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# OUR COUNCIL

## NEWS, NOTICES & EVENTS AROUND THE REGION



### Have Your Say: Future Transport in the New England and North West

At the December 2024 Ordinary Council meeting, Council acknowledged its commitment to advocating for improvements to public transport across the region and encourages residents to provide input on two significant initiatives led by Transport for NSW (TfNSW).

TfNSW is in the process of developing the New England and North West Strategic Regional Integrated Transport Plan, which aims to address the region's unique transport needs, with a focus on infrastructure and service improvements. The plan is expected to be finalised by 2026, and prior to this, residents are invited to contribute their feedback.

In addition, TfNSW is proposing changes to the NSW TrainLink Coach services in the North West, informed by passenger feedback. These proposed changes will introduce more efficient routes, new stops and improved travel times, and are also slated to take effect in 2026.

Both initiatives are open for community feedback through the [TfNSW Have Your Say portal](#) or via email at [engage.sritps@transport.nsw.gov.au](mailto:engage.sritps@transport.nsw.gov.au). This is an important opportunity for residents to influence the future of public transport in the New England and North West region.

To learn more, please visit the [Have Your Say: Future Transport in the New England and North West page](#) on Council's website.



### Additional \$600k Funding Approved for ANZAC Park Playground

Council is pleased to announce the progression of the ANZAC Park Playground Upgrade, with an additional \$600,000 secured through Round 2 of the Australian Government's Growing Regions Program. This funding builds on the \$500,000 obtained from the NSW Government's Stronger Country Communities Fund and the \$100,000 committed by the Council, bringing the total investment to \$1.2 million.

The upgrade will replace the existing playground, which no longer meets the growing demand for modern, accessible, and inclusive recreational spaces. The new playground will be designed for families and individuals of all ages and abilities, responding to feedback from the community, including a petition from local parents.

Community consultation will begin in early February 2025, with residents invited to provide feedback on the proposed design options for the new playground. Construction will commence following the consultation period.

### Infrastructure Works Program

The following works are scheduled in the period ending Friday, 7 February subject to weather conditions and unforeseen delays:

- Jet patching in Glen Innes Township, Old Grafton Road and Maybole Road
- The Roads Construction Crew will be working at the Glen Innes Airport
- Maintenance grading is scheduled Nutrition Station Road, Smiths Road, Shannon Vale Road, Skeleton Creek Road, Browns Road, Ten Mile Road (Morven end) and Glen Elgin Road
- The Bridge Team is working on Coxs Road
- The Drainage Team is working at the Glen Innes Airport
- The Heavy Patching Crew will be undertaking urban heavy patching at various locations as part of the urban heavy patching reseal program

For current or 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](mailto:roads@gisc.nsw.gov.au). A reminder, the Roads On Call number is just for after-hours emergencies.

### JOBS AT COUNCIL

- Casual Administration/ Customer Service Officer
- Casual Works Assistant
- Casual Youth Worker
- Assistant Casual Direct Support Worker
- Casual Educator Assistant

Apply now via the [Jobs at Council](#) page on our website.

### UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE HIGHLANDS

**Every Saturday**  
Australian Standing Stones Parkrun  
8am

**25 January**  
Deepwater Races  
SAVE THE DATE

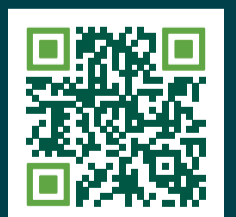
**26 January**  
Australia Day 2025  
Celebrations and Ceremonies

**28 January**  
Splash Fest with headspace  
Armidale  
Glen Innes Aquatic Centre  
1pm-4pm

**14-16 February**  
Glen Innes Show  
SAVE THE DATE!

**7-9 March**  
Minerama Fossicking Gem & Jewellery Show  
SAVE THE DATE!

SCAN FOR MORE EVENTS



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### Advertised Development Applications

Council is currently exhibiting the following Development Application:

**Application No.:** 39/24-25 (PAN-495233)

**Applicant:** The Trustee for Newsome Family Trust

**Proposal:** Intensive Livestock Agriculture - 999-Head Cattle Feedlot

**Location:** 166 Newsomes Road, Wellington Vale NSW 2371

**Land Details:** Multiple lots, including Lot 135 DP753303

Relevant plans are available online at the [NSW Planning Portal](#) and for viewing at Council's Church Street and Town Hall Administration offices, Glen Innes Severn Public TAFE & Library and Australia Post at Emmaville and Deepwater.

Submissions must be made in writing and received by close of business, Wednesday 12 February 2025. Please note: the substance of submissions may be included in Council reports and disclosed under Government Information (Public Access) legislation. Disclosures of political donations or gifts made within two years must accompany submissions. Disclosure forms are available at Council offices.

To learn more, please visit the [Advertised Development Applications](#) page on Council's website or Contact Council on: (02) 6730 2300.

### Upcoming Annual General Meetings

**Glencoe Hall Committee - Thursday, 6 February 2025 at 4.30PM** | Glencoe Hall, 8008 New England Hwy, Glencoe

**Glen Innes Saleyards Advisory Committee - Wednesday, 12 February 2025 at 3PM** | William Gardner Conference Room, Library

**Glen Innes Severn Library Committee - Tuesday 18 February 2025 at 9AM** | William Gardner Conference Room, Library

**Roads Consultative Committee - Wednesday, 19 February 2025 at 10AM** | William Gardner Conference Room, Library

**Emmaville Mining Museum Committee - Monday, 20 February 2025 at 3PM** | Emmaville Mining Museum, 86 Moore Street, Emmaville

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