

The Taxation Practitioners Board need not be using a Sydney GPO Box. It is not clear from its website where it is physically located.

Many regional centres, including Taree, NSW have excellent NBN connections. Meetings of board members can easily take place through AV links. I notice that at least one is from the Mid North Coast. There may be others. Any office administration can be from a regional centre. Board members can still meet at short term hired (or borrowed) meeting rooms at locations with affordable transport links. Newcastle has a good airport, as well as other regional centres. In any event most meetings can be by AVL.

Taree is one suggested location merely because staff members are only three and a bit hours from Sydney and minutes to the beaches. Many affordable housing options are available. The future construction of the new town of Brimbin will at least double the population in the area, and the ATB, or other government agencies may find that staff are happier and less stressed living where housing is more affordable and traffic problems non-existent.

The NBN makes geography irrelevant. Whilst some staff may find any initial move to be a slight dislocation from what they are used to, they should soon find that they can settle into a new community and pay-off their mortgage in a fraction of the time. They can enjoy their life and as such work more productively.

Regards

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