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1. **ORIGIN:** Environment & Health Services Unit
FILE REF: Leases - Council Property; Womens Affairs; 1800.5

REPORT TITLE:

Old Pilot's Residence - Duranbah Beach

SUMMARY OF REPORT:

The above building is dilapidated and past its useful life and requires demolition.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Trust proceeds to demolish this building.

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REPORT:

Situated on the Trust land above Duranbah Beach is an old timber-framed dwelling that was used as the pilot's residence. The dwelling was used for some time by Tweed Skillshare but has been unoccupied for some considerable time.

Council at its Community Access session on 8 May 2002 was addressed by Annette Togo-Tuku who requested use of the premises for a Women's Natural Health Centre. A copy of her submission is set out below:

Annette Togo-Tuku
1/122 Kennedy Drive
West Tweed Heads
NSW 2486

22 April, 2002

Dr John Griffin
General Manager
Tweed Shire Council
P.O. Box 816
Murwillumbah NSW 2484

***PROPOSAL FOR LEASE OF COUNCIL PROPERTY
CNR HILL & EDEN STREET, TWEED HEADS NSW***

I would like to propose the leasing of this council property for the express purpose of a non-profit community based organisation ie. *WOMEN'S NATURAL HEALTH CENTRE* that is designed to continue the work of the Tweed Valley Women's Health Centre that has previously been operational in Wharf Street, Tweed Heads for a period of two years.

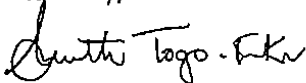
With the closure of the Tweed Valley Women's Health there is a dire need for alternative premises for our clientele to access these previously available services. Our vision is to provide holistic qualified services at concession rates. These include; counseling, naturopathy, beauty therapy, nutrition and therapeutic massage. Whilst these services will be available from 9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday, we will also offer specialised workshops for women in the areas of self-development, self-esteem, relaxation, yoga and general fitness.

After discussion with the officer in charge of council properties we have been made aware that this property is currently available however requires extensive work and renovations prior to being committed as a place of business. On this matter we have secured voluntary professional trade services in order to renovate, repaint walls, floors and ceilings. The Tugun nursery as a sponsor has also offered their services to upgrade and upkeep the gardens at the premises.

I would like to propose an initial weekly rent rate of between \$150 to \$200 neg. per week with lease term of two years with an additional optional period to be negotiated at a later date. If our application for lease of this property is successful we would like to request the usage of Council workers and truck to remove any excess rubbish that may still be present.

I would like to thank-you in advance for your assistance and consideration with this matter, if you require any further information or details please do not hesitate to contact me on (07) 5599 2385.

Yours truly,



Annette Togo-Tuku

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A recent inspection of the building has revealed that it is dilapidated and would require considerable expenditure to repair. Items needed include new roof, replacement of most outside cladding and other rotted timber, new electrical wiring. These works are estimated to cost between and \$50,000 and \$100,000.

It is considered that the building has passed its useful life and should be demolished.

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