

## **Infrastructure**

### **Transport**

Gloucester is situated on the North Coast Rail line which is one of the highest volume rail freight network lines in the state. There are daily freight services running north and South, with freight going direct to Newcastle, Sydney and Brisbane. There are Port Facilities in Newcastle and Sydney with access by both Road and Rail.

The Bucketts Way links Gloucester to the Pacific Highway at Both Taree and just south of Karuah offering good road freight linkage to Newcastle in less than 80 minutes and Sydney in less than three hours.

There is a regional airport located 55 minutes away at Williamtown, providing a daily air service to Sydney, and a light aircraft strip located five minutes south of Gloucester.

### **Telecommunications**

#### **Broadband Internet Access**

The Gloucester and Barrington Telephone exchanges were ADSL Broadband enabled in 2004, giving residents within a 4-5 km radius of those exchanges access to High speed internet services. There is also now a radio wire mesh service servicing the district with services having commenced in October 2005. This service provides access to a number of isolated population centre's, north and south west of Barrington Village and around Gloucester itself, and can be extended dependant on demand. Some of the much more isolated landholders in the area utilize a satellite based internet service

#### **Telephone Services**

The topography in the Gloucester District is typically very undulating and in places very rugged which does not augur well for mobile phone service coverage, although the town, immediate surrounds and more eastern districts are well served by an analogue service.

#### **Water and Sewer**

The Gloucester Shire Council has two separate Water supply services, one of which services the Village of Barrington and the other the township of Gloucester. The proposal is in the future to combine those services and provide a single and comprehensive water supply service to all the urban based residents of the Gloucester Shire. With the planned expansion of Barrington there will be a significant call for additional water supply in that area and the growth of Gloucester and the immediate lifestyle and rural residential lots in the immediate surrounds has led to a significant increase in over all demand for residential consumption of water. The Council is committed to the supply of water to these rural residential and lifestyle lots within the immediate town area.

Council also seeks to have and is committed to having these same lots serviced by the town sewer as the soil types are not particularly conducive to the successful operation of individual septic systems on smaller, more closely settled Rural Residential lots.

**Professional Services** – Please refer to Business directory

**Surveyors**

Calco: - King Street Gloucester

**Solicitor**

Bowen-Thomas and Barlow: - Church Street Gloucester

Ray Martin: – Queen Street Gloucester

**Accountant**

Berry Clifton Garrisons: Barrington Street Gloucester

Nick Preo: King Street Gloucester

Rob Moore and Associates: Church Street Gloucester

Rex Barrett: Church Street Gloucester

**Trades Skills and Contractors**

**Builders**

G. W.G Constructions P/L - 6558 1343  
David Robinson - 6558 9284  
Rendell and Faull P/L - 6558 4295  
K. E and L A Forbes - 6558 1305  
Stephen Byrnes 6558 9540  
Peter Jones 6558 1673  
Nathan O'Brien 0419 483 272

**Electricians**

Townsend Electrical 6558 2144  
Gloucester Electrical 6558 0226  
Wayne Salvestro 6558 3156  
Robert Miller 6558 9313  
Bucketts Way Elect 6558 1503  
Paul Wise 6558 7440  
Ralph Groves 6558 7478

**Bricklayers**

CJ Beattie 6558 1917  
Gary Webeck 6558 1810

**Plumbers**

Bruce McKechnie 6558 9609  
Tony Pike 6558 4293  
Ashby Plumbing 6558 2083  
DB Plumbing 6558 2900  
Mark Lukas 6558 9661  
Redman's Earthmoving 6558 2244

**Earthmoving/ site preparation**

Lauries Earthmoving 6558 1174  
Whatmore's 6558 2101  
Redman's 6558 2244  
Mark Edwards 6558 2850  
Meco Pty Ltd 6558 7523  
Sansoms 6558 2040  
Mark Harris 6558 2513  
Peter Daly 6558 9242  
Philip Crawley 0428421032  
Eledco – Kanga Hire 0410 733 515  
Bernie's Bobcat 6558 2105

**Concrete**

Readymix 6558 1308  
Matt Whittaker 6558 9576  
Greg Ashbrooke 6558 9047

**Crane Hire**

John Gorton 6558 1955