



Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council
PUBLIC NOTICE
COVID-19

While there are no cases of community COVID-19 in the Northern Peninsula area, it is important to keep ourselves and our community safe. The NPA Local Disaster Management Group encourage everyone to get vaccinated as this has been proven to be safe, protects individuals and the community against COVID-19, and is the best defence against serious COVID-19 related disease.

We recommend residents and visitors to the area take some basic precautions to protect themselves and their families. These include:

Wear a mask – when you are required to do so.

[Find out more about requirements for wearing masks.](#)

Keep your distance – maintain physical distancing (1.5m) when you're outside your home. Keep your distance if you can: at the shops, on public transport, at work, and when you're visiting with others. Shaking hands, hugging and kissing hello are not recommended. Remember to stay COVID safe by practicing good hand hygiene and wearing a mask where possible.

[Find out more about protecting yourself and others.](#)

Good hand hygiene – sounds simple, but washing your hands properly is important. Wash your hands with soap regularly, try not to touch your face. Use hand sanitiser if you can't wash your hands: at the shops, when using public transport, at work or when visiting with others.

[See the six steps to washing your hands well.](#)

Get tested and stay home when sick – it's still important to get tested and stay home until you get the results. Isolate yourself at home and protect your family and others. Tests can be done at the Bamaga Hospital.

[Check the symptoms and find a testing centre.](#)

Support contact tracing – when you go somewhere and are required to provide your details, provide them. Contact tracing helps prevent outbreaks.

The [Check In Qld app](#) is available for businesses and patrons to download and use in venues across Queensland. It's mandatory from 1 May 2021 in all hospitality businesses.

What's important to remember in the new normal you can still do **most** things—just in different ways! Distancing doesn't mean disconnecting.

Information relating to First Nations People is available [here](#).

Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council and the Northern Peninsula Area Local Disaster Management Group are monitoring the current COVID-19 situation and will continue to provide updates as they become available.

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