



# PUBLIC NOTICE

## Essential Information about COVID-19

The National Cabinet met last Sunday to consider further action to slow the spread of coronavirus.

Following this meeting, Queensland's Chief Health Officer has issued the Home Confinement Direction (copy attached) which is effective from 11:59 pm on Sunday, 29 March 2020.

This Direction:

1. Limits indoor and outdoor gatherings to 2 people, excluding household members;
2. Requires people to stay at home unless for permitted purpose.

The Direction states –

*A person who resides in Queensland must not leave their principal place of residence except for, and only to the extent reasonably necessary to accomplish, the following permitted purposes:*

- a. to obtain food or other **essential goods or services**;
- b. to obtain medical treatment or other health care services;
- c. to engage in physical exercise, either alone or in the company of no more than one other person; or in the company of a family group who ordinarily live in the same **Household**;
- d. to perform work on behalf of an employer that is engaged in an **essential business, activity or undertaking**, and the work to be performed is of a nature that cannot reasonably be performed from the person's principal place of residence;
- e. to visit a terminally ill relative or to attend a funeral, subject to any applicable restrictions under other relevant Public Health Directions;
- f. to provide assistance, care or support to an immediate member of the person's family;
- g. to attend any Court of Australia or to comply with or give effect to orders of the Court; or
- h. to attend a childcare facility, school, university, or other educational institution, to the extent care or instruction cannot reasonably be obtained in the person's principal place of residence.

The Australian Government has also advised that from midnight on 30 March 2020 all outdoor playgrounds are closed. Therefore, the following Council facilities are now closed:

1. Jardine St Playground, Birdsville
2. Anzac Park Playground, Birdsville
3. Anzac Park Playground, Bedourie

It is everyone's desire to keep Coronavirus out of our shire. This will only happen if everyone observes the directions provided by Government, practices social distancing and good personal hygiene. It's up to you.

  
Leon Love  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**  
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