



Local Government Team
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30 January 2025

Dear Sir or Madam

Declaration as to Gunnedah Shire Council's compliance with conditions specified in SV instruments

In support of Council's application for a Special Rate Variation (SV) for 2025-26 (Part B) Question 7: Has IPART ever approved a special variation (including additional special variations in 2022-23), I refer to the below table showing applications approved by IPART:

Year	Type	Temp. or Perm.	No of years increase applied	Cumulative. % increase including rate peg
2013-14	508(2)	Permanent	4	39.72%
2022-23	508(2)	Permanent (ASV)	1	2.50%

In relation to Council's compliance with the previous instruments, I can declare that:

- a. Council has in all cases used the additional income from the approved special variations for the purposes outlined in the determinations.
- b. Council has reported the associated works in the relevant Annual Reports, apart from one year. Regarding the 2013-14 SV, the subsequent 2013-14 Annual Report did not include the SV reporting. It is my opinion that this report does not fully comply with the Instrument issued, however I can confirm the funds spent that year were spent as per the conditions of the SV. The information missing from the 2013-14 Annual Report was a reporting oversight at the time, however, the 2014-15 Annual Report does contain the required 2013-14 and 2014-15 disclosures. Extracts from the 2014-15 Annual Reports and the years since are included in the application.

Copies of all Gunnedah Shire Council's Annual Reports and Financial Statements can be found at <https://www.gunnedah.nsw.gov.au/index.php/council/the-future-of-gunnedah/annual-reports> and <https://www.gunnedah.nsw.gov.au/index.php/council/the-future-of-gunnedah/financial-reports>.

I declare this information correct to the best of my knowledge.

Yours sincerely,

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