



COVID19 UPDATE – 25.11.21

Council

- As the current COVID situation has now passed Council will be adjusting the timing of the Updates from a Daily to Weekly issue via our Facebook page and Website until further notice to keep Doomadgee Community members informed of news and activities taking place in Doomadgee relating to COVID responses.
- Updates will also be broadcast throughout the day on Blackstar 105.3FM.

Queensland Health

- **THERE ARE NO COVID CASES IN DOOMADGEE CURRENTLY.**
- **The great news: a final round of testing was conducted on the family of 10 people that have been quarantining in their home in Doomadgee today. All 10 of the residents have returned negative tests as at 5pm today. They will be released from quarantine and allowed to move freely through the community from 6am tomorrow, Friday 26th November. *THANK YOU to all the services who have supported this family through their 14 days in home quarantine.***
- Queensland Health Public Health Nurses in conjunction with Gidgee healing staff have continued to conduct vaccinations Wednesday to Friday this week. **The vaccination team will return Wednesday 1st December next week. Vaccinations will be available Wednesday, Thursday and Friday next week.**
- **Doomadgee community members are encouraged to continue to come in to be vaccinated. We have been lucky to have avoided an outbreak this time, but COVID is still coming – don't hesitate to protect yourself by being vaccinated.**
- Being vaccinated reduces your chance of passing the virus on to other people by 50%.
- **Being vaccinated is the only defence we have against the Delta strain of the COVID19 virus.**
- **Last week a total of 385 vaccinations were dispensed to Doomadgee residents without any side effects, and this week has also been a busy week for vaccination nurses.**
- ***Well done, to those people for making the choice to be vaccinated. Being vaccinated will protect you and help to protect your family.***

- Be Advised that wearing a face mask is recommended by Qld Public Health.
- Masks are available free of charge from the Council Office, CEQ Store, Roadhouse, Bakery, Hospital, Gidgee Healing and the Police Station.

- **Anyone who has travelled from a declared hot spot since the 11th November or if you are feeling flu like symptoms - should go to the Doomadgee Hospital to be tested for COVID.**

Policing

- Local Doomadgee Police are continuing to maintain a 24 hour per day checkpoint at Hells Gate to stop people from bringing the virus from the NT and protect Doomadgee residents.
- Any Doomadgee residents travelling into a Northern Territory hotspot will not be allowed to travel back to Doomadgee.
- **Katherine, Robinson River, Rockhole and Binjari are all listed as declared hotspots travellers from those regions will be stopped and made to return to the Northern Territory.**

Queensland Ambulance Service

- QAS have instructed their staff that they are to wear full protective equipment when attending call outs. QAS have asked that we let you know this so that you are not alarmed or frightened by Ambulance Officers coming to you wearing face masks and other protective equipment, they are following a state wide directive.

DON'T DELAY IN GETTING THE PROTECTION THAT BEING VACCINATED WILL GIVE YOU.

DOOMADGEE ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL