

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **Microchipping will keep your pet safe**

Gladstone Regional Council will offer discounted microchipping at Boyne Tannum Community Centre on Wednesday, December 5, in an ongoing campaign to encourage responsible pet ownership.

Residents can take their cat or dog to the Mt Larcom Room at the Boyne Tannum Community Centre between 1pm and 6pm that day to receive the \$10 service.

Gladstone Region Mayor Matt Burnett said being a responsible pet owner contributed to community comfort and harmony.

“As a Council, we are constantly working to create a safe and healthy environment for everyone to live in and being a responsible pet owner contributes greatly to that goal.

“Registration, desexing and microchipping of family pets is essential and something our Local Laws officers will always stress to residents,” Councillor Burnett said.

People should bring \$10 in cash for each animal to be microchipped as there will be **no EFTPOS facilities**.

Please call Council’s Regulatory Services division on 4970 0700 to indicate attendance, so enough microchips can be available.

This will also assist in advising staggered attendance times to avoid having long queues.

Registration fees for microchipped pets, prices go from \$114.00 (entire animal) to \$99.75 for non-pensioners and from \$68.25 (entire animal) to \$57.00 for pensioners.

For microchipped and desexed pets, prices go from \$91.25 (entire animal) to \$39.50 for non-pensioners and from \$68.25 (entire animal) to \$22.25 for pensioners.

Council has previously held discounted microchipping days in both Calliope and Agnes Water. Locations and times for 2019 will be confirmed in the new year.