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“Winton’s News for Winton”

27 November 2020

Tech upgrade for Birdsville and Bedourie health centres

Patients living in parts of Queensland's most remote regions can now use high-quality tele-health services to access specialists from across the state whenever they need them.

Birdsville and Bedourie primary health centres in the state's remote Central West have received more than \$500,000 of technology upgrades including new phone systems with satellite phone backup, wi-fi expansion and new state-of-the-art, multi-camera tele-health systems. Central West Hospital and Health Service Chief Executive Jane Hancock said these upgrades were vital for the safety of isolated Queenslanders.

“Telehealth is not only an important tool during this pandemic, it's much needed in our health system,” Ms Hancock said.

“Patients will be able to consult with specialists and clinicians located anywhere in the state with their vitals being monitored and reviewed in real-time.

“Travelling can be a real issue for regional Queenslanders, so healthcare solutions that reduce time away from their farms and family is bound to be welcomed.”

“For those living in the remotest parts of Queensland, tele-consults can prove not only time-saving but life-saving.



Bedourie Primary Health Centre Director of Nursing, Lucy Britton, now has greater connectivity and improved system reliability.

“Travelling can be a real issue for regional Queenslanders, so healthcare solutions that reduce time away from their farms and family is bound to be welcomed.”

Queensland Health has one of the largest managed tele-health networks in Australia with videoconferencing systems currently available in more than 200 hospitals and community facilities across the state.

Queensland Health recognises that digital solutions and improved regional telecommunications are key to delivering better health outcomes for rural and remote Queenslanders now and into the future.

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WHEN: Sunday 6th December

WHERE: Winton Shire Hall Supper Room

TIME: 9.30 am Doors open

Entry Fee: \$5.00

Drinks available

Christmas, Food and Drink Themed

Covid Restrictions apply

**Sign in Register will need to be
signed**



FOR SALE



104 ELDERSLIE ST
NEW HIGHSET HOME



\$220,000



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This high set home with 360 degree views and 2 decks is one of the newest homes in Winton. It cannot be replaced at this price. With 2023 square metres of land, it is fully fenced and contains three double bedrooms all with built-in wardrobes. The open plan kitchen, dining and lounge are complimented by a modern family bathroom with shower over bath and separate toilet. For added convenience the laundry is located upstairs and split system air-conditioning exists throughout. There is under cover parking for 3 cars and extra storage downstairs.

Contact Tom Brodie 0428 712 095



FOR SALE



54 CORK ST

ROOM FOR ALL THE FAMILY & PETS



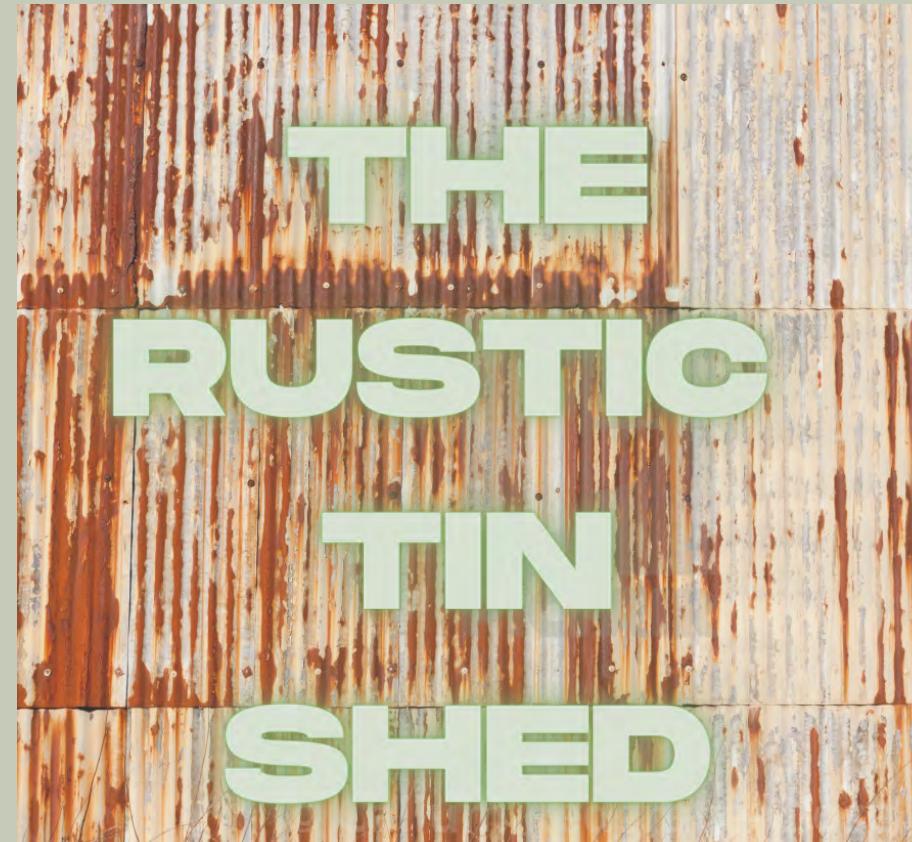
\$185,000



This fully fenced, multi-purpose block measures 2023 square metres with a spacious 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom family home. The large master bedroom claims the ensuite bathroom, whilst another bedroom has a separate dressing room or office space. There is air-conditioning to all living and bedroom areas. The tiled kitchen has a walk-in pantry and open plan dining area. Further mod cons include a large laundry, hot water system and cooling tank. The high roofed open 2 bay shed provides garaging or storage. The backyard is divided into separate fenced areas with water supply.

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Winton Shire Council Mayor's Message



Well, it's that time of year again as we wind down for a well-deserved Christmas break. 2020 has been a very tough year for everyone and I can truly say that I am very proud and honoured of what our community has achieved

throughout 2020. We have not only endured the continued crippling drought but also the COVID 19 pandemic, which could have crippled our local businesses, but once again Winton's resilience prevailed.

We continue to investigate how to improve the Recreation Grounds, Showgrounds and Saleyards with draft masterplans being developed for these important facilities. Child Care is also getting a face lift with Stage 1 of the playground upgrade underway.



We have completed numerous large projects this year including the Elderslie Street redevelopment and the Water Park. Council have also supported and welcomed AB Paterson College who are developing "Barty's Place". When complete this facility will be a great asset for town and visiting schools.

I'd like to thank the staff who never cease to impress with their work ethic and desire to improve our community. They have made a huge difference throughout the year and a great job has been done by all and I look forward to what can be accomplished next year.

Take the time to remember family and friends this Christmas and consider those who might be alone and vulnerable. On behalf of all the Winton Shire Councillors and staff I wish everyone a merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Cr Gavin Baskett
MAYOR



WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL | COMMUNITY NOTICES

SALE OF EXCESS CHEMICAL

Winton Shire Council is seeking to sell new, unopened, 20L drums of chemicals no longer being used by Council. All chemicals are in an unopened condition and come with the relevant MSDS sheet.

The chemicals for sale are as listed below:

- 3x 20L Mop & Scrub - \$100.25 each
- 3x 20L Bowled Out - \$73.45 each
- 2x 20L Hinterland Pine Disinfectant \$99 each
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- 1x 20L Springtime Air Freshener - \$154.00
- 5x 20L Bleach - \$46.20 each

The sale of these chemicals is on a first come first serve basis. Payment of the chemicals must be made prior to the collection of items. There will be no holding of any chemicals. Chemicals must be paid for at the Winton Shire Council office and collected from the Winton Shire Council Depot. Should you have any enquiries please contact Rhiannon Collins on (07) 4657 2666.

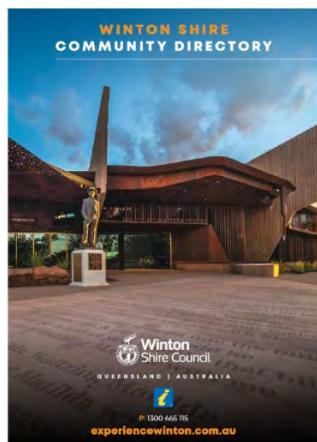
NADJAYAMBA MEMORIAL BURSARY

Council invites citizens to nominate 2020 year 10 students for the Nadjayamba Memorial Bursary. Bursary winners are selected by Council based on 2020 Year 10 or equivalent results.

The nomination form and conditions are available on the Winton Shire Council website.

Nominations must be submitted to the Chief Executive Officer, Winton Shire council or by email to elizabetht@winton.qld.gov.au no later than Friday 12th February 2021.

WINTON SHIRE COMMUNITY DIRECTORY



If you would like your business advertised in the Winton Shire Directory please contact Helen Fogarty prior to the 4th December.

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The new Winton Shire Community Directory will be published early in 2021.

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All stall holders welcome please contact Caroline Sciascia

Inflatable Entertainment

\$150 Cash Draws

CHRISTMAS STREET PARTY

Late Night Shopping

FRIDAY 11 DECEMBER AT 6PM
ELDERSLIE STREET

Face Painting
Balloon Making

DJ Gary Parker

Businesses who would like to advertise specials for Late Night Shopping please email Caroline Sciascia on carolines@winton.qld.gov.au

20 m Obstacle Course

Photo with Santa under the Christmas Tree

The lighting of the Christmas Tree

BBQ available outside the Neighbourhood Centre
Christmas Carols

Tuesday 1st Dec 6.30pm
Elderslie Street Winton

LATE NIGHT SHOPPING AT THE

WINTON NEWSAGENCY

FRIDAY 11TH DECEMBER OPEN UNTIL 9PM

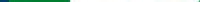
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Winton Garden Club

Christmas Lunch

Date: Friday 4th December 2020

Where: Tucker Box Café,
Waltzing Matilda Centre

Start Time: 11am

Cost: The only cost is the gift for under the tree



Please bring a gift up to the value of \$20 for under the tree.

Don't forget to ring the Neighbourhood Centre and put your name down for catering numbers.



Winton Christmas Lights COMPETITION 2020

Prizes will be awarded in the following categories:

Best Residential

Best Commercial

^{new!} Best Window Dressing

Best Property Entrance

Judging will be conducted between 7.30pm and 10pm on the 18th of December 2020.

Please ensure you have your lights on during this time to be included in the judging.

Winners will be announced on the Winton Connect Facebook page Tuesday 22nd December 2020.

^{new!} Rural property's please email entrance photos to elizabetht@winton.qld.gov.au



RICKI BRUHN | CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER | PO BOX 288 WINTON QLD 4735

AUSTRALIA DAY 2021

Do you know someone who has contributed to the community or Shire of Winton?

Do you know of someone who has excelled in their chosen sport?

Do you know of someone who is an inspiration or role model in our community?

If you do please nominate them for an:

Australia Day 2021 Award

Citizen of the Year

Young Citizen of the Year

Community Event of the Year

Senior Sports Award

Junior Sports Award

To recognize their record of excellence, outstanding achievements or contribution to our shire in 2020.

Nomination forms are available from Winton Shire Council's website (www.winton.qld.gov.au), and the Winton Shire Council office.

NOMINATIONS NEED TO BE LODGED NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 8TH JANUARY 2021

You're Invited to a Community BBQ

To thank the Work Camp
men for their contribution
to our community

Winton Shire Courtyard
Wednesday 9th December

6pm

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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MATILDA'S WARDROBE

Late night shopping Christmas specials

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December
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WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL | COMMUNITY NOTICES

WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL 2019 – 2020 ANNUAL REPORT

Cr A Seymour - Business and Economic Development

I would first like to thank the residents of the Winton Shire for my election onto the Winton Shire Council. It is indeed an honour and I will endeavour to serve and represent you. Our Councillors represent a great cross section of the community and are passionate contributors within their specific areas of expertise. We are committed to fairness, accountability and transparency and this will make for strong decision making and leadership.

All Councillors are appointed to portfolios which is an excellent way of covering all sections of the community in this diverse Shire. I have been assigned the Business and Economic Development portfolio which covers Tourism, Business, Planning, Transport and the Winton Saleyards. I also chair the Tourism Strategy Advisory Committee and the Shire Beautification and Cemetery Advisory Committee and represent Council on the Wild Dog Management Advisory Committee and the Streets and Machinery Advisory Committee.

As the world battles with the COVID-19 virus, it is certainly great to live in our special part of the world. I would personally like to thank the staff at the Neighbourhood Centre for the countless hours spent making sure all our residents and businesses were kept aware of the COVID-19 requirements. This support included the availability of grants and subsidies which ensured the community were well cared for during these difficult times.

When the travel restrictions were lifted, it was like the opening of the boom gates with a constant flow of travellers enjoying our spectacular offerings. Our tourism industry went from despair to breaking records, with many tourists raving over our friendly mannerism and the presentation of Winton. Whether it's a special photo of the Main Street or catching the marvellous sunset

underneath the 'Winton Way Out West' sign, we make it a special moment.

The enthusiasm and professionalism of David Elliott and his team at the Australian Age of Dinosaurs has certainly enhanced the tourism numbers in Western Queensland. If its rocks they want to see, Opalton has become a popular visiting spot as well.

In the three months of being a Councillor, the Council has worked together to present a very workable and fair budget, addressing many of the concerns and requirements from each of the Departments as we could afford to do.

It is pleasing to see Council addressing the ageing assets that need repairs and renewal, thus making them safe and compliant with the Winton Saleyards being one that was fully supported. The 2019/2020 financial year has seen record cattle numbers either being spelled or weighed for sale. It is important to maintain standards for this facility, so workers, visitors and livestock are in a safe working area.

The Winton Township is looking rather inviting with the Parks and Gardens section working wonders with difficult seasonal conditions and has transformed this town into a lovely oasis over the years. I would also like to acknowledge all of Council's staff from the grader operators to our wonderful cleaners – you really do make a difference..... Thank you.

We have a very diverse and interesting make-up as a Shire as there are no large mining companies or excessive public servants, but the Town of Winton is extremely viable and a standalone identity that has endured many setbacks but takes it on the chin and gets on with what matters most.

Thank You
Cr Anne Seymour



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Cr Shane Mann - Transport, Infrastructure and Utilities

It's been a very busy year for Council with several key projects being completed including the upgrade and landscaping of Elderslie Street and the fabulous new Water Park. The new toilet block at the Showgrounds is also well under way.

My portfolio of Transport Infrastructure and Utilities includes all of Winton Shire's rural and State controlled roads. This includes flood damage works, roads, streets, stormwater drainage, water and sewerage, waste management, plant and equipment, airport development and infrastructure.

Works in our Shire - Roads and Streets

Some of the projects completed this year include the pave and seal of a section of the Kennedy Developmental Road. Due to the high standard of works completed by the Winton Shire Council's construction crew on the first section (Winton side of Corfield), they have been awarded a further contract near the Winton / Flinders Shire boundary. These works are to the value of approximately \$3m. Town Maintenance and Construction Works has included kerb and channel rehabilitation in Blomfield and Dagworth Streets and resealing and line marking in Werna, Chirnside and Vindex Streets. Crews have been working on replacing footpaths and pram ramps around the town that are causing trip hazards to the public. I once again highlight the great job both Roads and Parks & Gardens staff are doing, in particular the line marking and painting of the garden beds. It is also worth noting the last conditional assessment presented a very positive result with only 1.1% of our road network being in bad condition.

Grid Maintenance – The Works Department have been working on getting a grid maintenance program together. All grids have been inspected in the Shire for defects and cleanliness and a cleaning program will be built from this.

Rural Roads – Rural road maintenance has been progressing well. Crews have been intergrading maintenance works in with the flood damage program. This will enable Council to get a better value for money out of both programs. Roads that are not part of the flood damage program will be monitored and maintenance will be conducted as

needed. Rural reseals were completed on sections of the Jundah Road and the Jundah – Cork Road. Capital Works – Reconstruction of Floodway's – During the 2018 / 2019 flood events, some of Council's floodway infrastructure was damaged which allowed us to be eligible for funding under the Queensland Reconstruction Authority Betterment Works program. Council were granted six floodway reconstruction works ranging from full reconstruction to installing new margins. Council work crews will complete two of the six floodways and the rest will be put out to tender for contractors to bid on. Council have until the 30th June 2021 to complete these works. Floodway's completed include Lerida – Stanford and the Old Landsborough Highway.

2019 Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA) Flood Damage Program

For NDRRA works, Council was allocated \$9.5m this year and is expecting to receive a similar amount next year. Works to be completed, along with ongoing maintenance and new construction projects include the Winton to Richmond Road and a section of the Winton to Hughenden Road. Council is also planning to improve the overall rural roads network. Extra funds have been allocated to these areas and this will enable Council to concentrate on the areas that require the works.

As I have worked in this industry for the past 43 years, it is a good feeling to put something back into my community. With our regular meetings with staff and management, we can set goals and hopefully achieve positive outcomes for both the people of Winton and the rural community. For water and sewerage, new lines have been installed where required and it is planned to install a new 150mm poly water pipe from the town to the Showgrounds to improve flow. The water and sewerage staff continue to do a great job in maintaining and upgrading Winton's water and sewerage systems. Council continues to allocate significant funding for the renewal of plant and equipment. It is proposed to replace two of our older graders with two new Cat Graders early in the next financial year, the older graders will be sold through a tender process. Plant is assessed at each Streets and Machinery



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Advisory Committee Meeting to see how we are tracking against budget.

Airport Development and Infrastructure – Council adopted a ‘Statement of Intent’ for the Winton Aerodrome to determine how best we can attract more planes and to plan for future improvements to infrastructure. With this in place, we can move forward to both improve, maintain and attract more people to our lovely place we call Winton. The feedback from visitors is our little community is wonderful, friendly and vibrant as we battle to keep things green and growing in this climate.

As a local, I love seeing people involved in community events and Committees. I am the current President of the Winton Men’s Shed and it is very pleasing to share some quality time with the older and younger people of Winton. I am also on the Board of the Waltzing Matilda Centre Limited and a Council representative on the Streets and Machinery Advisory Committee and the Work

Camp Advisory Committee. I am also on the Board of the Outback Highway which will see visitor’s travelling from Cairns to Winton and across the middle to Laverton in Western Australia on the Outback Highway. I am also involved in trying to erect a lagoon / bird habitat at the South-Western side of Winton, to complete the walking track and have a recreation area for both the people of Winton and visitors alike and like so many other organisations, I am always open to giving a hand.

I would like to end this report by saying I am here for the long haul, I love Winton and the community which make up this wonderful part of Australia.

Cr Shane Mann



COMMUNITY DROUGHT SUPPORT PROGRAM

The Winton Shire Council, with valuable funding provided by the Department of Communities’ Community Drought Support Program, is pleased to be able to offer one-off support of \$80 per student to contribute to the purchase of school resources, such as stationery and textbooks, for all Winton students enrolled in prep to year 12 in 2021.

While offers of funding will be made directly to the local schools located in Winton, we are also aware that many other school-aged students are studying in the Winton district either via:

- Approved home-schooling;
- Distance education; or
- At various boarding schools.

These students can access this one-off support by contacting Council’s Family Support Officer or by visiting the Council’s website and completing an application form using the link below:

<https://www.winton.qld.gov.au/downloads/file/1258/application-form-2021-community-drought-support-student-resources>

Due to the sensitive nature of the support, the funding allocation is offered as blanket support for all students in the Winton Shire enrolled in prep to year 12 in 2021, with the only eligibility criteria being:

- Students normal place of residence must be in the Winton Shire, and
- Students must be enrolled in prep to year 12 through a recognised educational institute for 2021.

Should you have any questions about this matter then please contact Helen Fogarty on 07 4657 2666 or email helenf@winton.qld.gov.au.



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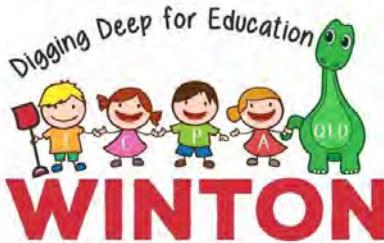
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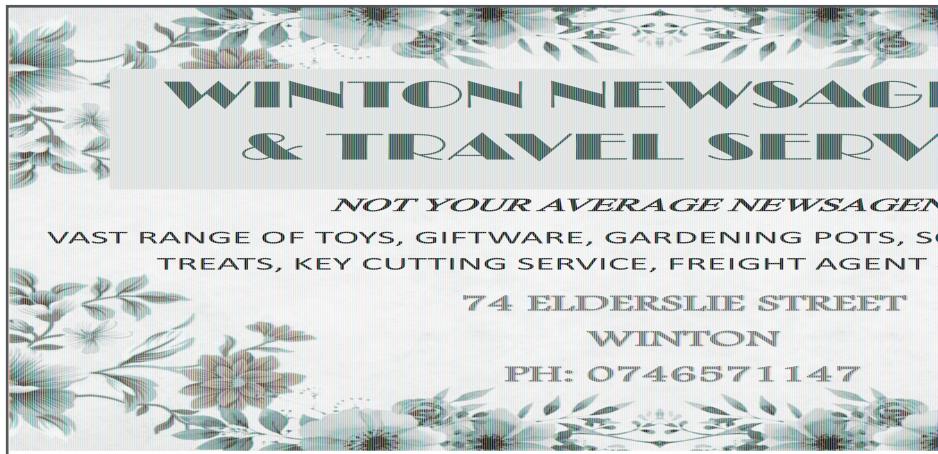
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