

# YOUR LOCAL news

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## MEDIA RELEASE

### TENTERFIELD SHIRE COUNCIL VOTES AGAINST A SPECIAL RATE VARIATION FOR 2024/25



On Wednesday 15th November at a Special Council Meeting Tenterfield Shire Council considered a report to seek a second Special Rate Variation as per its original direction made in 2022/23.

Tenterfield Shire received approval from IPART in 2023 to increase its rates by 43% to allow it to carry out road improvements, building maintenance and upgrades to parks and recreational areas. Councils' original application was for two 43% increases, in each 2023/24 and 2024/25. IPART only allowed one year. This required Council to seek a further increase.

The Tenterfield Mayor Councillor Bronwyn Petrie said, "Council considered the advice of staff who prepared the 2024/25 application to IPART, and this advice allowed the Council to review the current cost of living pressures, the long term seasonal outlook, commodity pricing and the impacts from recent disaster events across the Tenterfield Shire area".

An alternative motion was raised during the Council Meeting to not proceed with a Special Rate Variation in the 2024/25 year, which was accepted unanimously by all Councillors.

The Councillors also discussed a need to allow its Interim General Manager time to review the long-term financial position, staffing levels, Councils future expenditure and the service levels that may be delivered. Council also considered a very recent report by IPART to review rates across NSW.

"Tenterfield Shire Council will need to review the need for a Special Rate Variation in the 2025/26 financial year as we recognise that Council must increase its own source funding to help it deliver services and to undertake road improvements", Mayor Petrie advised.

#### WATER METER READING

Water meter readings are continuing to be read during November and early December 2023.

In order to help Council staff it would be appreciated if property owners could:-

- Trim back/remove shrubbery or trees that are obstructing water meters.
- Contact Council Staff if you have locked gates and organise a time for meter to be read
- Contact Council staff if you have dog/s that need to be restrained.

Water & Sewerage Notices will be issued at the end of December 2023. Payments of accounts are due on or before 1 February 2024.

Ratepayers are reminded that interest accrues on all overdue rates, service charges and water & sewerage consumption charges on a daily basis at a rate of 9% per annum.

#### RATES & CHARGES SECOND INSTALMENT NOTICE 2023-2024

Council wishes to advise Residents and Business Owners that the Second Rates Instalment Notices were issued at the end of October 2023 and are now due for payment by the 30 November 2023.

Please contact Council's Rates Department on 02 6736 6000, option 2, if you are experiencing difficulties paying your Rates to avoid recovery action and costs.

Disaster Dashboard has all current fire recovery information for the Tenterfield LGA. Visit the disaster dashboard, now available on Council's website, by visiting [www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au](http://www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au) or by scanning the QR Code!



#### AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS 2024 NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN!

Tenterfield Shire Council is calling for nominations for the local awards as a focal point for Australia Day celebrations to be held on Friday, 26 January 2024.

Selection of the award winners for each of the following categories will be made on the basis of service to the local community, emergency services and/or sports in any field and all residents of the Shire are eligible to nominate, or be nominated, for selection:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Sportsperson of the Year
- Emergency Services Volunteer of the Year or Group
- Community Event of the Year

All nominations should be marked "Confidential" for the General Manager and endorsed 'Nomination for Citizen Award', 'Nomination for Sports Award', 'Nomination for Emergency Services Volunteer or Group Award' or 'Community Event Award' and should reach Council's office by COB on Friday, 15 December 2023.

Nomination forms are available from Council's office or website [www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au/news-events/australia-day-awards](http://www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au/news-events/australia-day-awards).

Enquiries can be made to Council's Executive Assistant on (02) 6736 6000.



## Australia Day

Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.

Friday, 26 January 2024  
**TENTERFIELD SHOWGROUNDS**

*A fun event for the whole family!*



## NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT CONSENT

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 4.59 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act, 1979 and Clause 97 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2021 that Consent has been granted to the following developments for the month of **October 2023**;

DA Number	Location	Description of Work
DA 2019.078/1	141 Miles Street, Tenterfield	Modification - Bed and Breakfast Accommodation & Function Centre
DA 2022.027/1	4-12 Logan Street, Tenterfield	Modification - Two (2) Lot Subdivision
DA 2022.152/1	267 Paddys Flat Road, Tabulam	Modification - Dwelling
DA 2022.031	214 Geyers Road, Tenterfield	Three (3) Lot Subdivision
DA 2023.003/1	Geyers Road, Tenterfield	Manufactured Dwelling - Amendment
DA 2023.082	Chauvel Road, Tabulam	Manufactured Dwelling
DA 2023.098	263 Rouse Street, Tenterfield	Change of use - Skin Penetration Business
DA 2023.099	Cullendore Road, Cullendore	Two (2) Lot Subdivision - Boundary Adjustment
DA 2023.102	Goulds Falls Road, Legume	Demolition of Existing house

All applications were considered in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act, 1979, and determined to meet the general criteria, were approved subject to conditions and are considered to be in the public interest.

The consents listed above are available for public inspection without charge at Council's Administration Building, 247 Rouse Street, Tenterfield during ordinary business hours of 9.30 am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday- excluding between 1.00-2.00pm.

# CHRISTMAS

## Hall Parties



**Sunnyside Hall - Sat 2nd Dec**

**Liston Hall - Sat 2nd Dec**

**Steinbrook Hall - Sat 9th Dec**

**Wallangarra Hall - Sun 10th Dec**

**Bolivia Hall - Sun 10th Dec**

**Urbenville Hall - Wed 13th Dec**



FOOD | DRINKS | FUN

CONTACT YOUR LOCAL HALL FOR  
MORE DETAILS OR CHECK OUT  
THEIR FACEBOOK PAGES

TENTERFIELD COMMUNITY COME JOIN US.

SANTA ARRIVES 7PM

# CHRISTMAS IN BRUXNER PARK

5PM TILL 8PM

14TH  
DEC

SUPPORTED BY  
LION CLUB / ROTARY  
WESTPAC HELICOPTOR SHOP  
TENTERFIELD BUSINESS CHAMBER  
COMMUNITY RECOVERY OFFICER

LOCAL GROUP PERFORMANCES









## What's On

at the library

### NOVEMBER/DECEMBER



STORYTIME

THURSDAYS | 10.30AM - 11.30AM

Join the fun of Storytime with artists from **Make-It Tenterfield** on Thursdays in the library. Sing songs, read stories, rhymes, and enjoy simple creative activities. The last session of the year will be 14 December 2023.

*Free drop-in event.*

HARDCOVER NOTEBOOK WORKSHOP

TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER

10.30AM - 1.30PM

Join local artist Liz Powell to learn simple book binding techniques. Suitable for 18 years and over, learn how to make a small hardcover notebook with blank pages and a ribbon tie. All materials included.

*A free event and bookings required.*



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