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WINDSOR WELCOMES ADDITIONAL RESIDENTIAL AGED CARE PLACES

The Independent Federal Member for New England, Tony Windsor, MP, today welcomed the announcement by the Minister for Ageing, the Hon Julie Bishop, MP, that additional residential aged care places will be provided at Ashford, Armidale and Quirindi.

Mr Windsor said under the announcement, Sunhaven Hostel at Ashford has been allocated two additional low care residential places, including a grant of \$120,000, whilst the New England Masonic Village at Armidale has been allocated a further 16 low care residential places.

In addition, Millrace Hostel at Tenterfield has been allocated three further low care residential places and the Quirindi & District Nursing Home will receive a capital grant of \$2 million towards the provision of aged care accommodation.

“I am delighted to see the provision of additional residential aged care places in the region which will assist many elderly residents who require full time care to remain in their own communities,” Mr Windsor said.

“It is great to see the provision of funding for aged care facilities continuing in addition to positive progress with health facilities and services at Tingha, Emmaville, Walcha, Barraba, Bingara, Guyra and Bundarra.”

Mr Windsor said the funding and provision of additional aged care places was part of the Minister’s announcement of \$30 million in annual recurrent funding for 326 new high care and 1,220 new low care places across Australia.

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