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Dear Mr Green

Thank you for your letter of 3 July 2015 advising the Minister for Local Government, the Hon Paul Toole MP, and the Office of Local Government about the resignation of CIr Michael Armstrong, which came into effect on 1 July 2015.

I understand Council at its meeting of 2 July 2015 resolved to seek an order from the Minister for Local Government for the casual vacancy in civic office on Tweed Shire Council resulting from the resignation of Clr Michael Armstrong not be filled.

I am pleased to advise that under delegation from the Minister for Local Government and pursuant to section 294(2)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, I have determined to order that this casual vacancy in civic office on Tweed Shire Council not be filled.

This means Council can dispense with the need to conduct a by-election to fill this casual vacancy. I have advised the NSW Electoral Commissioner of my decision by email on today's date.

I trust that my decision is of assistance to Council.

Yours sincerely

Marcia Doheny Chief Executive Office of Local Government

