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DE-AMALGAMATION PLANS

The De-amalgamation Implementation Plan (DIP) and the Financial Sustainability Plan (FSP) have been forwarded to the Local Government Boundaries Commission and placed on public exhibition for community feedback.

The DIP provides a detailed Plan to separate SVC into the former Tumut Council and Tumbarumba Council. The FSP, included in the DIP, outlines the actions required of Snowy Valleys Councillors (and potentially the elected members of the new councils) to establish two new financially sustainable councils.

You are invited to review the plans and make a submission.

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SAVE THE DATE! – TOWN HALL MEETINGS

Interested community members are invited to attend one of our January 2025 Town Hall Meetings to learn more about the DIP and FSP as well as the De-amalgamation process.

Dates at this stage are:

- Tuesday 14 Jan - Tumut
- Wednesday 15 Jan - Tumbarumba
- Thursday 16 Jan - Khancoban
- Tuesday 21 Jan - Talbingo

There will also be opportunities for individuals and groups to meet 1:1 with our GM regarding the plans. We'll share more in early 2025, stay tuned.

COUNCILLOR COLUMN – MAYOR JULIA HAM

To all residents and visitors to the Snowy Valleys have a happy and safe Christmas. Thank you for your support of council.

We are fortunate to have dedicated and engaged staff who will continue to work over the Christmas break to make sure our council area continues to function smoothly. Thank you to all staff for a successful year with Snowy Valleys Council. We have a new enthusiastic council, we look forward to working with you next year.

Our first three months in Council have seen the De-amalgamation Plan sent to the Boundaries Commission, started discussions to get the Multipurpose/Evacuation Centre built and worked with the Softwoods Working Group to help fireproof our region.

The coming year will see the biggest impact of the transmission lines coming through Snowy Valleys. We will continue to work with the community for the best possible outcome. It is our role to work with you to advocate. Please let us know how we can help or support you as this major project gets started.

The new year will also see the Mt Tumbarumba mountain bike track launched. Look out for an influx of bikes and very fit people.

Along with the Snowy Valleys Sculpture Trail, Tumut River Brewery, Tom's Outdoors, and the soon-to-open Batlow Cidery, we are looking at seeing our region flourish.

People are beginning to find out what we already know; we live in a sensational part of the world. Please take time to enjoy it over the holiday period.

Councillors and staff wish everyone a safe and happy Festive Season

Council Offices will close at 11am on Friday 20 December and re-open at 8.30am on Monday 6 January 2025.

Resource Recovery Centres will be closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day and all Public Holidays.

Kerbside Bin collections will continue as per normal schedule.

Swimming Pools will be closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.

To request urgent out of hours council assistance call 1300 275 782

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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SURVEY

Help us better understand what you (our community) values and you could be in with a chance to win one of three \$100 Gift Cards.

We are reviewing our Community Engagement Strategy and Policy and your feedback will help us to improve the way we communicate and engage.

Take our engagement survey online or pick up a hard copy from Council's libraries, customer service counters and childcare centres. Submissions close on Monday 6 January 2025.

Have your say at www.svc.nsw.gov.au/public-exhibition



NEW CITIZEN WELCOMED

Congratulations to our newest Australian citizen Dr Nasrin Kiyarasi Pour from Adelong who took her oath on Thursday 12 December in front of Councillors, family and friends. We wish Dr Nas all the very best.



JANUARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

There are lots of activities available from early January to help keep kids entertained over the school holidays.

Our Libraries will be hosting a range of arts and crafts and other activities including paper making, scavenger hunts and make your own stationery.

There will be free giant inflatable fun for the whole family to enjoy at our pools. The Splash Days will include free use of the giant inflatable and delicious BBQ food for purchase. Standard pool entry fees apply.

The Tumut Chess Club is hosting chess clinics for primary and secondary school-aged students at the Franklin Public School. Beginner to all levels.

Tumut 5Ways Studio is running a range of summer workshops ranging from sewing club to ink painting to lego printing.

For all the information visit www.svc.nsw.gov.au/Jan-school-hols

