## MYROADINFO IS MERGING WITH LIVE TRAFFIC NSW

Residents and people driving through Tenterfield are currently able to access news on road closures, diversions and works through an App which has extensive reach into the Shire.

The MyRoadInfo App and website allow road-users to "make informed decisions when travelling", particularly during unexpected weather events, roadworks and the like.

The provision of road information in one central place has been tested recently with fires and floods in the area, so changes to the App are vitally important for the community to keep abreast of.

So news that MyRoadInfo is merging with Live Traffic NSW is of vital importance to the community.

Live Traffic NSW is provided by Transport for NSW and is a combined source of information for State Roads, Local Roads and includes feeds from the Rural Fire Service and NSW Health.

#### How this change will unfold:

- The MyRoadInfo website is being decommissioned and in future will be redirected to the Live Traffic NSW website (https://www.livetraffic.com/).
- The MyRoadInfo iOS and Android apps are to be removed from their respective app stores and no longer supported.
- Please download and use Live Traffic NSW mobile apps, they now include a local government roads layer for MyRoadInfo member councils.

## The benefits of MyRoadInfo merging with Live Traffic NSW include:

- Live Traffic NSW now supports showing local road information. This means that any information that was provided by MyRoadInfo will be available on the Live Traffic NSW system.
- The Live Traffic NSW system is designed to support the high traffic load during extreme weather events. This will ensure that the system will continue to run smoothly during emergencies.
- Live Traffic NSW will continue to invest in adding new features and functionality and expand its use across other local government areas soon.

It is envisaged that the merge with Live Traffic NSW will lead to an overall better customer experience with some exciting new features being developed.

For the latest traffic information, download Live Traffic NSW for iOS and Android or visit www.livetraffic.com.



#### **SNAKE EYES: G.I. JOE ORIGINS (M)**

Tuesday, 31 August @ 1pm

#### **JUNGLE CRUISE (M)**

Tuesday, 31 August @ 10.30am Thursday, 2 September @ 11am <u>Mums & Bubs</u> Saturday, 4 September @ 7.30pm Tuesday, 7 September @ 1pm

#### THE MISFITS (M)

Friday, 3 September @ 7pm Sunday, 5 September @ 1.45pm Tuesday, 7 September @ 10.30am Saturday, 11 September @ 7.30pm

#### **DREAM HORSE (PG)**

Friday, 10 September @ 7pm Sunday, 12 September @ 1.45pm

Movie times subject to NSW Government COVID-19 restrictions. To confirm times visit:

https://www.tenterfieldcinema.com.au/showtimes

# DINE & DISCOVER NSW

The NSW Government has extended Dine & Discover NSW to **30 June 2022**. This extension gives people across NSW the time to use their vouchers and support local businesses once COVID-19 restrictions ease.

Customers can now redeem their Dine NSW Vouchers for takeaway food services (excludes third-party food delivery services.) Takeaway food businesses can now register to accept Dine NSW Vouchers.

This change encourages NSW residents to spend with local businesses when they are not able to get out and about due to COVID-19.

Takeaway businesses must display their NSW Government QR code. When picking up takeaway food, customers must use the Service NSW check-in.

https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/dine-discover-nsw

COVID-19

## Now is the time to work together to stop the spread in our community.



#### > HELP US STOP THE SPREAD





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## Contact us

02 6736 6000 FREE CALL 1300 762 400 (Landline only)

#### **COVID 19 statement**

Council has implemented strict protocols to ensure we comply with directions issued by government in relation to managing the COVID 19 risk

These protocols apply to our staff, our customers and visitors to our premises, and councillors alike.

Please be understanding that we will do our best to maintain services and help in what are unique and challenging circumstances.

You can email us at council@tenterfield.nsw.gov.au

www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au

We all have a part to play in helping stop the spread of COVID-19 in our NSW community. Stay home. Get tested and follow the COVID measures. Everyone's actions make a difference. Find out what you need to do at nsw.gov.au



### SUBMISSIONS FOR COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS & DONATIONS

Following adoption of the 2021/2022 Operational Plan at the Extraordinary Council Meeting of 31 May 2021 and in line with Council Policy, submissions are now sought from local voluntary and community organisations seeking a contribution or donation.

Submissions must be made on the "Submissions for Community Contributions & Donations" application form which is available from the Council Administration Building or on Council's website <a href="https://www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au">www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au</a>. The closing date for applications and submissions is 5pm, Friday, 24 September 2021. Applications will be considered by Council at its meeting of 27 October 2021.

For further information, please contact Council's Acting Executive Assistant & Media on (02) 6736 6000 or email council@tenterfield.nsw.gov.au

## CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF DRIVEWAY ACCESSES

Council wishes to remind residents that if you are planning on constructing or upgrading a driveway access that connects to a Council or TfNSW classified road then prior approval from Council is required. This is a legislative requirement under the NSW Roads Act 1993 - Section 138.

Penalties under Section 138-1 are applicable if the consent from the roads authority is not obtained prior to works being conducted.

Please contact Council's Infrastructure Team on (02) 6736 6001 who can assist you with this matter.

## RATES & CHARGES 2021/2022 ANNUAL NOTICE & WASTE VOUCHERS

2021/2022 Annual Rate Notices were issued on 21 July 2021. The 1st instalment is due for payment on 31 August 2021.

Rates have been increased in line with the rate peg of 2.0% as determined by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART). Other service charges have risen to meet additional costs (both recurrent and capital) associated with waste, water and sewage services.

Please be advised that Council has allocated three (3) waste vouchers per rate assessment for this financial year (1 July 2021 to 31 July 2022). Vouchers will not be replaced if lost or destroyed. Regular audits of redeemed vouchers are performed and in the event excess vouchers have been used for a single assessment an invoice will be issued.

Ratepayers are reminded that interest accrues on all overdue rates & charges and water & sewerage

consumption accounts on a daily basis at a rate of 6.0% per annum.

#### **WATER & SEWERAGE NOTICES**

Water & Sewerage Notices were due on 9 August 2021. The 1st Reminder Notice has been issued for Water & Sewerage accounts that are now overdue.

Should you wish to discuss an outstanding account, make a suitable repayment arrangement or have not received your annual notice, please contact Council's Rates Department on (02) 6736 6000, Option 2.

#### NEW ENGLAND HIGHWAY'S BOLIVIA HILL BRIDGE TO OPEN

Safer journeys for motorists travelling on the New England Highway between Glen Innes and Tenterfield are on the way, with one lane of the new Bolivia Hill bridge to open to traffic this week.

The northbound lane of traffic on the new 320-metre, concrete-balanced cantilever bridge is expected to open later this week, removing a recognised 'black spot' on the highway.

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development, Barnaby Joyce said the \$134 million upgrade of this 2.1 kilometre section of road would help ensure 1,500 motorists, including 500 heavy vehicles, return safely to their loved ones every day.

"The Federal Government provided \$98 million for the Bolivia Hill upgrade as part of our commitment to ensure the infrastructure we need and deserve in regional Australia is funded and delivered," Deputy Prime Minister Joyce said.

"This is another example of the Federal Liberal and Nationals Government record \$110 billion infrastructure investment plan in action, helping to connect communities and improve safety, while creating jobs and supporting our economic recovery."

"It's been a challenging project through extremely steep terrain with the challenges of drought, bushfires and COVID-19 and I look forward to seeing the bridge fully open to traffic in the coming weeks."

New South Wales Minister for Regional Transport and Roads Paul Toole said on top of delivering safer, more reliable and efficient journeys for motorists, the project has also supported about 200 jobs, including 50 locals, and also engaged ten local contracting firms.

"This highway upgrade shows how well both the Australian and NSW governments work together to deliver

game-changing infrastructure for our regional communities," Mr Toole said.

"The New England Highway is a critical route for the local agricultural and mining industries – and opening one lane of the bridge to traffic moves us closer to delivering a highway upgrade that will transform how locals, tourists and freight moves across the region."

The second lane of the bridge is expected to open to traffic in the coming weeks, with traffic continuing to operate under the current single-lane, alternate-flow arrangements until then.

The \$134 million project is being jointly funded, with \$98 million from the Australian Government and \$36 million from the NSW Government.

More information on this project is available at: <a href="mailto:nswroads.work/boliviahill">nswroads.work/boliviahill</a>.

## BOOSTING MOBILE COVERAGE IN REGIONAL AND REMOTE AUSTRALIA

Tenterfield and Mole River Exchange have both received a Telstra Macrocell in the latest round of Mobile Black Spot Program funding.

Regional and remote communities across Australia will benefit from new and improved mobile coverage under Round 5A of the Government's highly successful Mobile Black Spot Program.

Minister for Regionalisation, Regional Communications and Regional Education, Senator the Hon Bridget McKenzie, announced that the Government has committed \$20.5 million to fund 67 new mobile base stations across Australia.

"This announcement brings the total number of base stations funded under our Mobile Black Spot Program to over 1,270 base stations, representing a total investment of over \$875 million," Minister McKenzie said.

"These base stations will improve coverage in disaster prone areas, along major transport corridors and trial new approaches to delivering coverage.

"The Government is committed to continuing to work with industry and state and local governments to improve mobile coverage and connectivity across Australia."

The full list of base stations funded under Round 5A of the MBSP is available at

https://www.communications.gov.au/what-wedo/phone/mobile-services-and-coverage/mobileblack-spot-program