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Windsor welcomes Federal funding for Local Government in the New England electorate

Independent Member for New England, Tony Windsor has welcomed the announcement of Federal Government funding to Local Government bodies in the New England electorate of \$30 million in 2005–06 for local roads and the provision of other local government services

“These Local Government Financial Assistance Grants help councils to provide the high quality services that local communities need and expect of their local council.

These grants are untied so the Local Council can allocate the funds according to local priorities.

Funds are used by councils to provide a range of health, community, recreational, cultural and environmental services and to provide and maintain infrastructure such as roads.

They are part of the ongoing assistance the Australian Government has provided to local communities for the last 30 years.

I thank the Minister for Local Government, Territories and Roads, the Hon Jim Lloyd and the Federal Government for its continued direct support of Local Government through these grants and I know that these grants are very much appreciated by all Local Government in the electorate of New England,” Mr Windsor said.

The grants are paid under the Local Government (Financial Assistance) Act 1995, with the first quarterly payment expected on 15 August 2005.

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Attached is a summary of the amounts received by each Local Government in the New England electorate

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GENERAL PURPOSE AND ROADS GRANTS

New England Electorate Summary

Local Government Area	2005/2006 Estimated Entitlement			2004/2005 Actual Entitlement		
	General Purpose	Roads	Total GP + Roads	General Purpose	Roads	Total GP + Roads
Armidale Dumaresq	\$2,200,127	\$941,590	\$3,141,717	\$2,067,240	\$908,756	\$2,975,996
Glen Innes Municipal	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$913,543	\$141,329	\$1,054,872
Glen Innes Severn	\$1,692,352	\$909,324	\$2,601,676	\$0	\$0	\$0
Guyra Shire	\$960,516	\$640,181	\$1,600,697	\$922,676	\$616,679	\$1,539,355
Gwydir Shire	\$1,545,450	\$1,333,530	\$2,878,980	\$1,478,874	\$1,323,685	\$2,802,559
Inverell Shire	\$2,476,118	\$1,392,791	\$3,868,909	\$2,332,243	\$1,344,634	\$3,676,877
Liverpool Plains Shire	\$1,351,284	\$924,874	\$2,276,158	\$1,298,135	\$889,564	\$2,187,699
Severn Shire	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$729,000	\$751,843	\$1,480,843
Tamworth Regional	\$5,251,031	\$2,717,428	\$7,968,459	\$5,080,882	\$2,622,177	\$7,703,059
Tenterfield Shire	\$1,672,997	\$1,150,403	\$2,823,400	\$1,609,002	\$1,086,893	\$2,695,895
Uralla Shire	\$965,394	\$647,260	\$1,612,654	\$921,563	\$615,850	\$1,537,413
Walcha	\$669,016	\$589,171	\$1,258,187	\$627,911	\$567,791	\$1,195,702

Total \$18,784,285 \$11,246,552 \$30,030,837