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Inverell to get Federal Electorate Office

Independent Member for New England, Tony Windsor has announced that he will be opening an electorate office in Inverell following a decision by the Special Minister of State, The Hon Gary Nairn and endorsed by the Prime Minister to grant a second electorate office to electorates over 30,000 sq kms.

Mr Windsor said that the New England electorate was one of 12 electorates to be granted a second office.

“The new office will be fully equipped and open regular office hours five days per week.

I met with a real estate agent in Inverell in September asking him to identify suitable space that was easily accessible and close to the centre of Inverell.

I envisage that the new office will be open as soon as practicable in the New Year, but will be dependent on fit out work that will need to be carried out,” Mr Windsor said.

Services provided by the electorate office include information about Commonwealth Government programs and helping people in their dealings with Commonwealth Government Departments.

“An electorate office is there to provide people of the electorate with assistance through the maze of Government Departments and procedures.

There are a lot of areas of concern that people may need help with if things go wrong in their lives or they want to access other Government services.

Assistance can be provided on issues like health, education, Centrelink, family support, immigration, veterans’ affairs and the many other Commonwealth Government processes,” Mr Windsor said.

Mr Windsor is looking forward to the opening of the Inverell office but until then, services are available on the Toll Free number 1300 301 839.

“I will be visiting Inverell and other towns seeing people in the electorate as I have always done.

The Inverell electorate office will however be a welcome addition to help the people of the New England electorate,” Mr Windsor said.

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