

OUR COUNCIL

NEWS, NOTICES & EVENTS AROUND THE REGION

Shaping Tomorrow | 17 April 2025

Council is sharing plans designed to help secure the region's future for the next decade and provide opportunities and services to improve the lives of those who live and work there.

The latest **business papers** will be available on Council's website just before the Easter break, a week prior to the next Ordinary Council Meeting, scheduled for Thursday 24 April. They include the Community Strategic Plan (CSP) that outlines the vision and strategic objectives for the Council for the next 10 years. The Delivery Program (DP) then details the strategies Council will employ to achieve the objectives outlined in the CSP.

At that meeting, Council will vote to put these documents out on Public Exhibition alongside Council's Draft Revised Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) 2025-2029. The LTFP details how Council will remain financially viable over the next 10 years.

Like many councils around NSW, Glen Innes Severn Council is experiencing costs rising faster than income—a gap expected to widen over the next decade.

This means that under current conditions, Council's General Fund is not financially sustainable. As a result, it is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain and upgrade essential infrastructure such as roads, bridges, kerbing and guttering, parks, drainage, buildings and other community assets or provide new community facilities.

This has prompted Council to consider the option of applying to the **NSW Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART)** for a Special Rate Variation (SRV) to be implemented in 2026-2027.

If endorsed at the April Ordinary Council Meeting, a comprehensive Community Engagement Program will be conducted until 6 June. Residents and ratepayers will be encouraged to have their say on four options.

To learn more, please visit Council's website.



Glen Innes Airport Reopens

The airport fully reopened on Monday, 14 April 2025 following essential improvements, including: runway rehabilitation on the main bitumen runway, new and upgraded lighting, and improved drainage and reshaping of the main runway to enhance water run-off management.

These improvements will enhance the safety, functionality and resilience of the airport - supporting essential services and future opportunities for Glen Innes and the broader region.

The Mayor and Acting Director of Infrastructure Services were on site yesterday to welcome the Royal Flying Doctor Service NSW / ACT who touched down on the brand new runway.

This project was jointly funded by the NSW Government's Severe Weather and Floods Grant, the Infrastructure Betterment Fund, along with the Australian Government's Regional Airports Program.

ANZAC Day 2025

A range of services and events will be held, providing opportunities for the community to come together and pay tribute.

Event details/locations are available on Council's website.

For further information, please contact 0423 000 787 or 0428 323 601, or email: glen-innesSB@rslnsw.org.au

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April Council Meeting

The next Ordinary Council Meeting is scheduled to be held:

- Thursday, 24 April 2025
- 9.00am
- William Garner Conference Room at the Glen Innes Severn Learning Centre

The business paper will be made available on Council's website.

Anyone wishing to address Council at the Public Forum session - held immediately prior to the Ordinary Council Meeting - must make an application. Applications must be submitted by 12 noon on 22 April and can be found on Council's website.

Council Meetings will continue to be live streamed and viewable on Council's website for a period of 12 months from the date of the meeting.

Infrastructure Works Program

The following works are scheduled in the period ending Friday, 2 May 2025 subject to weather conditions and unforeseen delays:

- Jet patching in Glen Innes Township and Old Grafton Road
- The Roads Construction Crew will be working at Wellington Vale Road
- Maintenance grading is scheduled Hazelwood Road, Tindal Road, Riley's Road, Euroka Road, Grahams Valley Road, Nant Park Road, Rangers Valley Road, Wycliffe Road, and Spicers Road
- The Bridge Team is working on Coxs Road
- The Drainage Team is working on Ten Mile Road and Nine Mile Road
- The Maintenance Crew will be prioritising Rural Roadside Signage installations and line marking at various locations
- The Heavy Patching crew will be working on the Urban Heavy Patching Program at various locations.

For upcoming road closures, please visit the **Roads page** on Council's website.

Got a road issue?

Contact our Infrastructure Customer Service team on (02) 6730 2371 or at roads@gisc.nsw.gov.au. A reminder, the Roads On Call number is just for after-hours emergencies.

JOBS AT COUNCIL

- Team Leader (Drainage)
- Heavy Plant Operator (Drainage)
- Heavy Plant Operator (Heavy Patching)
- Heavy Plant Operator (Maintenance Grading)
- Plant Mechanic 2025

Apply now via the **Jobs at Council** page on Council's website.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE HIGHLANDS

Every Saturday
Australian Standing Stones Parkrun
8am

25 April
ANZAC Day Marches & Services
Glen Innes & surrounds

28 April - 4 May
Celtic Food Trail
Glen Innes & surrounds

30 April - 3 May
Friends of the Library Annual Book Sale
Glen Innes Library

1-4 May
Australian Celtic Festival
SAVE THE DATE!

17 May
Author Event - Nicole Alexander
Glen Innes Library

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EVENTS!



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