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Date: 24 July 2006

Attention: Mr Mike Rayner

Dear Mike,

RE: Tweed River Regional Museum Development

I refer to your letter of 3 July 2006 and to Council's previous letter of 1 June 2006 and apologise for the delay in my response. 1422826

Previously in my letter of 27 April 2006 I gave in-principle support to the site in question being used for the development of the Tweed River Regional Museum proposal. I can now reiterate that support. 1384535

My letter also advised of the method of obtaining the site via a long term lease. As an interim to a formal lease and to enable Council to commence the project's development (seek funding, design & document the building and obtain development consent), a short term licence for site investigation should be obtained.

In relation to rental I suggested that Council consider use of the site which could provide additional benefits. Mr Buckley's letter of June 1 indicates that there is no appropriate opportunity for multiple use of the site. Whilst I am surprised that this decision could be reached so swiftly, especially given Council's obvious concerns regarding funding of the Jack Evans Boat Harbour development expressed at our meeting on 27 June, the method of obtaining the site remains the same.

To date the Department has received no application from Council to further the proposal. Until schematics, a site plan and a business plan are available the Department will not commit beyond in-principle support.

I will be in Tweed Heads on Friday where we can further discuss this issue.

Yours faithfully

Craig Barnes
Regional Manager – North Coast
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