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## MEDIA RELEASE

# *For visitors 'on the go': Barcoo Shire Council launches new app*

The Barcoo Shire was quick to take advantage of the improvements to telecommunications in the region, with the launch of a new free mobile app for travellers and visitors.

The Visit Barcoo App includes everything that visitors need to know when travelling in the Barcoo Shire region. It is easy to navigate and includes local self-guided tours, historical sites and points-of-interest, and places to stay and eat, along with a comprehensive guide to all of the Shire's unique local attractions.

*Mayor of Barcoo Shire, Cr Bruce Scott said "the Visit Barcoo App will enable visitors and tourists to find the best camping spot to spend a few nights, know where to go to grab a cold drink or a bite to eat, or spend the day traversing our beautiful Shire seeing the pristine untouched waterways, vast floodplains, rolling desert sand dunes and craggy rugged escarpments on a self-guided driving tour - and all at your own leisurely pace".*

With mobile reception now available across vast areas of the Barcoo Shire, visitors can now easily access their travel information on the go. And for those areas where mobile reception is not available - once the Visit Barcoo App is downloaded, it will operate anywhere using your smart devices' inbuilt GPS – just make sure your location services are switched on.

*Cr Scott said "the Barcoo Shire's considerable investment in optic fibre and mobile telephony has enabled the Shire to progress with this technology to support the many tourists who visit our region each year. In this day-and-age people like to be able to access information quickly and conveniently, and the launch of this new app makes this entirely possible with the push of a button".*

The Visit Barcoo App can be downloaded for free from your favourite app store to ISO or Android devices - all you need is a smart phone or smart device to participate and play - simply search for Barcoo Shire and download. For further assistance, visit the Jundah, Stonehenge or Windorah Information Centers where the friendly staff can assist you with downloading the app.

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