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Dr Mr Arnold

TAFE NSW confirms its in principle support for Byron Shire Council's development of the surplus Byron Bay and Mullumbimby Hospital sites. TAFE NSW understands potential development of these sites will provide industry and other stakeholders with opportunities to capitalise on the locations of these assets and a variety of training and employment opportunities.

TAFE NSW is committed to designing and delivering high quality, fit for purpose educational programs to support growth in the Northern Rivers Region and Byron Shire. We therefore look forward to opportunities to train and develop personnel to support local industry and Byron Bay's future prosperity. TAFE NSW will work to support Byron Shire Council by leveraging and growing existing skills programs to meet needs across broad training markets, including but not limited to tourism, hospitality, retail, business, community services and creative industries. TAFE NSW prides itself on training job ready individuals who support local and national growth.

This letter of support is within the parameters of TAFE NSW conducting an economic and financial viability assessment of any potential property development within the surplus Byron Bay and Mullumbimby hospital sites. This assessment will provide TAFE NSW with an opportunity to assess potential property options which may align with planning for Byron Shire Council and the TAFE NSW Infrastructure Strategy currently in development.

Guiding principles for the TAFE NSW Infrastructure Strategy include alignment with government infrastructure and regional development strategies, embedding of training services within designated precincts and community facilities, partnering with organisations to share use of infrastructure and integration of training services within industry value chains to deliver efficient and sustainable industry outcomes. We envisage these principles are aligned to the goals of infrastructure development within the Byron Shire.

TAFE NSW looks forward to strategic opportunities with Byron Shire Council and its planning for growth in infrastructure and services. Should you require any further information re this letter of support, please do not hesitate to contact me or our Regional Strategic Planner, Regan Harding, on regan.harding@tafensw.edu.au or 0428 018 390.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susie George". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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