Central West Network Maps





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1 Introduction

The Central West Network Maps are an addendum to, and are to be read in conjunction with, the Central West Principal Cycle Network Plan (the plan). In 2014, the plan was published and encompassed seven local government areas shown in Figure 1.

In 2018, the geographic scope of the plan was expanded to include local government areas shown in Figure 1 including Barcaldine Regional Council, Blackall-Tambo Regional Council, Boulia Shire Council, Longreach Regional Council, and Winton Shire Council.

The Central West Network Maps (the maps) have been endorsed by the department and all local governments covered by the maps. The maps will be reviewed as part of regular review of the Central Queensland Principal Cycle Network Plan.

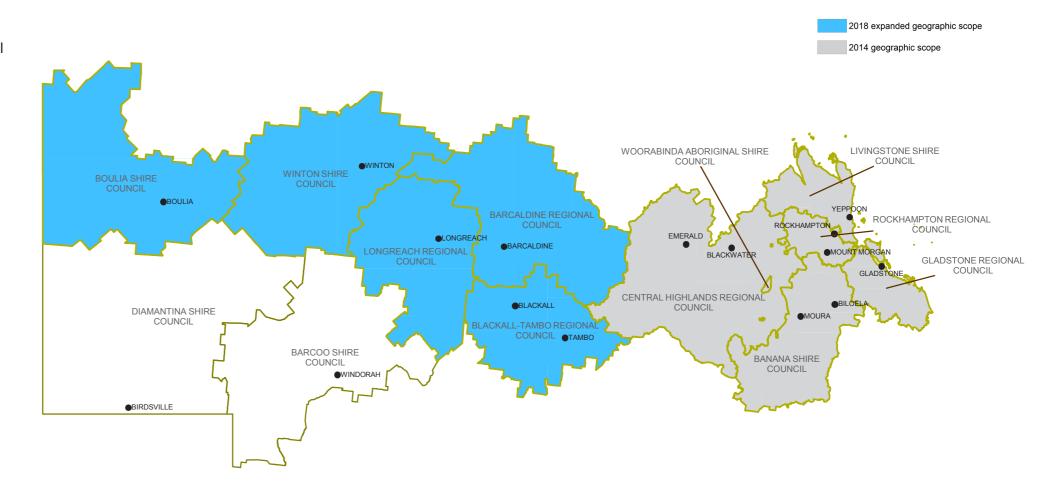


Figure 1. Local governments covered by Central Queensland Principal Cycle Network Plan.

2 Network maps

This section presents the Central West Network Maps, as shown in Figure 2, and includes an explantion of rationale for routes for each local government area.

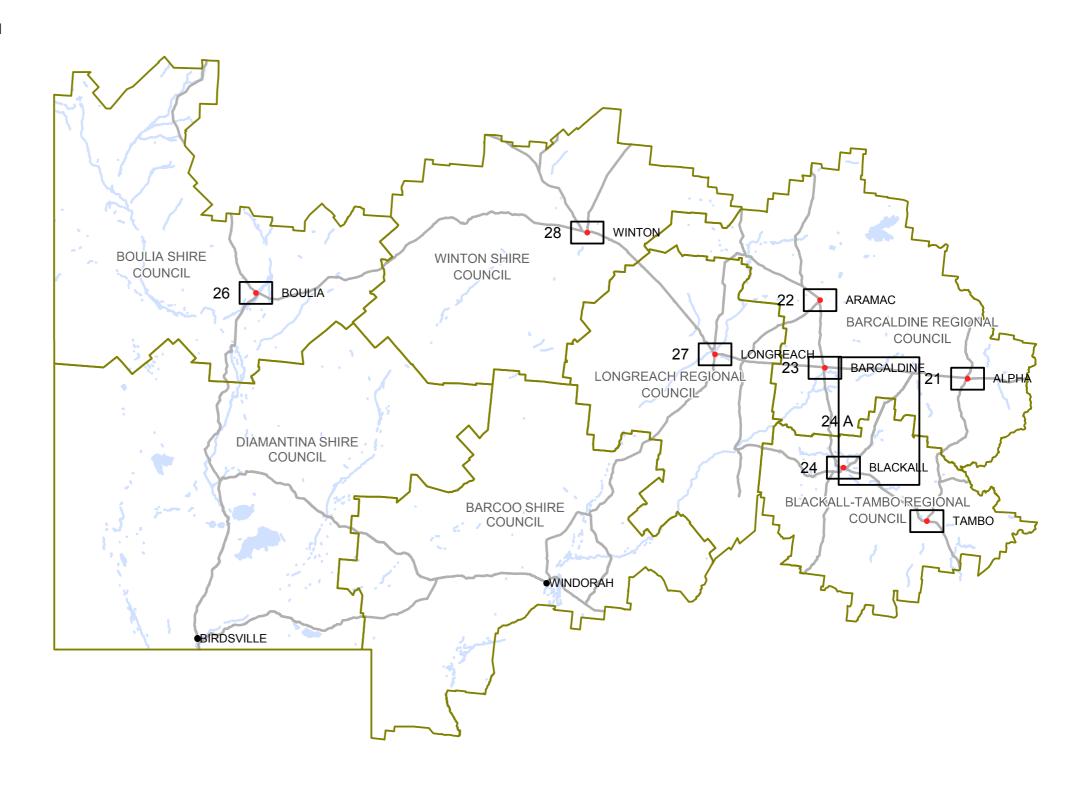
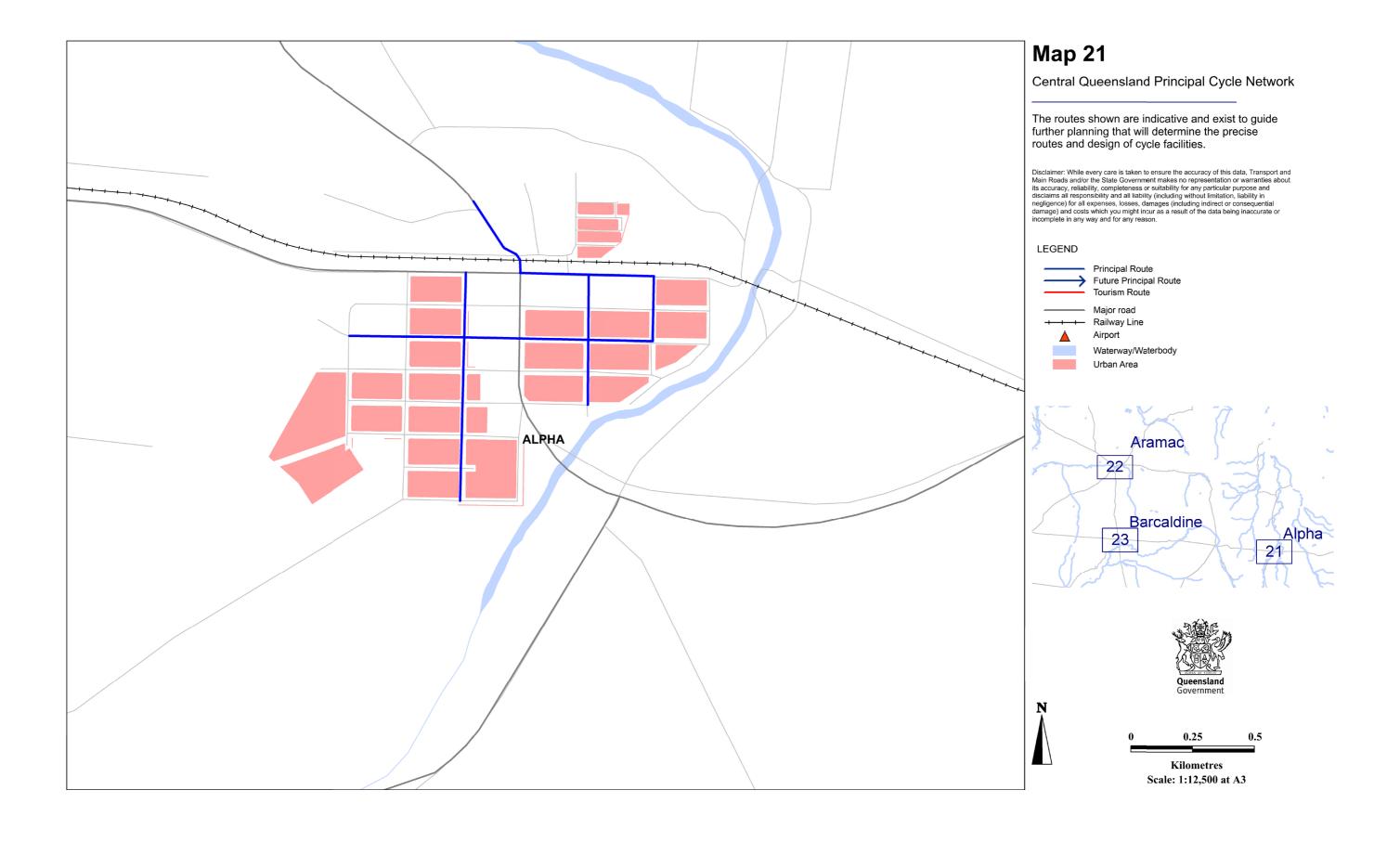
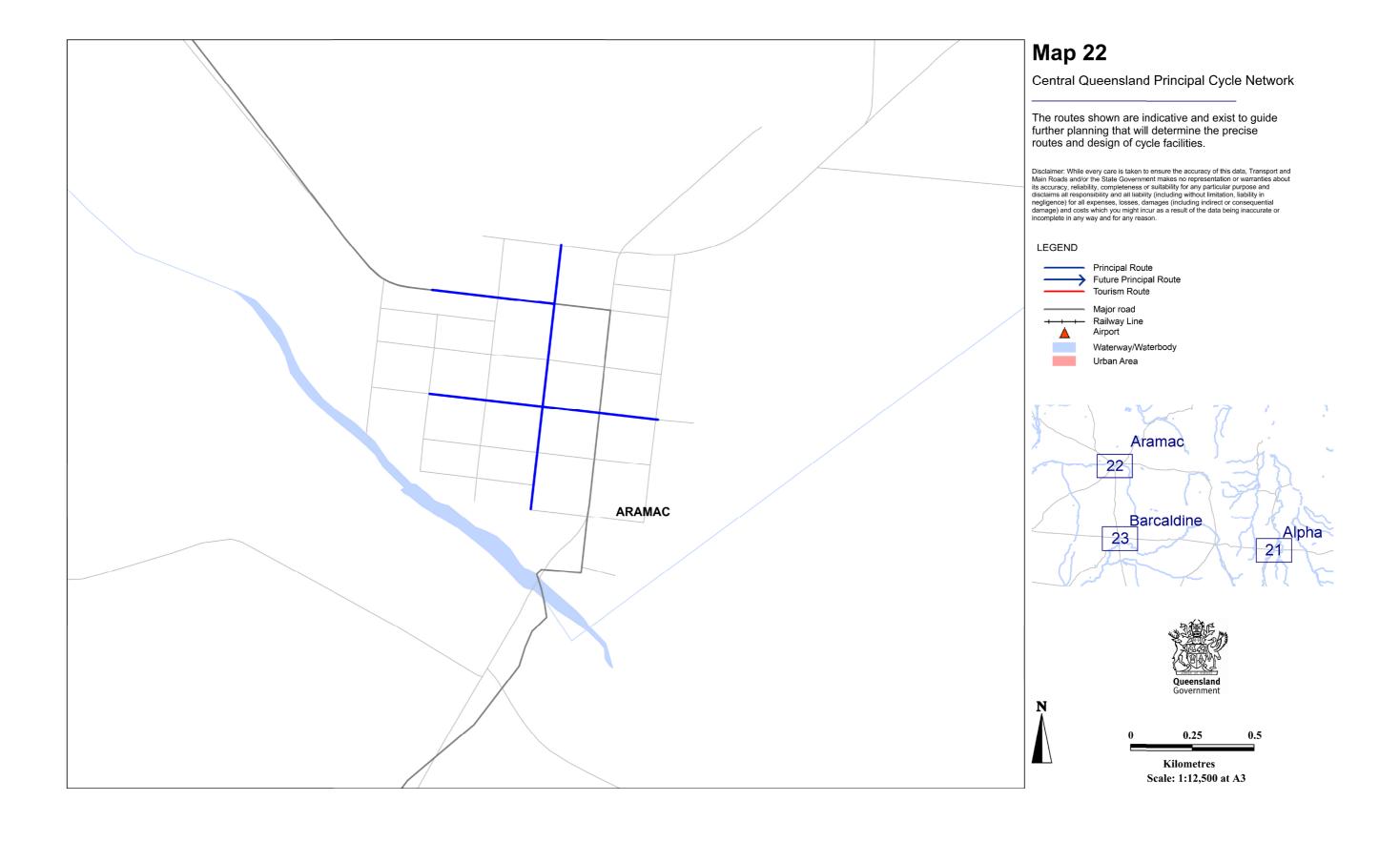


Figure 2. Index of Central West Network Maps.

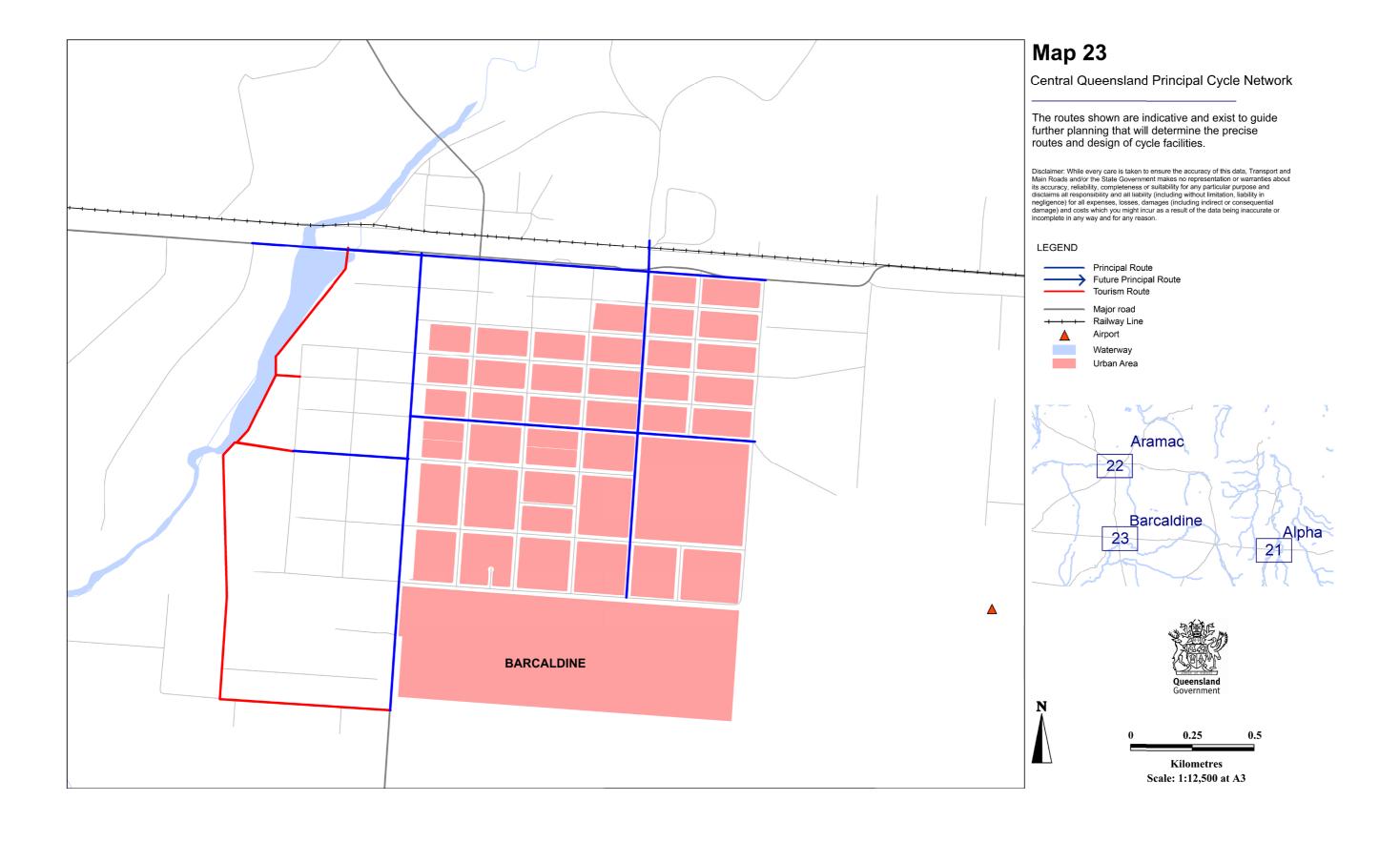
Barcaldine Regional Council — Alpha



Barcaldine Regional Council — Aramac



Barcaldine Regional Council — Barcaldine



Barcaldine Regional Council analysis of routes

Map 22 — Alpha

Alpha is located 140km east of Barcaldine and home to an estimated population of 356. Known as the 'Gateway to the West', Alpha is the second largest town in Barcaldine Regional Council and sixth largest town in central west Queensland.

A rail line bisects the town east to west, with development concentrated to the south, and a residential area and showgrounds located to the north. Crossing the rail line is difficult with one sealed level crossing point at Clermont Road.

The Capricorn Highway, a state-controlled road and key freight line, bisects the town east to west (Shakespeare Street) and north to south (Swinburne Street), connecting to Barcaldine to the west and to Emerald to the east.

The principal cycle network includes an east to west route along Shakespeare Street, providing access to town centre, continuing north along Clermont Road, across rail line, to link to showgrounds and residential area.

Dryden Street, located to the south, is also identified as an east to west route, providing connection from town hall and commercial area to the east, through residential area, terminating at industrial lands and gold course to the west.

Moore Street is one of three routes providing connections south from Shakespeare Street, linking to Settlers Park through to accommodation and Alpha Hospital on southern edge of town.

Tennyson Street and Scott Street, located to the east, provide access from town centre to Alpha State School, across east to west route along Dryden Street, to residential area beyond.

Map 23 — Aramac

Aramac is located 68km north of Barcaldine and home to an estimated population of 309. Aramac is the third largest town in Barcaldine Regional Council and seventh largest in central west Queensland.

Barcaldine-Aramac Road (Lodge Street), a local road of regional significance, traverses east of town, becoming Muttaburra-Aramac Road (Booker Street) in the north and continuing west towards Muttaburra. Development is concentrated west and south of corridor.

The principal cycle network includes an east to west route along Gordon Street, providing access to town centre and adjacent residential areas. Booker Street, located to the north, provides connection west to Caravan Park and showgrounds.

Porter Street is identified as a north to south route, providing access from northern edge of town, south through centre of town, linking town centre, parklands and Aramac State School and east to west route along Gordon Street.

Map 24 — Barcaldine

Barcaldine is located 107km east of Longreach and home to an estimated population of 1394. Known as the 'Garden City of the West', Barcaldine is the largest of five towns in Barcaldine Regional Council and second largest town in central west Queensland.

Barcaldine is one of only two urban centres located in Central West Region and situated on the junction of the Capricorn Highway (Oak Street) and Landsborough Highway (Box Street), state-controlled roads and key freight routes.

A rail line traverses the north of town, separating a residential area, showgrounds and racecourse. Crossing the rail line is difficult with only two level crossing points, Birch Street and Pine Road, neither of which are signalised.

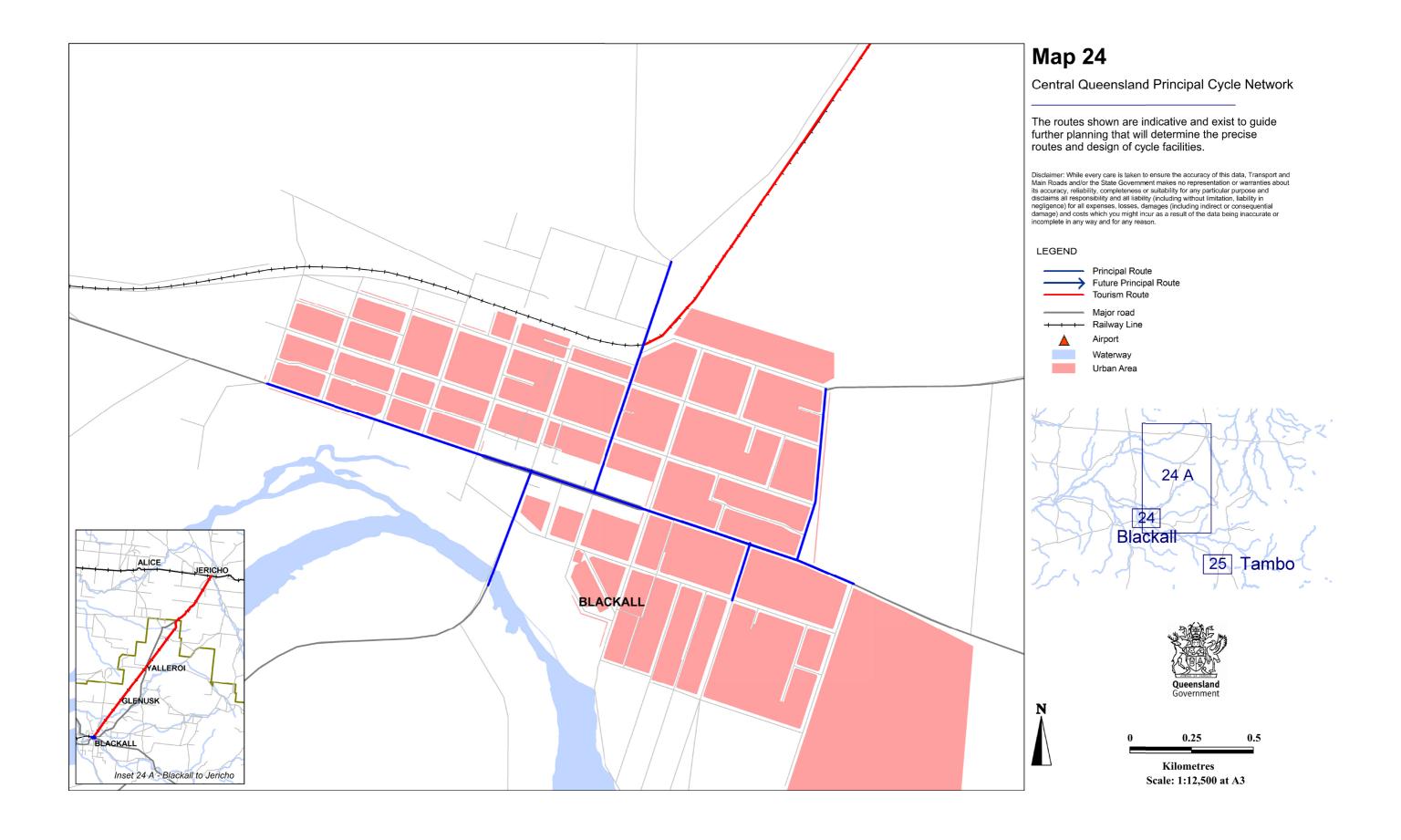
The principal cycle network includes an east to west route along Oak Street, providing access to town centre and key attractors along corridor such as the Tree of Knowledge, rail station and park, and linking to recreational precinct west of Lagoon Creek.

Gidyea Street, located to the south, is also identified as an east to west route, providing access through residential area and linking to Barcaldine State School and north to south routes. Acacia Street provides link west from Box Street to recreational path along Lagoon Creek.

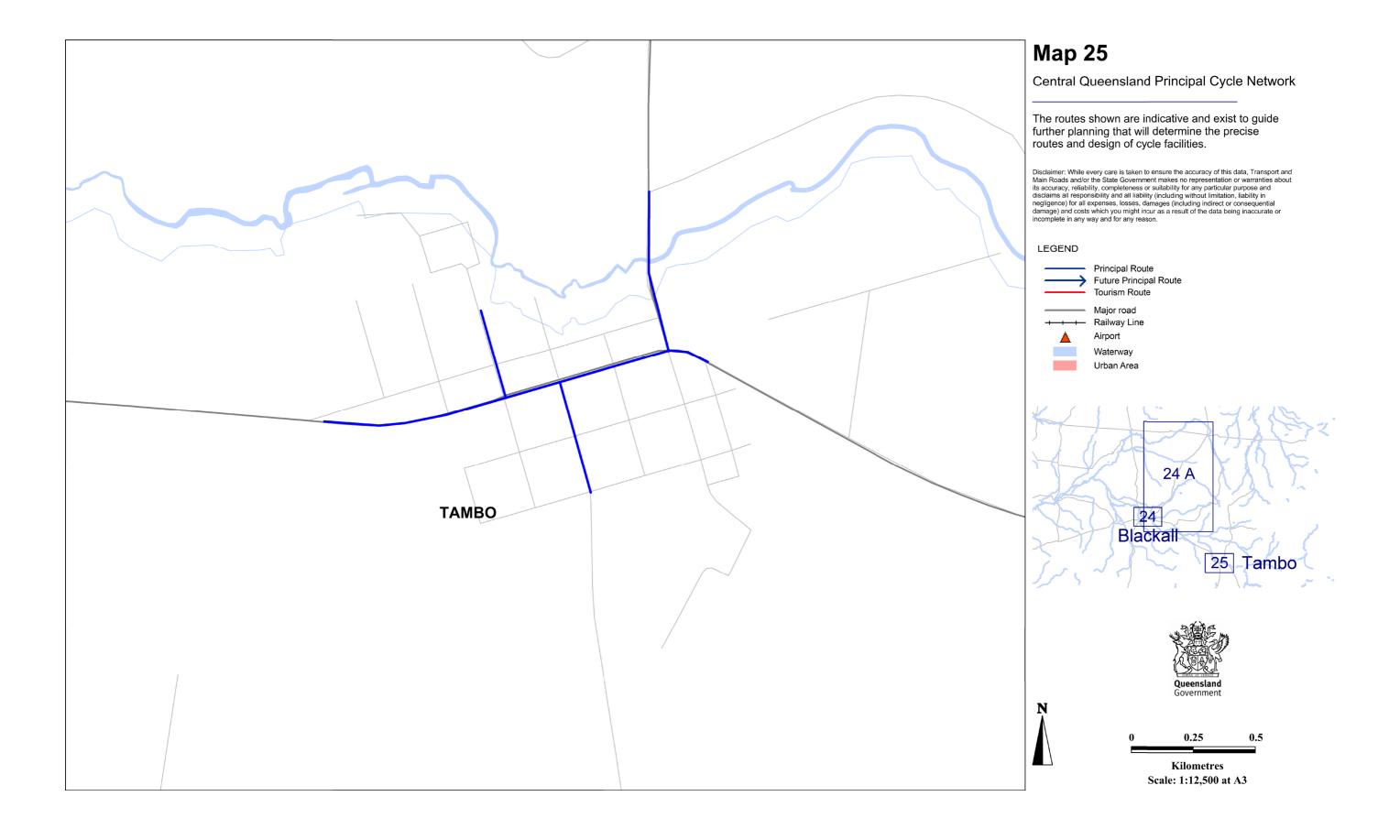
Box Street is one of two routes providing connections south from Oak Street, traversing residential area and terminating at industrial lands on southern edge of town. Pine Street, located to the east, also provides connection north across rail line to showgrounds.

In the west of town, a tourism route is identified along Ironwood Drive, continuing north along Lagoon Creek following alignment of existing and planned recreational path. Additional access points are shown at Fir Street and Acacia Street.

Blackall-Tambo Regional Council — Blackall



Blackall-Tambo Regional Council — Tambo



Blackall-Tambo Regional Council analysis of routes

Map 24 — Blackall

Blackall is located 214km south-east of Longreach and home to an estimated population of 1251. Sited on the Barcoo River, Blackall is the larger of two towns in Blackall-Tambo Regional Council and is the third largest town in central west Queensland.

A country town with tree lined streets and heritage buildings, Blackall is traversed by the Landsborough Highway (Shamrock Street), a state-controlled road and key freight corridor, which bisects the town, connecting to Barcaldine to the north-west and Tambo to the south-east.

The principal cycle network includes an east to west route along Shamrock Street, providing access to the town centre, Blackall Cultural Centre and Blackall State School, and linking to Blackall Hospital to the west and Blackall Showgrounds and Aquatics Centre to the east.

Clematis Street is one of two principal routes providing connections from Shamrock Street north to residential areas. Salvia Street also provides connection to Blackall Showgrounds and Aquatics Centre.

Daisy Street is one of two principal routes providing connections from Shamrock Street south to residential areas. Coronation Drive also provides connection south across the river to two local tourism paths which have been established by Blackall-Tambo Regional Council.

In the north of town, a tourism route is identified along the disused rail corridor, providing connection to the Woolscour and Saleyards on the outskirts of town before continuing toward Jericho.

Map 25 — Tambo

Tambo is located 102km south-east of Blackall and home to an estimated population of 359, Sited on the Barcoo River, Tambo is the second largest town in Blackall-Tambo Regional Council and is the fifth largest town in central west Queensland.

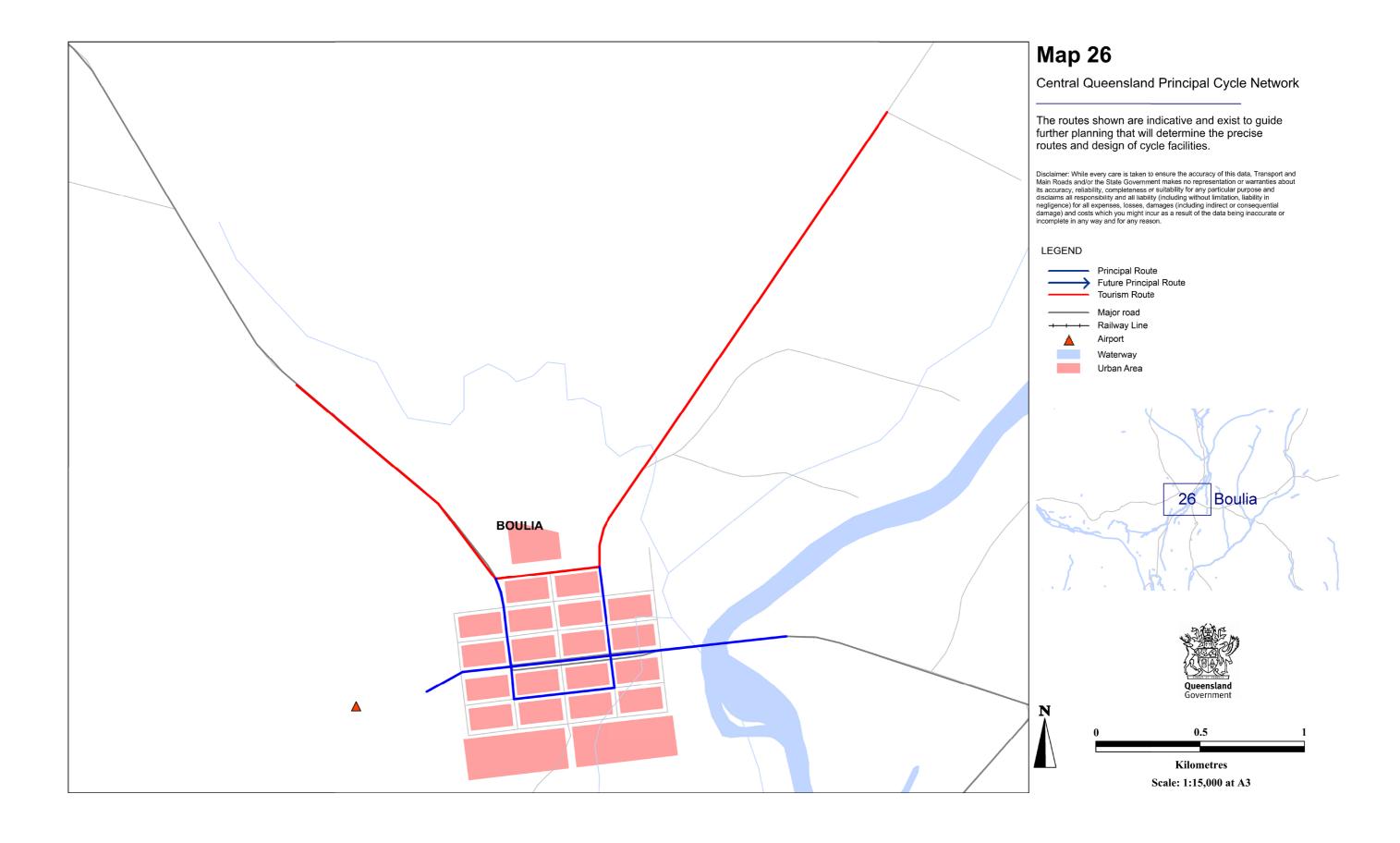
A rural community, Tambo is traversed by the Landsborough Highway (Arthur Street), a state-controlled road and key freight corridor, which bisects the town, connecting to Blackall to the north-west and Tambo to the south-east.

The principal cycle network includes an east to west route along Arthur Street, providing access to the town centre, including Tambo Shire Hall and Council buildings, and linking to sports grounds to the west and Tambo Lake Park to the east.

Garden Street is one of two principal routes extending north from Arthur Street and provides connection to residential areas in the north-west of town and Tambo Health Centre. Barcoo Street provides connection across the river to the caravan park.

Mitchell Street is identified as a principal route, providing connection south from Arthur Street to residential areas, Tambo State School and swimming pool centre.

Boulia Shire Council — Boulia



Boulia Shire Council analysis of routes

Map 26 — Boulia

Boulia is located approximately 304km south of Mount Isa and home to an estimated population of 237. Sited on the banks of the Burke River, Boulia is the largest of two towns in Boulia Shire Council and the eighth largest town in central west Queensland.

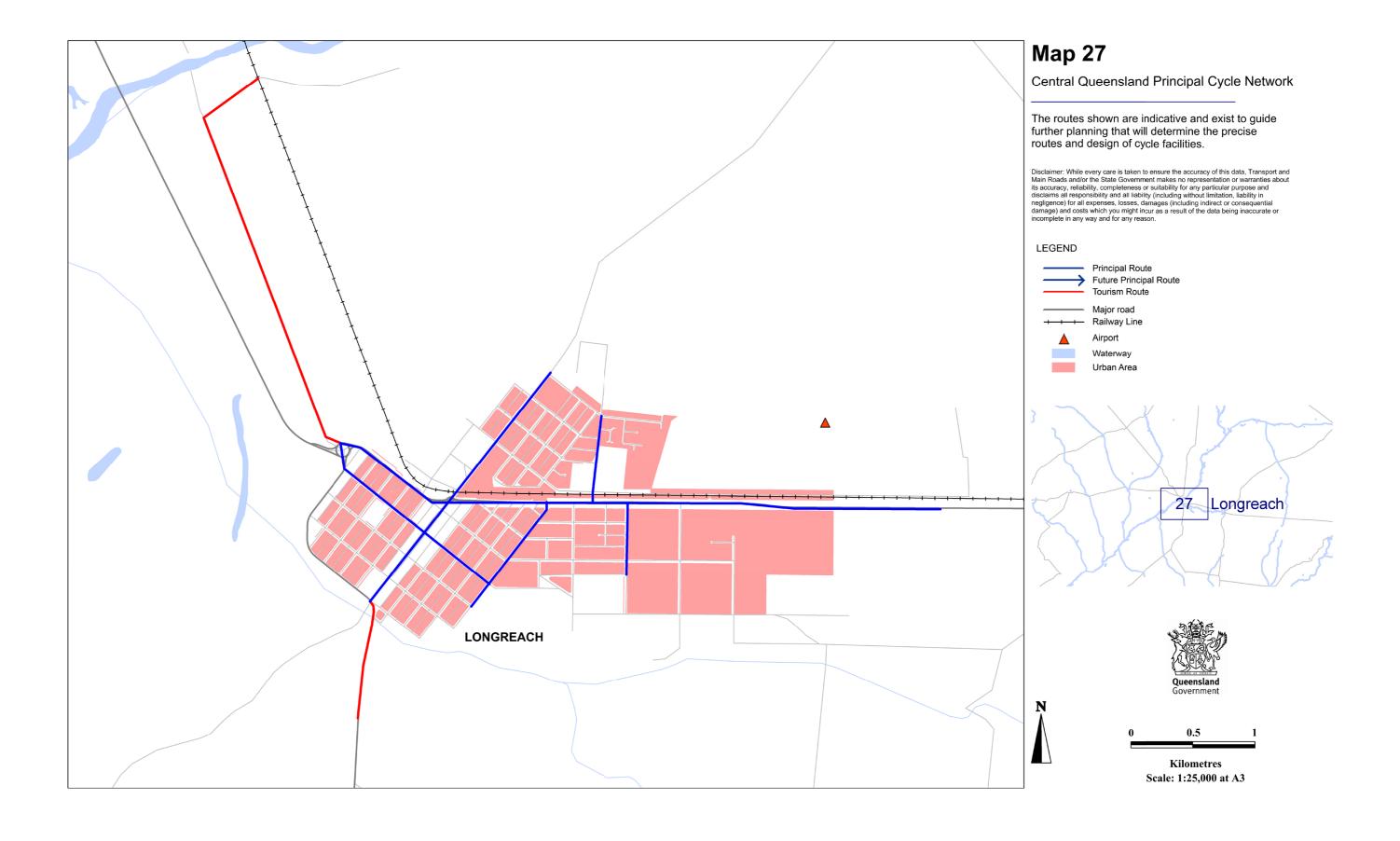
Boulia is traversed by the Diamantina Developmental Road, a statecontrolled road and key freight route, which bisects the town east to west before heading north to Mount Isa, an important centre for Boulia Shire residents to access services.

The principal cycle network includes east-west routes along Herbert Street (Diamantina Development Road) and Pituri Street, providing access to town centre and Boulia Stone House, a major tourist attractor, and linking to Boulia Airport to the west and Boulia Caravan Park to the east.

Burke Street is one of two north-south principal routes, providing access to sports complex and state school to the north, and linking to the two east-west routes in the south. Hamilton Street parallels Burke Street to the west, providing access to residential areas and Boulia hospital.

In the north of town, an east-west tourism route is identified along Diamantina Street, connecting to Burke Street and Hamilton Street principal routes. This tourism route continues to the northeast along Selwyn Road, linking to the racecourse, and to the northwest along Diamantina Development Road, linking to the historic Boulia Cemetery.

Longreach Regional Council — Longreach



Longreach Regional Council analysis of routes

Map 27 — Longreach

Longreach is located 417km west of Emerald and home to an estimated population of 3087. Sited adjacent the Thomson River, Longreach is the largest town in Longreach Regional Council and in central west Queensland.

The economic hub of the Central West Region, Longreach sits on the junction of Landsborough Highway connecting east to coastal centres and north to Mount Isa, and Thomson Developmental Road connecting south to Windorah.

The Landsborough Highway, a state-controlled road and key freight route, and rail line bisect the town east to west. Crossing the rail line is difficult with only two level crossing points, Jabiru Street and Eagle Street, neither of which are signalised.

The principal cycle network includes an east to west route along Landsborough Highway, providing access to all major streets, service and attractors along corridor such as the Longreach Pastoral College, Stockman's Hall of Fame and Quantas Founders Museum.

Swan Street, to the south, is also identified as an east to west principal route, providing connection from residential and industrial areas to centrally located town centre, and linking to Longreach State School.

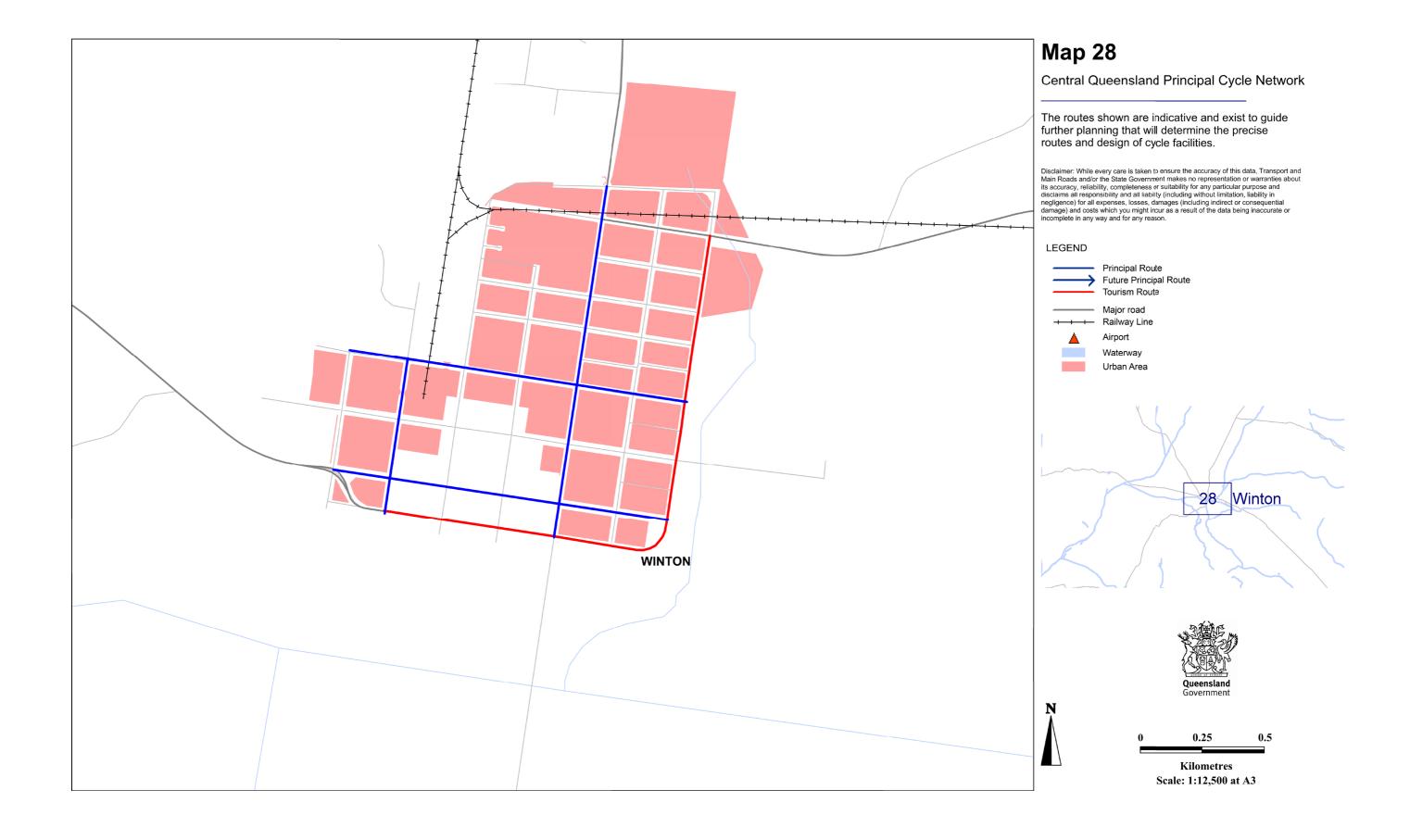
Muttaburra Road/Eagle Street is shown as north to south principal route, providing connection from residential and industrial areas, Longreach Memorial Pool and Our Lady's School, south across Landsborough Highway and rail line, through town centre to skate park.

Jabiru Street provides connection from Landsborough Highway, north across rail line to Central West Hospital and Health Services, Longreach State High School, residential areas and racecourse in north of town.

Thrush Road is one of two principal routes providing connections south from Landsborough Highway to residential and industrial areas. Falcon Street, located to the west, also provides connection to Longreach Childcare Centre and Longreach Kindergarten.

In the south of town, a tourism route is identified along Thomson Developmental Road, providing connection to the Iningai Park Nature Reserve which includes several walking tracks. In the north-west, a tourism route is shown to provide connection to Apex Park.

Winton Shire Council — Winton



Winton Shire Council analysis of routes

Map 28 — Winton

Winton is located 178km north-west of Longreach and home to an estimated population of 971. A popular tourist destination, Winton is the largest town of four towns in Winton Shire Council and is the fourth largest town in central west Queensland.

Winton is bordered to the east and south by the Landsborough Highway, a state-controlled road and key freight route. A rail line traverses the north of town, separating residential and industrial areas, terminating at the train station located in the north-west of town.

The principal cycle network follows a basic grid pattern. Elderslie Street runs east to west through the town centre, providing access to major retail and employment areas and other attractors such as the Council Pool and the Waltzing Matilda Centre.

Vindex Street was considered as an alternative, but Elderslie Street was identified as principal route to serve as spine from which local cycle network can be built. Winton Shire Council has delivered footpaths along Vindex Street to support local network connection.

Cork Street is also identified as an east to west principal route providing access to Winton State School, St Patrick's Primary School and Child Care Centre, and connecting to residential areas to the east.

A north to south principal route is identified along Manuka Street, providing access to residential areas and Winton Hospital to the north, and linking to the two east to west routes in the south.

Sesbania Street is also identified as a north to south principal route, providing access to mixed use and industrial areas located adjacent to historic train station and providing a connection to residential area to the west.

A tourism route is identified along the Landsborough Highway, from intersection with Chirnside Street and Wilson Street, south and west to Sesbania Street, following alignment of existing recreational path.