

Chillagoe update

#	Community Priority	Timeframe	Partners	Council Actions
3.4.1 Animal control				
1	(i) Conduct regular animal control patrols including at night.	2012 - 2021	Council	<p>a) Local Laws Officers have increased visits to Chillagoe.</p> <p>b) Council Officers respond after hours to livestock on roads and dog attacks</p> <p>c) Council delivered a Responsible Pet Owners session to school children</p>
2	(ii) Ensure stricter enforcement of animal control regulations.	2012 - 2021	Council	Local Laws Officers have increased visits to Chillagoe and respond to complaints and requests involving nuisance animals
3	(iii) Address health issues in infected and sick dogs.	2012 - 2021	Council, Queensland Government	Council will liaise with RSPCA on specific issues that are reported by individuals
3.4.2 Sport and recreational facilities				
4	(ii) Upgrade existing sport and recreation facilities including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrade 10 Acre Sports Field including installing lights • Install lighting in playground behind hall • Clean out swimming hole at the weir • Install power points and street lights in front of hall. 	2013 - 2016	Council, Queensland Government, Community, Businesses	<p>a) Lighting at 10 Acre Sports Field was installed by Community members with financial assistance from the Mareeba and Dimbulah Community Bank Bendigo Bank.</p> <p>b) Council provided additional funding for a toilet block at this facility.</p> <p>c) Council has installed sensor lighting on the Chillagoe Hall near the toilet block to improve safety and security.</p> <p>d) Council negotiated with Ergon Energy to complete an audit of street lighting and ownership of lighting infrastructure has been determined with Department of Transport and Main Roads. This will form the basis of a region-wide street lighting strategy to be developed which will include priorities for new and upgraded street lighting throughout the region.</p> <p>e) Through FNQ Regional Organisation of Councils (FNQROC), Council is investigating different types of energy efficient lights and cost effective ways to install these.</p> <p>f) Council's Community Partnership Program provided a donation to Chillagoe Sports to contribute to the cost of building a covered shelter over the BBQ</p> <p>g) Council provided financial assistance to the Chillagoe Alliance to upgrade the War Memorial in Queen Street and the Railway Precinct.</p>
5	(iii) Upgrade Rodeo grounds with tree planting and new toilet block	2016 - 2021	Council, Rodeo Committee, Queensland Government, Community, Businesses	<p>a) This will be included in the Facilities Project Prioritisation Tool for future consideration by Council.</p> <p>+E38</p>
3.4.3 Road infrastructure				
6	i) Inform Department of Transport and Main Roads of identified community priorities for maintenance and upgrade of state controlled roads.	2012 - 2021	Council, Dept of Transport and Main Roads	Council prepared a submission of community priorities for maintenance and upgrade of state controlled road infrastructure that was sent to Department of Transport and Main Roads and most road works issues raised by the Chillagoe community were state controlled road issues.

7	(ii) Community priorities for maintenance and upgrade of Council roads identified to inform Council decision-making.	2012 - 2021	Council	a) These road issues will be considered by Council in the development of future works programs.
				b) Essential infrastructure for roads is a Council priority. Road works include sealed overtaking sections on Ootann Rd, extension of Causeway at Sandy Tait River, resealing of Chillagoe Aerodrome.
				c) Priorities for 2016/17 include Bolwarra Road Tate River Crossing renewal and upgrade; 9 new minor causeways Western gravel roads; Chillagoe retransmission site remote control unit.
3.4.4 Expand library				
8,9	(i) Investigate feasibility of expanding library. (ii) Conduct more activities for children in the library.	2012 - 2013	Council	Council expanded and refurbished the Chillagoe library providing more space for the community to conduct more activities particularly for children. Council is aiming to deliver a Rhyme Time program in the near future.
3.4.5 Town infrastructure				
10	(i) Maintain vacant blocks and enforce regular mowing and other maintenance.	2012 - 2013	Property Owners, Council	a) Council maintains Council owned properties and where necessary unallocated vacant crown land. b) Council issues compliance notices to owners or occupiers of private property to ensure that properties are maintained. These actions are usually complaint driven although overgrown properties may be identified during routine patrols. b) Council also liaises with the State to ensure that State owned properties are maintained.
11	(ii) Improve drinking water quality and supply.	2013 - 2016	Council	a) Council developed the Chillagoe Drinking Water Quality Management Plan. A new water treatment plant was installed to remove arsenic in the water and improve water quality. b) A new bore has been installed by Council, connected to the existing water network to improve the quality and supply of town water.
12	(iii) Upgrade town infrastructure: • More street lighting • Better storm water drainage in town	2016 - 2021	Council, Dept of Transport and Main Roads	Council has spent \$56,674 for lighting upgrades and secured grant funds to reseal the runway, improve drainage and install an illuminated wind direction indicator at Chillagoe aerodrome and will consider these issues in future works programs.
3.4.6 Upgrade industrial area				
13	(i) Investigate feasibility of upgrading electricity and water infrastructure in the industrial area.	2012 - 2013	Council, Property Owners, Ergon Energy	a) Council has commissioned a new bore and will construct a new connection to the existing water network to improve the quality and supply of town water. The new MSC resolved in 2014 to proceed with the sale of the individual lots in the Estate rather than continuing to lease them. The sale of the lots is on an "as is" basis. Council do not intend to provide water, power, telecommunications or upgrade streets with bitumen seal and kerbing and channeling as the cost would be prohibitive and would put the price of the lots well above what people would expect to pay for land in Chillagoe. Stage one of the sale of the land is underway with 11 vacant/unleased lots put up for public tender with several lots sold. The second and third stages of sale of lots will involve lots that are currently leased.
Other relevant Council Action				

Council has supported the upgrade of the former railway station building for use as a museum by Chillagoe Alliance with inkind and cash assistance.

3.5.2 Sport and recreational facilities				
14	(ii) Bogey Swimming Hole maintained regularly to provide all year round access	2012 - 2013	Volunteers, Chillagoe Co-Op, CDEP, Council	a) This is not a Council facility so Council does not maintain the swimming hole at the river.
15	(iii) Greater access to community hall for Indigenous community to host music events, discos etc.	2012 - 2013	Indigenous Co-op, Council	b) The hire costs of community facilities were reviewed by Council. Council halls can be booked by any member of the community and not-for-profit community organisations can apply to Council to support the cost of hire fees for community facilities through Council's Community Partnerships Program. Council is working towards handing over the management of the hall to Chillagoe Alliance as it is local community groups that are in the best position to understand the community hall benefit and set appropriate hall hire fees.
16	(iv) Upgrade Ten Acres Sports Field by building: • Toilet block • Shade shelter • Rainwater drinking tanks • Water fountain and bottle fill • Seating • Lighting • Gas or wood BBQ.	2013 - 2016	Council, Community Project, CDEP Project, Lions Club, Businesses	a) Council provided funding for a toilet block to be constructed at this facility.
				b) Lighting at 10 Acre Sports Field was completed by the Community with financial assistance from the Mareeba and Dimbulah Community Bank Bendigo Bank.
				c) The other community priorities will be included in the Facilities Project Prioritisation Tool for future consideration by Council.
				d) Council's Community Partnership Program provided a donation to Chillagoe Sports to contribute to the cost of building a covered shelter over the BBQ
17	(vi) Conduct Vacation Care Programs for ages 10-18 years including discos, music events, excursions, movies, sports	2013 - 2016	Government funding programs, Youth at Risk Program, Mulungu Mums and Bubs Program, Council Youth Development Officer, Student Work Experience, CDEP, Chillagoe School	Youth Development work is undertaken by community agencies and Council has raised the issue of Youth Development in Chillagoe with them. The Chillagoe community can contact the community service providers for this type of assistance.
3.5.3 Appropriate housing				
18	(vi) Request environmental safety assessment of houses with identified issues.	2012 - 2013	Housing Tenants, Council	Council Officers are available to discuss environmental health and safety issues on a case-by-case basis.
19	(vii) Conduct assessment of available land for future housing.	2013 - 2016	Council, Dept of Communities, Dept of Natural	This is a long term consideration for Council and not likely to be a priority unless there is a strong increase in housing demand.
20	(x) Appropriate ongoing planning and funding for housing Infrastructure in Chillagoe happens.	2013 - 2016	Dept of Communities, Cairns and District Regional Housing Corporation, Council	a) Council manages aged accommodation but has no funds to construct aged accommodation in Chillagoe.
				b) If government funding for social housing becomes available in the future, Chillagoe housing needs will be incorporated in the community housing needs analysis
				c) A substantial area of Low Density Residential zoned land has been allocated for Chillagoe in the Mareeba Shire Council Planning Scheme. This land is expected to meet all residential growth needs for Chillagoe for the next ten years.
3.5.5 Town infrastructure				
21	(iv) Investigate ways to improve water quality and supply for current and future demands.	2012 - 2013	Council	a) Council has developed the Chillagoe Drinking Water Quality Management Plan. A new water treatment plant was installed to remove arsenic in the water and improve water quality.

				b) A new bore has been installed by Council, connected to the existing water network to improve the quality and supply of town water.
22	(v) Identify tenure and blocks zoned rural where horses can be agisted.	2013 - 2016	Council	Horses may be agisted on Rural zoned land.
23	(vi) Enforce horses being restrained on fenced property in suitable paddocks and not on town blocks.	2013 - 2016	Council	Council adopted new local laws which commenced on 1 January 2012. Council enforces Local Law No 2. which prohibits the keeping of livestock on urban properties.
24	(vii) Investigate Council block at bottom of airstrip and its availability for horse agistment (The State Paddock).	2013 - 2016	Community, Council	The southern end of the aerodrome is a mining lease over State land. The Northern end of the Aerodrome is a State land block which will require any dealings in relation to this land having to be made through the Department of Natural Resources and Mines.
25, 26	(viii) Install a concrete footpath on the right hand side of Queen St heading to Mareeba: start at National Park Office at the corner of Cathedral St through to Dinosaur Park. (ix) Improve storm water drains on Queen St beside new footpath, from King St to Queen St to Tower St. (xi) Investigate feasibility of creating a heavy vehicle bypass for Queen St due to health and safety issues.	2013 - 2016	Council, Dept of Transport and Main Roads	These community priorities have been referred to Dept of Transport and Main Roads as Queens Street is a state controlled road. Council will consider the drainage issues on council controlled roads in future works programming.
27	(x) Investigate feasibility of introducing a household rubbish collection service including the possibility of contracting CDEP to operate the service.	2013 - 2016	Council, CDEP	This issue is being looked at as part of the shire wide waste strategy.
28	(xii) Negotiate with Council for the installation of street lighting for Atherton St, Knowe St, Hospital Ave, Aerodrome Rd, Frew St, Ten Acre Sports Field.		Council, Community	a) Lighting at 10 Acre Sports Field was completed by the Community with financial assistance from the Mareeba and Dimbulah Community Bank Bendigo Bank. b) Council negotiated with Ergon Energy to complete an audit of street lighting and ownership of lighting infrastructure has been determined with Department of Transport and Main Roads. This will form the basis of a region-wide street lighting strategy to be developed which will include priorities for new and upgraded street lighting throughout the region. c) Through FNQ Regional Organisation of Councils (FNQROC), Council is investigating different types of energy efficient lights and cost effective ways to install these.