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THE HON MATT KEOGH MP
MINISTER FOR VETERANS' AFFAIRS
MINISTER FOR DEFENCE PERSONNEL

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Dear Sir/Madam,

25TH ANNIVERSARY OF AUSTRALIAN SERVICE IN AFGHANISTAN 2001-2021

On Sunday 11 October 2026, the Australian Government will hold a national commemorative service to mark the 25th anniversary of Australian service in Afghanistan. This date marks 25 years since the establishment of Operation Slipper, the first of several Australian Defence Force (ADF) operations to support Afghanistan.

Between 2001 and 2021, more than 35,000 ADF members were deployed to Afghanistan and the Middle East Area of Operations in relation to Afghanistan. ADF personnel served alongside Australians from government and non-government organisations, Coalition forces and Afghan nationals. We remember all who lost their lives during, or as a result of, their service and acknowledge the physical and mental impacts that service has on many veterans and their families.

The national commemorative service will be held at the Australian War Memorial in Canberra, and if you, or someone you know is attending, please register your in-person attendance through the DVA website www.dva.gov.au. For those unable to attend in person, the service will be broadcast live on the ABC.

I am very pleased to provide you with copies of the poster to commemorate the 25th anniversary of Australian service in Afghanistan and encourage you to share it in your community. The poster is also available through the Anzac Portal at www.anzacportal.dva.gov.au.

There are many ways to commemorate Australian service in Afghanistan including sharing your own personal experiences on the DVA Wall of Remembrance at www.dva.gov.au.

Should you have any questions or require additional posters, please email commemorative[redacted]or contact 1800 VETERAN ([redacted]

Yours sincerely,

Matt Keogh

HON MATT KEOGH MP
2 September 2026
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Ayr Police Station
165 Queen Street, Ayr
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The Mayor and Councillors
Burdekin Shire Council
145 Young Street
Ayr. Qld. 4807.

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

National Police Remembrance Day is observed in the month of September each year to honour police officers who have died in the course of their duties. Services are being conducted at major centres throughout Queensland and across the nation again this year.

You and your partner or your representatives are invited to attend the National Police Remembrance Day Service to be held at 9.30am on Tuesday 29th September 2026 at Ayr Community Church, Lot 23 International Drive, Ayr.

During the Service the Roll of Honour (the names of Police Officers killed in the course of their duties) will be read to the congregation.

An opportunity to lay wreaths will be afforded our guests and all attending are encouraged to participate in that part of the ceremony. A collection will also be taken for donations to Police Legacy.

A morning tea for the congregation will be held in the church hall at the conclusion of the service.

It is anticipated that Police Officers, Staff Members, their families and members of the public will attend.

To assist in planning, could you please advise Ayr Police Station by Friday 18th September 2026 on [redacted] if you will be attending.

Yours sincerely

Lisa Shields
Senior Sergeant, 4013513
Officer In Charge
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From: "CEO | Lauren Streifer" [redacted]>
Sent: Fri, 4 Sep 2026 09:19:39 +1000
To: "RES - Mailbox - Email Registration" <EmailRegistration@burdekin.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Invitation to participate in the ANZ Local Government Forum at the Global Transport Leaders Summit in Sydney this summer

Mayor Pierina Dalle Cort
Mr Matthew Magin, Chief Executive Officer
Burdekin Shire Council

4 September 2026

Re: Invitation to participate in the ANZ Local Government Forum at the Global Transport Leaders Summit in Sydney this summer

Dear Pierina, Matthew,

I'm writing from the Public Transport Association Australia New Zealand (PTAANZ) to invite an elected representative and a senior member of your Council team to join other local government leaders at the Australia and New Zealand Local Government Transport Forum.

Hosted by Deputy Lord Mayor of Sydney Councillor Jess Miller, the Forum will take place at Sydney Town Hall on Thursday 5 November, 10am–12:30pm, as part of the two-day PTAANZ Global Transport Leaders Summit.

At PTAANZ we believe that local government plays a critical role in shaping how people move, and how our communities grow. The Forum will give Council leaders a dedicated opportunity to showcase the leadership, advocacy and achievements of local government in transport, walking, cycling and street transformation, as well as to connect with peers from across ANZ who are tackling similar challenges.

The two-day Global Transport Leaders Summit is taking place in Sydney on 4 – 5 November as Australia assumes the presidency of the COP31 climate negotiations, and will be transport's defining climate moment. Speakers include Andy Lord - Commissioner, Transport for London, the Hon. John Graham MLC – Minister for Transport, NSW, transport secretaries from across ANZ, plus industry leaders.

A special discounted Summit registration rate is available exclusively for local government representatives, including valuable entry to the two-day Summit, Gala Dinner with Lord Mayor Clover Moore AO, and the Local Government Transport Forum.

Please select "Member rates" and use the promo code IMWITHLG when you register: https://www.ivvy.com.au/event/SUMMIT26/

Please find attached a Summit program overview. If you would like to know more, please contact Mark Ames, Director – Government Collaboration & Impact: [redacted]

We would be delighted to welcome you to Sydney this summer.

Yours sincerely,

Lauren Streifer
Chief Executive
Public Transport Association of Australia and New Zealand

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Cr Pierina Dalle Cort
Mayor
Burdekin Shire Council
P O Box 974
AYR QLD 4807

Dear Pierina

At our annual Awards Night we recognise the efforts and accomplishments of our students. We would be pleased if you could join us on this occasion.

Details of the evening are as follows:

Date:	Thursday, October 22nd
Time:	7.30pm
Venue:	Burdekin Theatre
Dress:	Semi-formal
Arrival:	We would be pleased if you would join us on the Mezzanine Floor at 7.00pm on the evening in order to enter the theatre through the Green Room with other invited guests.
Supper:	Supper will be served at the conclusion of the official part of the evening.
RSVP:	Wednesday, October 7th

On the evening we will be presenting subject awards and a number of special awards. If you are able to attend, I would be grateful if you would present one of the special awards.

I hope you will be able to join us on this night.

Yours faithfully

Mr Craig Whittred
PRINCIPAL

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From: "Matthew Magin"
Sent: Tue, 1 Sep 2026 08:09:44 +1000
To: "RES - Mailbox - Email Registration" <EmailRegistration@burdekin.qld.gov.au>
Subject: FW: Outcome of the Agenda Committee re motions submitted for debate at the 2026 LGAQ Annual Conference
Attachments: 2026 Agenda Committee Outcome - Burdekin.pdf
Categories: 00_Inward

Please register, task to Rebecca and add to CI.

Matthew Magin

Chief Executive Officer
Burdekin Shire Council

[redacted]
145 Young St | PO Box 974 | Ayr Qld 4807
[redacted]



From: Sarah Vogler [redacted]>
Sent: Monday, 31 August 2026 8:17 PM
To: Pierina Dalle Cort [redacted]>; Matthew Magin [redacted]
Cc: Grace McSorley [redacted]
Subject: Outcome of the Agenda Committee re motions submitted for debate at the 2026 LGAQ Annual Conference

Good evening Mayor Dalle Cort and Matthew,
Please find attached a letter outlining the outcome of last week's meeting of the Agenda Committee regarding motions submitted for debate at the 2026 LGAQ Annual Conference.
Please do not hesitate to reach out should you have any questions.
Regards,
Sarah

Sarah Vogler | Head of Advocacy
[redacted] [redacted]

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31 August 2026

Cr Pierina Dalle Cort
Mayor
Burdekin Shire Council
[redacted]

Matthew Magin
Chief Executive Officer
Burdekin Shire Council
[redacted]

Dear Mayor Dalle Cort, Dear Matthew,

RE: Agenda Committee Meeting for 2026 Annual Conference Motions

Thank you to Burdekin Shire Council for your motion submission to the Local Government Association of Queensland for inclusion in the upcoming 2026 LGAQ Annual Conference agenda.

We sincerely appreciate the time and effort councils invest in bringing forward motions for consideration to help shape the LGAQ policy agenda and support the local government sector to achieve the funding and policy change it needs to support council operations and create more liveable communities.

The Agenda Committee, a sub-committee of the LGAQ's Policy Executive, met on Monday 24 August 2026 to review all submitted motions.

This is the third year the Agenda Committee is reviewing member motions against a new Motions Protocol, which includes clearer guidelines on motion eligibility, to help guide members in deciding which advocacy issues to submit as a motion, and which to seek guidance from myself or the team on, to support your council's individual advocacy.

According to the Protocol, motions should:

- *Relate to a statewide issue or an issue impacting a large portion or segment of the membership*
- *Ask for action from the State or Federal Government*
- *Not result in a responsibility or cost shift to local government*
- *Not relate to a matter considered at a previous Annual Conference in the last five years, unless seeking to alter or update the adopted policy position.*
- *Not advantage one council or cohort of councils to the disadvantage of another.*

The Committee has determined council's motions titled *Legislative amendment to support local financial institution investment* and *Mandatory minimum consultation timeframes with local government on State Government and Parliamentary Committee processes*, will proceed to debate alongside the motion titled *Coordinated transition and ongoing funding for local governments to continue to provide flood monitoring services*, which has been combined into a composite motion with Douglas and Noosa Shire Council under the same title.

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However, the Committee determined not to progress *Queensland Police Service Automatic Number Plate Recognition Network Funding and Coordination* as this does not appear to be an issue impacting a large number or cohort of councils and is currently one the LGAQ has been assisting council to address with the State Government including with the relevant State departments and Ministers.

Please be assured we will continue to support Burdekin Shire Council on this matter as and where needed.

In accordance with the Motions Protocol, if you disagree with the decision made by the Agenda Committee, you are invited to submit additional information and request the Committee's reconsideration of their decision.

To proceed, please provide your response in writing, including the additional details, by COB Monday, 7 September 2026 to Grace McSorley via [redacted]

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly on [redacted]

Yours sincerely,

S.Vogler

Sarah Vogler

Head of Advocacy, on behalf of the Agenda Committee

6.

From: "Education, Arts and Communities Committee" [redacted]>
Sent: Fri, 28 Aug 2026 15:48:33 +1000
To: "Education, Arts and Communities Committee" [redacted]
Subject: Call for submissions - Queensland Protection Commission Bill 2026
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Good afternoon,

Queensland Protection Commission Bill 2026

On Wednesday, 26 August 2026, the Honourable Deb Frecklington MP, Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister for Integrity introduced the Queensland Protection Commission Bill 2026 into the Queensland Parliament. The Bill was referred to the Education, Arts and Communities Committee (committee) for detailed consideration. The committee is required to report to the Parliament by Friday, 9 October 2026.

Documents relating to the committee's inquiry, including the Bill, explanatory notes and introductory speech, can be viewed on the committee's **webpage.**

About the Bill

The Bill proposes reforms in response to the Child Death Review Board's review of system responses to child sexual abuse. The report of the review, *In Plain Sight: Review into System Responses to Child Sexual Abuse* (In Plain Sight report), was tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 8 December 2025.

The In Plain Sight report made 28 recommendations for significant child safeguarding reform. The recommendations focus on improving leadership, institutional and organisational practice, improving responses to and supporting victim survivors, strengthening intelligence gathering and actioning, building community awareness around child sexual abuse, and reforming the criminal justice system. The Government released its response to the In Plain Sight report on 16 June 2026, with the majority of recommendations accepted or accepted in principle.

The purpose of the Bill is to:

- establish the role of the Queensland Protection Commissioner, with responsibility to deliver coordinated child and vulnerable person safeguarding and child protection oversight functions in Queensland;
- replace the current Queensland Family and Child Commission and establish a new statutory authority called the Queensland Protection Commission, a dedicated child safeguarding entity, to support the delivery of functions by the Queensland Protection Commissioner;
- retain the independent Child Death Review Board with its existing scope, functions and powers, with secretariat support provided by the Queensland Protection Commission;
- co-locate the Reportable Conduct Scheme (RCS), the Child Safe Standards (CSS) framework, working with children check (WWCC) scheme and the disability worker screening (DWS) scheme within the Queensland Protection Commission by transferring responsibility for their administration to the Queensland Protection Commissioner;

- expand information sharing capability between the Queensland Protection Commission's RCS, CSS and worker screening functions;
- increase penalties for certain offences under the *Child Safe Organisations Act 2024* (CSO Act) and the *Working with Children Check Act 2000* (WWCC Act);
- amend the disqualifying and serious offence framework in the WWCC Act to uplift offences as part of the work towards mutual recognition of WWCCs under the Standing Council of Attorneys-General (SCAG) *Agreement to Deliver National WWCC Reform* (SCAG Agreement); and
- facilitate Queensland's participation in a pilot of the National Continuous Checking Capability, being delivered by the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission, as part of the SCAG Agreement.

Call for submissions

The committee invites submissions addressing any aspect of the Bill from all interested parties. Guidelines for making a submission to a parliamentary committee are available here. Please ensure your submission meets these requirements.

The closing date for written submissions is **5:00pm** on **Friday, 18 September 2026.**

How to make a submission

Click **here** to make a submission. Through this link, you can write your submission or upload a file containing your submission.

Submissions **must** include:

- the author's **full name**
- if the submission is made on behalf of an organisation, the level of approval (e.g. a local branch, executive committee or national organisation), **and**
- **at least two of the following**:
  - email address
  - mailing address, and
  - daytime telephone number.

Please ensure your submission includes the above or it may not be considered by the committee.

Other information

Further information about the inquiry process, including details of any public hearings and/or briefings, will be provided on the committee's **webpage** as it becomes available.

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From: "Corro QFD Minister" [redacted]
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To: [redacted]; "RES - Mailbox - Email Registration" <EmailRegistration@burdekin.qld.gov.au>
Subject: 02000-26: Letter from the Office of the Minister for Local Government and Water and Minister for Fire, Disaster Recovery and Volunteers
Attachments: 02000-26.pdf
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Please find attached correspondence from the Minister for Fire, Disaster Recovery and Volunteers.

Any further correspondence can be sent via [redacted]

Kind regards

Office of the Honourable Ann Leahy MP
Minister for Local Government and Water and Minister for Fire, Disaster Recovery and Volunteers
[redacted]
1 William Street, Brisbane Qld 4000
GPO Box 2247, Brisbane Qld 4001

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GPO Box 2247 Brisbane
Queensland 4001 Australia
[redacted]

27 August 2026

Cr Pierina Dalle Cort
Mayor
Burdekin Shire Council

Email: [redacted]

Dear Councillor Dalle Cort

Thank you for your letter of 13 August 2026 regarding fire and rescue service arrangements in the Burdekin Shire Council, including the staffing model for the new Ayr Fire and Rescue Station (FRS).

I appreciate the strong advocacy you and Burdekin Shire Council have shown for your community, and I thank you for your ongoing commitment to the safety and wellbeing of Burdekin residents, businesses and visitors.

I am advised that you were in attendance at the meeting held at Ayr Fire and Rescue station on 14 August 2026 with Stephen Smith, Commissioner, Queensland Fire Department (QFD) and Michael O'Neil, Acting Deputy Commissioner, Queensland Fire and Rescue, where you echoed your concerns expressed in your letter.

I understand that the Commissioner noted at that meeting that the Ayr FRS does not currently meet the criteria for a 24-hour response model, but that incident activity and service demand in the region will continue to be closely monitored.

I am also advised that the planned FS4 station that will replace the existing station has been designed so that it can easily be extended to an FS6 model in the future, should operational requirements change.

In relation to auxiliary capability, I have been informed that an additional auxiliary recruitment drive for the Burdekin region will be initiated following the finalisation of the Auxiliary Award – with this new Award providing a more attractive package for residents wishing to contribute to their community in this important role. Work is also being progressed to streamline the auxiliary recruitment process to support improved workforce availability.

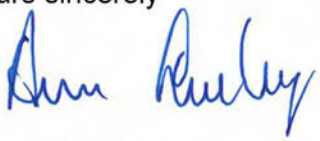
As such, I have requested that Queensland Fire and Rescue reach out to your office when the new recruitment drive occurs to request your assistance in promoting these vital roles throughout the Burdekin region.

I also note that other regional Queensland councils have implemented policies and procedures to support their workforces in being able to serve as auxiliary firefighters and would encourage you to investigate such opportunities as one of the major employers in the Burdekin region. Queensland Fire and Rescue is available to assist in exploring these options.

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Thank you again for your advocacy on behalf of the Burdekin community and for your commitment to ensuring local emergency service capability remains a priority.

Yours sincerely



ANN LEAHY MP
Minister for Local Government and Water and
Minister for Fire, Disaster Recovery and Volunteers

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If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact the committee secretariat on [redacted] or by return email.

Education, Arts and Communities Committee

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Hi there,

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Alternative Phone:	
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Select your issue:	General question, comment or feedback
Details	Hi, I know that sometimes the council need to make caravan parks comply with certain rules and regulations but in relation to Groper Creek Caravan Park it seems that the council has

	lost the plot. if the caravan park is forced to close due to being non-compliant it would be a great lost to businesses in your shire which is not a good thing as hundreds of visitors stay and spend money in your shire. it seems to me that Home Hill in particular is struggling with many shops empty, surely there must be a way round the problem as we have stayed in many caravan parks around Australia with far worse facilities. I do not think you are doing your rate payers any favors by cutting off visitors to your shire. Neil Caine
Contact me about this matter.	

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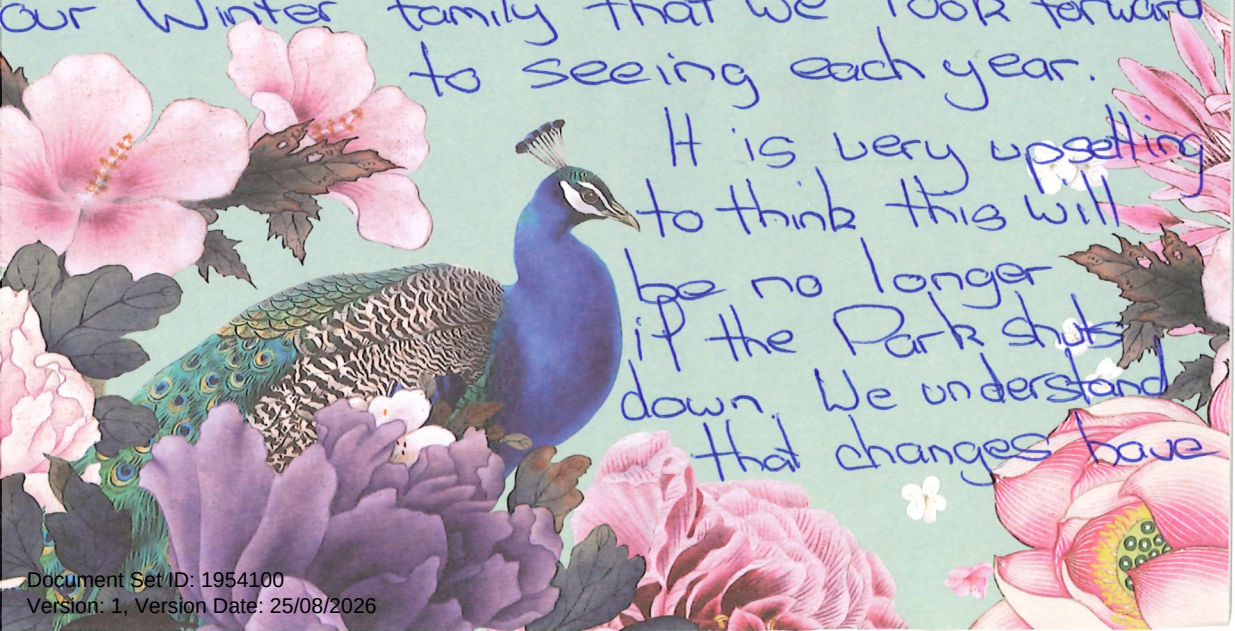
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Frances Hughes
8 Trent Court
Traralgon.
Vic. 3844.

Dear Councilors,

As you can see I am a Victorian and we have been coming up to Groper Creek for 14 yrs and for the last few years have been staying for 3½ months. Some regular people have been coming longer, and as some stop coming others take their place and join the Groper Creek family because that's what it is our Winter family that we look forward to seeing each year.

It is very upsetting to think this will be no longer if the Park shuts down. We understand that changes have



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to happen but does it have to shut down the Park.

We stay here, pay our rent, shop in all the shops in Home Hill and Ayr, even Townsville, go to the markets etc. We go out to lunch at least once a week also, so all these places will suffer.

If the Park shuts down we will go elsewhere and spend our time and money there, but it won't be the same, so think hard before you shut us out.

Regards

Frances and all the other loves of Groper Creek



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10.



From: ESNoreply <[redacted]
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Subject: MC156768 - Department of Transport and Main Roads - Do not reply to this email

Good afternoon

Please find attached correspondence from the Honourable Brent Mickelberg MP, Minister for Transport and Main Roads.

Kind regards

Cabinet, Legislation and Executive Services | Department of Transport and Main Roads
GPO Box 1549 | Brisbane Qld 4001
W: www.tmr.qld.gov.au

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20 August 2026

Councillor Pierina Dalle Cort
Mayor
[redacted]

Dear Mayor

I am pleased to announce the Crisafulli Government is expanding the Ready for the Road (R4TR): Guiding your Learner from L to P Program, with free workshops being delivered across Queensland from August 2026.

R4TR supports parents, carers and supervisors of learner drivers with practical skills, advice and resources to help build safe driving habits and develop confident, responsible road users.

The enclosed fact sheet provides further information about the Program, including details of scheduled sessions in your region.

As a valued community partner, I would appreciate your support in promoting these free workshops and encouraging local participation.

To assist, an online Stakeholder Amplification Kit containing ready-to-use promotional materials, including newsletter and social media content, posters, images and FAQs can be accessed at https://comms.tmr.qld.gov.au/em/message/email/view.php?id=1703025&a=146212&k=Q7qEYUNN1xpBwLyD303G7d7davQOUIPIkpHEXhpYhLM.

I encourage you to share the upcoming sessions and resources through your communication channels, networks and community groups, and to display posters in suitable public locations where possible.

To enable my Department to co-ordinate local promotion of future workshops over the next 12 months, please nominate a contact person by emailing TMRRoadSafety@tmr.qld.gov.au by Friday, 21 August 2026.

By working together, we can help ensure supervisors have knowledge and tools needed to support Queensland's next generation of drivers and contribute to safer roads across the state.

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Further information about the R4TR Program is available on my Department's website at https://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/ready-for-the-road.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to road safety in your community.

Yours sincerely



BRENT MICKELBERG MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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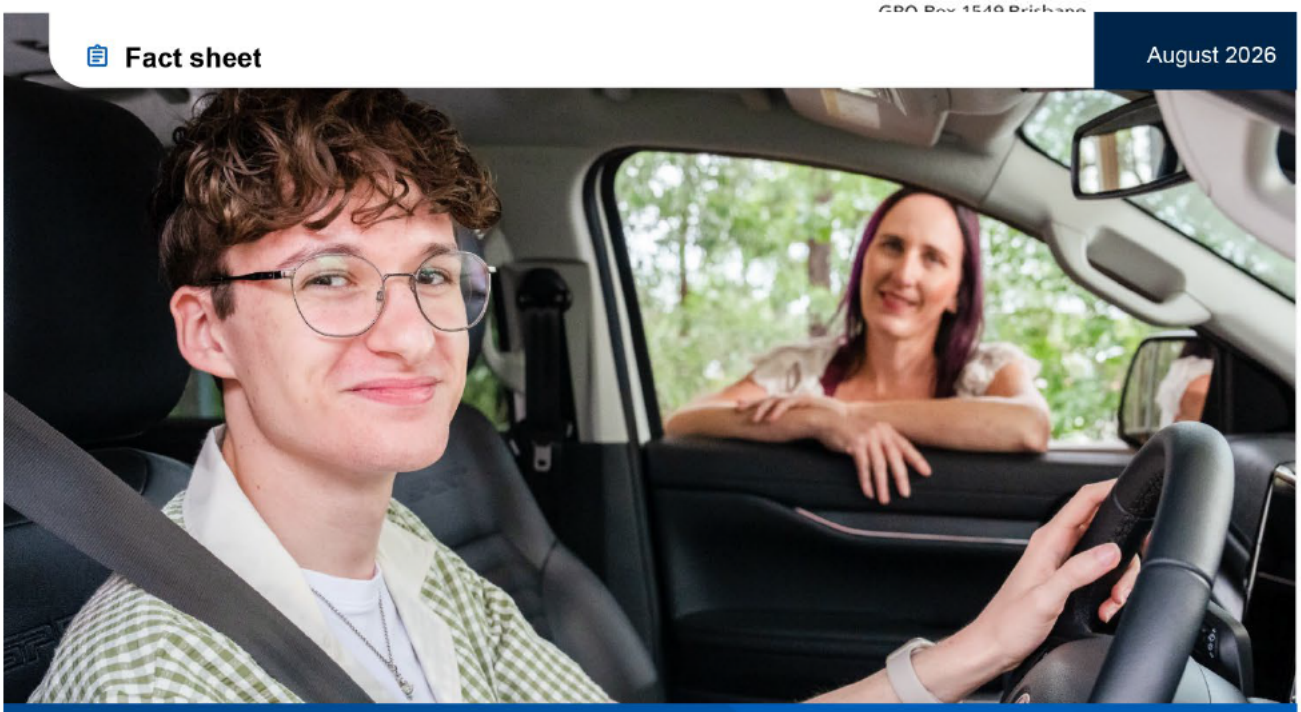
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Fact sheet

August 2026



Ready for the Road:

Guiding your learner from L to P

Free workshops across Queensland helping supervisors of learner drivers build safer driving habits and greater confidence on the road.

Key features

- **Free in person workshops state-wide** supporting supervisors of learner drivers across Queensland.
- **Practical guidance** on key risks, common mistakes and safe driving habits.
- **Supports parents, carers and supervisors** to feel more confident when supervising learners.
- **Focus on regional and priority communities** to help reach areas with greater need.

Key benefits for the community

- Safer roads through better prepared learner drivers and supervisors
- Increases learner and supervisor confidence, improving on-road decision making
- Expands access to road safety education across Queensland, including regional communities
- Strengthens community awareness of key driving risks and safe practices

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Ready for the Road sessions

Time: 5pm-7pm

Planned dates/locations (subject to change)

2026
1 August: Sunshine Coast
6 August: Palm Beach
17 August: Cairns
18 August: Townsville
27 August: Tamborine Mountain
1 September: Beaudesert
7 September: Mackay
8 September: Rockhampton
8 September: Helensvale
9 September: Gladstone
16 September: Toowoomba
17 September: Warwick
14 October: Charters Towers
27 October: Robina
11 November: Springfield
12 November: Gaythorne
16 November: Jindalee
17 November: Sunshine Coast
18 November: Ipswich
19 November: Carseldine
25 November: Logan
7 December: Bundaberg
8 December: Hervey Bay
9 December: Gympie

2027
27 January: Warwick
28 January: Toowoomba
1 February: Mackay
2 February: Rockhampton
3 February: Gladstone
1 March: Cairns
2 March: Townsville
19 April: Bundaberg
20 April: Hervey Bay
21 April: Gympie
11 May: Carseldine
12 May: Gaythorne
13 May: Sunshine Coast
14 May: Redcliffe
1 June: Jindalee
2 June: Cleveland
3 June: Ipswich
4 June: Logan
21 June: Gold Coast

What to expect

- **Interactive learning:** Short, practical sessions covering safe driving habits, risks, and real-life scenarios for new drivers.
- **Expert-led facilitation:** Delivered by trained presenters with experience in road safety and learner driver education.
- **Take-home resources:** Clear tips and materials to support ongoing safe driving behaviours beyond the session.

Program outcomes

- **Builds confidence:** Helps supervisors feel prepared and learners gain confidence on the road.
- **Supports safer driving habits:** Helps supervisors guide learners to develop safe driving behaviours.
- **Improves road safety outcomes:** Strong supervision and early habit-building contribute to safer drivers and roads.

Find out more

Learn more about the program:
www.tmr.qld.gov.au/ready-for-the-road

Email:
TMRRoadSafety@tmr.qld.gov.au

Scan to find a workshop near you or join the wait list.

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Please register add to CI and task to me

Matthew Magin

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Cc: rcwalt <rcwalt@skymesh.com.au>; starship <starship@bigpond.net.au>
Subject: Home Hill Boat Club

Dear Mayor, CEO, Councillors and Council Staff,

Thank you all for attend the HHBC member meeting on Wednesday evening.

Please find attached a letter confirming the outcome of this meeting.

The committee would appreciate your response so that a mutually agreeable time can be scheduled to discuss the future management of the Groper Creek Caravan Park.

Kind regards

HHBC
Rod Walters - Commodore
Sue Malaponte - Secretary

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Home Hill Boat Club Inc
PO Box 562, Home Hill 4806
info@homehillboatclub.com.au

20th August 2026

The Mayor and Councillors
The Chief Executive Officer
Burdekin Shire Council
PO Box 974, Ayr 4807

Dear Sirs and Mesdames,

Thank you for attending the Special Members Meeting held at the Boat House, Groper Creek, on 19 August 2026.

As members were advised, the meeting was convened to discuss a range of operational issues arising from correspondence received from Council. These issues included, but were not limited to:

- Water supply, quality and management matters
- Caravan Park site numbers and locations
- Ablution block compliance requirements
- EPA restrictions relating to grey and black water disposal

The following motion was presented to the members:

"That the Home Hill Boat Club Inc. no longer manage the operation of the Groper Creek Caravan Park and that all operational and administrative involvement cease on 1 January 2027."

Following discussion, the motion was put to a vote and was carried by the members present. Members therefore voted in support of the Home Hill Boat Club Inc. surrendering the administration and management of the Groper Creek Caravan Park.

The Committee acknowledges the significance of this decision and looks forward to further discussions regarding the implementation and management of this transition.

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We remain committed to maintaining an open, transparent, and collaborative relationship with Burdekin Shire Council throughout the process.

Thank you for your ongoing support and participation in the future direction of the Groper Creek Caravan Park.

Kind regards

HHBC Inc
Rod Walters- Commodore
Peter Doig – Vice Commodore
Sue Malaponte – Secretary
Julia Fahey – Treasurer
John Fahey – Life Member and Patron

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Home Hill Tennis Association Inc.
PO Box 374
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9th August 2026
homehilltennis@gmail.com

Burdekin Shire Council
Dear Pierina and Councillors,

Thank you for supporting Home Hill Tennis.

On behalf of the Home Hill Tennis Association, I would like to personally thank you for your generous support of our club throughout the year. Your sponsorship has made a genuine difference to our ability to provide quality sporting opportunities and bring people together in our local community.

We were thrilled with the success of this year's Sugar Bowl Tennis Competition and Cane Country Cup Pickleball Team Event, with both events attracting players and supporters from throughout Queensland.

The Sugar Bowl reached full capacity, with 45 teams and approximately 350 players, while the Cane Country Cup continued its impressive growth, attracting 28 teams. Having hundreds of visitors come to town for our events is a fantastic achievement. These visitors stay locally, eat locally, shop locally and experience what our region has to offer.

Our local involvement was also particularly strong. 16 of the 45 Sugar Bowl team captains were either current Burdekin residents or originally from the region. Seven local teams competed in the Cane Country Cup. All return year after year, making the events an important opportunity to reconnect with family, friends and the community.

We were also proud to celebrate some outstanding results from teams with strong Burdekin connections:

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Sugar Bowl – Tennis
James Casswell's "The Shoeys" – 1st, B Grade Men
Sherry Walton's "Sugar Hits" – 2nd, B Grade Ladies
Brett Wheeler – "Col's Crew" 2nd, A Grade Men and Team Spirit Award
Carl Martens – 1st, A2 Men
Graham Wicks – 2nd, B Grade Men
Ryan Davies – 3rd, B Grade Men



Cane Country Cup – Pickleball
Hannah Casswell's "Pickle du Lulu" – 2nd, Advanced
Kate Casswell's "In a Pickle" – 1st, High Intermediate
Michael Northwood's "Dink n Dive" – 3rd, High Intermediate
Merv Mohr's "Green & Pickled" – 1st, Social
Tracey Groom's "Sandy Slammers" – 2nd, Social

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We are particularly grateful for the opportunity to showcase and promote your business as one of our valued sponsors. Your sponsorship was acknowledged throughout the events, including prominent recognition on our Facebook and social media platforms. Our sponsor signage was highly visible throughout the clubhouse and event areas, and our Sponsors' Wall remains proudly displayed in the clubhouse throughout the year, providing ongoing recognition beyond the competition weekends. We have also placed a Sponsors' Board at the front entrance, ensuring that everyone entering our facility can see and acknowledge our major sponsors. You can take pride in knowing that your support is helping create opportunities for people of all ages to participate, compete, socialise and stay connected.

Home Hill Tennis is a volunteer-run community club with a long history, established in 1932. We are proud to be more than just a place to play tennis and pickleball. Our facility is a meeting place for families, young people, older residents, visitors and community groups.

Your support helps us maintain and improve our facilities, provide better experiences for our members and visitors, attract major events to the region and strengthen our applications for important community grants.

Most importantly, your sponsorship helps ensure that our club can continue to grow and provide opportunities for our community well into the future.

We genuinely value your support and the relationship we have with your business. Without the generosity of local businesses and community-minded sponsors like yours, our club could not offer what it does for the community.

Thank you for believing in Home Hill Tennis and for investing in our club and our community. We look forward to continuing to showcase your support and welcoming you back to Home Hill Tennis for another successful year next year.



With sincere thanks and appreciation,

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Kate Casswell
Secretary
Home Hill Tennis Association



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Please register, task to Matteo with copy to Megan B and Eliza.

Add to CI

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Cc: Matthew Magin <Matthew.Magin@burdekin.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Burdekin Shire Council - Correspondence from the Deputy Premier - MBN26/860

Good afternoon

Please find attached correspondence from the Honourable Jarrod Bleijie MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning and Minister for Industrial Relations.

Please do not respond to this email. If you wish to reply, please send your email to deputy.premier@ministerial.qld.gov.au.

Kind regards

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1 William Street, Brisbane Qld 4000

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The Hon Jarrod Bleijie MP
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20 August 2026

Mayor Pierina Dalle Cort
Burdekin Shire Council
mayor@burdekin.qld.gov.au

Dear Mayor

I am pleased to advise I have decided to publicly notify the Draft North Queensland (NQ) Regional Plan and Infrastructure Plan 2026 (draft regional plan) to be released for statutory consultation in accordance with the *Planning Act 2016* (Planning Act).

The Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning (the Department) has worked closely with Local Governments to carry out a focused review of the draft regional plan. I acknowledge the time and effort invested by NQ Councils in contributing to the review process and I would like to thank you and Council officers for the hard work and support.

The draft regional plan is open for public consultation between 18 August to 29 September 2026. A copy of the draft regional plan can be accessed via the link https://www.planning.qld.gov.au/draft-nq-regional-plan-2026.pdf and on the website at: https://www.planning.qld.gov.au/planning-framework/plan-making/regional-planning/north-queensland-regional-plan. A copy of the Queensland Government Gazette Notice (as required under the Planning Act) is enclosed for your information.

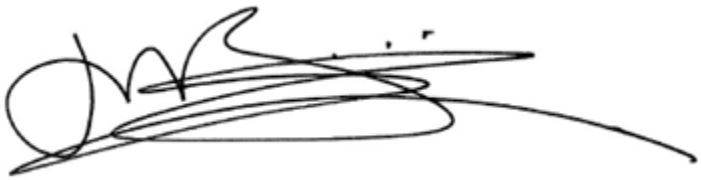
The Department is undertaking consultation sessions in the region so the community can talk to a planner to find out more about the draft regional plan and/or discuss how it relates to their property. The Department will provide you with a schedule and venue details, so you know when we are holding the sessions in your area. The Department will also hold dedicated briefings with key stakeholders across the region upon request.

The draft regional plan is a practical blueprint for action, designed to harness the region's strengths in agriculture, tourism, resources and industry while planning for housing supply and infrastructure. We are inviting feedback because we understand effective planning starts with listening to the community. By working together, we can create a framework to drive economic growth and job creation while safeguarding the unique character which makes this region so special. I look forward to continuing to work with you on this important project.

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If you require any further information regarding this matter, please contact my Chief of Staff, Mr Nathan Ruhle, by email at nathan.ruhle@ministerial.qld.gov.au or by telephone on (07) 3719 7100.

Yours sincerely



JARROD BLEIJIE MP
DEPUTY PREMIER
Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning
Minister for Industrial Relations

Enc

cc Mr Matthew Magin
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NOTIFICATION OF THE DRAFT NORTH QUEENSLAND REGIONAL PLAN AND INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN 2026 UNDER THE *PLANNING ACT 2016* AND PROPOSED CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENT OF THE *REGIONAL PLANNING INTERESTS REGULATION 2014*

I, the Honourable Jarrod Bleijie MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning and Minister for Industrial Relations, do hereby notify that the Draft North Queensland Regional Plan and Infrastructure Plan 2026 (draft regional plan) has been prepared, as a regional plan under section 10 of the *Planning Act 2016*.

The draft regional plan can be downloaded from the Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning's website at: **https://www.planning.qld.gov.au/planning-framework/plan-making/regional-planning/north-queensland-regional-plan**.

Information of the proposed amendment to the *Regional Planning Interests Regulation 2014* is also available at the above website.

Written submissions about the draft regional plan may be made to the Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning and Minister for Industrial Relations by any person between **18 August 2026 to 29 September 2026** (the consultation period).

To be properly made, submissions must:

- be made to the Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning and Minister for Industrial Relations at **NQRPIPSubmissions@dsdip.qld.gov.au** or by post at PO Box 15009, City East QLD 4002 [North Queensland Regional Plan Team]
- state the name and residential or business address of each person making the submission
- state one postal or electronic address for service relating to the submission for all persons making the submissions
- be made in writing and, unless the submission is made electronically, be signed by each person who has made the submission
- state the grounds of the submission and the facts and circumstances relied on in support of the grounds
- be received during the consultation period stated above.

Please contact **NQRPIPSubmissions@dsdip.qld.gov.au** for further information about the draft regional plan.

JARROD BLEIJIE MP
DEPUTY PREMIER
Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning
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Good afternoon,
We stayed at the Comfort Stop at Home Hill last night and just wanted to say what a great idea. Although it may be free to stay there and we only used the toilets and not the showers, we did spend more than $50 in various shops in town.
Thank you and we have no complaints, garbages were emptied and hopefully other visitors can look after it as well.
Cheers Lenny and Pauline
Motorhome and car in tow
Sent from my iPad

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2026 FINAL MANAGEMENT REPORT

Burdekin Shire Council

10 September 2026

Queensland Audit Office

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Cr Pierina Dalle Cort
Mayor
Burdekin Shire Council

Dear Cr Dalle Cort

Final management report for Burdekin Shire Council

This report provides the outcome of the Queensland Audit Office's external audit of your financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2026.

We have completed our audit and issued an unmodified opinion. This means the financial statements follow required laws and accounting standards, and can be relied on.

Final observations arising from our audit

Following our closing report to you dated 31 August 2026, we have not identified any additional matters that require your attention.

Our final audit fee is $95,000, excluding GST, which is in line with the estimate in our external audit plan.

Report to parliament

Each year, we report to parliament on the results of our financial audits by sector, including insights on internal control issues, outcomes across the sector, and major transactions and events. Our reports support transparency, accountability, and decision-making by parliament and stakeholders.

We intend to include the outcome of your audit in our report, Local government 2026.

We value input from the entities we include in our reports. If we highlight insights from your audit, we will discuss the proposed content with you and consult as we prepare the report. You will also have an opportunity to formally comment on the draft report, and we include your response in the final version tabled in parliament.

Next steps

We will present this final management report to the audit committee on 11 November 2026, providing it with an overview of the outcome of our audit and any final matters.

We would like to thank you and your staff for your engagement this year and look forward to working with you again in future.

Please note, section 213 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 requires you to present a copy of this report at your council's next ordinary meeting.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this report or our audit services and engagement, please contact me on [redacted] or Neil Bautista on [redacted]

Yours sincerely

Tracey Mayhew
Engagement Partner – Crowe Audit Australia

cc: Mr Matthew Magin, Chief Executive Officer
Mr David Sibley, Chair of the audit committee

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