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# Council Adopts a Path to Financial Sustainability and Shaping a Stronger More Vibrant Future

At the June 2025 Ordinary Council Meeting, Council made a number of critically important decisions that will shape its direction and financial position over the coming decade.

Council formally adopted the Community Strategic Plan (CSP) 2025–2035, the Delivery Program (DP) 2025–2026, the 2025-2026 Operational Plan and Budget and the Revised Long-Term Financial Plan (LTFP) (2025-2035) - setting a clear course of action for service delivery, infrastructure investment and financial recovery.

Of particular importance, Council resolved to endorse the preparation of an application to the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) for a Special Rate Variation (SRV), to be submitted in February 2026. If approved, the SRV would be implemented from the 2026/27 financial year.

A revised Sustainability SRV scenario, adopted as part of the Revised LTFP 2025-2035, proposes a cumulative increase of 48.3 per cent over three years, reduced from the previously proposed 55.49 per cent over two years. The revised model reflects extensive community feedback and updated financial analysis, and includes a later target year for financial sustainability – now projected for 2029/30.

The Revised LTFP also includes a number of important amendments which are included in the revised sustainability scenario including: Increased operational savings through improved internal efficiencies, an additional \$50 pensioner rebate, ongoing commitment to town and village improvements, deferral of the Town Hall master planning project, a technical adjustment to depreciation forecasts and more moderate increases to waste charges.

The full story is available to read on Council's website under the News & Media page.

#### EOI - Office Space at Indoor Sports Centre

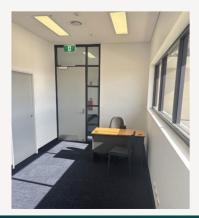
Council is seeking expressions of interest from individuals, businesses, or community organisations interested in leasing an office space within the Glen Innes Indoor Sports Centre located at 189 Herbert Street, Glen Innes.

The available space is approximately 6m x 3m and includes:

- Private office with air conditioning
- Access to shared amenities
- Opportunities for shared use of the centre's multipurpose room and indoor courts (subject to availability and booking)

To register your interest or to request further details, please contact Council's Manager of Recreation and Open Spaces, Sean Galetto, on 0498 385 690.

EOI will close: 25 July 2025.





#### A Playground for All!

Share your thoughts on the ANZAC Nature Play Park

Council is inviting community feedback on the proposed design for the ANZAC Nature Play Park – a new, inclusive and nature-themed playground for children of all ages and abilities.

The project, developed with input from local families and stakeholders and designed by <u>Moduplay Pty Ltd</u>, will replace the existing playground in ANZAC Park playground with a 40m x 35m space featuring natural-look materials like ModWood, powdercoated steel, logs, rocks, bark and water. Features include a shaded multiplay area, climbing and balance zones, a double "Skyrider" flying fox with an inclusive seat, traditional swings, waterplay, open areas for rest and socialising, an accessible BBQ and improved pathway connections.

Council is inviting feedback until 9 July 2025. Comments can be submitted via the Council's <u>Have Your Say portal</u>, by email to <u>council@gisc.nsw.gov.au</u>, or in person at the Town Hall or Glen Innes Severn Learning Centre.

For more information, please visit the <u>portal</u>, or contact Council's Manager of Recreation and Open Spaces, Sean Galetto, on 0498 385 690.

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#### **Development Applications**

Council has received the following Development Applications:

- DA 67/24-25: The Trustee for Tenterfield Surveys Unit Trust Subdivision – 148 Church Street, Glen Innes (Lot 2 DP512765)
- DA 68/24-25: Octagon Planning Change of Use to Health Services Facility and Associated Alterations & Additions – 148 Church Street, Glen Innes (Lot 2 DP512765)

Council's management strategies, along with relevant plans and documents, are available for viewing on Council's website, at the Town Hall Office, Glen Innes Library and the Deepwater and Emmaville Post Offices.

Written submissions close Thursday 8 July 2025. Submissions may be published in Council reports and are subject to disclosure under GIPA legislation. Any political donations or gifts made within the past two years must be declared.

For more information, visit the <u>Advertised Development</u> <u>Applications</u> page on Council's website or contact Council on: (02) 6730 2300.

#### Infrastructure Works Program

The following works are scheduled in the period ending 27 June 2025 subject to weather conditions and unforeseen delays:

- Jet patching in Glen Innes Township, Grahams Valley Road and Old Grafton Road
- The Roads Construction Crew will be working at Wellington Vale Road
- Maintenance grading is scheduled at Glen Legh Road (spring damage and grading), Millers Road, Ben Nevis Road, and Aqua Park Road, Pitlochry Road, Camerons Road, Jenkins Road, Marcantelli's Road, Waterloo Road
- The Bridge Team is working on Coxs Road
- The Drainage Team is working on Ryans Road, Doolan Road and box culverts on Strathbogie Road
- The Maintenance crew will be prioritising line marking at various locations and road signage
- The Heavy Patching crew will be working on Tablelands Road.

For upcoming road closures, please visit the <u>Roads page</u> on Council's website.

Any reports of road conditions or requests for works, please contact Council on: (02) 6730 2300 or roads@gisc.nsw.gov.au.

#### JOBS AT COUNCIL

- Property Officer
- Educator Assistant (OOSH) -Maternity Relief
- Trainee Facility Maintenance Officer
- Activity Support Facilitator
- Rates Officer

Apply now via the <u>Jobs at</u> <u>Council</u> page on Council's website.

### UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE HIGHLANDS

Every Saturday Australian Standing Stones Parkrun 8am

Every Tuesday (during school term) LEGO Club Glen Innes Severn Learning Centre 3.30pm

21 June

Winter Solstice Australian Standing Stones National Monument

#### 1 July

Road Safety Workshop (ages 65 or over) Glen Innes Services Club 10am - 2pm

6 July - 13 July NAIDOC Week Celebrations Glen Innes



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