CEO

LDMG

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Budget and Resource Implications**

Nil





**Minutes of the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council  
Local Disaster Management Group Meeting  
Held at the Blackall Council Chambers and via Zoom  
Monday 29 November 2021**

**1.0 Welcome and Call to Order**

The Meeting was called to order and opened at 10.01am

**2.0 Attendance**

Andrew Martin (Mayor, LDMG Chair)  
Des Howard (CEO BTRC)  
Alastair Rutherford (DFCCS BTRC)  
Julia Cook (Inspector QPS and District Disaster Coordinator)  
Craig Neuendorf (Disaster Management Coordinator)  
Dan Burton (DPI Blackall)  
Patrick Downing (SES Longreach)  
Jaimee-Lee Prow (Recovery Officer BTRC)  
Jim Beck (OIC Tambo Police)  
Jodie Thompson (Qld Health)  
Kim Llewelyn (Acting QFES Inspector)  
Stefan Holweg (EHO BTRC & SES Local Controller)  
Mick Wilshire (OIC Blackall Police)  
Garth Kath (DWS BTRC)  
Lisa Kings (Blackall Hospital)  
James Webber (Tambo Police)

**3.0 Apologies**

Scott Fayers (QPS)  
Phillip Kuhne (QFES Emergency Management Coordinator)  
Lindsay Russell (BTRC Deputy Mayor and LDMG Deputy Chair)  
Rowan O'Donoghue (QFES Blackall)  
Kelvin Hafey (SES Tambo)  
Doug Armstrong (QAS Blackall)

**4.0 Confirmation of Minutes**

**Moved: C Neuendorf      Seconded: K Llewellyn**

That the minutes from the 5 March 2021 meeting be confirmed.

**Carried**

**5.0 General Business**

**5.1 Adoption of the updated Pandemic Sub Plan**

The Pandemic Sub Plan has updated to include Appendix B – COVID-19 Pandemic Evacuation Management Strategy with the amendment in the Preparedness Alert Stage.

**Moved: Julia Cook    Seconded: C Neuendorf**

That the update Pandemic Sub Plan be adopted with the following amendment to page 14.

Level Of Activation	LDMG Trigger
<p style="text-align: center;">Alert</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Possibility of an event</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confirmed cases within Queensland</li> <li>• No cases in the Central West Region</li> <li>• Suspected cases in the Central West and surrounding council areas</li> <li>• Identify stakeholder involvement in LDMG</li> </ul>

**Carried**

The Chair noted that there is a new bus route which raises concerns with getting pathology tests to Brisbane. DPI advised they send samples with Toll every day and have no concerns. The Inspector advised that Longreach has better capability for COVID testing now.

**5.2    Adoption of the Recovery Sub Plan**

The Recovery Sub Plan has been developed in conjunction with QRA, the BTRC Recovery Officer and Disaster Management Coordinator. A complete copy will be circulated to LDMG members after the meeting.

**Moved: C Neuendorf    Seconded: K Llewelyn**

That the BTRC Recovery Plan as prepared by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority be adopted.

**Carried**

**5.3    Longreach District Disaster Management Planning Framework**

**Moved: K Llewelyn    Seconded: C Neuendorf**

That the Longreach District Disaster Management Planning Framework as prepared by Phil Kuhne be endorsed.

**Carried**

**5.4    Inwards Correspondence**

**Moved: D Burton    Seconded: S Holweg**

That the following correspondence be received:

- Emergency Management Training – QFES
- Bushfire Warning Levels – QFES
- Emergency Alert Platform Phase 4 – QFES

**Carried**

**5.5 Recovery Report**

Nil to report

**5.6 Late Items**

- QFES EMC Report
- Blackall-Tambo LDMG TNA Report

**6.0 Round Table**

D Howard (BTRC) - nothing to report at this stage other than the plans that have been updated.

J Cook (District Disaster Coordinator/QPS) – No amended tier plan from QHealth yet. Anxiety following vaccination status plans is quite high in Longreach which is creating quite a divisive environment. Some people are pressuring Councils to develop a public forum. Introduction of Jen Fraser who will be XO over the Christmas period.

A Martin (BTRC) – Council is receiving a number of letters regarding vaccinations, and some are from those that are vaccinated. There are some issues with some BOM rain gauges, however locals are monitoring rain/river levels.

D Howard (BTRC) – flood levels were amended last meeting. There is only one gauge down at Enniskillen, there is a planned repaired this week. The rain gauge height for the new bridge in Tambo is not showing a reading at the BOM site yet. There is an issue with the BOM gauge at Gillespie as it is a day out on its date, will be fixed up also.

A Martin (BTRC) – TMR news, bridge in Tambo will not be completed by Christmas. TMR have advised if the bypass for the Alice River bridge near Barcaldine goes under water traffic can be diverted over the bridge as it has bolstered.

J Cook (District Disaster Coordinator/QPS) – DDMG meeting dates to be provided by XO. Waiting on RAPAD dates to be provided.

C Neuendorf (Disaster Management Coordinator) – request for the Longreach District DM Planning Framework to be adopted if the LDMG deems this suitable. LDMG responded that the proposed Planning Framework would be acceptable. QFES representatives from hazard and risk are coming next year to review what the hazards are from each council by putting them in the template that is workable, easy to read and would be applicable for each Council. QFES is hoping to have a representative from each Council in Longreach, preferably someone who has a good knowledge of the hazards and infrastructure in each Council area.

M Wilshire (OIC Blackall QPS) – There have been concerns raised on pop up clinics and request has been made for QPS to walk through to ensure there are no concerns at the clinics.

A discussion was held regarding the powers to enforce the CHO directives however, at this stage QPS have not been given these powers. QPS encourage everyone to put the green tick on the Checkin app. Council will be able to provide assistance/information to assist residents to set up their app properly.

Tambo Police warned that there could possibly be problems with locals regarding compliance to the CHO directives as well as visitors.

Discussions regarding mandating of matters was raised at the RAPAD meeting in Brisbane.

A Martin (BTRC) – Discussions have been held with Telstra who have made the offer to come and do schools to upgrade user skills of phones, but this has not occurred yet.

J Thompson (CWHHS) – Things are going okay at the moment. Round table exercises have been occurring. Ordering maximum amount of PPE. All staff are fit tested for masks. Some discussions have been held around vulnerable staff. Once person is fully vaccinated, they are no longer considerable vulnerable. Seeking clarification on some topics.

K Llewelyn (QFES) – There was a problem in Longreach last week as the Telstra mobile network went down. Most officers get text or paged, but both services were affected. The only communication with staff was those who had an Optus or Wi-Fi connection. A contingency plan was established, this entailed a wait time of 5 minutes, if no one showed up after this period the siren was used. Information from Rockhampton has been provided stating that intermittent faults could continue for some time. Contingency plans to be developed by QFES for other areas.

Recruitment and retention of volunteers for all services is a problem at the moment. Different strategies are being looked at on how to recruit in the different areas. A time will be made in the new year to do this.

A big item was the fire, and it was good to see how all the units worked together.

Recent events highlighted the problem with feeding crews and an emergency catering plan needs to be established.

D Howard (BTRC) – Questions need to be asked as to why people aren't recruiting. BTRC will most likely lose 4 or 5 members of SES in the next few weeks.

A discussion was held last week with the Federal Government on the possibility of obtaining a catering/training van.

Trainers need to come to the volunteers. Current local volunteers are not easily backed up from other areas as they don't have the number either.

A discussion was held regarding the possibility of doing joint training across multiple areas including the Rural Fire Brigades. Undertaking exercises provides training and also ensures equipment is working.

P Downing (SES) – couple of issues with people leaving. Need to do a recruitment drive next year. Stefan is acting as local controller until the position is called. Training with Isisford for RCR training.

D Burton (DPI) – Asian Swine Flu is still very active. Training has been undertaken to trial different ways of recording animals from the air – PlayStation controls are current preferred method.

Brown dog ticks are being monitored. It is domestic dogs bringing them in.

Lots of work on notifiable disease exclusions has been happening with producers.

Issues related to the truck crash on the highway were raised such as SES volunteers working for extended hours, traffic control and who to contact for this service.

## **7.0 Close**

The meeting was closed 11.41am.

## Longreach District DM Planning Framework

### Introduction

The Local Disaster Management Groups (LDMGs) within the Longreach District undertake disaster management (DM) of which a large part involves planning where plans, guidelines, and other documents are developed to provide direction for managing their local hazards, risk, events and incidents.

### Aim

To establish a local planning framework for the LDMGs that comprise the Longreach District that is appropriate, consistent, and integrated at the local, district and state level.

### Scope

This framework applies to the disaster management planning arrangements for the:

- Longreach Regional Council and its LDMG
- Barcaldine Regional Council and its LDMG
- Blackall-Tambo Regional Council and its LDMG
- Winton Shire and its LDMG
- Barcoo Shire Council and its LDMG

### Planning Process

The LDMG planning process includes:

- Hazard or issue is identified to the LDMG
- The LDMG discuss and assess the risk of the hazard or issue and determine a treatment option, in this context it may be the development of a plan, guideline or other document
- A sub-group may be established to develop a draft plan, guideline or document which is recommended to the LDMG for adoption and may then be presented to Council for noting or endorsement
- The DM plans, guidelines or documents are then recorded and subject to a program of annual review

### Current Planning Framework

#### Longreach Regional Council and its LDMG

- Longreach Disaster Management Plan (LDMP)
- Communications Sub-plan
- Evacuation Sub-plan
- Activation Sub-plan
- Disaster Coordination Centre Sub-plan
- Logistics Sub-plan
- Resupply Sub-plan
- Public Health Sub-plan
- Pandemic Sub-plan
- Recovery Sub-plan
- Financial Management Sub-plan
- Public Information and Warnings Sub-plan
- Evacuation Centre Management Sub-plan
- Impact Assessment Sub-plan

## Longreach District DM Planning Framework

### Barcaldine Regional Council and its LDMG

- Barcaldine Disaster Management Plan (LDMP)
- Barcaldine Business Continuity Plan
- Communications Sub-plan
- Evacuation Sub-plan
- Activation Sub-plan
- Disaster Coordination Centre Sub-plan
- Logistics Sub-plan
- Resupply Sub-plan
- Public Health Sub-plan
- Recovery Sub-plan
- Financial Management Sub-plan
- Public Information and Warnings Sub-plan
- Evacuation Centre Management Sub-plan
- Impact Assessment Sub-plan
- Pandemic Sub-plan

### Blackall-Tambo Regional Council and its LDMG

- Blackall-Tambo Disaster Management Plan (LDMP)
- Communications Sub-plan
- Evacuation Sub-plan
- Activation Sub-plan
- Disaster Coordination Centre Sub-plan
- Logistics Sub-plan
- Resupply Sub-plan
- Public Health Sub-plan
- Recovery Sub-plan
- Financial Management Sub-plan
- Public Information and Warnings Sub-plan
- Evacuation Centre Management Sub-plan
- Impact Assessment Sub-plan
- Pandemic Sub-plan

### Winton Shire and its LDMG

- Winton Disaster Management Plan (LDMP)
- Winton Business Continuity Plan
- Communications Sub-plan
- Evacuation Sub-plan
- Activation Sub-plan
- Disaster Coordination Centre Sub-plan
- Logistics Sub-plan
- Resupply Sub-plan
- Public Health Sub-plan
- Recovery Sub-plan
- Financial Management Sub-plan
- Public Information and Warnings Sub-plan
- Evacuation Centre Management Sub-plan
- Impact Assessment Sub-plan

## Longreach District DM Planning Framework

- Pandemic Sub-plan

### **Barcoo Shire Council and its LDMG**

- Barcoo Disaster Management Plan (LDMP)
- Barcoo Drinking Water Quality Management Plan
- Local Evacuation Strategy and Action Plan
- LDMG Activation Plan
- Local Disaster Coordination Centre Standard Operating Procedure
- Pandemic Sub-plan
- Disaster Recovery Plan
- Public Information and Warnings Plan
- Evacuation Centre Management Guideline
- Damage Assessment Plan

### **Suggested Planning Framework**

#### **Plans**

- Local Disaster Management Plan
- Business Continuity Plan – suggest it is a Council BAU plan
- Public Health Plan – suggest it is a Council BAU plan

#### **Strategies**

- Central West Regional Resilience Strategy

#### **Sub-plans**

- Recovery
- Communications
- Evacuation
- Resupply

#### **Hazard Specific Plans**

- Pandemic

Hazard Specific Plans to be determined as required. Suggested plans may include Flood, Storm, Bushfire, Heatwave

#### **Guidelines**

- Activation
- Local Disaster Coordination Centre
- Evacuation Centre Management
- Public Information and Warnings
- Logistics
- Financial Management
- Impact Assessment

Guidelines to be determined as required

#### **Procedures**

Procedures to be determined as required

#### **Information Documents**

- Community Information Flip Book

## Longreach District DM Planning Framework

Strategies to be determined as required

### **Governance**

It is suggested:

- Plans, Sub-plans, Hazard Specific Plans and Strategies, are to be developed by the LDMG and recommended to Council for Endorsement and/or adoption as required
- Guidelines, Procedures, and Information Documents are to be developed by the LDMG and endorsed by the Local Disaster Coordinator (Council CEO). The documents may be forwarded to Council for noting or endorsement as required
- Each document has a review or exercise component, an annual program of review and exercise is to be developed as a continuous improvement strategy which manages the work requirements
- The documents are circulated as per their distribution list
- The documents should be presented to the LDMG and Council with a summary presentation to develop awareness amongst DM stakeholders

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### **Recovery Sub-plan**

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## Our Recovery Terminology

### Disaster recovery definitions

**Disaster recovery** is the coordinated process of supporting disaster-affected communities' psychosocial (emotional and social), and physical well-being; reconstruction of physical infrastructure; and economic and environmental restoration (including regeneration of the natural environment, associated infrastructure and heritage sites and structures and the management of pollution and contamination).

**Recovered** is being able to lead a life that individuals and communities value living, even if it is different to the life they were living before the disaster event.<sup>1</sup> Recovered in the context of the Blackall-Tambo community is discussed below in the '[Recovered](#)' section of the document.

Further disaster management definitions are located in the *Queensland Disaster Management Act 2003* [DM Act] or the *Queensland Recovery Plan*.

## Our Community

### Introduction

Located in the heart of Queensland's Outback, Blackall-Tambo is approximately 600km west of Gladstone and 900km north-west of Brisbane. The region comprises of the two towns of Blackall and Tambo which lie along the historic Barcoo River on the Landsborough Highway (Matilda Highway). Blackall is an attractive, vibrant town with a population of approximately 1,500 people. It is a key administrative centre with a strong arts and cultural scene. As the oldest town in Central West Queensland, Tambo, which sits at the headwaters of five river systems, is a jewel in the west with a population of 600.<sup>2</sup>

Bidjara (also known as Bidyara, Pitjara, and Peechara) is an Australian Aboriginal language spoken by the Bidjara people. The Bidjara language region includes the towns of Charleville, Augathella and Blackall as well as the properties of Nive Downs and Mount Tabor.<sup>3</sup> Kuungkari (also known as Kungkari and Koonkerri) is a language of Western Queensland. The Kuungkari language region includes the landscape within the local government boundaries of Longreach Region and Blackall-Tambo Region.<sup>4</sup> Gungabula (also known as Kongabula and Khungabula) is an Australian Aboriginal language of the headwaters of the Dawson River in Central Queensland. The language region includes areas within the local government area of the Maranoa Region, particularly the towns of Charleville, Augathella and Blackall as well as the Carnarvon Range.<sup>5</sup>

The Blackall-Tambo region has an extensive history of cattle, sheep and wool production. Jackie Howe, Australia's famous shearer, lived and worked in the area. The Blackall Saleyards is an important centre

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<sup>1</sup> Australian Institute for Disaster Resilience (2018) Australian Disaster Resilience Handbook Collection, *Community Recovery, Handbook 2*. Retrieved from <https://knowledge.aidr.org.au/media/5634/community-recovery-handbook.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> Blackall-Tambo Regional Council (2020), *About Blackall-Tambo Regional Council*. Retrieved from: <http://www.btrc.qld.gov.au/about-council>

<sup>3</sup> The State of Queensland (State Library of Queensland (2020), *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages: Bidjara*. Retrieved from: <https://www.slg.qld.gov.au/discover/aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-cultures-and-stories/languages/queensland/indigenous-languages-map>

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for the sale and spelling of cattle. It is the only saleyards in Queensland that is certified to sell organic cattle and as such attracts buyers and sellers from within and beyond the region. The region's economy has diversified into other industries including cypress pine sawmilling and tourism. Blackall-Tambo is home to the historic Blackall Wool Scour and the Tambo Teddy workshop where hand crafted bears are made. There are regular passenger flights two times per week, connecting Blackall Airport with Brisbane and Longreach.<sup>1</sup>

The region provides a range of youth, seniors and family services and programs. Quality facilities are available to support our many community organisations to provide a wide range of sport and recreation activities including horse racing, bowls, tennis, swimming and equestrian. The region's strong volunteer base has been and continues to play an important part in the life of both communities and reflects the high level of community spirit that exists across the region.<sup>1</sup>

The region of Blackall-Tambo can be accessed by road or aeroplane.

## Community leaders and contacts

Each community has a number of leaders. The below outlines key community leaders for the Blackall-Tambo Region.

Agency / Group	Recovery Role
Local Recovery Group	Recovery coordination
Local Disaster Management Group	Disaster coordination
Local Recovery Coordinator	Coordinate recovery operations through the Local Recovery Group
Local Disaster Coordinator	Coordinate disaster operations through the Local Disaster Management Group
Queensland Reconstruction Authority	Assist with recovery planning and implementation
Traditional Owners and Elders	Advise on Land Use and cultural considerations
Rural Land Officer	Management of rural lands, including livestock and pest management
Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy	Provide financial assistance for people in disaster activated areas to help with immediate and urgent needs such as food, clothing and medications

## Our Recovery Plan

### Locally led recovery

The Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Recovery Plan recognises recovery is locally led with support provided through the Queensland Disaster Management Arrangements (QDMA).

The Recovery Plan is a sub-plan to our Local Disaster Management Plan (LDMP), and supports recovery from all hazards including, but not limited to, natural disasters, pandemics, collective trauma events

and bio-hazards. The Recovery Plan will be read in conjunction with the [Queensland Recovery Plan](#).

The Recovery Plan will be reviewed annually or after an activation and updated accordingly.

## Recovery plan objectives

The Recovery Plan objectives for the Blackall-Tambo community are to:

- outline our recovery considerations
- draw on our community strengths
- acknowledge our existing challenges
- outline our recovery arrangements and governance framework
- provide practical guidance to undertake recovery activities
- support successful recovery outcomes.

## Recovery Governance (structure)

### Local Recovery Coordinator

The Local Recovery Coordinator (LRC) is appointed to coordinate recovery at the local level. This position will be appointed on a permanent basis.

The chair of the Local Recovery Group (LRG) is the LRC who is the Community Development Officer (CDO) for the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council and normally works from the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Administration Building.

The decision to activate the LRG is made by the Chairperson of the LDMG with guidance from the LRC.

### Role

Indicative duties of the LRC include:

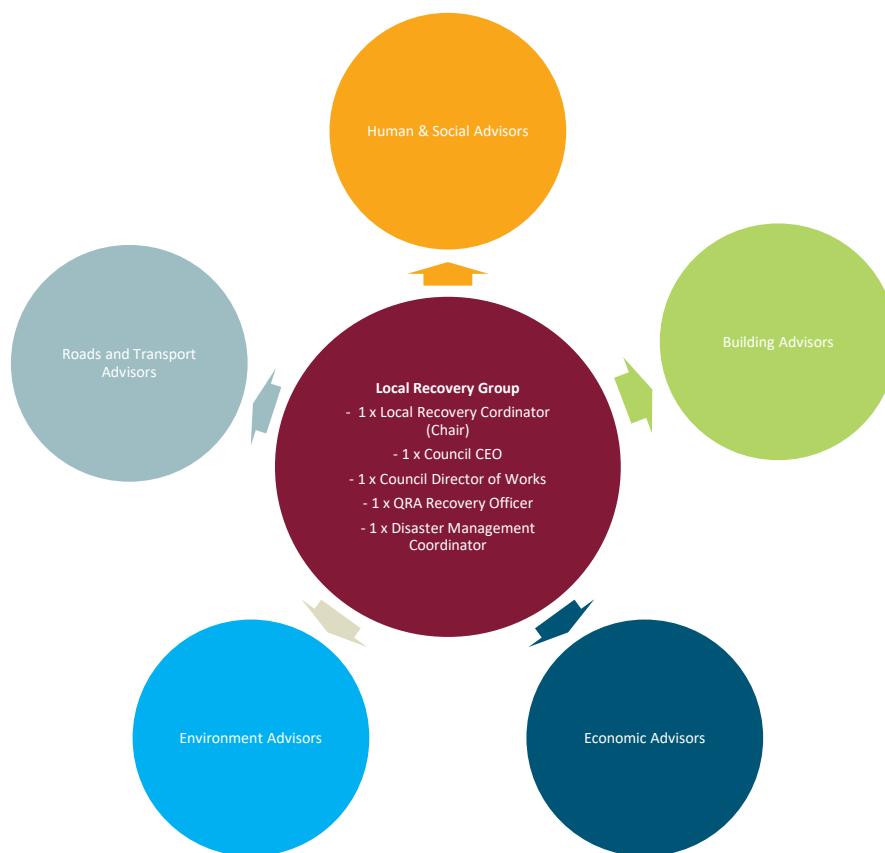
- coordinating and chairing the local recovery group, reporting to the LDMG
- liaising with functional lead agency representatives at the local and district levels
- liaising with the District Disaster Management Group (DDMG)
- working with identified agencies and the community to develop the local event-specific recovery plan
- coordinating the short to medium-term recovery to address the immediate effects of the disaster and develop longer-term measures as appropriate
- ensuring the local event-specific recovery plan addresses all relevant functional areas of recovery – human and social, economic, environment, building, and roads and transport
- performing the role of conduit between community and government
- developing and implementing effective strategies for community participation and partnership in the recovery process
- providing advice to state government on the needs and responses of the affected individuals, communities and other sectors
- undertaking a post-operations debrief and providing a final report to the LDMG at the conclusion of recovery operations
- providing or delegating the responsibility for ongoing recovery reporting on the progress of the event-specific recovery plan.

## Local Recovery Group

The LRG is designed to provide overarching recovery coordination and oversight of functional recovery sub-groups (where they exist) within a local government area.

A single recovery group or a group supported by functional recovery sub-groups may be formed to support the LDMG. Functional recovery areas can be amalgamated into relevant sub-groups dependent on event scale and impacts.

Recovery is managed in the Blackall-Tambo Region through the LRG which is comprised of a key group of core members who are supported by advisors representing the five functional recovery domains.



### Role

The role of our LRG is to:

- develop a recovery sub-plan
- identify members for the recovery group
- provide a forum for agencies to discuss the effect of the event on agency service provision and plan for a coordinated approach to the recovery process
- provide community engagement opportunities to allow the community to be part of the recovery process
- inform the community of recovery activities and progress to ensure community expectations are managed



- coordinate recovery operations at the local level
- request assistance through the DDMG where local capacity has been exhausted.
- develop a local event-specific recovery plan that is available to key stakeholders. This plan describes the arrangements, priorities and activities to address issues for a specific disaster
- facilitate the coordination and effective implementation of recovery operations according to the event-specific local recovery plan
- monitor and report the progress of recovery objectives to their communities, relevant groups and the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA).

## Membership

The LRG is comprised of the following members:

- Chair of the Local Recovery Group (Local Recovery Coordinator/CDO Blackall Neighbourhood Centre) – Member
- CEO, Blackall-Tambo Regional Council - Member
- Director of Works, Blackall-Tambo Regional Council - Member
- Recovery Officer, QRA - Member
- Disaster Management Officer, Blackall-Tambo Regional Council – Member
- Human and Social, Economic, Environment, Roads and Transport and Building representatives - Advisors

## Meetings

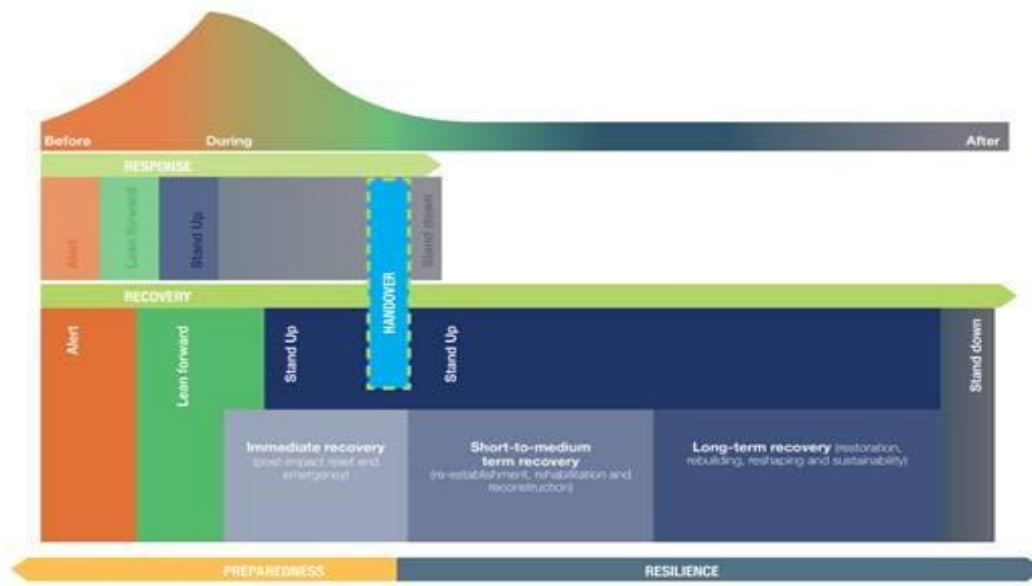
The LRG will meet a minimum of two times per year in line with the LDMG, unless an event was to occur.

## Activation Triggers

The decision to activate the LRG is made by the Chairperson of the LDMG with guidance from the LRC. Coordination for recovery activities is required in response to a disaster and when local resources are exhausted.

The LRG is likely to be activated in the following circumstances:

- Coordination for recovery activities is required in response to a disaster
- Local event-specific recovery planning is required. These events include:
  - floods
  - severe storms
  - bushfires
  - heatwaves
  - pandemics
  - exotic animal diseases
  - major road accidents
  - major aircraft accidents
  - major damage to infrastructure
  - psychosocial assistance required for disaster affected community members



### Transition from Response Operations to Recovery Operations (Handover)

Handover from response to recovery will occur when the LRC assumes responsibility for recovery operations from the LDC (where the LRC has been appointed).

The timing of handover is influenced by the nature of the disaster and therefore requires a degree of flexibility. For example, handover from response to recovery in large scale or geographically dispersed events may be staged, with response and recovery operations being undertaken concurrently. Handover will be should be guided by:

- situation reports (SitReps) which evidence the de-escalation of response operations
- status of response and immediate recovery/ relief operations
- completed impact and needs assessments
- response and early recovery situations that may escalate
- anticipated recovery issues and risks.

Final handover timing is to be agreed by the LDC and the LRC. A handover report may also be developed at the request of the LDC for the use of the LRC.

The handover report should aim to provide a comprehensive briefing on all relevant issues, including, but not limited to:

- actions that are incomplete and identified risks
- resources allocated for response and their availability for recovery
- local identification of impacts
- any outstanding response activities that were tasked by the LDMG Chair
- a summary of areas or situations that may re-escalate after the disaster.

Once recovery operations are established, recovery planning should proceed using recovery planning methodology.

## Recovery Sub-plan Review

This Recovery Sub-plan will be reviewed annually by the LRG to ensure that membership of the LRG and supporting groups is current. This will also enable the plan to be updated with emerging recovery policy.

## Event-specific Local Recovery Plan

In the event of a disaster, the LRC/LRG will consider developing of an event-specific Local Recovery Plan to assist with directing local recovery efforts. An event-specific local recovery plan describes the priorities, strategies, issues, activities and actions being taken to inform recovery, addressing a specific disaster. Each plan should contain a high level, easy to read summary of the recovery requirements for the disaster impacted community and should be tailored to reflect local values and objectives. The plan should also include metrics for tracking the recovery progress to support accountability. Event-specific local recovery plans are live documents and may be updated throughout the recovery journey.

Local event-specific recovery plans may be included in a state event-specific recovery plan where one exists.

LRG is likely to complete an event-specific Local Recovery Plan in the following circumstances:

- Coordination for recovery activities is required in response to a disaster
- Local resources are exhausted
- Local event specific recovery planning is required

Council in conjunction with QRA is likely to complete an event-specific local recovery plan in the following circumstances, which will be based on a community needs assessment:

- flood event
- severe storm
- bushfire
- heatwave
- pandemic
- exotic animal disease
- major road accident
- major aircraft accident
- major damage to infrastructure
- psychosocial assistance required for disaster affected community members
- major impact on the local economy

## Approval of Event-specific Recovery Plan

The LRC is responsible for obtaining approval for the Event-specific recovery plan from the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council.

## Progress Reporting

The LRC is responsible for the coordination of reporting recovery progress to the QRA. The progress reporting process occurs when a LRG has developed an event-specific recovery plan and is incorporated into a State Recovery Plan.

The timeline of progress reporting is quarterly from when the relevant State Recovery Plan is approved by the Chair of the Queensland Disaster Management Committee (QDMC). The specific reporting dates are outlined to councils after the approval of the State Recovery Plan.

## Our Recovery Foundations

### Disaster recovery principles

The Blackall-Tambo Regional Council LRG will use the [National Principles for Disaster Recovery](#) to guide our recovery planning, approach, decision-making and efforts. The principles are:

Principle	Definition
Understand the context	Successful recovery is based on an understanding community context, with each community having its own history, values and dynamics.
Recognise complexity	Successful recovery is responsive to the complex and dynamic nature of both emergencies and the community.
Use community-led approaches	Successful recovery is community-centred, responsive and flexible, engaging with community and supporting them to move forward.
Coordinate all activities	Successful recovery requires a planned, coordinated and adaptive approach, between community and partner agencies, based on continuing assessment of impacts and needs.
Communicate effectively	Successful recovery is built on effective communication between the affected community and other partners.
Recognise and build capacity	Successful recovery recognises, supports, and builds on individual, community and organisational capacity and resilience. <sup>6</sup>

<sup>6</sup> Australian Disaster Resilience Knowledge Hub (2018, *National Principles for Disaster Recovery*. Retrieved from [https://knowledge.aidr.org.au/resources/national-principles-disaster-recovery/?\\_sm\\_au=iVVWrqjMsFLRH26MMJ8HvKsQLs3Fq](https://knowledge.aidr.org.au/resources/national-principles-disaster-recovery/?_sm_au=iVVWrqjMsFLRH26MMJ8HvKsQLs3Fq)

## Five functional lines of recovery

The LRG will consider the below functional lines of recovery when planning recovery operations.

Five functional lines of recovery	
<b>Human and Social recovery</b>	<p>focuses on supporting the emotional, social, physical and psychological health and wellbeing of individuals, families and communities following a disaster.</p> <p>This is locally undertaken by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blackall Neighbourhood Centre Program</li> <li>• Community Groups &amp; Organisations</li> <li>• Mental Health Outreach Services (Outback Futures, RFDS, Lives Lived Well, Central West Suicide Prevention Network, AnglicareCO, CWHHS Mental Health Services)</li> <li>• Church Groups</li> <li>• Schools</li> <li>• Centrelink</li> <li>• Queensland Government Agency Program</li> </ul>
<b>Economic recovery</b>	<p>focuses on rectifying the direct and indirect impacts on the economy as a result of a disaster.</p> <p>This is locally undertaken by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rural Financial Counselling Services</li> <li>• QRIDA</li> <li>• Blackall-Tambo Regional Council (BTRC)</li> <li>• Small businesses</li> <li>• Financial Institutions</li> <li>• Insurance organisations</li> <li>• RAPAD</li> </ul>
<b>Building recovery</b>	<p>focuses on rectifying damage and disruption which inhibits the capacity of essential services and the building sector, including housing, accommodation, education and health facilities.</p> <p>This is locally undertaken by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QBuild</li> <li>• BTRC</li> <li>• George Bourne &amp; Associates (Engineers)</li> <li>• Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy</li> </ul>
<b>Environmental recovery</b>	<p>focuses on rectifying the impacts on the natural environment as a direct result of a disaster or through a secondary impact or consequence. Impacts to the environment may include damage or loss of flora and fauna, poor air quality, reduced water quality, land degradation and contamination, as well as cultural and built heritage listed place issues.</p> <p>This is locally undertaken by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DAF</li> <li>• DCQ</li> <li>• BTRC</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RAPAD</li> <li>• Environmental Health Officer</li> </ul>
<b>Roads and Transport recovery</b>	<p>focuses on rectifying the effects of a disaster on transport networks, including road, rail, aviation and maritime normally result in difficulty accessing communities and disruption to critical supply chains (both in and out of the impacted area). Restoration of these networks, or the identification of alternatives, is a priority in disaster recovery.</p> <p>This is locally undertaken by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BTRC</li> <li>• Qantaslink</li> <li>• Bus Queensland</li> <li>• Blackall Taxi Service</li> <li>• Private BTRC Contractors/Suppliers</li> <li>• Main Roads (DTMR) Barcaldine</li> <li>• Freight services (general &amp; livestock)</li> </ul>

The LRG will consider the below functional lines of recovery when planning recovery operations

<b>Building, Roads and Environment</b>		
Transport and Main Roads	Transport Companies	State Emergency Service
Roadtek	Councillors	National Parks and Wildlife Service (Longreach Senior Ranger)
Queensland Rail	Council Staff	Stock Routes Manager
Property Owners	Mail Contractors	Land Care Groups
Stock Agents	Queensland Police Service	Agricultural Reps
Traditional Owner Groups	DCQ	Water Infrastructure Manager
Ergon	Telstra	Building Government Agent
Director of Nursing	Post Office Manager	
<b>Human and Social</b>		
Community Development Officer	School Principal	State Emergency Service
Youth Officer	Councillors	Allied health services
Family Support Worker	Better in Blackall Committee	Tambo Business & Tourism Association
Community Representatives	Queensland Ambulance Service	Churches
Health Services	Queensland Police Service	

Economic		
BTRC Audit Committee	Industry Representatives	Council Staff
Councillors	AgForce	Rural Lands Committee
Property Owners	Department of Agriculture and Fisheries	Banks
Business Owners	Tourism Operators	Tambo Business & Tourism Association
Community Clubs	Better in Blackall Committee	

Building, Roads and Environment Advisors	Role
Director of Works	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liaise with LDMG</li> <li>• Provide information to the community</li> <li>• Organise Recovery Efforts</li> <li>• Liaise with staff managers</li> <li>• Provide technical advice</li> <li>• Liaise with QRA</li> <li>• Provide infrastructure information</li> <li>• Liaise with Queensland Police Service</li> <li>• Sewerage monitoring.</li> </ul>
Works Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Road Survey</li> <li>• Emergency Work</li> <li>• Access to workforce</li> <li>• Liaise with Transport and Main Roads</li> <li>• Access to BTRC Machinery</li> <li>• Responsible for road closures and signage</li> <li>• Liaise with neighbouring Councils</li> <li>• Access to local contractors</li> <li>• Provision of road information</li> <li>• Provision of infrastructure information</li> <li>• Taking public requests.</li> </ul>
Transport and Main Roads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Road Information and connectivity</li> <li>• Control the National Highway</li> <li>• Provide access to Roadtek Resources.</li> </ul>
Parks and Wildlife	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pest and Weed management</li> <li>• Waterway management</li> </ul>

Human and Social	Role
Community Development Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liaising with community groups and departments</li> <li>• Deliver health and wellbeing services.</li> </ul>

<b>Family Support and Youth</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hardship support</li> <li>• Food and meal supplies</li> <li>• Clothing and housing</li> <li>• Emergency accommodation</li> <li>• Public donations (food, laundry, accommodation and clothes).</li> </ul>
<b>Chemist</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stock Availability (fill scripts)</li> <li>• Liaising with health services</li> <li>• Emerging health issues.</li> </ul>
<b>Health</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Personal protective equipment</li> <li>• Immunisations</li> <li>• Emerging health issues</li> <li>• Health service availability</li> <li>• Liaising with the Director of Nursing and Ambulance Services</li> </ul>

<b>Economic</b>	<b>Role</b>
<b>Better in Blackall Committee &amp; Tambo Business &amp; Tourism Association</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event cancellation</li> <li>• Represent local businesses and tourism</li> <li>• Knowledge of impacts on local business (financial, operational and physical)</li> <li>• Communication from local business</li> <li>• Surveys</li> <li>• Data collection (tourist numbers and economic loss)</li> </ul>
<b>Family Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rural counselling</li> <li>• Grants and funding</li> <li>• Data collection</li> <li>• Referral to other services</li> </ul>
<b>Rural Representatives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communication</li> <li>• Knowledge of what is happening on the ground</li> <li>• Key contact for rural people.</li> </ul>
<b>Department of Agriculture and Fisheries</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stock</li> <li>• Economic impact and implications</li> <li>• Communicate and liaise with rural properties (grants, loans and submissions)</li> <li>• Identify needs</li> <li>• Rural financial counselling</li> <li>• Impact assessment</li> <li>• Fodder drops coordination</li> <li>• Human resources.</li> </ul>



## Recovery stages

The disaster recovery process can generally be categorised into three phases:

- Stage 1: Immediate recovery (post-impact relief and emergency)
- Stage 2: Short-to-medium term recovery (re-establishment, rehabilitation and reconstruction)
- Stage 3: Long-term recovery (restoration, rebuilding, reshaping and sustainability).

The [recovery activities](#) table will outline the types of activities that may occur through these stages.

Recovery is not a retrospective process, but a process that focuses on building a recovered community.

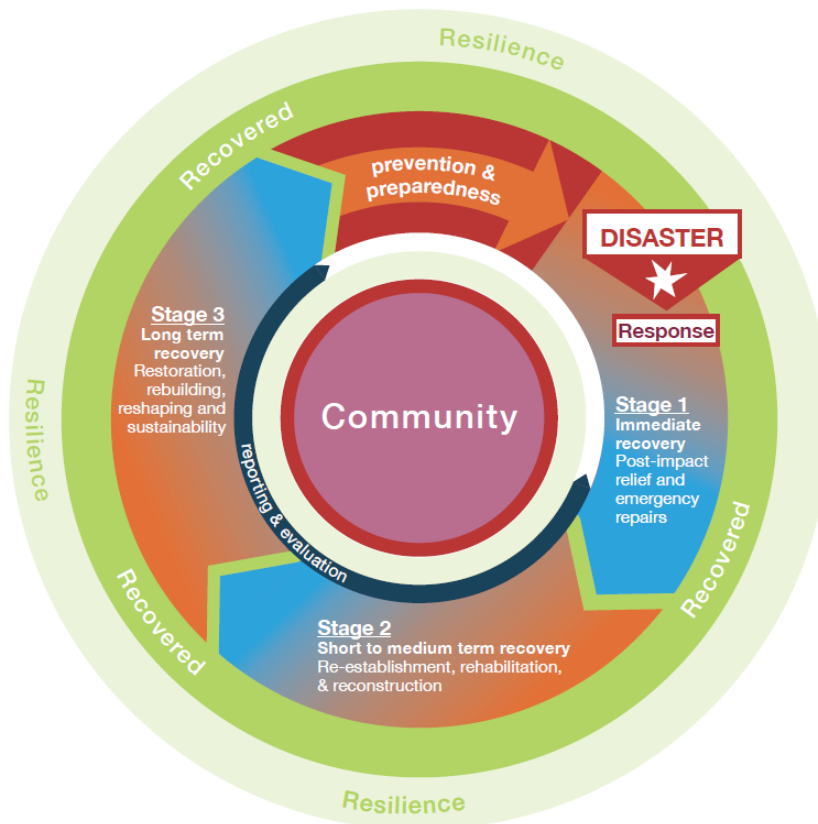


Figure 1: Phases of recovery

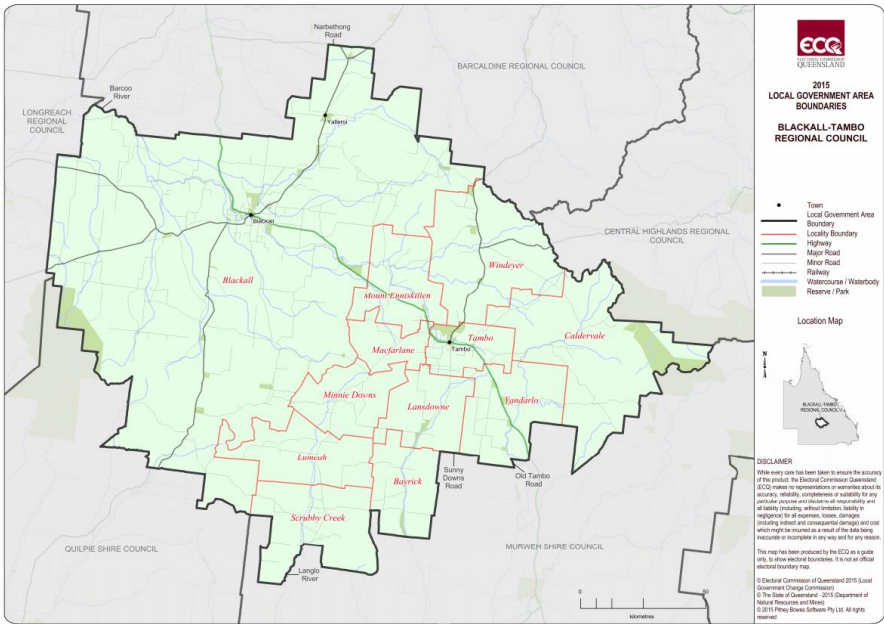
Whilst specifically funded recovery programs under the joint Commonwealth/Queensland funded [Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements](#) (DRFA) have a two year life span, the time it takes for a community to be recovered will vary based on the impact of the event and the individuals in the community.

## Recovered

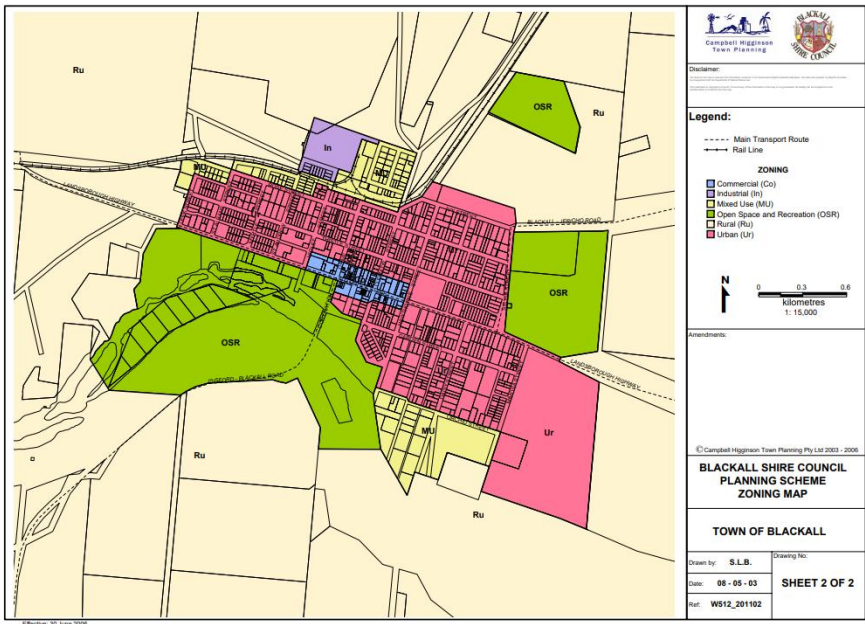
For the Blackall-Tambo community, a state of 'recovered' can be demonstrated when members of the community are able to lead a life they value living, even if it is different to the life they were leading before the disaster event. Key indicators for being recovered include the ability to meet key cultural milestones, restoration of key facilities and meeting places, restoration of major infrastructure and restoration of the natural environment.

# Our Community Overview

## Community map: Blackall-Tambo Region



## Community map: Blackall



## Community map: Tambo



## Our community strengths

### Community participation

Blackall-Tambo community connectedness results in a strong sense of volunteer and community participation. The Blackall-Tambo Region has a number of active community groups, associations and places of worship including.

Please refer to Appendix (a).

### Community events

There are a number of community events that occur across the Blackall-Tambo Region. These events are vital to the social cohesion of the Blackall-Tambo Region. The events are visited by people from all over the state and interstate. Understanding the timeframes for these events will provide clarity with recovery planning for all hazard events.

Please Refer to Appendix (b).

### Community services

The community of Blackall-Tambo is supported by many services.

In times of disaster recovery, the LRG needs to examine the capacity and capability of these local agencies and groups to assist.

The FIFO nature of some these services means there is sometimes no continuity in service. Additionally, the limited number of locally based services means there is the potential for the Blackall-

Tambo community to exceed local capacity quickly. There are a number of existing social challenges in community, disaster situations could inflame the existing challenges, therefore, all recovery planning needs to account for the continuation of existing service delivery.

Please refer to Appendix (c).

### Key community facilities

Key community facilities enable connectedness and provide a sense of community for Blackall-Tambo Region residents.

Please refer to Appendix (d).

### Our Community Challenges

Our community faces a number of challenges including:

- cumulative psychosocial impacts on the community resulting from the region's most severe drought, exacerbated by disaster impacts and consequences
- fatigue management and capacity of local resources, community groups and volunteers
- cross usage of volunteer base and appropriate usage of help
- distance between communities across the region
- supporting local business during a disaster
- declining population and population turnover across the region
- ageing population
- withdrawal of services from the region
- maintaining ongoing support and resourcing
- resupplying the region post disaster
- limited accommodation
- external media accuracy
- absentee landholders (rural)
- isolation between communities (rural roads)
- competing priorities with other Local Government's for funding
- limited accommodation in Blackall and Tambo
- power outages
- ageing Council assets
- water security across the region
- distance to major coastal centres and cost of travelling to those centres

### Considerations for external agency staff

There are a number of cultural considerations for outside staff. These include:

- seeking guidance on entering a community within the Blackall-Tambo Region
- allowing individuals to self-select engagement levels for recovery activities
- limited availability of accommodation in Blackall and Tambo
- extensive distance between Blackall and Tambo
- limited access to telecommunications in remote areas ie. Telstra only

- limited access to resources and supplies in Blackall and Tambo
- limited medical facilities in Tambo
- Queensland Ambulance Service relies on volunteer drivers
- visitors with medical conditions need to have additional medical supplies on hand

## Our resilience

During summer, our region can be impacted by flooding through heavy local rainfall or greater falls within the Barcoo River catchment. During more extreme events, both towns within the Region can become isolated for long periods of time. Due to this isolation, the community actively undertakes preparedness activities and has high levels of resilience ie. ‘Get Ready Program’ – community campaign, materials, community awareness.

## Our environment

### Physical and biological landscape

Blackall is one of two major towns situated on the Barcoo River system, which lies on a low floodplain just 30 kilometres west of the Great Divide.<sup>7</sup> Tambo occupies the headwaters of five river systems including the Burdekin, Bulloo, Fitzroy, the Murray-Darling and Lake Eyre.<sup>7</sup> The large catchment area of the Cooper Creek catchment includes land within the Blackall-Tambo Region.<sup>7</sup>

The Blackall-Tambo Region is comprised of treeless plains with some intermittent ridges, rivers and gorges. Land use is predominantly used for cattle and sheep grazing and the main vegetation type is Mitchell tussock grasslands.<sup>8</sup>

### Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artefacts and culturally significant sites – may not apply

Located East of Blackall is a significant sacred Archaeological Aboriginal site – ‘Black’s Palace’, located on Marston Station, and constitutes the largest complex of Aboriginal drawings known to exist in Central Queensland. It is considered a sacred Women’s site and Burial Site for the Bidjara people.

## Access (by air/road/flood boat)

The Blackall-Tambo Region is serviced by road and air transport. Flooding in the Barcoo River and its associated tributaries and from isolated storms can close road access to townships across the region for extended periods.

During the wet season and during flood events, which may last until May, the townships are sometimes only accessible by aircraft or flood boat, as road access can be restricted for long periods. During a flood event, fresh foods and perishables are either flown or boated into affected communities and isolated rural properties where road access is closed. Resupply of essential

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<sup>7</sup> Queensland Reconstruction Authority (2020) *Central West Regional Resilience Strategy: Championing resilience and prosperity across Central West Queensland*. Retrieved from [https://www.qra.qld.gov.au/sites/default/files/2020-03/0516\\_Central%20West%20Regional%20Resilience%20Strategy\\_January2020\\_LR.pdf](https://www.qra.qld.gov.au/sites/default/files/2020-03/0516_Central%20West%20Regional%20Resilience%20Strategy_January2020_LR.pdf)

<sup>8</sup> Australian Government, Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (2008) *Desert Uplands bioregion*. Retrieved from <https://www.environment.gov.au/system/files/resources/a8015c25-4aa2-4833-ad9c-e98d09e2ab52/files/bioregion-mitchell-grass-downs.pdf>

foodstuffs and medications is carried out by charter aircraft, the Regular Passenger Transport (RPT) service or SES flood boat.

There are a number of privately owned helicopters and fixed wing aircraft with the necessary commercial endorsement that may be available for evacuation and the resupply of essential foodstuffs and medications.

SES flood boats are normally available with trained SES crews in Blackall and Tambo.

In the dry season, Blackall and Tambo can be easily accessed via sealed roads and they are located 102km apart.

## Road

The Blackall-Tambo Region is accessible via the Warrego, Landsborough (Matilda) and Capricorn Highways.

From/to	Distance (time)	Distance (kms)
<b>Blackall</b>		
From Tambo	1 hour, 5 minutes	102
From Barcaldine	1 hour, 06 minutes	106
From Longreach	2 hours, 20 minutes	214
From Rockhampton	7hours, 26 minutes	694 (via Barcaldine sealed road)
From Mount Isa	9 hours, 13 minutes	862
From Brisbane	10 hours, 35 minutes	966
<b>Tambo</b>		
From Blackall	1 hour, 5 minutes	102
From Barcaldine	2 hours, 15 minutes	208
From Longreach	3 hours, 20 minutes	315
From Rockhampton	7 hours, 45 minutes	713 (via Blackall, sealed road)
From Mount Isa	10 hours, 15 minutes	962
From Brisbane	9 hours, 8 minutes	864

## Coach

Bus Queensland runs a daily service between Brisbane and Mount Isa which stops and Blackall and Tambo.

## Air

### Blackall

The Blackall Airport is located on the Landsborough Highway, 4km from the town centre.

Qantaslink flies into Blackall from Brisbane on Wednesday and Friday. Travel time is approximately two hours. The Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) also services the local community on a call out basis.

### Tambo

There is no domestic airline or RFDS service in Tambo. RFDS patients are transported by road to Blackall Hospital by the Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS).

## Flood boat

The Blackall SES has a flood boat which is located at the SES Blackall Showgrounds Shed.

The Tambo Emergency Services Unit (ESU) has an SES flood boat which is located at 10 Star Street, Tambo.

## Funding Mechanisms and Offers of Assistance

Multiple financial arrangements, including funding programs, are available in Queensland to assist state and local governments, businesses, primary producers and Non-Government Organisations (NGO's) to prepare for, prevent, mitigate, respond to and recover from disaster events.

The principal funding program activated after a natural disaster or terrorist event is the DRFA. The DRFA is an Australian Government program to assist the recovery of communities where social, financial and economic wellbeing has been severely affected by a natural disaster or terrorism event. These arrangements provide a cost sharing formula between the Queensland and Australian Governments on a range of pre-agreed relief and recovery measures.

Other funding mechanisms include:

### [State Disaster Relief Arrangements \(SDRA\)](#)

An all-hazards relief program that is 100 per cent state funded and covers natural and non-natural disasters.

### [Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Fund \(QRRRF\)](#)

Supports projects to strengthen the resilience of and reduce the risks to Queensland communities and help them better prepare for disasters. This fund supersedes the Queensland Disaster Resilience Fund.

### [Sport and Recreation Disaster Recovery Program](#)

Supports not-for-profit sport and recreation organisations with funding to re-establish their facilities and activities after extreme natural events, including floods, fire, cyclones and severe storms.

### [Gambling Community Benefit Fund \(GCBF\)](#)



Not-for-profit groups operating in Queensland can apply for grants from \$500 to \$35,000 through the GCBF.

This fund is Queensland's largest one-off community grants program, distributing approximately \$57 million per year. Whilst not recovery specific, the grants can be used for disaster recovery activities.

#### **Australian Government Disaster Recovery Payment (AGDRP)**

A one-off payment to help individuals if a declared disaster significantly affects them. It is not for minor damage or inconvenience.

#### **Australian Government Disaster Recovery Allowance (AGDRA)**

A short-term income support payment to assist individuals who can show that their income has been affected because of a disaster. The AGDRA assists employees, small business persons and farmers who experience a loss of income as a direct result of a disaster.

#### **Tackling Regional Adversity Through Integrated Care (TRAIC)**

TRAIC is coordinated by the Mental Health Alcohol and Other Drugs Branch. The key priorities include:

- Connecting people to the right care at the right time and the right place to ensure that people who have been impacted by drought, natural disasters and other crisis receive the most appropriate care to support a full recovery.
- Connect people to information and programs to increase mental health awareness, overcome stigma and encourage help-seeking behaviour.
- Frontline workers are trained to recognise the early signs of distress and refer clients to the care that they need. Mental health clinicians work with front line workers in the agricultural sector and community sector, first responders and emergency services workers to coordinate referrals following an adverse event.
- Prepare communities to deal with drought, natural disasters, and community crisis. Mental health clinicians inform and train communities to mitigate the impact of disasters on vulnerable populations and respond to and effectively cope with their consequences.

#### **Remote Area Planning & Development (RAPAD)**

The Central Western Queensland Remote Area Planning and Development Board (RAPAD) is a regional development organisation and regional organisation of councils which aims to foster, facilitate and promote the sustainable growth and development of our Central Western Queensland region through advocacy and funding ie. Wild Dog Fencing Funding, Mental Health Community Funding etc.

#### **Community Recovery Hotline (Department of Communities, Disabilities & Seniors)**

Provides Emergency Hardship Assistance, Essential Household Contents grant information, Essential Services Safety & Reconnection Grant information, Essential Services Hardship Assistance Grant information, Structural Assistance Grant information, and help for Primary producers. The Community Recovery Hotline Number is 1800 173349.

## **Donations**

Blackall Neighbourhood Centre is used to manage donations of goods in the community. They are listed with GIVIT, and can be responsible for the distribution of donations within the community based on needs.

## Volunteers

BTRC manages disaster related volunteers by firstly calling upon official community groups/organisations that have necessary volunteer processes in place for suitability ie. Blue card checks. If it were a new volunteer, Council would need to ensure volunteers have the necessary qualifications and requirements to assist.

## Recovery activities

The following section outlines potential recovery activities and options to address potential recovery challenges for the community of [insert community]. In order to identify appropriate assistance an impact assessment needs to be completed. Nothing in the table below should replace existing warning and communication activities.

The table in this section is a living document, is not exhaustive, and can be added to on an ongoing basis to help provide a number of solutions.

What may happen and where may it happen?	How could it affect the Community (what is/ are the consequence/s)?	What needs to be done?	Who is required to assist? (functional recovery areas, agencies and individuals)	What resources are required?	Which facilities can be used?	When does it need to happen? (immediately, short term, medium and longer term)	Escalation points
<b>Community impacted by a collective trauma event (Major vehicle/aircraft incident/major damage to infrastructure)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Injury</li> <li>- Fatalities</li> <li>- Psycho-social impacts</li> <li>- Injury/loss of life</li> <li>- Economic impact</li> <li>- Environmental impacts</li> <li>- Chemical spillage into river/waterways</li> <li>- Closure of State Highways/Roads</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cumulative psychosocial impacts on the community resulting from the shire's most severe drought, exacerbated by flood impacts, resulting in an increased need for psychosocial support services.</li> <li>- Psychological impacts on</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Establish a recovery hub</li> <li>- Undertake damage assessments across impacted areas (QFES)</li> <li>- In partnership with relevant local agencies, coordinate outreach calls/visits to individuals/communities isolated from natural disaster events to assess human and social impacts and provide access to psychosocial</li> </ul>	<b>Functional recovery areas</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Human and Social</li> <li>- Economic</li> <li>- Roads and Transport</li> <li>- Environment</li> </ul> <b>Agencies and individuals</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- BTRC Council</li> <li>- QPS</li> <li>- QRA</li> <li>- QAS</li> <li>- Rural Fire Services</li> <li>- DTMR</li> <li>- Qld Health</li> <li>- EHO</li> <li>- DAF</li> </ul>	Psycho-social first aid material -Financial Assistance Material  Human resources Phones Ambulance Tow trucks Air and water quality	Cultural Centre and community halls  Hospital  Council Depots  Council Administration Building  Neighbourhood Centre	All phases	Immediate escalation for severe storms & bushfires

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Damage to roads/road furniture</li> <li>- Houses flooded</li> <li>- Outlying properties flooded</li> <li>- Businesses flooded</li> <li>- Outlying properties cut-off from key towns</li> <li>- Limited town inundation</li> <li>- Fencing &amp; Machinery on outlying properties damaged</li> <li>- Death of Stock</li> <li>- Airport closed due to flood water over Tarmac</li> <li>- Schools closed</li> <li>- Businesses closed</li> <li>- Tourist Attractions closed</li> <li>- Council facilities closed</li> <li>- Camping grounds and parks closed</li> <li>- Loss of power</li> <li>- Loss of telecommunications</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>children as a result of not being able to attend school, including boarding school and kindergarten as a result of road closures</li> <li>- Lack of access to essential food, fuel and medical supplies</li> <li>- Loss of income/profits primary producers, contractors and small businesses as a result of being unable to work due to road closures</li> <li>- Loss of income for community members as a result of not being able to go to work</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>support services when required</li> <li>- Coordinate community briefings</li> <li>- Source temporary accommodation as/when required</li> <li>- Community members, where required, are able to access health and wellbeing and financial support resources and programs</li> <li>- Resupply of essential food, fuel and medical supplies</li> <li>- Reopen schools, businesses, tourists attractions and council facilities</li> <li>- Reopen State Highways and local roads, airports and railway services</li> <li>- Liaise with local agencies to assess</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- DES</li> <li>- QFES</li> <li>- SES</li> <li>- RFDS</li> <li>- Centrelink</li> <li>- Ergon</li> <li>- Lifeline</li> <li>- Insurance Companies</li> <li>- GIVIT</li> <li>- Relationships Australia</li> <li>- GP's</li> <li>- Telstra</li> <li>- Rural Financial Counsellors</li> <li>- Pharmacies</li> <li>- Churches</li> <li>- Meals on Wheels</li> <li>- Community Service Groups</li> <li>- St Vincent de Paul</li> <li>- Auxiliary Fire Fighters</li> <li>- Tow truck services</li> <li>- Outback Futures</li> <li>- DCDSS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>monitoring equipment</li> <li>Aircraft</li> <li>Materials to clean up chemical spill</li> <li>PPE</li> <li>Crane</li> <li>Machinery</li> <li>Tools</li> <li>Food</li> <li>Biosecurity</li> <li>Fact Sheets</li> <li>Aircraft/Helicopters</li> <li>Portable Road Signs</li> <li>Technical Experts</li> <li>Fire Trucks</li> <li>Access to water</li> <li>Community Halls</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Primary &amp; High Schools</li> <li>Showgrounds</li> <li>Motels/Hotels</li> <li>Sports Complexes</li> <li>Churches</li> <li>Petrol Stations</li> <li>Racecourse</li> <li>Saleyards</li> <li>VIC/Libraries</li> <li>Medical Centre</li> <li>Nursing Home</li> <li>Pharmacies</li> <li>General Stores</li> </ul>		

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	<p>due to road closures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Loss of income/profits for freight / transportation companies not being able to use state highways due to road closures and diversions</li> <li>- Loss of income/profits for primary producers as a result of stock loss</li> <li>- Loss of income/profits for tourism and related businesses due to reduced tourist numbers as a result of road closures</li> <li>- Increased financial burden on primary</li> </ul>	<p>economic impact of the event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Assess the economic impact on tourism and agriculture and promote opportunities to drive economic recovery</li> <li>- Work with primary producers, small businesses and relevant agencies to develop business / industry recovery implementation plans.</li> <li>- Assist businesses and industry to identify and access information on funds, grants and loans available from government and other entities</li> <li>- Stimulate tourism through identification and promotion of</li> </ul>			<p>Cafes/Restaurant</p> <p>Evacuation Centres/Places of refuge</p>		

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	<p>producers and outlying properties as a result of loss of fencing, sheds, machinery and equipment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Increased financial burden to community members and visitors as a result of being stranded in town as a result of road closures and requiring food and accommodation.</li> <li>- Increased financial burden for businesses due to damage to infrastructure</li> <li>- Increased financial burden for community members due to</li> </ul>	<p>funding opportunities to impacted businesses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Develop and implement tourism campaign</li> <li>- Obtain and provide advice to assist landholders and responders about environmental health hazards (including water quality, disposing of food waste and disposing of carcasses and vegetation etc)</li> <li>- Obtain and provide biosecurity advise and safety measures for prevention of spread of weeds and pests from vehicles entering properties for recovery works</li> <li>- Implement and monitor mosquito fogging program</li> </ul>					

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	<p>damage to houses and loss of food supplies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Increased financial burden for council due to damage and/or loss of public infrastructure</li> <li>- Loss and injuries to wildlife and native flora across the region</li> <li>- Lack of access to stock food due to road closures.</li> <li>- Public health concerns due to increase of mosquito, sand-fly population</li> <li>- Public health concerns due to increased risk of water borne disease by flood</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reopen recreational facilities and campgrounds across the region</li> <li>- Continue water monitoring and reporting</li> <li>- Erect signage regarding water quality</li> <li>- Continue stock route monitoring for potential biosecurity issues</li> <li>- Reconnection of power and telecommunication</li> <li>- Rescue and/or disposal of native fauna</li> <li>- In partnership with wildlife carers, support impacted animals</li> <li>- Repair and/or replace damaged road furniture</li> <li>- Repair and/or replace damaged fencing</li> <li>- Inspect and re-open local and state roads and streets</li> </ul>					

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	<p>producers and outlying properties as a result of loss of fencing, sheds, machinery and equipment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Increased financial burden to community members and visitors as a result of being stranded in town as a result of road closures and requiring food and accommodation.</li> <li>- Increased financial burden for businesses due to damage to infrastructure</li> <li>- Increased financial burden for community members due to</li> </ul>	<p>funding opportunities to impacted businesses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Develop and implement tourism campaign.</li> <li>- Obtain and provide advice to assist landholders and responders above environmental health hazards (including water quality, disposing of food waste and disposing of carcasses and vegetation etc).</li> <li>- Obtain and provide biosecurity advise and safety measures for prevention of spread of weeds and pests from vehicles entering properties for recovery works</li> <li>- Implement and monitor mosquito fogging program</li> </ul>					

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<p><b>Truck rollover – carrying hazardous chemicals</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Injury/loss of life</li> <li>- Economic impact</li> <li>- Environmental impacts</li> <li>- Chemical spillage into river/waterways</li> <li>- Closure of State Highways/Roads</li> <li>- Damage to roads/road furniture</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public health concerns due to increased risk of respiratory</li> <li>- illnesses as a result of reduced air quality due to chemical spillage</li> <li>- Public health concerns due to chemical contaminating waterways and township water supplies</li> <li>- Biosecurity concerns for cattle and sheep due to reduced water quality</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Set up road closures / diversions</li> <li>- Implement traffic management</li> <li>- Transport injured / deceased to hospital</li> <li>- In partnership with relevant agencies remove truck in line with appropriate protocols / processes</li> <li>- In partnership with relevant agencies clean up accident scene in line with appropriate protocols / processes</li> <li>- Implement and monitor water and air quality</li> <li>- Implement communication strategy</li> </ul>	<p><b>Functional recovery areas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Human and Social</li> <li>- Economic</li> <li>- Roads and Transport</li> <li>- Environment</li> </ul> <p><b>Agencies and individuals</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Council</li> <li>- QPS</li> <li>- QAS</li> <li>- Rural Fire Services</li> <li>- DTMR</li> <li>- Qld Health</li> <li>- EHO</li> <li>- DAF</li> <li>- DES</li> <li>- RFDS</li> <li>- SES</li> <li>- Tow truck services</li> <li>- Outback Futures</li> <li>- DCDSS</li> <li>- Auxiliary Fire fighters</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Human resources</li> <li>- Ambulance</li> <li>- Tow trucks</li> <li>- Air and water quality monitoring equipment</li> <li>- Aircraft</li> <li>- Materials to clean up chemical spill</li> <li>- PPE</li> <li>- Dedicated to transport recovered</li> <li>- Chemical</li> <li>- Crane</li> </ul>	<p>Hospital Primary Health Centres Council Depot Dump points</p>	<p>All Phases</p>	<p>Immediate</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Psychosocial impacts on the community members / first responders resulting from injuries sustained to those involved in the accident/loss of life.</li> <li>- Damage to State Highway / Roads</li> <li>- Damage to road furniture</li> <li>- Loss of income/profits for tourism and small businesses due to reduced tourist numbers as a result of road closures and diversions</li> <li>- Increased financial burden for council due to damage</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Undertake damage assessment of impact area</li> <li>- Repair and/or replace damaged road and/or road furniture</li> <li>- Inspect and re-open State Highway/Road</li> <li>- Removal of injured/deceased fauna</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Road signage/bloc kage</li> <li>- Traffic Control</li> <li>- Chemical Containmen t kits</li> </ul>			



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<b>Community is impacted by structural fire eg.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Community house fire</b></li> <li>- <b>Business structural fire</b></li> <li>- <b>Powerline fault/fire</b></li> <li>- <b>Gas explosion (service stations/hospital/businesses)</b></li> <li>- <b>Houses damaged &amp; Destroyed</b></li> <li>- <b>Businesses damaged/destroyed</b></li> <li>- <b>Tourist attractions &amp; destroyed</b></li> <li>- <b>State highways &amp; local roads closed</b></li> </ul>	There could be <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Loss of building assets</li> <li>- Loss of life</li> <li>- Psycho-social</li> <li>- Evacuations/Recovery</li> <li>- Cumulative psychosocial impacts on the community resulting from the shire's most severe drought, exacerbated by fire impacts, resulting in an increased need for psychosocial support services.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Firefighting</li> <li>- Rescues and assistance</li> <li>- Establish a Recovery Hub</li> <li>- Replace roadside furniture</li> <li>- Provide funding and advice</li> <li>- Supporting affected businesses to remain operable</li> <li>- Ensuring continued supply chain</li> <li>- Manage evacuations and closures</li> </ul>	<b>Functional Recovery Areas</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Human &amp; Social</li> <li>- Economic</li> <li>- Roads &amp; Transport</li> <li>- Environment</li> <li>- Buildings</li> </ul> <b>Agencies &amp; Individuals</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Council</li> <li>- State Emergency Services</li> <li>- Rural Fire Brigade</li> <li>- QRA</li> <li>- QPS</li> <li>- QFS</li> <li>- QFES</li> <li>- DTMR</li> <li>- DAF</li> <li>- DCDSS</li> </ul>	-Psychosocial -First Aid material - Financial Assistance material - Human resources - Phones - Machinery - Tools - Food - Aircraft/helicopters - Portable Road Signs - Technical experts - Fire Trucks	-Council Depot - Council Admin building - Schools -Showgrounds - Motels/Hotels - Community Halls - Sport Complex - Cultural Centre - Churches - Petrol Stations - Visitor Information Centres - Libraries - Medical Centres - Pharmacy - General Stores - Café/resteraunt	All phases	Immediate

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<p>Community is impacted by a bio-security event.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Exotic animal disease (Foot &amp; Mouth), African Swine Fever</li> </ul>	<p>There could be</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Economic loss</li> <li>- Bloodline Loss</li> <li>- Native Flora and Fauna</li> <li>- Ripple on effect within community small business</li> <li>- Cancellation of key community events</li> <li>- Loss of Tourism</li> <li>- Movement of livestock prohibited</li> <li>- Industry shut down</li> <li>- Stock losses</li> <li>- Loss of bloodlines</li> <li>- Destruction of affected stock</li> <li>- Closure of slaughterhouse</li> <li>- Closure of wild game chillers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Communication and road closures</li> <li>- Information management, quarantine and inspections</li> <li>- Destruction and disposal of stock</li> <li>- Provide expert advice on pasture and stock</li> <li>- Provide financial advice</li> <li>- Containment of affected stock/persons</li> <li>- Stock movement restrictions &amp; protocols</li> <li>- Provision of stock feed</li> </ul>	<p><b>Functional recovery areas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Human and Social</li> <li>- Economic</li> <li>- Environment</li> </ul> <p><b>Agencies &amp; Individuals</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Council</li> <li>- DAF</li> <li>- Saleyards staff</li> <li>- DES</li> <li>- Queensland Police Service and Stock Squad</li> <li>- Bio-Security Queensland</li> <li>- Vets</li> <li>- Transport and Main Roads</li> <li>- Rural Financial Counselling Services</li> <li>- Mental Health Outreach Support Services</li> <li>- SES</li> <li>- Contract musterers</li> <li>- Helicopter companies</li> <li>- Livestock Freight Companies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Carcass pits &amp; machinery</li> <li>- PPE</li> <li>- Testing kits</li> <li>- Stock Feed</li> <li>- Human Resources</li> <li>- Information Sharing (Media/Biosecurity Factsheets/Websites)</li> <li>- livestock facilities</li> <li>Quarantine/containment areas</li> <li>-Livestock Freight Companies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Showgrounds</li> <li>- Saleyards</li> <li>- Stock Routes</li> <li>- Stockyards/piggeries on properties</li> <li>- DAF offices</li> <li>- Showgrounds</li> <li>- Pony Club facilities</li> <li>- Property yards</li> <li>- DAF Office</li> <li>- Race Courses</li> </ul>	<p>All phases</p>	<p>Immediate</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Closure of wild game processing plant</li> <li>- Loss of tourism</li> <li>- Standing down of employees at affected businesses</li> <li>- Closure of saleyards for cattle sales and cattle spelling</li> <li>- Cancellation of community events</li> <li>- Loss of tourism</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Rural Agencies</li> </ul>				
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<p>Pandemic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Loss of life</li> <li>- Increased hospitalisation</li> <li>- Strain on health services</li> <li>- Quarantine/Lockdown measures</li> <li>- Incorrect reporting by media</li> <li>- Supply chains affected</li> <li>- Business operations reduced/ceased</li> <li>- School closures</li> <li>- Social isolation impacts</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Economic</li> <li>- Social, emotional, mental and physical health</li> <li>- Exhausted hospital capacity &amp; resources</li> <li>- Employment implications</li> <li>- Loss of tourism</li> <li>- Social isolation</li> <li>- Fear of the unknown throughout the community</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Restore cohesiveness within community. Community members where required, are able to access health and wellbeing and financial support, resources &amp; programs.</li> <li>- Access to vaccine</li> <li>- Identified local Quarantine site</li> </ul>	<p><b>Functional recovery areas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Human and Social</li> <li>- Economic</li> <li>- Environment</li> </ul> <p><b>Agencies &amp; Individuals</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Human and social economic</li> <li>- BTRC</li> <li>- Health is leading agency</li> <li>- Outreach Support Services</li> <li>- BTRC</li> <li>- -DCDSS</li> <li>- SES</li> <li>- RFDS</li> <li>- Lifeline</li> <li>- Outback Futures</li> <li>- QPS</li> <li>- QAS</li> <li>- Telstra</li> <li>- Rural Financial Counsellors</li> <li>- Churches</li> <li>- Meals on Wheels</li> <li>- GP's</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Human Resources</li> <li>Health resources</li> <li>Psycho-social first aid material</li> <li>Financial assistance material</li> <li>Food</li> <li>Medications</li> <li>PPE Stock</li> <li>Appropriate Refrigeration &amp; storage for vaccine</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hospital/ Primary Health Care Centre</li> <li>- Living Arts Centre</li> <li>- Halls &amp; Cultural Centre</li> <li>- Racecourse</li> <li>- Showgrounds</li> <li>- Council Office</li> <li>- Schools</li> <li>- Churches</li> <li>- Nursing Home</li> </ul>	<p>All phases</p>	<p>1 x confirmed case within the shire will escalate immediately</p>

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## Recovery support and collaboration

Effective recovery requires collaboration between local, state and federal governments, community and non-government agencies in consultation with BTRC impacted communities. Agencies that play a part in assisting with the recovery of impacted communities include, but are not limited to the below.

The latest version of the Recovery support and collaboration fact sheet is published here: [Recovery Support and Collaboration Factsheet](#)

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### Queensland Government

#### Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF)

DAF provides a range of services to primary producers affected by natural disasters, including advice on disaster preparedness for agricultural industries, response and recovery, and animal welfare. DAF supports preparedness activities such as training exercises for industry, develops and promotes bulletins on climatic conditions and runs climate focussed events.

A critical role DAF plays during the recovery phase involves staff working with producers to determine the extent of impact an event has had on agricultural production. Agency staff work with the Queensland Reconstruction Authority and other Queensland Government agencies to inform the appropriate level of disaster activation required to aid recovery.

DAF staff administer disaster assistance in the form of subsidies to primary producers and is responsible for the legislation enabling Queensland Rural Industry and Development Authority to provide other forms of disaster assistance such as loan and grant schemes.

[www.daf.qld.gov.au](http://www.daf.qld.gov.au)  
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#### Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy (DCHDE)

The Director-General of DCHDE chairs the Human and Social Functional Recovery Group.

DCHDE has lead responsibility for the delivery of human and social recovery support services following a disaster event. Human and social recovery is the emotional, social, physical and psychological health and wellbeing of individuals, families and communities following a disaster.

Human and social recovery generally aims to address a range of needs including:

- access to timely information
- assistance to reconnect with families, friends and community networks
- enabling people to manage their own recovery through access to information and a range of services and/or practical assistance
- access to financial assistance for those individuals and households who are most vulnerable and do not have the means to finance their own recovery
- engagement and access to emotional, psychological and mental health support at individual, family and community levels (psychosocial support)
- assistance to maintain a sense of equilibrium in their life, come to terms with their reality and move forward into a new and possibly changed reality
- ensuring Queenslanders have access to housing and homelessness assistance after the closure of evacuation centres by facilitating immediate and longer term temporary accommodation solutions.

App: Self Recovery  
[www.communities.qld.gov.au](http://www.communities.qld.gov.au)  
Community Recovery Hotline: 1800 17 3 349

#### Department of Employment, Small Business and Training (DESBT)

DESBT delivers programs that recognise the important relationship between employment outcomes, strong small business and a skilled workforce to the wellbeing of Queenslanders and their communities.

[www.desbt.qld.gov.au](http://www.desbt.qld.gov.au)  
13 QGOV (13 74 68)

#### Department of Environment and Science (DES)

DES has an important role as stewards of Queensland's natural environment and cultural and built heritage, to ensure these unique assets are protected and sustainably managed for future generations to enjoy. In responding to natural disasters and threats to the environment, DES seeks to identify environmental impacts and will assist in prioritising environmental recovery actions, in addition to protecting urban and natural areas through fire management in parks and forests.

[www.des.qld.gov.au](http://www.des.qld.gov.au)  
13 QGOV (13 74 68)

#### Department of Energy and Public Works (DEPW)

DEPW coordinates frontline government building damage assessments across impacted areas. DEPW also coordinates the repairs to government owned buildings.

[www.epw.qld.gov.au](http://www.epw.qld.gov.au)  
13 QGOV (13 74 68)

#### Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR)

TMR is responsible for the delivery and maintenance of the integrated transport network across Queensland. TMR will continue to provide the latest information regarding disruptions and closures across the road, rail, aviation and maritime networks.

[www.tmr.qld.gov.au](http://www.tmr.qld.gov.au)  
[www.qldtraffic.qld.gov.au](http://www.qldtraffic.qld.gov.au) or call 13 19 40  
13 QGOV (13 74 68)

#### Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (QFES)

QFES is the primary provider of fire and emergency services in Queensland. QFES aims to protect people, property and the environment through the delivery of emergency services, awareness programs, response capability and capacity, and incident response and recovery for a safer Queensland.

- Rural Fire Service - Response to, and management of landscape fires across the state in localised and disaster situations.

- **Fire and Rescue Service** - Response to, and management of fire and hazardous materials incidents, events and disasters. Response to life threatening and non-life threatening emergency situations including storm, cyclone, severe weather and flooding, earthquake, hazardous materials incidents, industrial extrication and road crash incident extrications. Fire and Rescue Service is the provider of damage assessment capability following natural and man-made disasters, working in collaboration with QRA to provide quality data collection.
- **State Emergency Service (SES)** - For assistance in non-life threatening emergency situations during floods and storms. SES can provide temporary emergency assistance to help people protect themselves and their property from further damage in circumstances such as damaged walls, windows or roofs, trees down blocking access, rising flood water, and any storm damage that may be a threat to life or property.

[www.qfes.qld.gov.au](http://www.qfes.qld.gov.au)  
Emergency: 000  
Non-Emergency: 13 GOV  
SES: 132 500

#### Queensland Health (QH) and Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS)

Queensland Health leads the planning and management for public health emergencies as well as being the primary agency for biological, heatwave, pandemic and radiological hazards.

In all disasters, Queensland Health prioritises continuity of healthcare to the community as well as the provision of information and public health advice to partner agencies and the community. This is supported by pre-hospital response through the Queensland Ambulance Service as well as aeromedical services. Recovery activities are focused on medical services as well as public health (water, sanitation, food safety etc) and mental health support.

QH is at the forefront of the Queensland Government's responsibilities for planning and managing public health emergencies and disaster events. During a disaster, QH provides pre-hospital response through the Queensland Ambulance Service, aero-medical transport to support the Queensland Ambulance Service, and the provision of information, advice and services to the community and partner agencies.

[www.health.qld.gov.au](http://www.health.qld.gov.au)  
Emergency: 000  
13HEALTH (13 43 25 84)

#### Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA)

QRA is charged with managing and coordinating the Queensland Government's program of infrastructure renewal and recovery within disaster-affected communities, with a focus on working with our state and local government partners to deliver best practice expenditure of public reconstruction funds.

In line with QRA's vision to build a more disaster resilient Queensland, QRA is the state's lead agency responsible for disaster recovery, resilience and mitigation policy. In this role, QRA works collaboratively with other agencies and key stakeholders to improve risk reduction and disaster preparedness.

[www.qra.qld.gov.au](http://www.qra.qld.gov.au)  
1800 110 841

#### Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA)

QRIDA provides Queensland farmers with grants and concessional loans for a range of purposes including buying their first property, improving farm productivity and sustainability, and overcoming drought and other natural disasters. Under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA), QRIDA administers financial assistance to primary producers, small businesses and non-profit organisations to help them recover from disaster events.

[www.qrida.qld.gov.au](http://www.qrida.qld.gov.au)  
1800 623 946

#### Australian Government

##### National Bushfire Recovery Agency

The National Bushfire Recovery Agency has been developed to lead and coordinate a national response to rebuilding communities affected by bushfires across large parts of Australia. The National Bushfire Recovery Agency will oversee a National Bushfire Recovery Fund which will support all recovery efforts across Australia over the two years 2019-2021.

##### Emergency Management Australia (EMA)

EMA is a division of the Department of Home Affairs and delivers programs, policies and services that strengthen Australia's national security and emergency management capability. EMA is also the Australian Government's administrator of the DRFA.

##### Department of Human Services (DHS)

DHS provides assistance to those adversely affected by natural disasters through the provision of Disaster Recovery Payments (DRP) or Disaster Recovery Allowance (DRA).

[www.humanservices.gov.au](http://www.humanservices.gov.au)  
[www.disasterassist.gov.au](http://www.disasterassist.gov.au)  
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#### Local Government

##### Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ)

LGAQ is the peak body for local government in Queensland and is responsible for advising, supporting and representing councils. LGAQ provides direct advice and support to councils following any major event at the political, strategic and/or operational levels. This support is provided through the expertise of the LGAQ, subsidiary companies and the facilitation of 'Council-to-Council' (C2C) support. LGAQ recognises the range of needs of councils and their LDMGs and seeks to provide specific support based on the capability of each council.

[www.lgaq.asn.au](http://www.lgaq.asn.au)  
1300 542 700

### *Non-government organisations (NGOs)*

A number of NGOs are now actively committed to the strengthening and extending of emergency aid services throughout Queensland communities affected by natural disasters.

#### **Australian Red Cross**

[www.redcross.org.au](http://www.redcross.org.au)  
1800 811 700

#### **BlazeAid**

[www.blazeaid.com.au](http://www.blazeaid.com.au)

#### **GIVIT**

[www.givit.org.au](http://www.givit.org.au)

#### **Good Shepherd Microfinance**

<https://goodshepherdmicrofinance.org.au/>

#### **Lifeline**

[www.lifeline.org.au](http://www.lifeline.org.au)  
13 11 14

#### **North and West Remote Health**

[www.nwrh.com.au](http://www.nwrh.com.au)  
Non-Emergency: 1800 799 244

#### **Orange Sky**

[www.orangesky.org.au](http://www.orangesky.org.au)  
07 3067 5800

#### **Royal Flying Doctor Service**

[www.flyingdoctor.org.au](http://www.flyingdoctor.org.au)  
Emergency: 1300 My RFDS (1300 697337)  
Non-Emergency: 07 3860 1100

#### **RSPCA QLD**

[www.rspcaqld.org.au](http://www.rspcaqld.org.au)  
1300 Animal (1300 264 625)

#### **Rural Aid**

[www.ruralaid.org.au](http://www.ruralaid.org.au)  
1300 327 624

#### **Salvation Army**

[www.salvos.org.au](http://www.salvos.org.au)  
13 SALVOS (1372 58)

#### **St Vincent de Paul Society**

[www.innies.org.au](http://www.innies.org.au)  
07 3010 1002 or 1300 Vinnies (1300 131 812)

#### **UnitingCare Queensland**

[www.unitingcareqld.com.au](http://www.unitingcareqld.com.au)  
07 3253 4000

#### **Volunteering Queensland (VQ)**

[www.volunteeringqld.org.au](http://www.volunteeringqld.org.au)  
07 3002 7600

### *Insurance*

#### **Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS)**

FOS provides accessible, fair and independent dispute resolution for consumers and financial services providers. FOS offers free and accessible dispute resolution services to all Australian residents. FOS assists people who encounter difficulties relating to insurance claims which are unable to be resolved directly with the insurer.

[www.fos.org.au](http://www.fos.org.au)  
1800 367 287

#### **Insurance Council of Australia (ICA)**

ICA is the representative body of the general insurance industry in Australia. It aims to promote insurance protection and security to the community and provides a range of practical information to support consumers.

[www.insurancecouncil.com.au](http://www.insurancecouncil.com.au)  
1300 728 228

### *Agriculture*

#### **AgForce Queensland**

AgForce is a non-government organisation that seeks to secure the productivity, profitability and sustainability of the agribusiness sector. AgForce provides direction and solutions to overcome challenges and build on opportunities within Queensland's farming and agriculture businesses.

[www.agforceqld.org.au](http://www.agforceqld.org.au)  
07 3236 3100

#### **Queensland Farmers' Federation (QFF)**

QFF engages in a broad range of economic, social, environmental and regional issues of strategic importance to the productivity, sustainability and growth of Queensland's agricultural sector.

[www.qff.org.au](http://www.qff.org.au)  
[www.farmerdisastersupport.org.au](http://www.farmerdisastersupport.org.au)  
07 3837 4720

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### Acts

*Queensland Disaster Management Act 2003*

## **Our Recovery Terminology**

### **Disaster recovery definitions**

**Disaster recovery** is the coordinated process of supporting disaster-affected communities' psychosocial (emotional and social), and physical well-being; reconstruction of physical infrastructure; and economic and environmental restoration (including regeneration of the natural environment, associated infrastructure and heritage sites and structures and the management of pollution and contamination).

**Recovered** is being able to lead a life that individuals and communities value living, even if it is different to the life they were living before the disaster event.<sup>9</sup>

Further disaster management definitions are located in the Queensland Disaster Management Act 2003 [DM Act] or the Queensland Recovery Plan

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## List of Acronyms

QDMA	Queensland Disaster Management Arrangements
LRC	Local Recovery Coordinator
LRG	Local Recovery Group
LDMG	Local Disaster Management Group
LDMP	Local Disaster Management Plan
DDMG	District Disaster Management Group
QRA	Queensland Reconstruction Authority
LDC	Local Disaster Coordinator
QDMC	Queensland Disaster Management Committee
QFES	Queensland Fire and Emergency Service
DTMR	Department of Transport and Main Roads
DAF	Department of Agriculture and Fisheries
DES	Department of Environment and Science
SES	State Emergency Service
RFDS	Royal Flying Doctor Service
QPS	Queensland Police Service
EHO	Environmental Health Officer
QAS	Queensland Ambulance Service
DRFA	Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements
RPT	Regular Passenger Transport
REX	Regional Express
DCDSS	Department of Communities, Disability Services and Seniors
PPE	Personal Protective Equipment



## APPENDIX B

### (a) Community Participation: List of active Community Groups/Organisations

<b>Blackall</b>		
Anglican Parish of Barcoo	Blackall Catholic Church	Blackall Christian Fellowship
Blackall Uniting Church	Kingdom of Jehovah's Witnesses	Anglican Ladies Guild
Barcoo Amateur Race Club	Barcoo Athletics Club	Red Ridge Interior QID Ltd
Barcoo Pastoral Society	Barcoo Retirement Village & Men's Shed	Blackall Amateur Swimming Assoc.
Blackall Bowls Club	Blackall Campdraft Assoc.	Blackall Clay Target Club
Blackall Cultural Assoc.	Blackall Golf Club Inc	Blackall Historical Society
Blackall Historical Woolscour Assoc Inc.	Blackall Hospital Auxiliary Inc.	Blackall Junior Cricket Club
Blackall Junior Rugby League Club	Uniting Church Ladies Guild	SES – Blackall
Blackall Netball Assoc.	Blackall P&C Assoc.	Blackall Pistol Club
Blackall Polocrosse Club	Blackall Pony Club	Blackall Regional Poultry & Caged Bird Club
Blackall RSL Sub Branch	Outback Barrel Horse Circuit	Blackall Senior Rugby League Club
Blackall Tennis Club	Blackall-Tambo Education Group	Garden Club – Blackall
Heartland Christian Church	Better in Blackall Festival Committee	ICPA – Blackall Branch
QCWA – Blackall Branch		
<b>Tambo</b>		
St Michael & All Angels	Our Lady of Victories Church	Tambo Voluntary Community Health Auxiliary Assoc.

Garden Club – Tambo	ICPA – Tambo Branch	Tambo Tourism and Business Assoc.
QCWA – Tambo Branch	Scrubby Creek Sports Club	SES – Tambo
Tambo & District Race Club	Tambo Arts & Crafts	Tambo Arts Council Inc.
Tambo Bluelight Committee	Tambo Campdraft & Rodeo Assoc. Inc.	Tambo Childcare Centre Group
Tambo Clay Target Club Inc.	Tambo Cricket Club	Tambo Golf Club Inc.
Tambo Heritage Committee	Tambo Mum’s & Bubs	Tambo Outback Rodeo Committee Inc.
Tambo P&C Assoc.	Tambo Polocrosse Club Inc.	Tambo Pony Club Inc.
Tambo Sports Club	Tambo Stock Show Inc	Tambo Swimming Club Inc.

## (b) Community Events

Month / Date	Event	Location
January	Australia Day	Blackall and Tambo
February	Blackall Race Day	Blackall
April	Blackall Agents Race Day	Blackall
April	Tambo Stock Show	Tambo
April	ANZAC Day	Blackall and Tambo
May	Blackall Show	Blackall
May	Tambo Campdraft	Tambo
May	Blackall Campdraft	Blackall
May	Tambo Races	Tambo
May	Tambo Polocrosse	Tambo
July	Queensland Outback Masters	Blackall
August (Biannual)	Better in Blackall Festival	Blackall
August (Biannual)	Carnival of Circus	Blackall/Tambo

Month / Date	Event	Location
August/September	Flower Show	Blackall
September	Tambo Outback Rodeo	Tambo
September	Tambo Clay Target Shoot	Tambo
September	Outback Barrel Horse Circuit Event	Blackall
October	NAIDOC Week	Blackall and Tambo
November	Remembrance Day	Blackall and Tambo
November	Blackall Beef Producers Race Day	Blackall
December	Tambo Christmas Shoot	Tambo
December	Christmas Events	Blackall and Tambo

### (c) Community Services

Agency / Group	Recovery Purpose	Frequency of delivery
<b>Blackall-Tambo Region</b>		
Local Recovery Group	Recovery coordination	Twice a year or after a disaster event
Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Infrastructure	Reconstruction of community assets / plant and equipment	As required
Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Plant and equipment	Reconstruction of community assets	As required
Traditional Owners and Elders	Advise on Land Use and cultural considerations	As required
Rural Lands Officer	Management of rural lands, including livestock and pest management	As required
Community Members	Identification of needs and support required, preparedness activities	As required
Outback Futures	Support health and wellbeing of community members	As required
Medical, health and allied health services including weekly, fortnightly and monthly fly in and fly out (FIFO)	Support health and wellbeing of community members	As required

Agency / Group	Recovery Purpose	Frequency of delivery
services (focusing on general, mental and sexual health, dentistry, optometry, hearing, physiotherapy, occupational therapy)		
Royal Flying Doctor Service - fly in and fly out (FIFO) services	Provision of emergency and primary health care services	As required
Centacare NQ - fly in and fly out (FIFO) services	Support health and wellbeing of community members	As required
Lives Lived Well - fly in and fly out (FIFO) services	Support health and wellbeing of community members	As required
Central Queensland Indigenous Development (CQID) fly in and fly out (FIFO) services	Support health and wellbeing of community members	As required
Telstra Mobile phone services	Connect community members and those inside and outside the community	As required
Ergon	Electricity restoration	As required
<b>Blackall</b>		
Bank of Queensland	Provision of money	As required
CBA ATM (Branch)	Provision of money	As required
Blackall State School	Support connectedness amongst children	As required
St Joseph's Catholic Primary School	Support connectedness amongst children	As required
Blackall Kindergarten & Limited Hours Daycare	Support connectedness amongst children	As required
Blackall Neighbourhood Centre	Support connectedness amongst community members	As required
Blackall Library	Support connectedness amongst community members	As required
Blackall Aquatic Centre	Support connectedness amongst community members	As required
Blackall Hospital	Provision of medical assistance and support health and wellbeing of community members	As required 24/7

Agency / Group	Recovery Purpose	Frequency of delivery
Blackall General Practice	Provision of medical assistance and support health and wellbeing of community members	As required
Ian Kinsey Outback Chemist	Provision of medications and support health and wellbeing of community members	As required
Blackall Council Aged Units and Houses	Support the health and wellbeing of community members	As required
Queensland Police Service	Maintain safety and security	As required 24/7
State Emergency Service	Assistance with clean up in community	As required 24/7
IGA Blackall	Provision of essential supplies	As required
Spar	Provision of essential supplies	As required
BP	Provision of fuel and basic supplies	As required
IOR	Provision of fuel and basic supplies	As required
Caltex Blackall	Provision of fuel and basic supplies	As required
<b>Tambo</b>		
Bank of Queensland	Provision of money	As required
Cashcard ATM (Branch)	Provision of money	As required
Tambo State School	Support connectedness amongst children	As required
Tambo State School Kindergarten	Support connectedness amongst children	As required
Child Care Benefit Eligible Long Hours Day Care	Support connectedness amongst children	As required
Tambo Library	Support connectedness amongst community members	As required
Tambo Aquatic Centre	Support connectedness amongst community members	As required
Tambo Council Aged Units and Houses	Support the health and wellbeing of community members	As required
Tambo Primary Health Care Centre	Provision of medical assistance and support health and wellbeing of community members	As required

Agency / Group	Recovery Purpose	Frequency of delivery
Tambo Multipurpose Service	Support the health and wellbeing of community members	As required
Queensland Police Service	Maintain safety and security	As required 24/7
State Emergency Service	Assistance with clean up in community	As required 24/7
FoodWorks	Provision of essential supplies	As required
Caltex Tambo	Provision of fuel and basic supplies	As required

### (d) Key Community Facilities

Facility	Recovery Purpose	Owner
<b>Blackall</b>		
Blackall-Tambo Regional Council	Recovery Coordination and communication point for community	Council
Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Depot	Communication point for community, Reconstruction of community assets, plant and equipment	Council
Blackall Cultural Centre	Place of refuge and meeting point for community meetings	
Blackall State School	Place of refuge and meeting point for community meetings	
St Joseph's Catholic Primary School	Place of refuge and meeting point for community meetings	
Blackall Showgrounds	Place of refuge and meeting point for community meetings	
Blackall Airport	Meeting point for organisations supporting recovery and coordination of recovery activities	
Blackall Neighbourhood Centre	Meeting point for community meetings and supporting community recovery	
Blackall Post Office	Communication point for community	
BOQ Blackall	Communication point for community	
Blackall Kindergarten and & Limited Hours Daycare	Communication point for community and meeting point for community meetings	

Facility	Recovery Purpose	Owner
Blackall Library	Communication point for community and meeting point for community meetings	
Blackall Aquatic Centre	Communication point for community and meeting point for community meetings	
Anglican Parish of Barcoo	Meeting point for community meetings and supporting community recovery	
Blackall Catholic Church	Meeting point for community meetings and supporting community recovery	
Blackall Christian Fellowship	Meeting point for community meetings and supporting community recovery	
Blackall Uniting Church	Meeting point for community meetings and supporting community recovery	
Heartland Christian Church	Meeting point for community meetings and supporting community recovery	
Kingdom of Jehovah's Witnesses	Meeting point for community meetings and supporting community recovery	
Blackall RSL Sub Branch	Communication point for community and meeting point for community meetings	
Blackall Visitor Information Centre	Communication point for community and meeting point for community meetings	
Barcoo Amateur Race Club	Communication point for community and meeting point for community meetings	
Blackall Hospital	Communication point for community and supporting community recovery	
Blackall Stump Medical Centre	Communication point for community and supporting community recovery	
Ian Kinsey Outback Chemist	Communication point for community, supporting community recovery	
Blackall Council Aged Unit and Houses	Communication point for community and supporting community recovery	
Blackall Bowls Club	Communication point for community and meals for organisations supporting recovery	
Blackall Police Station	Communication point for community	

Facility	Recovery Purpose	Owner
Blackall General Practice	Provide Primary Health services to community	
IGA Blackall	Communication point for community and basic supplies	
Spar	Communication point for community and basic supplies	
BP	Communication point for community and provision of fuel	
IOR	Communication point for community and provision of fuel	
Caltex Blackall	Communication point for community and provision of fuel and meals	
Coolibah Motel	Accommodation and meals for organisations supporting recovery	
The Blackall Motel	Accommodation and meals for organisations supporting recovery	
Barcoo Hotel	Accommodation and meals for organisations supporting recovery	
Union Hotel	Accommodation and meals for organisations supporting recovery	
Blackall Caravan Park	Accommodation and meals for organisations supporting recovery	
The Lodge on Hawthorn	Meals for organisations supporting recovery	
The Drawing Board	Meals for organisations supporting recovery	
Schluter's Bakery	Meals for organisations supporting recovery	
<b>Tambo</b>		
Blackall-Tambo Regional Council	Recovery Coordination and communication point for community	Council
Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Depot	Communication point for community, Reconstruction of community assets, plant and equipment	Council
Tambo Blackall State School	Place of refuge and meeting point for community meetings	



Facility	Recovery Purpose	Owner
Tambo State School Kindergarten	Communication point for community and meeting point for community meetings	
Child Care Benefit Eligible Long Hours Day Care	Communication point for community and meeting point for community meetings	
Tambo Golf Club	Communication point for community	
Tambo Airport	Meeting point for organisations supporting recovery and coordination of recovery activities	
Tambo Library	Communication point for community and meeting point for community meetings	
Tambo Multipurpose Centre	Meeting point for community meetings and supporting community recovery	
Tambo Aquatic Centre	Communication point for community and meeting point for community meetings	
Blackall Hospital	Communication point for community and supporting community recovery	
Tambo Primary Health Care Centre	Communication point for community and supporting community recovery	
Tambo Council Aged Units and Houses	Communication point for community and supporting community recovery	
Tambo Police Station	Communication point for community	
FoodWorks	Communication point for community and basic supplies	
Caltex Tambo	Communication point for community and provision of meals and fuel	
Tambo Mill Motel & Caravan Park	Accommodation for organisations supporting recovery	
The Royal Carrangarra Hotel	Accommodation and meals for organisations supporting recovery	
Tambo Tavern	Meals for organisations supporting recovery	
Fanny Mae's Café	Meals for organisations supporting recovery	
FoodWorks	Communication point for community and basic supplies	

Facility	Recovery Purpose	Owner
St Michael & All Angels	Meeting point for community meetings and supporting community recovery	
Our Lady of Victories Church	Meeting point for community meetings and supporting community recovery	
BOQ Tambo	Communication point for community	
Tambo Outback Pharmacy	Communication point for community, supporting community recovery	
Tambo Primary Health Care Centre	Provision of health services to the Tambo Community	

## APPENDIX C – Airports

### Blackall

The Blackall Aerodrome is located on the Aerodrome Road off the Landsborough Highway and is maintained by the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council. Qantaslink flies directly into Blackall from Brisbane on Wednesday and Friday. Travel time is approximately 2 hours. The Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) services the local community on a call out basis.

Latitude:	24.4282'S
Longitude:	145.434'E
Runway Magnetic Bearing:	59 for 90/24 239 for 24/90 degrees
Runway information:	Sealed aggregate
WAC Chart:	3234
Lighting:	Powered runway lights and lights on windsock
Dimensions of Runway:	1688m X 30m (nominal) – Sealed
Dimensions of Runway strip:	1688m X 90 (as nominally marked)
Licensed:	ALA (Aircraft Landing Area)

For further information, please contact the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council's Administration Office on 07 4621 6600.

### Tambo

Tambo Airport is located 6km from the town centre on Airport Road, Tambo. The Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) also services the local community on a call out basis.

Latitude:	24.8379'S
Longitude:	146.28977'E
WAC Chart:	3234
Runway information:	Runway 01/19 - 1312m x 16m – Sealed
Lighting: Runway 01/19:	
Licensed:	

For further information, please contact the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Administration Office on 07 4621 6600.

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### OFFICER REPORTS

COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: 5.7

**SUBJECT HEADING: Prequalified Supplier Panels**

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: Council recently tendered for the Wet & Dry Plant Hire and Trade Services prequalified supplier panels.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That compliant tenderers are added to Council's prequalified supplier panels.**

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### Background

Council has successfully been using the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council prequalified supplier panels on Vendorpanel for procurement of services. The original 2-year contract for prequalified suppliers expires on 1 January 2022. To ensure that procurement through the prequalified suppliers can continue Council officers recently advertised for tender for wet & dry hire and trade services.

Tenders closed on 22 October 2021 with 57 tenders received for wet & dry plant hire and 29 for trade services.

Executive staff have evaluated all tenders and it is recommended that all compliant tenders be invited to the prequalified supplier panels.

The tenders were evaluated in accordance with the specifications and procurement and disposal policy.

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### Link to Corporate Plan

Governance

Outcome 2 – Accountability

Outcome 4 – Financial

Economic Development

Outcome 3 - Employment

### Consultation (internal/external)

CEO

Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

Director of Works and Services

Peak Services

### Policy Implications

Procurement and Disposals Policy

### Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

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### OFFICER REPORTS

COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: 5.8

SUBJECT HEADING: **Blackall Work Camp CAC Meeting – 30 November 2021**

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: The Blackall Work Camp Community Advisory Committee held a meeting on 30 November 2021.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Blackall Work Camp Community Advisory Committee report.**

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### Background

The Blackall Work Camp Community Advisory Committee held their quarterly meeting on 30 November 2021. The following people were in attendance:

- D Howard (Chair)
- R Dobbs (QCS Manager Low Custody)
- M Meyers (QSC Field Supervisor)
- M Wilshire (QPS)
- B O'Neill (Community Representative)
- G Kath (DWS)
- M Holmes (QCS Support Officer)

The QCS Field Supervisor presented the Work Camp report. The Blackall War Memorial Cemetery, repairs and maintenance to various BTRC small machines, Saleyards mower equipment are ongoing projects. Some of the community projects undertaken for the quarter were continued work at the Woolscour, Bowls Club and Golf Club, Christmas Tree Festival for the Anglican Church, Flower Show, Barcoo Amateur Race Day, St Joseph's Christmas Fete, McLean Place and repairs at the St Joseph's Catholic School.

Upcoming events include Carols in the Park, Tambo Rodeo New Year's Eve event and Australia Day.

There has been a total of 3098.5 hours since the previous meeting held 24 August 2021.

The Manager for Low Custody attended the meeting via teleconference. He provided the figures for the financial year as 4420 hours and \$121,859.00. He stated that the Work Camp is contributing well to the community. The Support Officer was introduced to the Committee as she is new to the role. Meetings for 2022 have been provided.

All members of the Committee thanked the Work Camp for their efforts over the past year and they were wished a Merry Christmas.

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### Link to Corporate Plan

Nil

**Consultation (internal/external)**

CEO

Department of Corrective Services

CAC Blackall Work Camp

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Budget and Resource Implications**

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: **5.9****SUBJECT HEADING: Tambo Commercial Building**

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: Council owns a commercial building in Tambo. The lot on which the building is situated is in the process of being subdivided to enable the sale of the property.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council, under section 227 (1) (b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, sells the commercial building in Tambo located at 22 Arthur Street, by auction.**

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**Background**

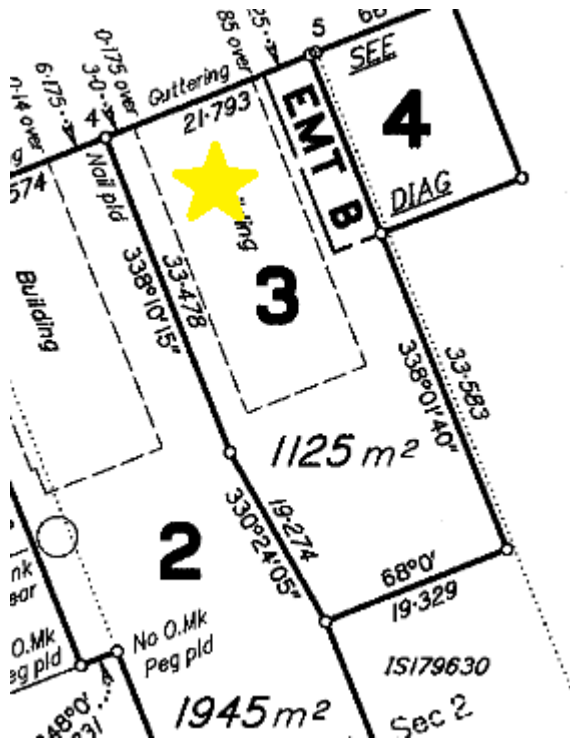
Under section 227(1)(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* local governments can dispose of a valuable non-current asset by offering the non-current asset for sale by auction.

Council currently owns a commercial building at 22 Arthur Street, Tambo. The building is 375.2m<sup>2</sup> and although local businesses are currently using the space to store items; the building is not being utilised to its full potential. It is a large space with good street frontage and the sale of this property could benefit a current business or create a new business opportunity.

Council recently engaged a surveyor to resurvey the Lot 1 on SP197795, which currently includes the Tambo MPC. Once the subdivision has been finalised the commercial building will be formally located on Lot 3 SP293537.

Suitable vehicular access to affected businesses will be provided via a new road from Star Street to the rear of the properties. This has been facilitated owing to the land swap with Nutrien.

At the November 2021 general meeting Council approved the application for the Development Permit for reconfiguring a Lot (Subdivision of four (4) lots into five (5) lots, new access easement and new road). Council's solicitors are in the process of lodging the survey plans with the Title Office and once this has finalised and valuation undertaken on the property, Council will be able to auction the commercial building.



**Link to Corporate Plan**

Economic Development  
 Outcome 1 – Business Investment  
 Outcome 4 – Land Development

**Consultation (internal/external)**

CEO  
 King & Company Solicitors

**Policy Implications**

Procurement and Disposals Policy

**Budget and Resource Implications**

To be determined



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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: **5.10****SUBJECT HEADING: Annual Valuation Effective 30 June 2022**

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

*Summary: The Valuer-General confirms that a new valuation will not be undertaken in 2022.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the letter from the Department of Resources and note that the Valuer-General has confirmed that a new valuation will not be undertaken in 2022.**

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**Background**

After receiving a request for feedback and advice from the Executive Director of the State Valuation Service regarding the support or otherwise for a revaluation, the Acting CEO asked, on Council's behalf, that the Valuer-General not conduct an Annual Valuation Effective 30 June 2022 as a revaluation was conducted for the annual valuation effective 30 June 2021.

The Valuer-General considered a detailed market analysis of the Blackall-Tambo region which supported Council's advice. As a result the Valuer-General has confirmed that a new valuation will not be undertaken in 2022.

The Valuer-General, Mr W Kearnan also advised that where new valuations are not issued the most recent valuation will remain in effect until the next assessment is undertaken.

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**Link to Corporate Plan**

Economic Development

Outcome 4 – Land Development

**Consultation (internal/external)**

CEO

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Budget and Resource Implications**

Nil

Ref CTS 25106/21



Department of Resources

6 December 2021

Mr Des Howard  
Chief Executive Officer  
Blackall-Tambo Regional Council  
PO Box 21  
BLACKALL QLD 4472

Dear Mr Howard

**RE: Annual valuation effective 30 June 2022**

Thank you for your email of 15/09/2021 advising the Department of Resources that a new valuation should not be undertaken in the Blackall-Tambo local government area.

The detailed market analysis I received in relation to the local government area of Blackall-Tambo, supported your advice. As a result, I can confirm that a new valuation will not be undertaken in 2022.

Where new valuations are not issued, the most recent valuation will remain in effect for local government rating, state land tax and state land rental purposes until the next assessment is undertaken.

Queensland's land valuation system is an open and transparent process carried out in line with the *Land Valuation Act 2010*.

Should you wish to discuss the particulars of the market evidence further, please contact David Hobbs, Area Manager, State Valuation Service of the department on telephone 074987 9330.

Alternatively, if you wish to discuss further any matters raised in this letter, please contact Suzanne Stone, on telephone 0439 539 862.

Yours sincerely

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WJ Kearnan  
**Valuer-General**  
**Department of Resources**

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### OFFICER REPORTS

COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021

Item No: 5.11

**SUBJECT HEADING: Wild Dog Barrier Fence**

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: The Department of Agriculture and Fisheries have advised that a review of the Wild Dog Barrier Fence is to be conducted in the coming months.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the letter from the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries and note that a review of the Wild Dog Barrier Fence is intended to be conducted.**

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### Background

The Wild Dog Barrier Fence is administered by Biosecurity Queensland and protects 26.5 million hectares of sheep and cattle grazing country.

The Department of Agriculture and Fisheries has written to Council to advise that a review of the Wild Dog Barrier Fence is intended to be conducted in the coming months. It is to be collaborative approach between multiple stakeholders to review the effectiveness and future role of the Fence.

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### Link to Corporate Plan

Environment & Heritage  
Outcome 3 – Pest Management

### Consultation (internal/external)

CEO

### Policy Implications

Nil

### Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

Reference: CTS 23756/21

19 November 2021

Mr Des Howard  
Chief Executive Officer  
Blackall-Tambo Regional Council  
PO Box 21  
BLACKALL 4472



Dear Mr Howard

I wish to inform you that a review of the Wild Dog Barrier Fence (WDBF) is intended to be conducted in the coming months. The intention of the review is to undertake a collaborative approach between the Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ), the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, relevant local governments, and the Darling Downs-Moreton Rabbit Board.

The review will be overseen by a project steering committee (PSC) who's primary purpose is to ensure that it is delivered in a timely manner, to an acceptable standard and is developed in the context of other relevant State and local government activities, value adding to existing work and avoids unnecessary duplication.

The PSC has convened appointing Synergies consultancy to undertake the review.

The intention of the review is to examine the effectiveness and the future role of the WDBF to the extent to which it is delivering benefits, given private and public investment in alternative wild dog fencing and the implications for the appropriateness of the funding arrangements that apply.

As part of the review the appointed consultants are seeking involvement from stakeholders as part of a broad consultation including discussions with service providers.

Should you have any queries, please contact Mrs Natasha Potzta of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries on telephone 07 3087 8072 or by email [natasha.potzta@daf.qld.gov.au](mailto:natasha.potzta@daf.qld.gov.au)

Yours sincerely

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Tim Farry  
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### OFFICER REPORTS

COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 15 December 2021  
Item No: 5.12  
SUBJECT HEADING: 2022 Special Holiday  
Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer  
CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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*Summary: Council applied to the Office of Industrial Relations for a special holiday on 1 November 2022 for the purpose of Melbourne Cup Day.*

**Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the letter from the Office of Industrial Relations and note that a special holiday for Blackall-Tambo Region on 1 November 2022 for the purpose of Melbourne Cup Day has been granted.**

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### Background

At the July 2021 general meeting, Council resolved the following:

*That Council request a special holiday for the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council area as Melbourne Cup Day, 1 November 2022.*

*Moved: Cr Schluter                      Seconded: Cr Russell  
Minute No. 20/07A/21                  Carried*

Council officers made the application to the Office of Industrial Relations and correspondence has been received from the Executive Director – Industrial Relations, Mr AJ James advising that 1 November 2022 has been appointed as a holiday for the Blackall-Tambo Region for the purpose of Melbourne Cup Day.

It is noted that the holiday has been appointed a special holiday as it is not being held in respect of an annual agriculture, horticultural or industrial show (show holiday) which are public holidays.

Notification of the appointment of the 2022 special holiday was published in the Queensland Government Gazette on 26 November 2021.

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### Link to Corporate Plan

Vibrant Communities

### Consultation (internal/external)

CEO

### Policy Implications

Nil

### Budget and Resource Implications

Nil



Office of  
Industrial Relations

Department of Education

26 November 2021

Mr Des Howard  
Chief Executive Officer  
Blackall-Tambo Regional Council  
Via Email: [ceo@btrc.qld.gov.au](mailto:ceo@btrc.qld.gov.au)  
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Dear Mr Howard

I refer to your request for special holidays for 2022.

Pursuant to Section 4 of the *Holidays Act 1983*, the Minister for Education and Minister for Industrial Relations has appointed:

- 1 November 2022 a holiday for the Blackall-Tambo Region for the purpose of the Melbourne Cup Day

Please note that it is only special holidays appointed in respect of an annual agricultural, horticultural or industrial show (show holidays) which are public holidays. On a public holiday, employees will be entitled to refuse to work in reasonable circumstances without loss of pay and to be paid penalty rates for work performed.

Should there be a need to request repeal of one or more of the above special holidays (whether or not appointment of a replacement special holiday is also requested) or appointment of an additional special holiday, 30 days prior notice of the requested repeal or appointment is to be given to the Minister. This will allow time for the Minister to decide the request, notify any repeals and/or appointments in the Queensland Government Gazette and for the requesting local government to give notice of holiday changes to its community.

Replacement of a show holiday with a special holiday on another date should be carefully considered as the replacement show holiday will only be a public holiday if it continues to be in respect of an annual agricultural, horticultural or industrial show.

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Notification of the appointment of the 2022 special holidays was published in the Queensland Government Gazette on 26 November 2021.

A copy of the gazette can be accessed on the [Queensland Government's publications website](#), the special holidays notifications commence on page 396 of the gazette.

Should you require further information, please contact Ms Jacqui McGuire, Senior Industrial Officer on telephone (07) 3406 9854.

Yours sincerely

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**A J (Tony) James**  
Executive Director – Industrial Relations  
Office of Industrial Relations