



## Community Message 3

### Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update from Croydon Shire Council

The situation is changing rapidly and Council's priority is the health and wellbeing of our employees and community, and the provision of essential facilities and services.

You are encouraged to keep up-to-date with health information, wash your hands often and properly, practice social distancing, which includes staying 1.5m away from others as much as you can and stay home if you are sick.

If you are sick – phone the Croydon Clinic on 4748 7000 – the Clinic has procedures in place to assess and treat patients. If you require urgent medical attention call 000.

As rural cattle properties, contract mustering teams and businesses move into the commencement of the “work season” (roadworks, mustering, transporting livestock and goods, etc.) everyone is reminded of their responsibilities to protect others and stop the spread. Many small businesses employ workers that come to the shire from all over the state. Have you thought about what you will do, measures you will put in place to protect your employees and contractors and the isolation and management of anyone who should become ill?

We can all help slow the spread of COVID-19. To protect others you must:

- Practice good hygiene
- Practice social distancing
- Follow the limits for gatherings
- Understand how to self-isolate if you need to.

All of this information and more is available on the Queensland Health website.

Council has made further changes to access to facilities, below is an updated list of facilities that are closed until further notice:

- Public playgrounds at Anzac Park and Lake Belmore
- Library
- True Blue Visitor Information Centre
- Heritage Buildings
- Freedom Camping
- Rodeo Grounds
- Recreation Grounds
- Public Swimming Pool and Caravan Park Swimming Pool
- Public toilet facilities at the Railway Station, Town Hall, Visitor Centre, Matron Morrow Hall, Heritage Police Residence, Rodeo Grounds and Recreation Grounds



In the workplace Council continues to implement measures to protect employees and the community. Council's Administration Office, Works Depots, Childcare Centre and Caravan Park remain open and operating, with measures put in place. Council will continue to monitor the situation and will advise accordingly of additional closures that may be required.

If you require QGAP services please phone ahead to make an appointment, e.g. vehicle registrations, unregistered permits, etc.

To assist in meeting hygiene and social distancing requirements we are asking the community to make use of phone and email for customer requests or enquiries and payments. Please phone 4748 7100 or email [admin@croydon.qld.gov.au](mailto:admin@croydon.qld.gov.au). If you do need to come into the office please ensure that you practice social distancing and if there are others in reception please wait outside.

A reminder that accurate information is available from the following websites. This information is updated when new advice is available.

For the latest health advice visit: [www.health.qld.gov.au](http://www.health.qld.gov.au)

For the latest travel and border advice visit: [www.smartraveller.gov.au](http://www.smartraveller.gov.au)

For the latest advice on economic assistance for affected industries and small business visit: [www.qld.gov.au/about/industry-recovery](http://www.qld.gov.au/about/industry-recovery)

There is a dedicated page on Council's website providing a link to these websites, as well as the latest Community Messages from Council.

The Croydon Shire Local Disaster Management Group is at 'Alert' status and members (*Council, Health Care Clinic, Police, School, Rural Fire Service, SES Service and District Disaster Executive Officer*) met today to discuss the situation and the plans that are in place to assist and protect the community.

Authorised by:

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